

White House tries to hold GOP in line

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WASHINGTON — The White House is trying to hold jittery congressional Republicans in line on the 19th day of the partial government shutdown, with no end in sight to the impasse over President Donald Trump’s demand for a wall at the U.S.-Mexico border.

There’s growing concern about the toll the shutdown is taking on everyday Americans, including disruptions in payments to farmers and trouble for home buyers who are seeking government-backed mortgage loans — “serious stuff,” according to Sen. John Thune, the No. 2 Senate Republican.

Sen. Lisa Murkowski, R-Alaska, urged colleagues to approve spending bills that would reopen various agencies, “so that whether it’s the Department of the Interior or it is the IRS, those folks can get back to work. I’d like to see that.”

Sen. John Cornyn, R-Texas, called the standoff “completely unnecessary and contrived. People expect their government to work. ... This obviously is not working.”

Trump was to get a personal sense of the concern — and perhaps questions about his strategy — from those in his own party at the U.S. Capitol today.

Like other Republicans, Sen. Shelley Moore Capito of West Virginia said she wants border security. But she said there was “no way” the shutdown fight would drag on for years as Trump warned last week.

“I think certainly I have expressed more than a few times the frustrations with a government shutdown and how useless it is,” Capito said Tuesday. “That pressure is going to build.”

There was no sign Trump was backing down from his demand for \$5.7 billion for the border wall in exchange for ending the shutdown.

Democratic and Republican congressional leaders were to return to the White House later today to meet with him and renew negotiations that have shown no



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President Donald Trump speaks from the Oval Office.

apparent progress in the past week.

Tuesday night, speaking to the nation from the Oval Office for the first time, Trump argued that the wall was needed to resolve a security and humanitarian “crisis.” He blamed illegal immigration for what he said was a scourge of drugs and violence in the U.S. and asked: “How much more American blood must we shed before Congress does its job?”

Democrats in response accused Trump appealing to “fear, not facts” and manufacturing a border crisis for political gain.

The White House was trying to shore up GOP support even before Trump spoke. At a private meeting with House Republicans, Vice President Mike Pence cited a C.S. Lewis quote calling courage a virtue, and he said Trump has no plans to retreat.

“That pickup ain’t got reverse in it,” Pence said, according to people familiar with the conversation.

But a growing number of Republicans are uncomfortable with the toll the partial shutdown is taking, and Trump’s response to it. They are particularly concerned

about the administration’s talk of possibly declaring a national emergency at the border, seeing that as an unprecedented claim on the right of Congress to allocate funding except in the most dire circumstances.

“I prefer that we get this resolved the old-fashioned way,” Thune said.

Trump did not mention that idea Tuesday night.

Trump plans a visit to the border Thursday as he continues to argue for the wall that was a signature promise of his 2016 presidential campaign.

He addressed the nation as the shutdown stretched through its third week, with hundreds of thousands of federal workers going without pay. He claimed the standoff could be resolved in “45 minutes” if Democrats would just negotiate, but previous meetings have led to no agreement.

For now, Trump sees this as winning politics. TV networks had been reticent about providing him airtime to make what some feared would be a purely political speech. And that concern was heightened by the decision Tuesday by Trump’s

re-election campaign to send out fundraising emails and text messages to supporters trying to raise money off the speech. Their goal: a half-million dollars in a day.

“I just addressed the nation on Border Security. Now need you to stand with me,” read one message sent out after his remarks.

In their own televised remarks, Democratic House Speaker Nancy Pelosi and Senate Minority Leader Chuck Schumer accused Trump of misrepresenting the situation on the border as they urged him to reopen closed government departments and turn loose paychecks for federal workers.

Negotiations on wall funding could proceed in the meantime, they said.

Schumer said Trump “just used the backdrop of the Oval Office to manufacture a crisis, stoke fear and divert attention from the turmoil in his administration.”

In his dire address, Trump ticked off a string of statistics and claims to make his case that there is a crisis at the border, but a number of his statements were misleading, such as saying the new trade deal with Mexico would pay for the wall, or suggesting through gruesome examples that immigrants are more likely to commit crimes.

Trump, who has long railed against illegal immigration at the border, has recently seized on humanitarian concerns to argue there is a broader crisis that can only be solved with a wall. But critics say the security risks are overblown and the administration is at least partly to blame for the humanitarian situation.

Trump used emotional language, referring to Americans who were killed by people in the country illegally, saying: “I’ve met with dozens of families whose loved ones were stolen by illegal immigration. I’ve held the hands of the weeping mothers and embraced the grief-stricken fathers. So sad. So terrible.”

The president often highlights such incidents, though studies over several years have found immigrants are less likely to commit crimes than people born in the United States.

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Manafort accused of sharing 2016 election data with Russians

WASHINGTON — Former Trump campaign chairman Paul Manafort shared polling data during the 2016 presidential campaign with a business associate accused of having ties to Russian intelligence, and prosecutors say he lied to them about it, according to a court filing.

The allegation marks the first time prosecutors with special counsel Robert Mueller’s office have accused Trump’s chief campaign aide of sharing election-related information with his Russian contacts. Although the filing does not say whether the polling information was public or what was done with

it, it raises the possibility that Russia might have used inside information from the campaign as part of its effort to interfere with the election on Trump’s behalf.

The accusation could be important evidence in Mueller’s ongoing probe into potential coordination between the Trump campaign and the Kremlin.

The information was accidentally revealed in a defense filing Tuesday and was meant to be redacted. The Associated Press was able to review the material because it wasn’t properly blacked out.

Manafort was among the first Americans charged in Mueller’s investigation and has been among the central characters in the case, having led the campaign during the Republican convention and as, U.S. intelligence officials say, Russia was working to

sway the election in Trump’s favor. Manafort has pleaded guilty to conspiracy charges in Washington and faces sentencing in a separate case in Virginia.

Rosenstein, a frequent Trump target, will leave Justice

WASHINGTON — Deputy Attorney General Rod Rosenstein, who appointed special counsel Robert Mueller and remains his most visible Justice Department protector, is expected to leave his position soon after William Barr is confirmed as attorney general.

Barr, who served in the position in the early 1990s and is President Donald Trump’s pick to do the job again, has a confirmation hearing before the Senate Judiciary Commit-

tee next week and could be in place at the Justice Department as soon as February.

Rosenstein plans to leave at some point after that, though no date has been set and there is no formal plan for the departure. A former United States attorney in Maryland, he will have served as deputy for roughly two years.

There is no indication that Rosenstein was forced out. It is common for new attorneys general to select their own deputies and Barr has told people close to him that he wants his own No. 2.

Still, Rosenstein’s departure is noteworthy given his high-profile role overseeing the Mueller probe and the tenuous relationship he had with Trump, who has repeatedly decried Rosenstein’s decision to appoint the special counsel.

THE DAILY ASTORIAN														TV SCHEDULE										Evening listings WEDNESDAY					
WEDNESDAY EVENING														A - Charter Astoria/ Seaside - L - Charter Long Beach														JANUARY 9	
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 (N)		Jeopardy! (N)	Wheel Fortune (N)	The Goldbergs (N)	Schooled (P) (N)	Modern Family (N)	Single Parents (N)	Match Game (SP) (N)		News (N)	(35) Jimmy Kimmel																
5 KOMO	4	KOMO 4 News (N)		Wheel Fortune (N)	Jeopardy! (N)	The Goldbergs (N)	Schooled (P) (N)	Modern Family (N)	Single Parents (N)	Match Game (SP) (N)		KOMO 4 News (N)	(35) Jimmy Kimmel																
5 KING	5	NBC News (N)	KING 5 News (N)	KING 5 News (N)	Evening	Chicago Med "All the Lonely People" (N)	Chicago Fire "Inside These Walls" (N)	Chicago P.D. "Brotherhood" (N)		Chicago P.D. "Brotherhood" (N)		KING 5 News (N)	(35) Tonight Show																
6 KOIN	6	KOIN Local 6 (N)	Evening News (N)	Extra	Ent. Tonight	Big Bang Theory	Young Sheldon	SEAL Team "Things Not Seen" (N)	Criminal Minds "Hamelin" (N)			News (N)	(35) Colbert																
6 KIRO	7	KIRO 7 News (N)	Evening News (N)	KIRO 7 News (N)	Ent. Tonight	Big Bang Theory	Young Sheldon	SEAL Team "Things Not Seen" (N)	Criminal Minds "Hamelin" (N)			KIRO News (N)	(35) Colbert																
8 KGW	8	KGW News at 6:00 p.m. (N)		Tonight Cassidy	Inside Edition	Chicago Med "All the Lonely People" (N)	Chicago Fire "Inside These Walls" (N)	Chicago P.D. "Brotherhood" (N)		Chicago P.D. "Brotherhood" (N)		News (N)	(35) Tonight Show																
9 KRCW	9	Modern Family	Modern Family	The Goldbergs	The Goldbergs	All American "California Love"	All American "Homecoming"			News (N)	Friends	Two and a Half	Two and a Half																
10 KOPB	10	Journeys Japan (N)	Business (N)	PBS NewsHour (N)		Nature (N)		Nova "Einstein's Quantum Riddle" (N)		Dictator's Playb "Kim Il Sung" (P) (N)		Frontline																	
12 KPTV	12	6 O'Clock News (N)		Family Feud	Family Feud	To Hell and Back "Shanty on 19th" (N)		Singer "New Masks on the Block" (N)		10 O'Clock News (N)		News (N)	Page Six TV																
13 KPDX	13	Mike & Molly	Mike & Molly	Big Bang Theory	Big Bang Theory	Prime News (N)		Prime News (N)		Big Bang Theory	FamilyGuy 2/3	American Dad!	The Game																
20 KCPQ	13	Modern Family	Modern Family	Big Bang Theory	Big Bang Theory	To Hell and Back "Shanty on 19th" (N)		Singer "New Masks on the Block" (N)		Q13 NEWS AT 10 (N)		News (N)	The Simpsons																
20 TBS	20	Family Guy	Family Guy	Bob's Burgers	Bob's Burgers	Big Bang Theory	Big Bang Theory	Big Bang Theory	Big Bang Theory	Full Frontal		Full Frontal	Movie																
2 KZJO	22	Black-ish	Black-ish	Mom	Modern Family	Mom	Modern Family	Q13 News at 9 (N)		Big Bang Theory	Big Bang Theory	Two and a Half	Two and a Half																
29 ESPN	29	(5:00) NBA Basketball Milwaukee Bucks at Houston Rockets (L)	(5:00) NBA Basketball Detroit Pistons at Los Angeles Lakers Site: Staples Center -- Los Angeles, Calif. (L)							(10) SportsCenter (N)		SportsCenter (N)																	
30 ESPN2	30	NCAA Basketball TCU at Kansas (L)				SportsCenter (N)		SportsCenter (N)		NFL Live		NBA Basketball Milwaukee vs Houston																	
31 NICK	31	The Loud House	The Loud House	The Loud House	The Loud House	Double Dare	Double Dare	To Be Announced				Friends	(35) Friends																
32 DISN	32	Bizaardvark	Bizaardvark	Bunk'd	Coop & Cami	Raven's Home 1/2	Raven's Home 2/2	Bunk'd	Bizaardvark	Bunk'd		Raven's Home	Raven's Home																
34 FAM	34	*** Beauty and the Beast '91	Voices of Richard White, Paige O'Hara.			Grown-ish (N)	*** Wreck-It Ralph	(2012, Animated) Jane Lynch, John C. Reilly, Jack McBrayer.		Grown-ish		The 700 Club																	
35 FMC	35	(4:45) Jason Bourne (16) Matt Damon.	(c05) *** Jason Bourne (2016, Action) Julia Stiles, Alicia Vikander, Matt Damon.					(c25) *** Spectre (2015, Action) Christoph Waltz, Léa Seydoux, Daniel Craig.																					
36 LIFE	36	Grey's Anatomy "Save Me"		Grey's Anatomy "Who's Zoomin' Who"		PRAS Social "All Stars Goes Global" (N)	Project Runway "Top of the Class" (N)	(c05) American "America Is Beautiful" (N)	(c05) Project Runway "Top of the Class"																				
39 ROOT	38	NCAA Basketball Miami at Florida State (L)				NCAA Basketball Air Force at Colorado State		In Depth (N)	In the Spotlight	NCAA Basketball Butler at Seton Hall																			
39 FS1	39	(5:30) NCAA Basketball Butler at Seton Hall (L)			Fox College Hoops	Speak for Yourself		PBC Countdown	Inside the Big East	NCAA Basketball Georgetown at Xavier																			
43 SPIKE	43	Friends	Friends	Friends	Friends	Friends	Friends	**** Creed (2015, Sport) Sylvester Stallone, Tessa Thompson, Michael B. Jordan.		South Park	BoJack Horseman	The Daily Show	The Office																
44 COM	44	South Park	South Park	South Park	South Park	South Park	South Park	South Park	South Park	Project Blue Book "The Fuller Dogfight"		Forged in Fire "The Kpinga"																	
45 HIST	45	Pawn Stars	Pawn Stars	Pawn Stars	Pawn Stars "La La Land"	Vikings "The Buddha"		Vikings "The Most Terrible Thing" (N)		Storage Wars (N)	Storage Wars (N)	Storage Wars (N)	Storage Wars																
46 A&E	46	Storage Wars	Storage Wars	Storage Wars	Storage Wars	Storage Wars	Storage Wars	Storage Wars (N)	Storage Wars (N)	Family "The Kings: It's Life or Death" (N)		My 600-lb Life "Brittani's Story"																	
47 TLC	47	My 600-lb Life "Octavia's Story"				My 600-lb Life "Brianna's Story" (N)		Moonsliners (N)		Homestead Rescue "High and Dry" (N)		Homestead "Storm Shelter Showdown"																	
48 DISC	48	Moonsliners "Last Nail in the Coffin"	Moonsliners "Whiskey Business"			Moonsliners: Outlaw Cuts (SP) (N)		Moonsliners (N)		Locked up "Caribbean Coke King" (N)		Locked up "Caribbean Coke King"																	
49 NGE0	49	Locked up "Breaking Bad in Britain"	Locked Up Abroad "Venezuela Hustle"			Locked Up Abroad: Breakout (N)		Locked up "Caribbean Coke King" (N)		Locked up "Caribbean Coke King" (N)		Locked up "Caribbean Coke King"																	
50 TNT	50	(5:15) *** Ocean's Twelve '04	Catherine Zeta-Jones, Brad Pitt, George Clooney.			*** Ocean's Eleven (2001, Crime) Brad Pitt, Matt Damon, George Clooney.				*** Ocean's Thirteen '07	(Com) Brad Pitt, George Clooney.																		
51 AMC	51	(5:40) *** The Breakfast Club '85	Emilio Estevez, Molly Ringwald, Judd Nelson.			*** Road House (1989, Action) Sam Elliott, Ben Gazzara, Patrick Swayze.				*** The Outlaw Josey Wales '76	Clint Eastwood.																		
52 USA	52	(5:50) Law&O: SVU	(c45) London Has Fallen '16	(Act) Morgan Freeman, Aaron Eckhart, Gerard Butler.	(c35) *** Olympus Has Fallen '13	Morgan Freeman, Gerard Butler.				(c55) *** Olympus Has Fallen '13	Gerard Butler.																		
53 FOOD	53	Guy's Game "Food Wheel Free-For-All"	Guy's Game "Ultimate GGG rematch"			Game "DDD Family Tournament Part 1"		Guy's Grocery Games (N)		Guy's Game "Bacon to the Max"		Guy's Grocery Games "Budget War"																	
54 HGTV	54	Buying and Selling "More Is More"	Buying and Selling "Going to the Dogs"			Property Brothers		Property "Cool Under Pressure" (N)		House Hunters (N)	House Hunters (N)	Property Brothers																	
58 FX	56	*** Lucy (2014, Action) Morgan Freeman, Annealeigh Tipton, Scarlett Johansson.				*** The Wolf of Wall Street (2013, Drama) Jonah Hill, Kyle Chandler, Leonardo DiCaprio.																							
57 CNN	57	Cuomo Prime Time		CNN Tonight With Don Lemon		CNN Tonight With Don Lemon		Anderson Cooper 360		Cuomo Prime Time		CNN Tonight With Don Lemon																	
58 FNC	58	Hannity		The Ingraham Angle		Fox News @ Night		Tucker Carlson Tonight		Hannity		The Ingraham Angle																	
61 CNBC	61	Deal or No Deal "Flying High" (N)	Deal or No Deal "It Takes Two"			Deal or No Deal "Ice Cream Dreams"		Deal or No Deal "Flying High"		Deal or No Deal "Beard or No Beard"		Paid Program	Paid Program																
63 BRAV	63	Housewives NJ "Reunion" Pt. 2 of 2	Housewives NJ "Bridezilla of Bimini"			Wives NJ "Communion and Confession"		Wives NJ "From Turkey With Love" (N)		Sweet Home "Judge's Chambers"		Watch What (N)	Housewives NJ																
64 TCM	64	(5:00) *** America, America '63	John Marley, Robert H. Harris, Lou Antonio.			*** A Face in the Crowd (1957, Drama) Patricia Neal, Lee Remick, Andy Griffith.				(c15) *** Panic in the Streets '50	Barbara Bel Geddes, Richard Widmark.																		
65 SYFY	65	(5:00) Friday the 13th Jared Padalecki.	*** Freddy vs. Jason (2003, Horror) Ken Kirzinger, Monica Keena, Robert Englund.			*** The Thing '11	Joel Edgerton, Ulrich Thomsen, Mary Elizabeth Winstead.			(c25) Blade (1998, Action) Wesley Snipes.																			
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