

# Trump calls for 'shutdown' of Muslims into U.S.

MOUNT PLEASANT, S.C. (AP) — Donald Trump called Monday for a "total and complete shutdown of Muslims entering the United States," an idea swiftly condemned by his rival GOP candidates for president and other Republicans.

The proposed ban would apply to immigrants and visitors alike, a sweeping prohibition affecting all adherents of Islam who want to come to the U.S. The idea faced an immediate challenge to its legality and feasibility from experts who could point to no formal exclusion of immigrants based on religion in America's history.

Trump's campaign said in a statement such a ban should stand "until our country's representatives can figure out what is going on." It said the proposal comes in response to a level of hatred among "large segments of the Muslim population" toward Americans.

"Until we are able to determine and understand this problem and the dangerous threat it poses, our country cannot be the victims of horrendous attacks by people that believe only in jihad, and have no sense of reason or respect for human life," Trump said in the statement.



AP Photo/Mic Smith  
**Republican presidential candidate, businessman Donald Trump, holds one of his signs after a rally Monday coinciding with Pearl Harbor Day at Patriots Point aboard the aircraft carrier USS Yorktown in Mt. Pleasant, S.C.**

At an evening rally in South Carolina, Trump supporters cheered and shouted in support as he read his statement. Trump warned during his speech that without drastic action, the threat of attacks is "going to get worse and worse."

"As he says, we have to find

out who they are and why they are here," Rod Weader, a 68-year-old real estate agent from North Charleston who attended the rally and said he agreed with Trump's plan "150 percent." "Like he said, they are going to kill us and we've got to stop it."

Since the Paris attacks, a number of Republican presidential contenders have proposed restrictions on Syrian refugees — with several suggesting preference for Christians seeking asylum — and tighter surveillance in the U.S.

But Trump's proposed ban goes much further than those ideas, and his Republican rivals were quick to reject the latest provocation from a candidate who has delivered no shortage of them.

"Donald Trump is unhinged," Jeb Bush said via Twitter. "His 'policy' proposals are not serious."

John Kasich slammed Trump's "outrageous divisiveness," while a more measured Ted Cruz, who has always been cautious about upsetting Trump's supporters, said, "Well, that is not my policy."

Trump's plan also drew criticism from the heads of the Republican Party in Iowa, New Hampshire and South Carolina, the first three states to vote in next year's presidential primaries.

New Hampshire GOP's chairwoman Jennifer Horn said the idea is "un-Republican. It is unconstitutional. And it is un-American," while South Carolina chairman Matt Moore said on Twitter, "As a

conservative who truly cares about religious liberty, Donald Trump's bad idea and rhetoric send a shiver down my spine."

Trump campaign manager Corey Lewandowski said Trump's proposed ban would apply to "everybody," including Muslims seeking immigration visas as well as tourists seeking to enter the country.

His campaign did not immediately respond to questions about whether it would also include Muslims who are U.S. citizens and travel outside of the country, including members of the military, or how a determination of someone's religion might be made by customs and border officials.

Instead, Trump said via a campaign spokeswoman: "Because I am so politically correct, I would never be the one to say. You figure it out!"

There are more than 5,800 servicemen and women on active U.S. military duty and in the reserves who self-identify as Muslim and could be assigned to serve overseas. Trump said in an interview Monday night on Fox News, "They'll come home." He added, "This does not apply to people living in the country, except that we have to vigilant."



AP Photo/Robert F. Bukaty  
**The first Zumwalt-class destroyer, USS Zumwalt, the largest ever built for the U.S. Navy, passes spectators at Fort Popham at the mouth of the Kennebec River in Phippsburg, Maine, Monday in Bath, Maine. The ship is headed out to sea for the first time to undergo sea trials.**

## Largest Navy destroyer heads to sea for testing

BATH, Maine (AP) — The largest destroyer ever built for the U.S. Navy headed out to sea for the first time Monday, departing from shipbuilder Bath Iron Works and carefully navigating the winding Kennebec River before reaching the open ocean where the ship will undergo sea trials.

More than 200 shipbuilders, sailors and residents gathered to watch as the futuristic 600-foot, 15,000-ton USS Zumwalt glided past Fort Popham, accompanied by tugboats.

Kelley Campana, a Bath Iron Works employee, said she had goose bumps and tears in her eyes.

"This is pretty exciting. It's a great day to be a shipbuilder and to be an American," she said. "It's the first in its class. There's never been anything like it. It looks like the future."

Larry Harris, a retired Raytheon employee who worked on the ship, watched it depart from Bath.

"It's as cool as can be. It's nice to see it underway," he said. "Hopefully, it will perform as advertised."

Bath Iron Works will be testing the ship's

performance and making tweaks this winter. The goal is to deliver it to the Navy sometime next year.

"We are absolutely fired up to see Zumwalt get underway. For the crew and all those involved in designing, building, and readying this fantastic ship, this is a huge milestone," the ship's skipper, Navy Capt. James Kirk, said before the ship departed.

The ship has electric propulsion, new radar and sonar, powerful missiles and guns, and a stealthy design to reduce its radar signature. Advanced automation will allow the warship to operate with a much smaller crew size than current destroyers.

All of that innovation has led to construction delays and a growing price tag. The Zumwalt, the first of three ships in the class, will cost at least \$4.4 billion.

The ship looks like nothing ever built at Bath Iron Works.

The inverse bow juts forward to slice through the waves. Sharp angles deflect enemy radar signals. Radar and antennas are hidden in a composite deckhouse.

## FBI reports killers had been radicalized 'for quite some time'

The Associated Press

SAN BERNARDINO, Calif. — The San Bernardino killers had been radicalized "for quite some time" and had taken target practice at area gun ranges, in one instance just days before the attack that left 14 people dead, the FBI said Monday.

In a chilling twist, authorities also disclosed that a year before the rampage, Syed Farook's co-workers at the county health department underwent "active shooter" training in the same conference room where he and his wife opened fire on them last week.

It was not immediately clear whether Farook attended the late-2014 session on what to do when a gunman invades the workplace, San Bernardino County spokeswoman Felisa Cardona said.

Two employees who survived the attack

said colleagues reacted Wednesday by trying to do as they had been trained — dropping under the tables and staying quiet so as not to attract attention.

"Unfortunately, the room just didn't provide a whole lot of protection," said Corwin Porter, assistant county health director.

Farook, a 28-year-old restaurant inspector born in the U.S. to a Pakistani family, and Tashfeen Malik, a 29-year-old immigrant from Pakistan, went on the rampage at a holiday luncheon at about the same time Malik pledged allegiance to the Islamic State group on Facebook, authorities said. The Muslim couple were killed hours later in a gunbattle with police.

"We have learned and believe that both subjects were radicalized and have been for quite some time," said David Bowdich, chief of the FBI's Los Angeles office.

## Obama addresses terrorism in speech

Associated Press

President Barack Obama sought to assure the nation that the U.S. is doing everything possible to protect Americans from terrorism and to defeat the Islamic State group following the attacks in Paris and California. A look at what Obama said in his 13-minute Oval Office address.

**NEW PHASE:** Obama said that while the U.S. has been fighting terrorism since 9/11, the threat has "evolved into a new phase." He said terrorists have turned to simpler acts of violence like mass shootings that are in some cases harder to thwart. He called for Congress to tighten America's visa-waiver program and to pass a new authorization for military actions he's using against IS in Iraq and Syria. Congress has been unable to coalesce behind any plan to authorize force against IS, and the administration's proposal has languished since February.

**CALIFORNIA KILLERS RADICALIZED:** While investigators are still learning details, it was clear the two killers in San Bernardino had gone down the "dark path of radicalization." He called the shootings an "act of terrorism," but said there was no evidence the killers were directed by a terrorist organization overseas or part of a broader network in the U.S.

**DEFEATING ISLAMIC STATE GROUP:** The U.S. and its coalition partners are stepping up the fight against IS, pointing to new support from Britain and Germany. He said the U.S. had increased bombings of IS oil infrastructure, added special operations forces in Iraq and Syria, expanded intelligence-sharing with allies and moved to cut off IS financing. But Obama reiterated his objection to putting a large-scale U.S. force on the ground in Iraq or Syria.

**MUSLIMS IN THE U.S.:** Obama called on the American Muslim community to be a partner in the fight against radical Islam. He said Muslims can send credible, effective counter messages and undermine jihadist propaganda.

But Obama also warned against discrimination or security or proposals that treat Muslim-Americans differently, warning that would play into the hands of IS. He said, "When we travel down that road, we lose."

**GUN CONTROL:** The president repeated his call for stricter gun laws, arguing the U.S. must make it harder for would-be mass shooters to get the guns they use to kill. Specifically, he called on Congress to prohibit people on the no-fly list from buying guns. Gun-rights advocates say that violates the rights of people who haven't been convicted of a crime.

Obama also urged a ban on assault weapons.

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