

WORLD IN BRIEF

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Trump signs new travel ban targeting those seeking new visas

WASHINGTON — President Donald Trump today signed a new version of his controversial travel ban, aiming to withstand court challenges while still barring new visas for citizens from six Muslim-majority countries and shutting down the U.S. refugee program.

The revised travel order leaves Iraq off the list of banned countries but still affects would-be visitors from Iran, Syria, Somalia, Sudan, Yemen and Libya.

Trump privately signed the new order today while Homeland Security Secretary John Kelly, Secretary of State Rex Tillerson and Attorney General Jeff Sessions formally unveiled the new edict. The low-key rollout was a contrast to the first version of the order, signed in a high-profile ceremony at the Pentagon's Hall of Heroes as Secretary of Defense James Mattis stood by Trump's side.

White House Press Secretary Sean Spicer was not scheduled to hold an on-camera briefing today either, leading to the appearance that the president was distancing himself from the order, which was a signature issue during his campaign and the first days of his presidency. The order also risks being overshadowed by unsubstantiated accusations the president made over the weekend that former President Barack Obama had ordered the wiretapping of his phone during the campaign.

The original travel ban caused immediate panic and chaos at airports around the country as Homeland Security officials scrambled to interpret how it was to be implemented and travelers were detained before being sent back overseas or blocked from getting on airplanes abroad. The order quickly became the subject of several legal challenges and was ultimately put on hold last month by a federal judge in Washington state. That ruling was upheld by a federal appeals court.

The revised order is narrower and specifies that a 90-day ban on people from the six countries does not apply to those who already have valid visas or people with U.S. green cards.

An angry weekend follows on heels of frustrations for Trump

WASHINGTON — President Donald Trump started his weekend in Florida in a fit of anger over his young administration getting sidetracked just days after his most successful moment in office. He returned to the White House late Sunday derailed — again.

Trump's frustration appeared to be both the symptom and the cause of his recent woes. Angry about leaks, errant messaging and his attorney general landing in hot water, he fired off a series of tweets that only ensured more distractions.

His staff had hoped to build on the momentum generated by his speech to Congress by rolling out his revamped travel ban and, potentially, unveiling his health care plan. Those efforts rapidly unraveled, sparking more staff infighting and enraging a president loathe to publicly admit a mistake and eager to shift the blame onto others.

And now, as Trump begins one of the most pivotal weeks yet for his presidency, his staff is facing the fallout from another allegation of close ties to Russia and the president's unsubstantiated claims that his predecessor ordered him wiretapped during the campaign.

Trump simmered all weekend in Florida before returning to Washington ahead of signing new immigration restrictions, according to associates who spoke to the president and, like others interviewed, requested anonymity to discuss private conversations. Those close to Trump said it was the angriest he's been as president, his rage bursting to the surface at his senior staff Friday afternoon in the Oval Office.

Are high heel dress codes sexist? UK lawmakers hold debate

LONDON — British lawmakers focused on footwear today, asking whether employers should be able to make women wear high heels as part of a corporate dress code.

Members of Parliament were to debate a ban on mandatory workplace high heels, in response to a petition started by a receptionist who was sent home without pay for wearing flat shoes.

Nicola Thorp was told in December 2015 that her shoes were unacceptable for a temporary assignment in London with finance firm PwC.

Her employment agency, Portico, had a dress code specifying that female workers must wear non-opaque tights, have hair with "no visible roots," wear "regularly re-applied" makeup — and appear in shoes with a heel between 2 to 4 inches (5 to 10 centimeters) high.



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President Donald Trump waves as he arrives at the White House in Washington on Sunday from a trip to Florida.

For Thorp, that was a step too far. She started an online petition, calling formal workplace dress codes "outdated and sexist." It has gathered more than 150,000 signatures, making it eligible for a debate in Parliament.

Thorp told the BBC that "dress codes should reflect society." "Twenty years ago, women weren't allowed to wear trousers in the same role that I'm doing now," she said. "And it's only because some women spoke up about that and said, 'We feel like we have a right to wear trousers,' that that's changed."

today's debate is non-binding, but the political pressure for companies to scrap mandatory high heels is building. British law forbids companies from discriminating against women, but Parliament's Women and Equalities Committee said in a report sparked by Thorp's experience that "discriminatory dress codes" remain commonplace.

North Korea fires 4 banned ballistic missiles into sea

SEOUL, South Korea — North Korea today fired four banned ballistic missiles that flew about 1,000 kilometers (620 miles) on average, with three of them landing in waters that Japan claims as its exclusive economic zone, South Korean and Japanese officials said. The test-launches appeared to be a reaction to huge U.S.-South Korean military drills that those countries consider routine but that Pyongyang insists are an invasion rehearsal.

It was not immediately clear the exact type of missile fired, but the tests will be viewed as a provocation by the Trump administration, which is working on its policy for North Korea. The New York Times reported over the weekend that the United States still can't effectively counter Pyongyang's actions despite efforts to perfect cyber and electronic strikes against North Korea's missile program.

Pyongyang has test-launched a series of missiles of various ranges in recent months, including a new intermediate-range missile in February; it also conducted two nuclear tests last year. The ramped-up tests come as leader Kim Jong Un pushes for a nuclear and missile program that can deter what he calls U.S. and South Korean hostility toward the North.

There have been widespread worries that the North will conduct an ICBM test that, when perfected, could in theory reach the U.S. mainland. Washington would consider such a capability a major threat.

U.S. national security adviser H.R. McMaster and his South Korean counterpart Kim Kwan-jin talked by phone after the missile firings. The two condemned the launches and agreed to boost cooperation to get the North to face more effective sanctions and pressure, according to South Korea's presidential office.

Malaysia protecting its 'dignity' in expelling NK ambassador

KUALA LUMPUR, Malaysia — Malaysia is protecting its "sovereignty and dignity" by expelling the North Korean ambassador, the prime minister said today, as relations between the countries unraveled over the poisoning of Kim Jong Nam, the estranged half brother of North Korea's leader.

In an attack many believe was orchestrated by North Korea, Kim died less than 20 minutes after two women wiped VX nerve agent on his face at Kuala Lumpur airport on Feb. 13, authorities say. The women, one from Vietnam and one from Indonesia, have been charged with murder.

North Korea has denied any role in the killing and accused Malaysia of conspiring with its enemies. North Korean Ambassador Kang Chol has rejected a Malaysian autopsy that found Kim was killed with VX, a banned chemical weapon.

Today, Prime Minister Najib Razak said the decision to expel Kang sent a clear message. "It means that we are firm in defending our sovereignty and

dignity," Najib said. "Don't ever insult our country and don't try to cause disruptions here."

Ex-sect members: Prosecutors obstructed abuse cases

SPINDALE, N.C. — At least a half-dozen times over two decades, authorities investigated reports that members of a secretive evangelical church were being beaten. And every time, according to former congregants, the orders came down from church leaders: They must lie to protect the sect.

Among the members of the Word of Faith Fellowship who coached congregants and their children on what to say to investigators were two assistant district attorneys and a veteran social worker, the ex-followers told The Associated Press.

Frank Webster and Chris Back — church ministers who handle criminal cases as assistant DAs for three nearby counties — provided legal advice, helped at strategy sessions and participated in a mock trial for four congregants charged with harassing a former member, according to former congregants interviewed as part of an AP investigation of Word of Faith.

Back and Webster, who is sect leader Jane Whaley's son-in-law and lives in her house, also helped derail a social services investigation into child abuse in 2015 and attended meetings where Whaley warned congregants to lie to investigators about abuse incidents, according to nine former members.

Under North Carolina law, prosecutors cannot provide legal advice or be involved in outside cases in any manner. Violation of those rules can lead to ethics charges, dismissal and disbarment.

As US aid and influence shrinks in Pakistan, China steps in

WASHINGTON — Pakistani leaders often wax lyrical about their "sweeter than honey" relations with all-weather friend China. There's no romance about their marriage of convenience with America.

As the Trump administration plots its policy toward a key partner, it will find Pakistan being drawn deeper into Beijing's embrace and its promise of \$46 billion in energy, infrastructure and industry investments by 2030. The money could transform the Muslim nation's economy.

Washington, by contrast, is losing faith in how much its largesse can influence Pakistan. Many frustrated U.S. policymakers see Pakistan as a terrorist haven that some \$30 billion in security and economic assistance since the 9/11 attacks has failed to fix. But an American retreat could have broad implications for its ability to maintain stability in a regional powder keg of extremism, weak governance and various potential conflicts.

"I get the sense that we are the dispensable ally once again," Bilalwal Bhutto, a Pakistani opposition party leader and son of the slain former prime minister, Benazir Bhutto, said during a recent visit to Washington.

U.S. assistance to Pakistan has been declining since 2011 when American commandos killed Osama bin Laden inside Pakistan, straining relations. And as the U.S. troop presence in neighboring Afghanistan has shrunk, Pakistan has become a lower priority. Aid could decline further as President Donald Trump proposes drastic cuts to diplomacy and foreign aid budgets.

China's congress meeting brings crackdown on critics

BEIJING — Chinese authorities have shut down activist Ye Haiyan's blogs and forced her to move from one city to another. Left with few options, she now produces socially conscious paintings to make a living and advocate for the rights of sex workers and people with HIV or AIDS.

Using calligraphy brushes, Ye creates images of naked women and sex workers alongside symbols such as the Chinese characters for equality, or paints roosters, a Chinese homonym for prostitute.

"I've started to understand that painting is also a form of expression and the natural reflection of my thoughts," said Ye, who is in her early 40s. She was recently evicted from her last home in an artists' enclave on Beijing's outskirts ahead of the annual meeting of China's ceremonial parliament that opened Sunday.

Far from the pomp of the 10-day gathering at Beijing's Great Hall of the People, Ye is among those caught up in an annual roundup of people the ruling Communist Party considers threats to the state, all to ensure the session passes without incident. Known critics are placed under tightened restrictions and ordinary people coming to Beijing with grievances are prevented from traveling or snatched off the streets of the capital.

This year's meetings also come amid China's broadest and most intense assault on civil society since nongovernmental groups were grudgingly allowed more freedom to operate more than a decade ago.

TV LISTINGS

Evening listings MONDAY

MONDAY EVENING													MARCH 6	
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	The Bachelor (N)		The Bachelor	"The Women Tell All" (N)			KATU News at 11	(35) Jimmy Kimmel	
3	KOMO	(4) KOMO 4 News		Jeopardy!	Wheel of Fortune	The Bachelor (N)		The Bachelor	"The Women Tell All" (N)			KOMO 4 News	(35) Jimmy Kimmel	
5	KING	(5) NBC Nightly News	KING 5 News	KING 5 News	Evening	The Voice "The Blind Auditions" (N)				Taken "Ready" (N)		KING 5 News	(35) Tonight Show	
6	KOIN	(6) KOIN Local 6 at 6	CBS Evening News	Extra	Ent. Tonight	Big Bang Theory	Man With a Plan	Super Donuts (N)	Kevin Can Wait	Scorpion "Plight at the Museum"		KOIN 6 News @ 11	(35) S. Colbert	
7	KIRO	(7) KIRO 7 News	CBS Evening News	The Insider	Ent. Tonight	Big Bang Theory	Man With a Plan	Super Donuts (N)	Kevin Can Wait	Scorpion "Plight at the Museum"		KIRO News	(35) S. Colbert	
9	KGW	(9) KGW News at 6:00 p.m.		Live at Seven	Inside Edition	The Voice "The Blind Auditions" (N)				Taken "Ready" (N)		KGW News at 11	(35) Tonight Show	
10	KOPB	(10) Last Man Standing	Last Man Standing	Modern Family	Modern Family	Supergirl "Exodus" (N)		Penn&Teller "To Tea or Not to Tea"		KGW News at 10	Two and a Half	Two and a Half	Met Your Mother	
12	KPTV	(12) This Old House	Business (N)	PBS NewsHour		Antiques Rd. "Charleston (Hour Three)"		Ore. Experience	[This Land	The evolution of modern American folk music.		Travis Tritt: A Man and His Guitar		
13	KPDJ	(13) 6 O'Clock News		Family Feud	Family Feud	24: Legacy "5:00 PM - 6:00 PM" (N)		APB "Above and Beyond" (N)		10 O'Clock News		11 O'Clock News	2 Broke Girls	
13	KPDJ	(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	24: Legacy "5:00 PM - 6:00 PM" (N)		APB "Above and Beyond" (N)		Q13 News at 10		Q13 News	The Simpsons	
20	TBS	(20) Family Guy	Family Guy	Family Guy	FamilyGuy 1/2	FamilyGuy 2/2	American Dad	American Dad	Family Guy	Family Guy	Family Guy	Conan (N)		
22	KZJO	(22) Two and a Half	Two and a Half	Last Man Standng	Last Man Standng	Modern Family	Modern Family	Q13 News at 9		Big Bang Theory	Big Bang Theory	Friends	Friends	
29	ESPN	(29) NCAA Basketball WCC Tournament (L)				SportsCenter		SportsCenter				SportsCenter		
30	ESPN2	(30) NCAA Basketball MAAC Tournament (L)				Basketball Score.	NCAA Basketball WCC Tournament Semifinal (L)			College Basketball		Jalen & Jacoby	NFL Live	
31	NICK	(31) Henry Danger	Henry Danger	Paradise Run	The Thundermans	The Thundermans	NickyRickyDicky	Full House	Full House	Full House	Full House	Friends	Friends	
32	DISN	(32) Bunk'd	Bizaardvark	K.C. Undercover	Good Luck Charlie	Stuck in Middle	Good Luck Charlie	Liv and Maddie	Liv and Maddie	Bunk'd	Bunk'd	Jessie	Jessie	
34	FAM	(34) (5:00) *** Harry Potter and the Deathly Hallows: Part 2 ('11) Daniel Radcliffe.				Shadow "By the Light of Dawn" (N)		*** Edward Scissorhands ('90, Fant)	Winona Ryder, Vincent Price, Johnny Depp.			The 700 Club		
35	FMC	(35) (5:00) ** Flight ('12) Nadine Velazquez, Denzel Washington.				(50) ** Flight (2012, Drama) Nadine Velazquez, Carter Cabassa, Denzel Washington.				Winona Ryder, Vincent Price, Johnny Depp.		Hide and Seek ('05) Robert De Niro.		
36	LIFE	(36) To Be Announced				[To Be Announced				(40) FXM Presents		Project Runway: Junior		
38	ROOT	(38) (4:00) Mariners "Baseball Is Back" (N)		MLB Baseball Spring Training Texas Rangers vs. Seattle Mariners Site: Peoria Stadium -- Peoria, Ariz.						Mariners Mondays "Baseball Is Back"				
39	FS1	(39) NCAA Basketball Big 12 Tournament (L)				Fox College Hoops	Fox Sports Live	TMZ Sports (N)	Skip and Shannon: Undisputed Opinions on the biggest sports topics of the day.			Fox Sports Live		
43	SPKE	(43) (5:30) *** The Hangover ('09, Com) Bradley Cooper, Zach Galifianakis, Ed Helms.				** The Waterboy (1998, Comedy) Kathy Bates, Henry Winkler, Adam Sandler.			*** The Hangover (2009, Comedy) Bradley Cooper, Zach Galifianakis, Ed Helms.					
44	COM	(44) Futurama	Futurama	Futurama	Futurama	South Park	South Park	Archer	Archer	South Park	South Park	The Daily Show (N) @midnight (N)		
45	HIST	(45) American Pickers	American Pickers	American Pickers	American Pickers	American Pickers	American Pickers	American Pickers	American Pickers	Pawn Stars	Pawn Stars	Pawn Stars	Pawn Stars	
46	A&E	(46) First 48 "Trust No One/ Risky Business"		First 48 "Mr. New Orleans/ No Shelter"		First 48 "Fool for Love/ Dumped" (N)		Cold Case Files (N)		Bates Motel "Bad Blood" (N)		The First 48 "Secrets and Lies"		
47	TLC	(47) Say Yes-Dress	Say Yes-Dress	Say Yes-Dress	Say Yes-Dress	My Big Fat Fabulous Life "Is Whitney Pregnant?"	Whitney discovers she might be pregnant. (N)			Big Fat Fab. "Is Whitney Pregnant?"				
48	DISC	(48) Fast N' Loud	Fast N' Loud	Fast N' Loud	Fast N' Loud	Fast N' Loud: Revved Up (N)	Fast N' Loud (N)	Fast N' Loud (N)		Diesel Brothers (N)		Fast N' Loud		
49	NGEO	(49) The Story of God "Beyond Death"		The Story of God "Heaven and Hell"		The Story of God "The Chosen One"		Origin "Spark of Civilization" (P) (N)		National Geographic Explorer (N)		Origin/Human "Spark of Civilization"		
50	TNT	(50) (5:00) NBA Basketball Indiana Pacers at Charlotte Hornets (L)		NBA Basketball Boston Celtics at Los Angeles Clippers Site: Staples Center -- Los Angeles, Calif. (L)						INSIDE the NBA		NBA Basketball Indiana vs Charlotte		
51	AMC	(51) Movie	*** Avatar (2009, Fantasy) Sam Worthington, Giovanni Ribisi, Zoe Saldana.							HUMANS (N)		HUMANS		
52	USA	(52) Modern Family	Modern Family	Modern Family	Modern Family	WWE Monday Night Raw						(05) Friday Night Diners (N)		
53	FOOD	(53) Kids Baking Champion "Pet Shop Joys"		Kids Baking "Molecular Kidstronomy"		Baking "Superhero Grand Finale" (N)		Cake Wars "Champs: Lego"		Diners, Drive-Ins	Diners, Drive-Ins	Diners, Drive-Ins	Diners, Drive-Ins	
54	HGTV	(54) House Hunters Renovation		Renovation "The Reno on the Lake"		Love It or List It "Tree House Trouble"		Love It or List It "Pond Paradise" (N)		House Hunters (N)	House Hunters (N)	TinyHouseHunters	TinyHouseHunters	
55	FX	(55) (5:00) *** Gone Girl (2014, Mystery)		Rosamund Pike, Missi Pyle, Ben Affleck.		*** Fast Five (2011, Action) Paul Walker, Dwayne Johnson, Vin Diesel.				Fast Five (2011, Action) Vin Diesel.				
57	CNN	(57) Anderson Cooper 360		CNN Tonight With Don Lemon		CNN Tonight With Don Lemon		Anderson Cooper 360		Anderson Cooper 360		CNN Tonight With Don Lemon		
58	FNC	(58) Tucker Carlson Tonight		Hannity		The O'Reilly Factor		Tucker Carlson Tonight		Hannity		The First 100 Days		
61	CNBC	(61) Shark Tank		American Greed: Scam		American Greed: Scam		American Greed: Scam		American Greed: Scam		Paid Program	Paid Program	
63	BRVA	(63) VanderpumpR "Beats, Beers and Tears"		Vanderpump "Man Tears and Braziers"		Vanderpump Rules "Drag Battle"		Vanderpump Rules (N)		Summer House (N)		WatchWhat (N)	Vanderpump Rules	
64	TCM	(64) Movie	(45) ** Prince of Players ('55) Maggie McNamara, John Derek, Richard Burton.			(45) *** The Desert Rats ('53) James Mason, Robert Newton, Richard Burton.		** Sea Wife (1957, Drama) Richard Burton, Joan Collins.						
65	SYFY	(65) (5:00) ** A Knight's Tale ('01, Adventure) Mark Addy, Paul Bettany, Heath Ledger.				** Oz the Great and Powerful (2013, Adventure) Milla Kunis, Rachel Weisz, James Franco.						Case 39 (2009, Mystery)		
162	RFD	(162) American Rancher	Red Steagall	Horse Master	Inside Reining	Craig Cameron	Rural Eve. News	Rural America "Live" "Zylkene"		American Rancher	Red Steagall	Product Showcase		