In LA last weekend, I met with Michael Kives and his firm, K5.

He is, probably, the most connected person I’ve ever met. In attendance at the dinner at his house were:

1) Hillary Clinton
2) Doug Emhoff
3) Katy Perry
4) Orlando Bloom
5) Kate Hudson
6) Leonardo DiCaprio
7) Jeff Bezos
8) Ted Sarandos
9) Kendall Jenner
10) Kris Jenner
11) Corey Gamble

Etc.

He seems to be genuinely close to them—e.g. is vacationing with Katy/Orlando/Kate right now, Bill/Hillary spoke at his wedding, etc.

He’s been very friendly to us, and already started to create valuable relationships. He intro’d me to everyone I asked at the party and was open/active in doing so.

K5 is his firm with his cofounder, Bryan Baum. It’s a joint VC-firm and incubator, for e.g. 818 Tequila (with Kendall Jenner).

They want with us:

1) A guide to the crypto industry
2) Co-investments and sharing dealflow
3) Us to consider endorsements with their friends
4) Us to be added to their club
5) Us to work with them on Democratic politics
6) Maybe us to invest in them or some stuff, idk

We can get from them:

1) Essentially infinite connections. I think that if we asked them to arrange a dinner with us, Elon, Obama, Rihanna, and Zuckerberg in a month, they would probably succeed.
2) Potential endorsement deals
3) Potential unpaid partnerships with celebrities
4) Working together on electoral politics
5) Political relationships

FWIW I’ve generally gotten good vibes from them.

Bryan is going to be visiting the office tomorrow; he lives in Miami most of the time, the rest mostly live in LA.

I think this should substantially change some things. In particular I think it’s something of a one-stop shop for relationships that we should utilize, and can supersede a lot of other things we have.