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More clemency coming after Manning's sentence shortened

WASHINGTON — Embracing his clemency powers like never before, President Barack Obama is planning more commutations in his final days in office after a dramatic move to cut short convicted leaker Chelsea Manning's sentence.

Obama became the president to have granted more commutations than any other when he announced Tuesday that Manning will be freed in May, almost 30 years ahead of schedule. Manning, the transgender Army intelligence officer who leaked more than 700,000 U.S. documents, was one of 273 people receiving clemency on a single day.

Receiving pardons from the president were retired Gen. James Cartwright, who was charged with making false statements during another leak probe, and San Francisco Giants Hall of Famer Willie McCovey, sentenced in 1996 on tax evasion charges. Puerto Rican nationalist Oscar Lopez Rivera's 55-year sentence was commuted.

But Obama is not finished. The White House said Obama would grant more commutations Thursday — the day before his presidency ends — though officials said those would focus on drug offenders and would not likely include any other famous names.

Neil Eggleston, Obama's White House counsel, said the individuals were learning "that our nation is a forgiving nation, where hard work and a commitment to rehabilitation can lead to a second chance, and where wrongs from the past will not deprive an individual of the opportunity to move forward."



U.S. Army Pfc. Chelsea Manning poses for a photo wearing a wig and lipstick. On Tuesday, President Barack Obama commuted the sentence of Manning, who leaked Army documents and is serving 35 years.

"It would have been good to have been getting people looking for debris," said David Griffin, an Australian government oceanographer who worked on an analysis of how the debris drifted in a bid to pinpoint where the plane crashed. "I think that was a job that fell between the cracks of whose responsibility it was."

Since the plane vanished on a flight from Kuala Lumpur to Beijing on March 8, 2014, more than 20 pieces of debris confirmed or believed likely to have come from the aircraft have turned up on beaches along the east coast of Africa and on islands including Madagascar. All of the parts have been found by local residents and tourists who stumbled upon them, and by Blaine Gibson, an American amateur sleuth who launched his own, self-funded hunt for debris after working with oceanographers to estimate where bits of the plane may have ended up.

For driverless cars, a moral dilemma: Who lives or dies?

BOSTON — Imagine you're behind the wheel when your brakes fail. As you speed toward a crowded crosswalk, you're confronted with an impossible choice: veer right and mow down a large group of elderly people, or veer left into a woman pushing a stroller.

Now imagine you're riding in the back of a self-driving car. How would it decide?

Researchers at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology are asking people worldwide how they think a robot car should handle such life-or-death decisions. Their goal is not just for better algorithms and ethical tenets to guide autonomous vehicles, but to understand what it will take for society to accept the vehicles and use them.

Their findings present a dilemma for car makers and governments eager to introduce self-driving vehicles on the promise that they'll be safer than human-controlled cars. People prefer a self-driving car to act in the greater good, sacrificing its passenger if it can save a crowd of pedestrians. They just don't want to get into that car.

"There is a real risk that if we don't understand those psychological barriers and address them through regulation and public outreach, we may undermine the entire enterprise," said Iyad Rahwan, an associate professor at the MIT Media Lab. "People

will say they're not comfortable with this. It would stifle what I think will be a very good thing for humanity."

Pointed questions await Trump's pick for health secretary

WASHINGTON — With coverage for millions of people at stake, Rep. Tom Price is facing pointed questions about President-elect Donald Trump's health policies — and his own investments in health care companies — from senators considering his selection as health secretary.

While Price, an orthopedic surgeon-turned-lawmaker, is largely a known quantity on Capitol Hill, Trump's bottom line on health care remains a mystery for Democrats and Republicans alike. Trump campaigned on repealing "Obamacare," but at times he's sounded more like a liberal, for example, with recent comments about providing insurance for everyone and taking on the drug companies.

The Senate Health, Education, Labor and Pensions Committee scheduled a hearing on Price's nomination for Wednesday.

Price, 62, represents Atlanta's northern suburbs and chairs the House Budget Committee. A budget hawk and a social conservative, he drafted his own plan to replace President Barack Obama's 2010 health care law. It would have saved taxpayers money but covered fewer people, according to an outside analysis.

Democrats intend to question Price about the impact of Trump's plans to repeal and replace the Affordable Care Act, now providing coverage for about 20 million people.

Power shortages leave Gaza in the dark

GAZA CITY, Gaza Strip — At night, large swaths of the Gaza Strip plunge into darkness — the result of chronic and worsening power outages. In crowded city streets, the only source of light comes from the headlights of passing cars.

The power shortages are the worst to hit Gaza since Hamas seized control of the territory 10 years ago. In recent weeks, electricity has been available for just three or four hours a day. Although some relief has arrived, the power woes have turned Gaza into a cold, dark place at the height of the winter season and sparked rare public protests against the Islamic militant group.

"Our situation is bad. I swear to God it's very, very bad," said Majed Abu Nemer, a father of six who supports his family by transporting goods on a horse-drawn cart.

On a recent day, he and other residents in a poor neighborhood of the southern town of Khan Younis burned scrap wood inside their homes, unbothered by the smoke. His family clustered around the fire, on which their mother cooked soup and roasted bread.

"I can't afford to keep buying candles, or go and bring an (emergency) light," Abu Nemer said. "When the light's battery is about to die, I go to my neighbors to charge it so I can see how my children are sleeping and if they are covered."

Inaugural speech is Trump's time to rise to the moment

WASHINGTON — Tradition suggests it's time for Donald Trump to set aside the say-anything speaking style and rise to the inaugural moment.

But bucking tradition, or ignoring it altogether, is what got Donald Trump to his inaugural moment.

When Trump stands on the west front of the Capitol on Friday and delivers his inaugural address, all sides will be waiting to see whether he comes bearing a unifying message for a divided nation or decides to play up his persona as a disrupter of the established order.

How Trump tends to that balancing act, in both style and content, will be a telling launch for his presidency.

"The inaugural is an address that is meant for the ages," said Kathleen Hall Jamieson, a communications professor and director of the Annenberg Public Policy Center at the University of Pennsylvania. "In particular, it's important when you've had a divisive election. You need to become president of all of the people, including those who vehemently opposed your election."

Were opportunities for clues from MH370 debris missed?

SYDNEY — Three nations shelled out around \$160 million and years' worth of work on the underwater search for missing Malaysia Airlines Flight 370. The result: No plane. The only tangible — and arguably most important — clues into what happened to the aircraft have come courtesy of ordinary citizens, who bore the costs themselves.

The deep-sea sonar search for the vanished Boeing 777 was suspended on Tuesday after officials conceded defeat following the most expensive, complex aviation search in history.

But while search crews spent years trawling in futility through a remote patch of the Indian Ocean, people wandering along beaches thousands of kilometers (miles) away began spotting pieces of the plane that had washed ashore. Those pieces have provided crucial information to investigators and prompted some to question whether Malaysia, Australia and China — who funded the hunt for the underwater wreckage — missed key opportunities by failing to organize coastal searches for the remnants that drifted to distant shorelines.

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A	L	6 PM	6:30	7 PM	7:30	8 PM	8:30	9 PM	9:30	10 PM	10:30	11 PM	11:30
2	KATU	(2) KATU News at 6		Jeopardy!	Wheel of Fortune	Fresh Off-Boat (N)	Speechless (N)	Modern Family	Black-ish (N)	Match Game (N)		KATU News at 11	(35) Jimmy Kimmel
3	KOMO	(4) KOMO 4 News		Jeopardy!	Wheel of Fortune	Fresh Off-Boat (N)	Speechless (N)	Modern Family	Black-ish (N)	Match Game (N)		KOMO 4 News	(35) Jimmy Kimmel
4	KING	(5) NBC Nightly News	KING 5 News	KING 5 News	Evening	Blindspot "Devil Never Even Lived" (N)	Law&Order: SVU "Decline and Fall" (N)	Chicago P.D. "Sanctuary" (N)				KING 5 News	(35) Tonight Show
6	KOIN	(6) KOIN Local 6 at 6	CBS Evening News	Extra	Ent. Tonight	Boss "The Coffee Bean and Tea Leaf" (N)	People's Choice Fans choose the nominees and winners of these awards. (N)					KOIN 6 News @ 11	(35) S. Colbert
7	KIRO	(7) KIRO 7 News	CBS Evening News	The Insider	Ent. Tonight	Boss "The Coffee Bean and Tea Leaf" (N)	People's Choice Fans choose the nominees and winners of these awards. (N)					KIRO News	(35) S. Colbert
8	KGW	(8) KGW News at 6:00 p.m.		Live at 7	Inside Edition	Blindspot "Devil Never Even Lived" (N)	Law&Order: SVU "Decline and Fall" (N)	Chicago P.D. "Sanctuary" (N)				KGW News at 11	(35) Tonight Show
9	KRCW	(9) Last Man Standing	Last Man Standing	Modern Family	Modern Family	Arrow "What We Leave Behind"	Frequency "Harmonic" (N)	KGW News at 10	Two and a Half			Two and a Half	Met Your Mother
10	KOPB	(10) Journeys in Japan	Business (N)	PBS NewsHour		Nature "Moose: Life of a Twig Eater"	Frontline "Divided States of America" 2/2 (N)					Bombs Away	
12	KPTV	(12) 6 O'Clock News		Family Feud	Family Feud	Lethal Weapon "Brotherly Love" (N)	Star "Code of Silence" (N)	10 O'Clock News				11 O'Clock News	2 Broke Girls
13	KPDx	(13) Mike & Molly	Mike & Molly	Big Bang Theory	Big Bang Theory	FOX 12's 8 O'Clock News on PDX-TV	FOX 12's 9 O'Clock News on PDX-TV	Family Guy	Family Guy			American Dad	Cleveland Show
13	KCPQ	(13) Modern Family	Modern Family	Big Bang Theory	Big Bang Theory	Lethal Weapon "Brotherly Love" (N)	Star "Code of Silence" (N)	Q13 News at 10				Q13 News	The Simpsons
20	TBS	(20) Seinfeld	Seinfeld	Big Bang Theory	Big Bang Theory	Big Bang Theory	Big Bang Theory	Big Bang Theory	Full Frontal (N)			Conan (N)	
22	KZJO	(22) Two and a Half	Two and a Half	Last Man Standing	Last Man Standing	Modern Family	Modern Family	Q13 News at 9				Big Bang Theory	Friends
29	ESPN	(29) NBA Basketball Atlanta Hawks at Detroit Pistons (L)		NBA Basketball Oklahoma City Thunder at Golden State Warriors Site: The Oracle -- Oakland, Calif. (L)				SportsCenter				SportsCenter	
30	ESPN2	(30) ITF Tennis Australian Open Men's and Women's Second Round Site: Melbourne Park -- Melbourne, Australia (L)											
31	NICK	(31) Henry Danger	Henry Danger	Paradise Run (N)	The Thundermans	The Thundermans	Game Shakers	Full House	Full House	Full House	Full House	Friends	Friends
32	DISN	(32) Girl Meets W. 1/2	Bizaardvark	K.C. Undercover	Good Luck Charlie	Good Luck Charlie	Good Luck Charlie	Live and Maddie	Live and Maddie	Bunk'd	Bunk'd	Jessie	Jessie
34	FAM	(34) (5:00) Big Daddy ('99) Adam Sandler.		*** Bruce Almighty ('03) Morgan Freeman, Jennifer Aniston, Jim Carrey.				** Tooth Fairy ('10) Ashley Judd, Seth MacFarlane, Dwayne "The Rock" Johnson.				The 700 Club	
35	FMC	(35) (5:55) *** Rio 2 ('14, Ani) Anne Hathaway, Jesse Eisenberg. (45) ** Little Man ('06) Marlon Wayans, Kerry Washington, Keenen Ivory Wayans. (40) FXM Presents		*** Unstoppable ('11, Act) Chris Pine.				*** Unstoppable ('11, Act) Chris Pine.				Denzel Washington. (35) FXM Presents	
36	LIFE	(36) Vivica's Black Magic "Finding Magic"	"Magic "Locals vs. Out of Towners"		Little Women ATL "The Truth Hurts" (N)	Little Women: Atlanta (N)		Magic "Fifty Shades of Chocolate" (N)				Magic "Locals vs. Out of Towners" (N)	
38	ROOT	(38) In Depth (N)	Mark Few	NCAA Basketball Air Force vs. Nevada (L)				NCAA Basketball Georgia Tech at Virginia Tech				NCAA Basketball TCU at Texas Tech	
39	F51	(39) UFC Fight Night				Fox Sports Live	Garbage Time (N)	Skip and Shannon: Undisputed Opinions on the biggest sports topics of the day.				TMZ Sports (N)	Garbage Time
43	SPIKE	(43) (5:00) ** 2 Fast 2 Furious ('03) Tyrese Gibson, Paul Walker.		** xXx (2002, Action) Samuel L. Jackson, Marton Csokas, Vin Diesel.				** Fast Five (2011, Action) Paul Walker, Vin Diesel.					
44	COM	(44) (20) South Park	(55) South Park "Lice Capades"	(25) South Park	South Park	South Park	South Park	South Park	South Park	Workaholics (N)	Jeff and Aliens (N)	The Daily Show (N)	at midnight (N)
45	HIST	(45) American Pickers	"The Superfan"	American Pickers	"Catch-32"	Vikings "The Great Army"		Vikings "Revenge" (N)		Six "Pilot" (N)		Six "Pilot"	
46	A&E	(46) The First 48 "Desperate Moves"		Duck Dynasty	Duck Dynasty	DuckD. (N)	Duck Dynasty	Duck Dynasty (N)	Going Si-ral (N)			Duck Dynasty	Duck Dynasty (35) Duck Dynasty
47	TLC	(47) My 600-lb Life: Extended "Ashley R.'s Story" (N)				My 600-lb Life "Cynthia's Story" (N)						My 600-lb Life "Cynthia's Story"	
48	DISC	(48) Bush People "Back in Browntown"		Bush People "All That Matters"		Alaskan Bush "Bear With Us" (N)		Alaskan Bush People (N)				Alaskan Bushcraft "Safe Haven"	Alaskan Bush People
49	NIGO	(49) To Catch a Smuggler "Cavity Courier"		Drugs, Inc. "Stashville, Tennessee"		Drugs, Inc. "Shooting Up Suburbia"		Drugs, Inc. "X-Rated High"				Narco State	
50	TNT	(50) Bones "The Drama in the Queen"		Bones "The Recluse in the Recliner"		Madea's Big Happy Family (2011, Drama) Bow Wow, Tyler Perry.		★ Madea Goes to Jail ('09, Com) Derek Luke, Keshia Knight Pulliam, Tyler Perry.					
51	AMC	(51) (4:30) ★★ Armageddon (1998, Adventure) Liv Tyler, Ben Affleck, Bruce Willis.		★★★ The Italian Job (2003, Action) Charlize Theron, Donald Sutherland, Mark Wahlberg.				★★★ Man on Fire ('04) Dakota Fanning, Denzel Washington.					
52	USA	(52) NCIS "Oil and Water"		NCIS "Better Angels"		NCIS "Alibi"		NCIS "Gut Check"				Modern Family	Modern Family
53	FOOD	(53) Worst Cooks in America		Worst Cooks in America		Cooks vs. Cons "Apple Apocalypse"		Cooks vs. Cons "Salad Bar Blowout" (N)				Worst Cooks in America "All Aboard!"	
54	HGTV	(54) Buying and Selling "Time to Move On"		Buying and Selling		Property Brothers		Property Brothers (N)				Buying "Making Room for Grandma"	
56	FX	(56) (5:00) **** Gone Girl (2014, Mystery) Rosamund Pike, Missi Pyle, Ben Affleck.		**** Fast and Furious 6 (2013, Action) Paul Walker, Dwayne Johnson, Vin Diesel.				Obama White House Barack Obama defines his legacy and transitions power.				Fast and Furious 6 ('13, Act) Vin Diesel.	
57	CNN	(57) The End: The Final Days of the Obama White House (N)				CNN Tonight With Don Lemon						CNN Tonight With Don Lemon	
58	FNC	(58) Tucker Carlson Tonight		Hannity		The O'Reilly Factor		Tucker Carlson Tonight				Hannity	The O'Reilly Factor
61	CNBC	(61) Shark Tank		Blue Collar (N)	Blue Collar	Shark Tank		Shark Tank				Blue Collar	Blue Collar
63	BRav	(63) Family HHOop "The Empire Strikes Back"		Beverly Hills "Amnesia Appetizers"		Beverly Hills "Compromising Positions"		Beverly Hills "It's Expensive to Be Me"				WatchWhat (N)	Beverly Hills
64	TCM	(64) (5:00) It's Always Fair Weather		**** The Umbrellas of Cherbourg ('64) Nino Castelnuovo, Catherine Deneuve.		**** Meet Me in St. Louis ('44) Margaret O'Brien, Mary Astor, Judy Garland.						City Lights ('31, Com) Charles Chaplin.	
65	SYFY	(65) (4:00) The Core ('03, Sci-Fi) Hilary Swank.		**** Skyfall (2012, Action) Helen McCrory, Ralph Fiennes, Daniel Craig.				Inc. "Operational Realignment" (N)				Resident Evil: Extinction Milla Jovovich.	
182	RFD	(182) Cowboy TV	Noble Outfitters	Women's Rodeo	Equestrian Nation	Total Team Roping	Rural Eve. News	The Final Spin	WesternSport	Cowboy TV	Noble Outfitters	Product Showcase	

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