

EAVESDROP> ZAHA TO TOUCH DOWN IN HOUSTON

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It was announced in July of 2014 (very quietly evidently) that [Zaha Hadid](#) had been commissioned to design a new headquarters for real estate/oil and gas conglomerate The Richland Companies in [Houston](#). Why had we not heard about this? Well, thanks to Vladimir Kagan, we are now in the know!

The legendary furniture designer not only tipped *AN* off about the commission, he was also responsible for introducing Ms. Hadid to Suzanne Klein and Edna Meyer-Nelson, the Richland execs who promptly hired the Pritzker Prize winner to plan their mixed-use HQ. No design has been released yet, but we'll be waiting with bated breath to see what sort of swooping, eccentric forms Zaha cooks up for the project—that is, unless falling oil prices put a lid on this baby before it's hatched!