

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF VIRGINIA

Alexandria Division

TAREQ AQEL MOHAMMED AZIZ, et al.,	)	
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Petitioners,	)	
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THE COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA,	)	
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Intervenor-Petitioner,	)	
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v.	)	Civil Action No. 1:17-cv-116
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DONALD TRUMP, President of the United	)	
States, et al.,	)	
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Respondents.	)	

DECLARATION OF MAMOONA “MONA” H. SIDDIQUI

I, Mamoonna “Mona” H. Siddiqui, declare that the following facts are true to the best of my knowledge, information, and belief.

1. I am an Assistant Attorney General for the Commonwealth of Virginia, and I have served in this capacity since January 12, 2015.

PRINT SOURCES

2. I have compiled and attached the print sources cited in the Commonwealth’s Brief in Support of Preliminary Injunction, ECF No. 31.

3. A true and accurate copy of Department of Homeland Security Secretary John F. Kelly’s January 29, 2017 Statement on the Entry of Lawful Permanent Residents into the United States, referenced in footnotes 49 and 50, is attached hereto as Exhibit 1. The statement can also be found at <https://www.dhs.gov/news/2017/01/29/statement-secretary-john-kelly-entry-lawful-permanent-residents-united-states>.

4. A true and accurate copy of the December 7, 2015 Vox article titled, “*Donald*

Trump proposes ‘total and complete shutdown of Muslims entering the United States,’”

referenced in footnotes 67 and 68 of Virginia’s opening brief, is attached hereto as Exhibit 2.

The article can also be found at <http://www.vox.com/2015/12/7/9867900/donald-trump-muslims>.

5. A true and accurate copy of the December 8, 2015 Politico article by Nick Gass titled “*Trump not bothered by comparisons to Hitler,*” referenced in footnotes 69 and 70 of Virginia’s opening brief, is attached hereto as Exhibit 3. The article can also be found at <http://www.politico.com/trump-muslims-shutdown-hitler-comparison>.

6. A true and accurate copy of the January 29, 2017 Washington Post article by Amy B. Wang titled “*Trump asked for a ‘Muslim ban,’ Giuliani says – and ordered a commission to do it ‘legally,’*” referenced in footnote 71 of Virginia’s opening brief, is attached hereto as Exhibit 4. The article can also be found at https://www.washingtonpost.com/news/the-fix/wp/2017/01/29/trump-asked-for-a-muslim-ban-giuliani-says-and-ordered-a-commission-to-do-it-legally/?utm_term=.2f88f830c54c.

7. A true and accurate copy of the January 31, 2017 Washington Post article by Francis Stead Sellers and David A. Fahrenthold titled ““*Why even let ’em in?’ Understanding Bannon’s worldview and the policies that follow,*” referenced in footnotes 73 and 74 of Virginia’s opening brief, is attached hereto as Exhibit 5. The article can also be found at <https://goo.gl/IPIV14>.

8. A true and accurate copy of the January 27, 2017 CBN News article titled “*Brody File Exclusive: President Trump Says Persecuted Christians Will Be Given Priority As Refugees,*” referenced in footnote 75 of Virginia’s opening brief, is attached hereto as Exhibit 6. The article can also be found at <http://www1.cbn.com/thebrodyfile/archive/2017/01/27/brody-file-exclusive-president-trump-says-persecuted-christians-will-be-given-priority-as-refugees>.

9. A true and accurate copy of the February 1, 2017 NPR article by Ron Elving titled “*Gorsuch Pick For Top Court Fulfills Trump Campaign Pledge, Confirms Democrats’ Fears*,” referenced in footnote 76 of Virginia’s opening brief, is attached hereto as Exhibit 7. The article can also be found at <https://goo.gl/XOvzqK>.

10. A true and accurate copy of the January 31, 2017 New York Times article by Alan Blinder and Matt Apuzzo titled “*Trump’s Talk About Muslims Led Acting Attorney General to Defy Ban*,” referenced in footnote 77 of Virginia’s opening brief, is attached hereto as Exhibit 8. The article can also be found at <https://www.nytimes.com/2017/01/31/us/politics/sally-yates-trump-immigration-ban.html>.

11. A true and accurate copy of then-Acting Attorney General Sally Q. Yates’s January 30, 2017 Memo, referenced in footnote 77 of Virginia’s opening brief, is attached hereto as Exhibit 9. The memo can also be found at <http://documents.latimes.com/message-acting-attorney-general/>.

12. A true and accurate copy of the January 30, 2017 New York Times article by Michael D. Shear, Mark Landler, Matt Apuzzo, and Eric Lichtblau titled “*Trump Fires Acting Attorney General Who Defied Him*,” referenced in footnote 78 of Virginia’s opening brief, is attached hereto as Exhibit 10. The article can also be found at <https://www.nytimes.com/2017/01/30/us/politics/trump-immigration-ban-memo.html>.

13. A true and accurate copy of Memo of Dissent from Foreign Service officers and other diplomats published on January 30, 2017, referenced in footnotes 79-81 of Virginia’s opening brief, is attached hereto as Exhibit 11. The memo can also be found at <https://goo.gl/JCAUdL>.

VIDEO AND AUDIO SOURCES

14. I have compiled the original video and audio clips cited in the Commonwealth's Brief in Support of Preliminary Injunction, ECF No. 31. The video and audio clips are identified below and also are contained on a USB flash drive, which will be filed if the Court grants the Commonwealth permission to file the flash drive.

a. A true and accurate copy of video clips, published on February 1, 2017, from the January 31, 2017 news conference by Secretary Kelly and Acting Commissioner of Customs and Border Protection Kevin K. McAleenan on President Trump's Travel Ban Orders, referenced in footnotes 51, 52, and 72 of Virginia's opening brief. The full video can also be found at <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=pkdF5SSk8aQ>.

b. A true and accurate copy of a video clip of an interview by Jeanine Pirro with informal White House Cybersecurity Advisor¹ Rudy Giuliani on Fox News regarding President Trump's Ban published on January 29, 2017, referenced in footnote 71 of Virginia's opening brief. The interview can also be found at <http://www.mediaite.com/tv/giuliani-after-trump-announced-muslim-ban-he-asked-me-for-right-way-to-do-it-legally/>.

c. A true and accurate copy of an audio clip of the November 18, 2015 radio interview by White House Chief Strategist Steve Bannon, then Executive Chairman of Breitbart News, with Congressman Ryan Zinke, referenced on page 19 and footnote 74 of Virginia's opening brief. The statement can also be found at <https://soundcloud.com/breitbart/breitbart-news-daily-congressman-ryan-zinke->

¹ See Abby Phillip, *Trump names Rudy Giuliani as cybersecurity advisor*, The Wash. Post: PowerPost (Jan. 12, 2017), https://www.washingtonpost.com/news/powerpost/wp/2017/01/12/trump-names-rudy-giuliani-as-cybersecurity-adviser/?utm_term=.0e1f9e6a467d.

november-18-2015.

d. A true and accurate copy of a video clip from the January 27, 2017 CBN *Brody File* interview with President Trump (“Persecuted Christians Will Be Given Priority As Refugees”), referenced in footnote 75 of Virginia’s opening brief. The full interview can be found at <http://www1.cbn.com/thebrodyfile/archive/2017/01/27/brody-file-exclusive-president-trump-says-persecuted-christians-will-be-given-priority-as-refugees>.

e. A true and accurate copy of the President Trump’s January 31, 2017 announcement of his Supreme Court nominee, referenced in footnote 76 of Virginia’s opening brief. The announcement can also be found at <https://goo.gl/DB5Ods>.

ADDITIONAL SOURCES TO BE RELIED UPON

15. I have compiled additional articles, which are attached as exhibits to this Declaration and identified below.

16. A true and accurate copy of the December 7, 2015 press release titled “*Donald J. Trump Statement on Preventing Muslim Immigration*,” is attached hereto as Exhibit 12. The press release can also be found at <https://www.donaldjtrump.com/press-releases/donald-j.-trump-statement-on-preventing-muslim-immigration>.

17. A true and accurate copy of the November 18, 2016 Independent article by Harriet Agerholm titled “*Donald Trump seen calling for a Muslim registry in new video despite denials*,” is attached hereto as Exhibit 13. The article can also be found at <http://www.independent.co.uk/news/world/americas/us-elections/donald-trump-muslim-registry-video-president-islam-policies-immigration-a7424511.html>.

18. A true and accurate copy of the December 21, 2016 Washington Post article by

Aaron Blake titled “*Trump says we’ve known his Muslim ban and database plans ‘all along.’ But we still don’t — not really,*” is attached hereto as Exhibit 14. The article can also be found at https://www.washingtonpost.com/news/the-fix/wp/2016/11/17/the-evolution-of-donald-trump-and-the-muslim-database/?utm_term=.4e0291cebb68.

19. A true and accurate copy of the January 31, 2017 College Factual article titled “*How Trump’s Executive Order Affects Thousands of International Students in the U.S.,*” is attached hereto as Exhibit 15. The article can also be found at <http://inside.collegefactual.com/blog/how-trumps-travel-ban-affects-thousands-of-international-students>.

20. A true and accurate copy of the February 1, 2017 Business Insider article by Abby Jackson titled “*The 10 US colleges that stand to lose the most from Trump’s immigration ban,*” is attached hereto as Exhibit 16. The article can also be found at <http://www.businessinsider.com/colleges-potentially-most-affected-trump-immigration-ban-2017-2>.

21. A true and accurate copy of the February 5, 2017 8:55 a.m. online update of the Washington Post article by Josh Rogin titled “*Inside the White House-Cabinet battle over Trump’s immigration order*” is attached hereto as Exhibit 17. The article can also be found at <https://goo.gl/3aYFII>.

22. A true and accurate copy of a string of tweets by Donald J. Trump @realDonaldTrump ranging from December 2011 through December 2015, published at storify.com is attached hereto as Exhibit 18. The article can also be found at <https://storify.com/saenpremium/donald-trump-on-islam-muslims-and-the-middle-east>.

23. A true and accurate copy of a transcript of Donald J. Trump’s March 30, 2011

interview with Bill O'Reilly is attached hereto as Exhibit 19. The transcript can also be found at <http://www.foxnews.com/transcript/2011/03/30/donald-trump-sits-down-bill-oreilly/>.

24. A true and accurate copy of the November 20, 2015 New York Times article by Trip Gabriel titled "*Donald Trump Says He'd 'Absolutely' Require Muslims to Register*" is attached as Exhibit 20. The article can also be found at <https://www.nytimes.com/politics/first-draft/2015/11/20/donald-trump-says-hed-absolutely-require-muslims-to-register/>.

25. A true and accurate copy of the December 8, 2015 Daily Wire article by Robert Kraychik titled "*Trump to MSNBC: 'The Muslim Community Is Not Reporting What's Going On'*" is attached as Exhibit 21. The article can also be found at <http://www.dailywire.com/news/1692/trump-msnbc-muslim-community-not-reporting-whats-robert-kraychik>.

26. A true and accurate copy of a transcript of Donald J. Trump's and Mike Pence's July 17, 2016 interview with Lesley Stahl is attached as Exhibit 22. The transcript can also be found at <http://www.cbsnews.com/news/60-minutes-trump-pence-republican-ticket/>.

27. I have compiled the additional video and audio clips identified below. The video and audio clips also are contained on a USB flash drive, which will be filed if the Court grants the Commonwealth permission to file the flash drive.

a. A true and accurate video of then-Presidential Candidate Donald J. Trump's December 7, 2015 Pearl Harbor Day campaign rally in Mount Pleasant, South Carolina reading from his press release dated December 7, 2015 "*Statement on Preventing Muslim Immigration*." The full video can be found at <https://www.c-span.org/video/?401762-1/presidential-candidate-donald-trump-rally-mount-pleasant-south-carolina&start=1811>.

b. A true and accurate copy of a video of a November 2015 exchange between Donald Trump and a reporter regarding a Muslim. In this video, then-Presidential Candidate Trump is asked how do you actually get Muslims registered; he responds, “It would just be good management what you have to do is good management procedures. And we can do this.” The video can also be found at <http://www.independent.co.uk/news/world/americas/us-elections/donald-trump-muslim-registry-video-president-islam-policies-immigration-a7424511.html>.

c. A true and accurate copy of the March 9, 2016 video of then-Presidential Candidate Donald Trump on ‘Anderson Cooper 360’ explaining that “Islam hates us.” The video can also be found at <http://www.cnn.com/videos/politics/2016/03/10/donald-trump-islam-intv-ac-cooper-sot.cnn>.

d. A true and accurate copy of the May 11, 2016 audio of then-Presidential Candidate Donald Trump on ‘*Kilmeade & Friends*’ discussing the Muslim ban. The video can also be found at <http://video.foxnews.com/v/4890453028001/?#sp=show-clips>.

e. A true and accurate copy of the May 11, 2016 interview of then-Presidential Candidate Donald Trump on ‘*On the Record with Greta*’ on Fox News discussing the five- to seven-member immigration commission headed by Rudy Giuliani to look at the Muslim ban. The video can also be found at <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=gyS2zL2ofbs>.

f. A true and accurate video of then-Presidential Candidate Donald J. Trump’s December 7, 2016 Pearl Harbor Day campaign rally in Mount Pleasant, South Carolina reading his press release dated December 7, 2016 “Statement on Preventing Muslim Immigration.” The press full video can be found at <https://www.c->



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Statement By Secretary John Kelly On The Entry Of Lawful Permanent Residents Into The United States

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WASHINGTON – In applying the provisions of the president's executive order, I hereby deem the entry of lawful permanent residents to be in the national interest.

Accordingly, absent the receipt of significant derogatory information indicating a serious threat to public safety and welfare, lawful permanent resident status will be a dispositive factor in our case-by-case determinations.

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Donald Trump proposes "total and complete shutdown of Muslims entering the United States"

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Scott Olson/Getty Images

Donald Trump — who has spent his months atop the Republican polls slowly replacing the anti-immigrant rhetoric in his campaign with anti-Muslim rhetoric — is now officially calling to ban all Muslims from entering the United States.

His campaign has clarified that this would apply to "everybody," mentioning in particular Muslims entering the US as immigrants or tourists. Presumably, "everyone" also includes people entering on temporary work or student visas. **His campaign initially claimed** *Muslim American citizens* who are currently traveling abroad would be prevented from reentering the US (something that has already happened in isolated cases, though not

deliberately, to **citizens placed on the no-fly list**), but in a talk-show appearance Tuesday Trump said **Muslim citizens would be allowed to return.**

Trump wants the ban to hold "until our country's representatives can figure out what is going on." Here's the full statement:

Donald J. Trump Statement on Preventing Muslim Immigration

(New York, NY) December 7th, 2015, -- Donald J. Trump is calling for a total and complete shutdown of Muslims entering the United States until our country's representatives can figure out what is going on. According to Pew Research, among others, there is great hatred towards Americans by large segments of the Muslim population. Most recently, a poll from the **Center for Security Policy** released data showing "25% of those polled agreed that violence against Americans here in the United States is justified as a part of the global jihad" and 51% of those polled, "agreed that Muslims in America should have the choice of being governed according to Shariah." Shariah authorizes such atrocities as murder against non-believers who won't convert, beheadings and more unthinkable acts that pose great harm to Americans, especially women.

Mr. Trump stated, "Without looking at the various polling data, it is obvious to anybody the hatred is beyond comprehension. Where this hatred comes from and why we will have to determine. 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. If I win the election for President, we are going to Make America Great Again." - *Donald J. Trump*

Trump's announcement comes as the FBI has uncovered evidence that the two Muslim American attackers who killed 14 people in San Bernardino, California, last week were both "radicalized" and "had been for some time." One of those attackers, Syed Farook, was born in America. The other, his wife Tashfeen Malik, was born abroad but came to the US to marry Farook.

Is it constitutional to prevent all Muslims from entering the US?

It certainly sounds unconstitutional — the Constitution guarantees the free exercise of religion for all Americans. But when it comes to approving visas to come to the US, the government has a lot of leeway: It doesn't have to tell someone why his or her visa (or

application to immigrate permanently) was denied. So in practice, the US could probably quietly deny Muslims' visa requests for a while. But announcing it in advance would probably be unwise, and the policy might get challenged in court.

Furthermore, tourists visiting from countries participating in the visa waiver program, which allows short visits from certain countries without a visa at all, don't have to apply for visas — so the government wouldn't have the opportunity to quietly bar them from entering. (Ironically, if Congress overhauls the visa waiver program — something both it and the White House think needs to happen in the wake of the Paris attacks last month — this would get easier.)

Trump's been slowly escalating his Islamophobic rhetoric for several weeks

Donald Trump climbed to the top of the GOP presidential polls in part on the **strength of his attacks on Mexican and Latino immigrants**. But as the summer has turned to fall, Trump — partly in response to news events, and partly to maintain his relevance with a political establishment (and political press) that's been frankly desperate to stop paying attention to him — has turned his focus to Muslims and Muslim Americans.

Trump was weeks ahead of his rivals in calling for the US to stop accepting Syrian refugees — as early as October, he was saying in stump speeches that refugees could be a "Trojan horse" for ISIS and that they should be sent back to Syria to fight there. (Other Republicans adopted variations on this position after the Paris attacks; at least one of the attackers was able to reenter Europe on a fake Syrian passport after leaving.)

In November, Trump began to call for **particular mosques to be shut down**. He flirted with the idea of **requiring all Muslim Americans to register in a database**. And just last week, in a speech to the Republican Jewish Coalition, he offset his **relatively blatant anti-Semitism** with an **insinuation that Obama himself is Muslim**: "Our president doesn't want to use the term [...] 'radical Islamic terrorism.' There is something wrong with him that we don't know about."

Trump is tapping into a wave of genuine Islamophobia in the US

Trump justified his call for a Muslim ban by citing a poll that purports to show 25 percent of Muslims believe violence against America is justified. That poll is totally bogus; it comes from the organization of Frank Gaffney, a man who once said that the **US missile defense logo** is evidence of President Obama's "submission to shariah," and it's **riddled with methodological flaws**.

But the real reason for Trump's statement — and the reason it resonates so much — is because of a different set of poll results: those showing rising Islamophobia in America.

Americans are more afraid of terrorism than they used to be: Even before the Paris attacks, they were more fearful of becoming victims of terrorism than they had been at **any point since the immediate aftermath** of 9/11. This is partly because Americans are just more worried, period; they're also more afraid of crime, more worried about race relations, and more concerned about illegal immigration.

They are also less tolerant of Muslims: A survey from the Public Religion Research Institute in September 2015 found that a majority — 56 percent — of Americans think Islam is "at odds with American values and way of life," up from 47 percent in 2011.

This poll was not an outlier, as my colleague Max Fisher has **documented**:

A February poll showed that **54 percent** of Republican respondents believe that Obama "deep down" is best described as Muslim. By September, an **Iowa poll** found that only 49 percent of Republicans there believed that Islam should be legal, with 30 percent saying it should be illegal and 21 percent "unsure." Among Trump supporters in Iowa, hostility toward Muslims was higher but not that much higher: 36 percent said Islam should be outlawed... Fifty-seven percent of Americans, and 83 percent of Republicans, say that Muslims should be **barred** from the presidency.

This isn't just about polls, either. Last week, Max documented **several examples of Islamophobic violence and threats of violence** over the past several months. Here's his conclusion:

The United States does not officially track the number of citizens who are Muslim, but it's likely a few million. A **2010 Pew survey** estimated the Muslim American population at 2.6 million and predicted that by 2030 it would rise to 6.2 million, or about 1.7 percent of the population. These Americans increasingly live in a climate where they face not just hateful and discriminatory rhetoric but also violence and the threat of violence.

The threat of violence often has the same theatrical point as violence itself: to terrify and intimidate, to inflict psychological suffering on the targeted group in the form of fear and alienation, to force that targeted group to live a little bit less in the open and more in the shadows. Obviously, actual attacks on Muslims are worse than implicit or explicit threats — and, make no mistake, when militias stand outside an Islamic center, even if they have no intention of using violence, they are conveying a threat — but they serve the same goal of inflicting suffering on Muslims meant to drive them into the shadows or out of public society altogether.

The day after Fisher wrote this piece, the San Bernardino attacks happened — and law enforcement subsequently discovered they'd been carried out by a pair of radicalized Muslim Americans. And from what we've seen after the shootings, it certainly doesn't seem like Islamophobia is going to *lessen*, to say the least. As Jennifer Williams catalogued, it didn't take long for **coverage of the San Bernardino attacks to turn Islamophobic**. President Obama was worried enough about rising Islamophobia that he felt the need to give a primetime Oval Office address Sunday night partly warning Americans not to do exactly what Trump is encouraging them to do. (For what it's worth, the White House wasted no time in **condemning Trump's Muslim ban proposal**: Deputy National Security Adviser Ben Rhodes said it was "totally contrary to our values as Americans.")

But the bottom line is this: Donald Trump would not be attracting a plurality of support among primary voters as a presidential candidate if he weren't saying things many Americans believe. It might be unconstitutional to turn those beliefs into government policy, but that doesn't make them any less dangerous to American Muslims who could be the victims of emboldened Islamophobic violence.

Watch: President Obama's speech

POLITICO

Donald Trump has come under fire for calling for temporarily banning all Muslims from entering the U.S.

Trump not bothered by comparisons to Hitler

The billionaire businessman refuses to back off his proposal to temporarily ban all Muslims from entering the U.S.

By **NICK GASS** | 12/08/15 07:51 AM EST

Donald Trump went on a series of rhetorical rants on Tuesday morning, saying he does not mind comparisons to Adolf Hitler and tussling with morning show anchors about his proposal to temporarily ban all Muslims from entering the United States, calling his approach more akin to what Hitler's American contemporary did during World War II.

"You're increasingly being compared to Hitler. Doesn't that give you any pause at all?" ABC News' George Stephanopoulos asked the Republican poll leader on "Good Morning

America," displaying an image of the Philadelphia Daily News' punning Tuesday front-page headline "The New Furor."

In response, Trump said no, invoking what he termed President Franklin D. Roosevelt's "solution for Germans, Italians, Japanese many years ago" during World War II. "This was a president that was highly respected by all," Trump said, remarking upon the Democratic president's actions during the war. "If you look at what he was doing, it was far worse."

Pressed whether he would then advocate the establishment of internment camps for Muslims, for example, Trump forcefully denied that notion. "No, I'm not. No, I'm not. No, I'm not," he said, remarking that European cities like Paris and London no longer look like they once did.

"I hope it will go quickly. I hope we can figure it out," Trump said. "We will have many, many more World Trade Centers as sure as you're sitting there, our country will never be the same."



Ryan repudiates Trump over Muslim ban

By JAKE SHERMAN

Trump, no stranger to dropping rhetorical bombs since he announced his presidential run in June, still managed to stun with his proposal emailed late Monday with the simple title: "Donald J. Trump Statement on Preventing Muslim Immigration."

In it, Trump used research from the Center for Security Policy, which has been called an extremist group, to back his claim that an alarming number of Muslims want to unleash violence in the United States. "Without looking at the various polling data, it is obvious to anybody the hatred is beyond comprehension," Trump said in his statement, which many in the media believed might have been a hoax when it landed. "Where this hatred comes from and why we will have to determine. 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."

The proposal came less than a week after a married Muslim couple killed 14 people and wounded 21 in a shooting attack that is apparently the most deadly terrorist act on U.S. soil since 9/11. Trump's statement, which he promoted at a Pearl Harbor Day rally in South Carolina on Monday night, played into Americans' fears stoked by the attack and also gave

Trump a chance to draw attention back to him after a poll released earlier in the day showed Ted Cruz zooming past him in Iowa.

Many of his rivals quickly condemned the comments, with Jeb Bush calling Trump "unhinged," Chris Christie calling it "a ridiculous view," and Marco Rubio saying, "His habit of making offensive and outlandish statements will not bring Americans together."

But the outcry only further threw attention Trump's way, and the billionaire businessman did not let up on Tuesday morning.

He continued trying to justify his proposal in interviews on CNN's "New Day" and MSNBC's "Morning Joe," the latter of which suspended its interview with Trump only minutes into the segment after co-host Joe Scarborough complained that the candidate was not allowing him to ask any questions. The show returned with a full panel of questions, and the entire segment ran more than a half-hour.

J.K. Rowling: Trump is worse than Voldemort

By NICK GASS

During his questioning on MSNBC, Trump was grilled on what the customs process would look like for a Muslim non-citizen attempting to enter the U.S.

"That would be probably — they would say, are you Muslim?" Trump told contributor Willie Geist.

"And if they said yes, they would not be allowed in the country," Geist volunteered. "That's correct," Trump responded.

In the same interview, Trump also claimed that the Muslim community is not doing enough to self-report suspicious activity in light of last Wednesday's attack in California. Asked by co-host Mika Brzezinski whether he would want to engage the Muslim community, the Manhattan mogul said he would not, "but the Muslim community has to help us, Mika. They're not helping us."

"The Muslim community is not reporting what's going on. They should be reporting that their next-door neighbor is making pipe bombs and they've got them all over the place. The mother's in the apartment, other people, his friend was buying him rifles. Nobody was reporting that," he said of the San Bernardino case. "The Muslim community has to help us, because without the Muslim community, we would have to get very tough and much

tougher, and I don't want to do that. But the Muslim community is not a one-way street. The Muslim community knew that this guy, what he was doing, and his wife, his very heavily radicalized wife, they knew what they were doing was wrong. Nobody called the police. Nobody said this is what happened."

At the start of the interview on ABC, Trump forcefully defended his statement, citing "tremendous support" and the "thousands and thousands of people you saw last night" at his rally in South Carolina. "We were on a ship. There were thousands of people there, there were thousands of people outside that couldn't get in. And frankly, it was a standing ovation that wouldn't stop," he remarked.

"I mean, people went and interviewed the people that were at my speech last night, and they just want to see something happening. We had the World Trade Center, we had the pre-World Trade Center," he said, referring to both the Sept. 11, 2001, attacks that destroyed the twin towers as well as the Feb. 26, 1993, bombing.

"You know, remember, a lot of people forget now — they tried to blow it up twice. We had so many other incidents, and we had now the last incident in California. Now it turns out that \$28,000 was deposited in this punk's savings account probably given by some people that we are fighting," he speculated, following reports Monday that more than \$28,000 had been deposited into the account of San Bernardino co-attacker Syed Rizwan Farook. "Something has to be done," he added.

Joe Scarborough cuts off Trump: 'You can't just talk'

By **NICK GASS**

Trump, who on MSNBC declared himself to be more specific than any other candidate in the race, had a parting message for Muslims: "We love you, we want to work with you, we want you to turn in the bad ones, we want you to practice vigilance, we know that if you know a lot, in many cases, we want you to turn in the bad ones. We all want to get along. We want to get back to a normal, peaceful life."

On how he would get it done, Trump, offered no specifics other than to again lambaste President Barack Obama's Sunday night speech on defeating ISIL and to repeat his Monday statement.

"What I'm doing is I'm calling very simply for a shutdown of Muslims entering the United States — and here's a key — until our country's representatives can figure out what is going on. They don't know. Our president, I watched him make a fool of himself the other night

with a speech that nobody still knows — I tweeted out, is that all there is? He didn't say anything. He doesn't know what's going on. And we have people in this country that want to blow up our country. You know it, and so do I," he said on "Good Morning America."

"The polls have come out, and various polls that I've quoted, with 25 percent of those polls agreed the violence against the Americans in the United States is justified. And they're looking at the jihad. They want a global jihad. George, we can't take it sitting back. You will have many more World Trade Centers. It will only get worse," Trump warned. "You look at Paris, you know, and I'm not talking about the horrible carnage that took place. Paris is no longer the same city."

American Muslim citizens would be able to come back to the U.S., Trump said, adding, "but we have to figure things out."

Many legal scholars came out against the proposal, saying such a religious test would violate the U.S. Constitution. And the spectrum of blowback stretched wide and far. Former Vice President Dick Cheney said on Hugh Hewitt's radio show, "Well I think this whole notion that somehow we need to say no more Muslims and just ban a whole religion goes against everything we stand for and believe in. I mean religious freedom's been a very important part of our, our history."

Huma Abedin, the vice chairwoman of Hillary Clinton's campaign, sent an email to supporters saying, "I'm a proud Muslim — but you don't have to share my faith" to know "my disgust."

After Obama aides spoke out on Monday evening, White House communications director Jen Psaki said at a POLITICO Playbook breakfast on Tuesday morning that Trump is not the only Republican making irresponsible comments, but she said the real estate mogul's statement are especially dangerous.

"So the reason it's dangerous ... is that this is kind of sending a message that the American people, that our values are different from what they once were. Sending the message that we want to be in competition or we want to be, you know, thwarting the Muslim community instead of working with the Muslim community as a partner," Psaki said.

On the Republican side, Sen. Lindsey Graham re-upped his criticism, speaking on both CNN and MSNBC on Tuesday morning to call out his presidential rival. "He is a wrecking ball for the Republican Party. He is a xenophobic, race-baiting, religious bigot, and I think that's who they're supporting. Time will tell how long this goes."

The heads of state Republican parties in the early voting states of Iowa, New Hampshire and South Carolina also expressed public disapproval of Trump's proposal. "There are some issues that transcend politics. While my position [as party chairwoman] is certainly political, I am an American first," said New Hampshire GOP Chairwoman Jennifer Horn, who has been a Trump critic, according to WMUR. "There should never be a day in the United States of America when people are excluded based solely on their race or religion. It is un-Republican. It is unconstitutional. And it is un-American."

In response, Trump told Stephanopoulos, "Well, first of all, George, she's a Bush person. And she wants to see Bush, and Bush has crashed like nobody else has ever seen anyone crash before."

The United Nations' refugee settlement agency said Tuesday that campaign rhetoric from the United States is doing real harm.

"What the candidate you are speaking of was speaking of was an entire population, but this also impacts the refugee program," Melissa Fleming, a spokeswoman for the United Nations High Commission on Refugees, told reporters in Geneva, according to Reuters. "Because our refugee program is religion-blind. Our resettlement program selects the people who are the most in need."

The Fix

Trump asked for a ‘Muslim ban,’ Giuliani says — and ordered a commission to do it ‘legally’

By Amy B Wang January 29

Former New York mayor Rudy W. Giuliani said President Trump wanted a “Muslim ban” and requested he assemble a commission to show him “the right way to do it legally.”

Giuliani, an early Trump supporter who once had been rumored for a Cabinet position in the new administration, appeared on Fox News late Saturday night to describe how Trump's executive order temporarily banning refugees came together.

Trump signed orders on Friday not only to suspend admission of all refugees into the United States for 120 days but also to implement “new vetting measures” to screen out “radical Islamic terrorists.” Refugee entry from Syria, however, would be suspended indefinitely, and all travel from Syria and six other nations — Iran, Iraq, Libya, Somalia, Sudan and Yemen — is suspended for 90 days. Trump also said he would give priority to Christian refugees over those of other religions, according to the Christian Broadcasting Network.

Fox News host Jeanine Pirro asked Giuliani whether the ban had anything to do with religion.

“How did the president decide the seven countries?” she asked. “Okay, talk to me.”

“I’ll tell you the whole history of it,” Giuliani responded eagerly. “So when [Trump] first announced it, he said, ‘Muslim ban.’ He called me up. He said, ‘Put a commission together. Show me the right way to do it legally.’ ”

Giuliani said he assembled a “whole group of other very expert lawyers on this,” including former U.S. attorney general Michael Mukasey, Rep. Mike McCaul (R-Tex.) and Rep. Peter T. King (R-N.Y.).

“And what we did was, we focused on, instead of religion, *danger* — the areas of the world that create danger for us,” Giuliani told Pirro. “Which is a *factual* basis, not a religious basis. Perfectly legal, perfectly sensible. And that's what the ban is based

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on. It's not based on religion. It's based on places where there are substantial evidence that people are sending terrorists into our country.”

It was unclear when the phone call Giuliani took place and when the commission began working. An email to the White House press office was not immediately returned Sunday.

Clips of the exchange between Giuliani and Pirro quickly went viral Saturday night, with some claiming that Giuliani's statement amounted to admitting Trump's intent had been to institute a ban based on religion.

Others, including Trump senior adviser Kellyanne Conway and White House Chief of Staff Reince Priebus, have insisted it is not a ban on Muslims, but rather one based on countries from which travel was already restricted under Barack Obama's administration.

Priebus appeared on CBS's “Face the Nation” Sunday morning to say it was possible Trump would expand the list of countries included in the travel ban.

“You can point to other countries that have similar problems, like Pakistan and others,” Priebus told host John Dickerson. “Perhaps we need to take it further.”

Priebus also said there had been weeks of work and “plenty of communication” between the White House, the State Department and the Department of Homeland Security regarding the ban.

“We didn't just type this thing up in an office and sign up,” he told Dickerson.

Later on the same program, Rep. Keith Ellison (D-Minn.) called out Giuliani's interview with Pirro from the night before.

“They can't deny that this is a Muslim ban,” Ellison told Dickerson. “On the campaign trail, [Trump] said he wanted a Muslim ban. ... Rudolph W. Giuliani who helped him write it said that they started out with the intention of a Muslim ban and then they sort of 'languaged' it up so to try to avoid that label, but it is a religiously based ban.”

Senate Democrats vowed to draft legislation to block the travel ban.

“We're demanding the president reverse these executive orders that go against what we are, everything we have always stood for,” Senate Minority Leader Charles E. Schumer (D-N.Y.) said in a news conference Sunday morning, noting later that his middle name, Ellis, was originally inspired by Ellis Island.

“It was implemented in a way that created chaos and confusion across the country, and it will only serve to embolden and inspire those around the globe those that will do us harm,” Schumer added of the ban. “It must be reversed immediately.”

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Trump's executive order sparked massive protests at airports around the country Friday and Saturday, as reports surfaced that dozens of travelers from the affected countries, including green-card holders, were being detained.

The American Civil Liberties Union filed a lawsuit Saturday morning challenging Trump's order after two Iraqi men with immigrant visas were barred from entering the United States at New York's John F. Kennedy International Airport.

As Giuliani was speaking, Fox News simultaneously aired an alert that noted federal judge Ann M. Donnelly had issued a stay to stop the deportations nationwide.

Donnelly wrote that there was a strong likelihood the order had violated the petitioners' rights to due process and equal protection by the Constitution.

"There is imminent danger that, absent the stay of removal, there will be substantial and irreparable injury to refugees, visa-holders, and other individuals from nations subject to the January 27, 2017 Executive Order," Donnelly wrote.

The ACLU hailed the victory.

"Clearly the judge understood the possibility for irreparable harm to hundreds of immigrants and lawful visitors to this country," ACLU executive director Anthony D. Romero said in a statement. "Our courts today worked as they should as bulwarks against government abuse or unconstitutional policies and orders. On week one, Donald Trump suffered his first loss in court."

On Sunday, the Department of Homeland Security issued a statement saying it did not plan to back off enforcing Trump's orders.

"President Trump's Executive Orders remain in place — prohibited travel will remain prohibited, and the U.S. government retains its right to revoke visas at any time if required for national security or public safety," the statement read. "President Trump's Executive Order affects a minor portion of international travelers, and is a first step towards reestablishing control over America's borders and national security."

The department said that less than 1 percent of daily international air travelers to the United States had been "inconvenienced" on Saturday.

Matthew Kolken, an immigration attorney based in Buffalo said there has been "a systemic bias against individuals from Muslim countries in the U.S. immigration departments" for years, including under the Obama administration.

"This isn't unprecedented," Kolken told The Washington Post by phone Sunday. "The unfortunate reality is the executive branch does have vast discretionary authority to determine who they are going to [allow in or not]."

Still, Kolken said, he believes “Trump has gone a step further without a doubt” in including even people who are lawful permanent residents and suspending all immigration applications from people from the seven countries on the banned list.

If there was evidence of disparate treatment of individuals from the same country — if there were anecdotal evidence of, for example, a Syrian family of one religious background allowed to enter over that of another religious background — then that is where lawsuits could come into play, he said.

“The question becomes whether they're trying to do an end-around by couching the ban as a country-specific ban based on a security-related issues when in reality it's a religious ban,” Kolken said.

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‘Why even let ’em in?’ Understanding Bannon’s worldview and the policies that follow.

By **Frances Stead Sellers** and **David A. Fahrenthold** January 31

In November 2015, Stephen K. Bannon — then the executive chairman of Breitbart News — was hosting a satellite radio show. His guest was Rep. Ryan Zinke (R-Mont.), who opposed President Obama’s plan to resettle some Syrian refugees in the United States.

“We need to put a stop on refugees until we can vet,” Zinke said.

Bannon cut him off.

“Why even let ’em in?” he asked.

Bannon said that vetting refugees from Muslim-majority countries would cost money and time. “Can’t that money be used in the United States?” he said. “Should we just take a pause and a hiatus for a number of years on any influx from that area of the world?”

In the years before Bannon grabbed the world’s attention as President Trump’s chief White House strategist, he was developing and articulating a fiery populist vision for remaking the United States and its role in the world.

Bannon’s past statements, aired primarily on Breitbart and other conservative platforms, serve as a road map for the controversial agenda that has roiled Washington and shaken the global order during Trump’s first two weeks in office.

Now, at the center of power in the White House, Bannon is moving quickly to turn his ideas into policy, helping direct the biggest decisions of Trump’s administration. The withdrawal from a major trade pact. A ban on all visitors from seven majority-Muslim countries. And — in an echo of that conversation with Zinke, who is now Trump’s nominee for interior secretary — there was a temporary ban on all new refugees.

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The result has been intense fury from Democrats, discomfort among many Republicans, and a growing sense of unease in the world that Trump intends to undermine an America-centered world that has lasted 70 years. This sense of turmoil, welcomed by many Trump supporters as proof that the new president is following through on his vow to jolt Washington, reflects the sort of transformation that Bannon has long called for.

That worldview, which Bannon laid out in interviews and speeches over the past several years, hinges largely on Bannon's belief in American "sovereignty." Bannon said that countries should protect their citizens and their essence by reducing immigration, legal and illegal, and pulling back from multinational agreements.

At the same time, Bannon was concerned that the United States and the "Judeo-Christian West" were in a war against an expansionist Islamic ideology — but that they were losing the war by not recognizing what it was. Bannon said this fight was so important, it was worth overlooking differences and rivalries with countries like Russia.

It is not yet clear how far Bannon will be able to go to enact his agenda. His early policy moves have been marred by administrative chaos. But his worldview calls for bigger changes than those already made.

In the past, Bannon had wondered aloud whether the country was ready to follow his lead. Now, he will find out.

"Is that grit still there, that tenacity, that we've seen on the battlefields . . . fighting for something greater than themselves?" Bannon said in another radio interview last May, before he joined the Trump campaign.

That, said Bannon, is "one of the biggest open questions in this country."

Bannon, 62, is a former Navy officer and Goldman Sachs banker who made a fortune after he acquired a share of the royalties from a fledgling TV show called "Seinfeld." In the past 15 years, he shifted into entertainment and conservative media, making films about Ronald Reagan and Sarah Palin and then taking a lead role at Breitbart News.

At Breitbart, Bannon cemented his role as a voice for the alt-right, the far-right movement that has attracted white supremacists and has found a home on the website.

Bannon also forged a rapport with Trump, interviewing the businessman-candidate on his show and then, in August 2016, joining the campaign as chief executive.

Now, Bannon has become one of the most powerful men in America. And he's not afraid to say so.

In interviews with reporters since Trump's election, Bannon has eschewed the traditional it's-all-about-the-boss humility of presidential staffers.

"Dick Cheney. Darth Vader. Satan. That's power," he told the Hollywood Reporter in November, embracing the comparisons of him to those figures.

In the same interview, Bannon compared himself to a powerful aide to England's Henry VIII — an aide who helped engineer a world-shaking move of his era, the split of the Church of England from the Catholic Church.

"I am Thomas Cromwell in the court of the Tudors," Bannon told the Hollywood Reporter.

To explore Bannon's worldview, The Washington Post reviewed hours of radio interviews that Bannon conducted while hosting a Breitbart radio talk show, as well as speeches and interviews he has given since 2014.

Bannon did not respond to a request for comment made on Tuesday afternoon.

In his public statements, Bannon espoused a basic idea that Trump would later seize as the centerpiece of his campaign.

While others saw the world rebounding from the financial crisis of 2008, Bannon just saw it becoming more divided by class.

The elites that had caused the crisis — or, at least, failed to stop it — were now rising higher. Everyone else was being left behind.

"The middle class, the working men and women in the world . . . are just tired of being dictated to by what we call the party of Davos," Bannon said in a 2014 speech to a conference at the Vatican in a recording obtained by BuzzFeed. Davos is a Swiss ski resort that hosts an annual conclave of wealthy and powerful people.

Bannon blamed both major political parties for this system and set out to force his ideas on an unwilling Republican leadership.

What he wanted, he said again and again, was "sovereignty." Both in the United States and in its traditional allies in Western Europe.

On one of the first Breitbart Radio shows, in early November 2015, Bannon praised the growing movement in Britain to exit the European Union. He said that the British had joined the E.U. merely as a trading federation but that it had grown into a force that had stripped Britons of sovereignty "in every aspect important to their own life."

Bannon has been supportive of similar movements in other European countries to pull out of the union. Trump has echoed those sentiments in his first few days as president. It is a remarkable shift in U.S. policy: After decades of building multinational alliances as a guarantee of peace, now the White House has indicated it may undermine them.

Bannon, in his 2014 speech at the Vatican, cast this as a return to a better past.

"I think strong countries and strong nationalist movements in countries make strong neighbors," Bannon said. "And that is really the building blocks that built Western Europe and the United States, and I think it's what can see us forward."

In the case of the United States, Bannon was skeptical of multinational trade pacts, saying that they ceded control. In a radio interview in November 2015, Sen. Jeff Sessions (R-Ala.) agreed with Bannon.

“We shouldn’t be tying ourselves down like Gulliver in the land of Lilliputians with so many strings a guy can’t move,” said Sessions, who is now Trump’s nominee to become attorney general. He was referring to a scene from the novel “Gulliver’s Travels” in which the hero is tied down by a race of tiny men. “That is where we are heading, and it’s not necessary.”

One solution put forward by Bannon: the United States should pursue bilateral trade agreements — one country at a time — rather than multi-country agreements such as the Trans-Pacific Partnership supported by Obama.

He suggested as much to Trump himself, when the candidate appeared on his show in November 2015.

“Trump brings [a deal] back to the Senate and gets his bilateral trade deal with Taiwan or with Japan approved by two-thirds of the Senate,” Bannon said. “And you have to go argue, ‘Hey, this is why it’s a good deal.’ And that’s the way the Founders wanted it.”

On a March 2016 episode, Bannon said that restoring sovereignty meant reducing immigration. In his radio shows, he criticized the federal H-1B visa programs that permit U.S. companies to fill technical positions with workers from overseas.

The “progressive plutocrats in Silicon Valley,” Bannon said, want unlimited ability to go around the world and bring people back to the United States. “Engineering schools,” Bannon said, “are all full of people from South Asia, and East Asia. . . . They’ve come in here to take these jobs.” Meanwhile, Bannon said, American students “can’t get engineering degrees; they can’t get into these graduate schools because they are all foreign students. When they come out, they can’t get a job.”

“Don’t we have a problem with legal immigration?” asked Bannon repeatedly.

“Twenty percent of this country is immigrants. Is that not the beating heart of this problem?” he said, meaning the problem of native-born Americans being unable to find jobs and rising wages.

In another show, Bannon had complained to Trump that so many Silicon Valley chief executives were South Asian or Asian. This was a rare time when Trump — normally receptive to Bannon’s ideas on-air — pushed back. “I still want people to come in,” Trump said. “But I want them to go through the process.”

So far, Trump has made no changes to the high-skilled visa program. This week, White House press secretary Sean Spicer said that the Trump administration may reexamine the program.

Even as Bannon was calling for a general retreat from multinational alliances, however, he was warning of the need for a new alliance — involving only a subset of the world’s countries.

The “Judeo-Christian West” was at war, he said, but didn’t seem to understand it yet.

“There is a major war brewing, a war that’s already global,” Bannon said at the Vatican in 2014, at a time when the Islamic State was gaining territory. “Every day that we refuse to look at this as what it is — and the scale of it, and really the viciousness of it — will be a day where you will rue that we didn’t act.”

Bannon has given few details about the mechanics of the war he thinks the West should fight. But he has been clear that it is urgent enough to take priority over other rivalries and worries.

In his talk at the Vatican, Bannon was asked about Russian President Vladimir Putin. Bannon’s answer was two-sided.

“I think that Putin and his cronies are really a kleptocracy, that are really an imperialist power that want to expand,” he said. But, Bannon said, there were bigger concerns than Russia — and there was something to admire in Putin’s call for more traditional values.

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“However, I really believe that in this current environment, where you’re facing a potential new caliphate that is very aggressive that is really a situation — I’m not saying we can put [Russia] on a back burner — but I think we have to deal with first things first,” Bannon said.

If Bannon succeeds, Bannon’s own comparison, to England’s Thomas Cromwell, might be apt — to a point.

“The analogy — if it’s going to work — is that Bannon has his own agenda, which he will try to use Trump for, and will try to exploit the power that Trump has given him, without his master always noticing,” said Diarmaid MacCulloch, a professor of history at England’s Oxford University.

But Cromwell was later executed, after Henry VIII turned against him. For a man like that, MacCulloch said, power is always tenuous: “It’s very much dependent on the favor of the king.”

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In an exclusive interview with The Brody File, President Donald Trump says persecuted Christians will be given priority when it comes to applying for refugee status in the United States. "We are going to help them," President Trump tells CBN News. "They've been horribly treated. Do you know if you were a Christian in Syria it was impossible, at least very tough to get into the United States? If you were a Muslim you could come in, but if you were a Christian, it was almost

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impossible and the reason that was so unfair, everybody was persecuted in all fairness, but they were chopping off the heads of everybody but more so the Christians. And I thought it was very, very unfair.”

The Brody File conducted the interview Friday morning in the Blue Room at The White House. More newsworthy clips are coming soon. The entire interview can be seen this Sunday at 11pm on Freeform (cable TV, formerly ABC Family Channel) during our special CBN News show. This is just the third interview President Trump has done from The White House and it will be the only interview that will air in its’ entirety this weekend.

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DAVID BRODY: “Persecuted Christians, we’ve talked about this, the refugees overseas. The refugee program, or the refugee changes you’re looking to make. As it relates to persecuted Christians, do you see them as kind of a priority here?”

PRESIDENT TRUMP: “Yes.”

DAVID BRODY: “You do?”

PRESIDENT TRUMP: “They’ve been horribly treated. Do you know if you were a Christian in Syria it was impossible, at least very tough to get into the United States? If you were a Muslim you could come in, but if you were a Christian, it was almost impossible and the reason that was so unfair, everybody was persecuted in all fairness, but they were chopping off the heads of everybody but more so the Christians. And I thought it was very, very unfair. So we are going to help them.”

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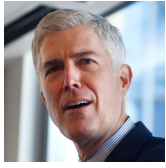


President Trump shakes hands with Judge Neil Gorsuch after nominating him to the U.S. Supreme Court during a ceremony in the East Room of the White House on Tuesday.

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After a dozen tumultuous days in the White House, President Trump on Tuesday night found a way to unite his party, delight his most ardent supporters and change the storyline on his nascent presidency in a single stroke.

It wasn't magic that did it, it was the choice of Neil Gorsuch to serve on the U.S. Supreme Court.



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Who Is Neil Gorsuch, Trump's First Pick For The Supreme Court?

Gorsuch is now a judge on the U.S. Court of Appeals for the 10th Circuit Court, which sits in Colorado, his home state. Gorsuch began his service at that powerful level of the federal judiciary in 2006, at age 39.

Well-regarded even then, Gorsuch won Senate approval on a voice vote. He has since emerged as a leading candidate for promotion to the high court. Indeed, he might have been chosen by any of the more conventional Republican presidential candidates in 2016.

But the night of his anointing began with the key light on the president, who strode into the East Room by himself and mounted a podium to the lectern.

"I took the task of this nomination very seriously," Trump intoned. "I have selected an individual whose qualities define — really, and I mean closely define — what we're looking for. Judge Gorsuch has outstanding legal skills, a brilliant mind, tremendous discipline, and has earned bipartisan support."

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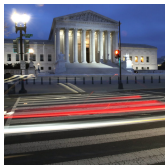


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He had been on a list of 21 names Trump said had been suggested to him by conservative think tanks and advocacy groups determined to find a suitable successor to the late Antonin Scalia.

It was impossible to clone Scalia, the anchor of the court's conservative wing for a generation. But Trump seemed resolved to come as close as he could, and that led him to the man from Colorado.

"Months ago as a candidate, I publicly presented a list of brilliant and accomplished people to the American electorate and pledged to make my choice from among that list," Trump said. "Millions of voters said this was the single most important issue to them when they voted for me for president."



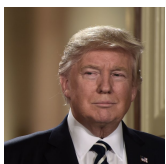
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Indeed, exit polls showed that filling Scalia's seat was "an important factor" for 48 percent of those who voted and the most important factor for another 21 percent. Among those who said it was the most important, a clear majority voted for Trump.

"I am a man of my word. I will do as I say, something that the American people have been asking for from Washington for a very, very long time," Trump said Tuesday night.

It could be said that the new president has been doing what he had promised since his Inauguration Day on a range of other issues, and none of his other actions have engendered the broad-based positive reaction that greeted Gorsuch.



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In fact, the announcement had originally been scheduled for Thursday night, and it appeared to have been moved up to counter the rocky rollout of the president's new restrictions on refugees and others arriving to the U.S. from seven predominantly Muslim countries. That set of moves, which culminated in the firing of Acting Attorney General Sally Yates on Monday night, had dominated the news since Friday.

But as of late Tuesday afternoon, that storm seemed to subside, if only long enough to make room for the dramatic announcement at the White House. Instead of bringing out his nominee in a daytime visit to the Rose Garden, Trump scheduled a prime-time event and created added suspense by refusing to confirm Gorsuch's selection before that event.

It was even reported that a "runner-up" candidate, Judge Thomas Hardiman of the 3rd U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals, had been summoned to Washington and might be present at the White House event Tuesday night. The notion conjured up images of *The Apprentice* or other reality shows produced by Trump where contestants are kept in suspense onstage until a final winner is named.

In the end, the actual event was not nearly so dramatic or unconventional. A gathering of Republican senators, lawyers and other denizens of the judicial system filled the East Room and provided hearty applause.

Among those praising the choice of Gorsuch was Sen. Mitch McConnell of Kentucky, the Senate majority leader who kept the Scalia seat vacant last year by refusing to process President Barack Obama's nomination of Judge Merrick Garland. McConnell said the voters of November 2016 should have a say, and stuck by that even when it appeared those voters would choose Hillary Clinton to succeed Obama.

When Trump won the Electoral College, McConnell's gamble paid off. He has since made it clear he will "guarantee" Trump's nominee is not only considered but confirmed. He has only 52 Republican votes toward the 60 needed to cut off debate on a nominee, but he can either recruit eight Democrats or change the rules to make the filibuster unavailable in this instance.

Recruiting that much Democratic support might seem difficult at this stage, with the partisan fervor still running high. But 10 of the Senate's Democrats who face re-election struggles in 2018 are in states that were won by Trump in 2016. A filibuster of Gorsuch might be costly to their prospects.

On the other hand, every Democrat in Congress must deal with a high level of anger among core constituents, who are demanding relentless resistance to virtually every move Trump makes.

So the warm feelings in the East Room at announcement time had only begun to fade when the battle lines began forming on cable TV, in social media and countless emails.

The White House called Gorsuch "impossible to oppose" and produced a list of supporters from Colorado and conservative circles, studded with a few Democrats who have at least praised Gorsuch in the past.

But there was plenty of pushback from Democrats in Congress and various advocacy groups. Progressives, in particular, took issue with Gorsuch's well-known views on "religious liberty" and his willingness to let employers refuse to provide birth control services under Obamacare. Also noted was his devotion to the rights of gun owners, as well as those of campaign donors facing strictures under campaign finance reform.

Gorsuch also has been controversial for questioning the long-standing practice of court deference to the interpretive expertise of administrative agencies when laws leave legislators' intentions ambiguous.

Some Democrats also found in Gorsuch a symbol of Trump's overall approach to governing and his alleged indifference to the interests of certain constituencies.

Sen. Tammy Baldwin of Wisconsin, a state won by Trump, released a statement that said, in part: "With this Supreme Court nomination, President Trump has made it clear he has no interest in being a President for all Americans and that he is intent on creating more division in our country."

She predicted he would not find much bipartisan support, a suggestion seconded by more senior Democrats such as their Senate leader, Charles Schumer of New York,

and Judiciary Committee ranking Democrat Dianne Feinstein of California.

Many of the Democrats couched their critiques in references to the lack of consideration of the Garland nomination last year. One was Pat Leahy of Vermont, the former chairman of the Judiciary Committee:

"Before Senate Republicans waged the unprecedented blockade of Judge Garland's nomination to the Supreme Court last year, the Senate took seriously its constitutional duty to provide advice and consent on nominees to the highest court in the land. But Republicans abdicated the Senate's constitutional role by choosing politically-charged obstruction, so that a president [Trump] who lost the popular vote could nominate extreme candidates to the Supreme Court."

The Garland history is indeed a bitter pill for Democrats to swallow at this moment. But they also struggle with the dilemma that has always plagued Senate minority parties when presented with an adversarial president's nominee to the court. They can resist, in all likelihood losing and looking weak in the process, or they can stand down and sidestep the fight, risking the rage of activists in their support base who are most incensed about Trump's court choice — or about Trump in general.

There was one sense in which Gorsuch did not seem to fit the profile Trump had initially sketched for his Supreme Court pick. Trump had wanted to move in a more unconventional or anti-establishment direction, but on Tuesday night he was touting his man's exceptional Ivy League pedigree.

In addition to degrees from Columbia University and Harvard Law School (both with honors, as Trump himself stressed), Gorsuch earned a doctorate from Oxford University before clerking for Supreme Court Justices Byron White and Anthony Kennedy. (If confirmed, Gorsuch will be the first former clerk to share the Supreme Court bench with the justice he once served.)

Gorsuch thanked previous mentors Kennedy and White in his remarks Tuesday night. He also described a bit of his own judicial philosophy, saying that "in our legal order it is for Congress and not the courts to write new laws."

"It is the role of judges to apply, not alter, the work of the people's representatives," he added. "A judge who likes every outcome he reaches is very likely a bad judge. [W]hen we judges don our robes, it doesn't make us any smarter, but it does serve as a reminder of what's expected of us: impartiality and independence, collegiality and courage."

Correction

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A previous version of this story incorrectly referred to someone as Justice Byron York when Justice Byron White was meant.

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Trump's Talk About Muslims Led Acting Attorney General to Defy Ban

By ALAN BLINDER and MATT APUZZO JAN. 31, 2017

ATLANTA — As a young prosecutor in the late 1990s, Sally Q. Yates sat at a conference table with a former sheriff and began picking away at his story. With an F.B.I. agent watching, Ms. Yates soon had the lawman in knots about a deposition.

“I watched him as she broke him down, and he confessed that he had lied under oath,” the agent, Oliver G. Halle, now retired, recalled on Tuesday. “She can be very disarming, but underneath that disarming appearance is a woman who knows how to fight.”

As acting attorney general, Ms. Yates picked the fight of her life on Monday when she ordered the Justice Department not to defend President Trump's executive order blocking refugees and restricting immigration to the United States. Ms. Yates became convinced, based on the president's own statements, that he had intended to unlawfully single out Muslims, senior officials said.

“We have comments from the president about what this is supposed to do,” Ms. Yates said in one meeting on Monday, according to two people involved in the discussions. She later added, “The intent was clear from the face of it.”

Ms. Yates, 56, was swiftly fired. Before she even finished packing up her office, she had become a hero to many Democrats, the face of a simmering resistance inside the government to Mr. Trump's administration.

Her firing was a politically divisive turn in a career that had, until now, earned her bipartisan praise.

“She will be a hero of the American people, a hero of what’s right,” Senator Johnny Isakson, Republican of Georgia, said in 2015 at Ms. Yates’s confirmation hearing. “She’ll call them like she sees them, and she will be fair, and she will be just.”

While Ms. Yates was a reliably liberal voice in the Justice Department on issues of civil rights, criminal justice and sentencing, she worked her way up as a career prosecutor in Atlanta under political appointees from both parties. A native Georgian, she led prosecutions against some of the highest profile defendants in Atlanta, including former Mayor Bill Campbell, a Democrat who was accused of racketeering and tax fraud, and Eric Robert Rudolph, who set bombs at a park during the 1996 Olympic Games, a gay nightclub and two Southern abortion clinics.

She also took on the leaders of an Atlanta suburb who refused to allow construction of a mosque. The Justice Department sued, and the city reversed itself. “Religious freedom requires that local government decisions impacting the exercise of that freedom be free of discrimination,” Ms. Yates said at the time.

When Ms. Yates, who declined to comment on Tuesday, became deputy attorney general in 2015, she told colleagues that she had no intention of merely being a caretaker. “We’re going to run through the tape,” she often said.

In Washington, her outgoing personality made her a counterpoint to her more reserved boss, Attorney General Loretta E. Lynch. At times that made Ms. Yates the face of the Justice Department in ways that caused tension with Ms. Lynch’s staff. Ms. Yates was regarded as professionally ambitious, though she has told friends that she has no interest in running for political office.

Last year, Ms. Yates and Ms. Lynch earned the ire of Democrats — including many in the department — for not intervening to prohibit the F.B.I. director, James B. Comey, from sending a letter to Congress in the final days of the presidential campaign. The letter raised the prospect of new and potentially damaging evidence against Hillary Clinton related to an investigation that had been closed. Nothing

came of the new evidence, and Mrs. Clinton's team says the letter cost her the presidency. Her supporters argued that Justice Department leaders were too timid to stand up to Mr. Comey.

Mr. Trump's executive order prompted a new challenge for Ms. Yates, who was serving until the Senate confirmed a new attorney general. The Justice Department's Office of Legal Counsel had reviewed and signed off on the order, but Ms. Yates believed that the department had to also consider the president's intent, which she said appeared aimed at singling out people based on religion.

Mr. Trump had promised to do as much. His campaign website still calls for a "total and complete shutdown of Muslims entering the United States until our country's representatives can figure out what is going on." After the decision was announced, one of his advisers, Rudolph W. Giuliani, the former mayor of New York, said in an interview that Mr. Trump had wanted a Muslim ban but needed "the right way to do it legally." Mr. Trump then said in an interview with the Christian Broadcasting Network that Christian refugees would be given priority for entry visas to the United States.

In meetings on Monday, some in the department said it should defend the order, as it normally does. Others disagreed.

Prominent lawyers echoed that debate on Tuesday. Some former Justice Department officials, like Martin Lederman, praised Ms. Yates's decision. Ms. Lynch said "her courageous leadership embodies the highest traditions of the Department of Justice."

But others, like Jack Goldsmith, said she should have either defended the president's order or resigned. George J. Terwilliger III, a former deputy attorney general who, like Ms. Yates, served briefly as acting attorney general, said that Ms. Yates had made herself and the Justice Department "look blatantly political."

Ms. Yates considered resigning, four current and former Justice Department officials said, but she concluded that doing so would only defer a difficult decision to a temporary successor.

That dilemma was foreshadowed two years ago in her confirmation hearing, when Senator Jeff Sessions, the Alabama Republican who is poised to become the next attorney general, questioned whether Ms. Yates had the independent streak needed to be the Justice Department's second in command.

"If the views the president wants to execute are unlawful, should the attorney general or the deputy attorney general say no?" Mr. Sessions asked.

"I believe the attorney general or deputy attorney general has an obligation to follow the law and Constitution and give their independent legal advice to the president," Ms. Yates replied.

Shortly after 9 p.m. on Monday, roughly three hours after she ordered department lawyers not to defend the president's position, a White House courier arrived with a copy of her dismissal letter.

"Dear Deputy Attorney General Yates," said the letter, which was signed by John DeStefano, an assistant to Mr. Trump. "I am informing you that the president has removed you from the office of Deputy Attorney General of the United States."

Alan Blinder reported from Atlanta, and Matt Apuzzo from Washington.

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Document Message from Sally Yates to Justice Department lawyers before she was fired

JAN. 30, 2017

Acting Atty. Gen. Sally Yates ordered Justice Department attorneys not to defend President Trump's executive order on travel and refugees in court. Hours later, Trump fired her. Here is the memo she wrote.

On January 27, 2017, the President signed an Executive Order regarding immigrants and refugees from certain Muslim-majority countries. The order has now been challenged in a number of jurisdictions. As the Acting Attorney General, it is my ultimate responsibility to determine the position of the Department of Justice in these actions.

My role is different from that of the Office of Legal Counsel (OLC), which, through administrations of both parties, has reviewed Executive Orders for form and legality before they are issued. OLC's review is limited to the narrow question of whether, in OLC's view, a proposed Executive Order is lawful on its face and properly drafted. Its review does not take account of statements made by an administration or its surrogates close in time to the issuance of an Executive Order that may bear on the order's purpose. And importantly, it does not address whether any policy choice embodied in an Executive Order is wise or just.

Similarly, in litigation, DOJ Civil Division lawyers are charged with advancing reasonable legal arguments that can be made supporting an Executive Order. But my role as leader of this institution is different and broader. My responsibility is to ensure that the position of the Department of Justice is not only legally defensible, but is informed by our best view of what the law is after consideration of all the facts. In addition, I am responsible for ensuring that the positions we take in court remain consistent with this institution's solemn obligation to always seek justice and stand for what is right. At present, I am not convinced that the defense of the Executive Order is consistent with these responsibilities nor am I convinced that the Executive Order is lawful.

Consequently, for as long as I am the Acting Attorney General, the Department of Justice will not present arguments in defense of the Executive Order, unless and until I become convinced that it is appropriate to do so.

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Trump Fires Acting Attorney General Who Defied Him

By MICHAEL D. SHEAR, MARK LANDLER, MATT APUZZO and ERIC LICHTBLAU JAN. 30, 2017

WASHINGTON — President Trump fired his acting attorney general on Monday night, removing her as the nation's top law enforcement officer after she defiantly refused to defend his executive order closing the nation's borders to refugees and people from predominantly Muslim countries.

In an escalating crisis for his 10-day-old administration, the president declared in a statement that Sally Q. Yates, who had served as deputy attorney general under President Barack Obama, had betrayed the administration by announcing that Justice Department lawyers would not defend Mr. Trump's order against legal challenges.

The president replaced Ms. Yates with Dana J. Boente, the United States attorney for the Eastern District of Virginia, saying that he would serve as attorney general until Congress acts to confirm Senator Jeff Sessions of Alabama. In his first act in his new role, Mr. Boente announced that he was rescinding Ms. Yates's order.

Monday's events have transformed the confirmation of Mr. Sessions into a referendum on Mr. Trump's immigration order. Action in the Senate could come as early as Tuesday.

Ms. Yates's order was a remarkable rebuke by a government official to a sitting president, and it recalled the so-called Saturday Night Massacre in 1973, when

President Richard M. Nixon fired his attorney general and deputy attorney general for refusing to dismiss the special prosecutor in the Watergate case.

Mr. Boente was sworn in at 9 p.m., according to White House officials, who did not provide details about who performed the ceremony. In a statement, Mr. Boente pledged to “defend and enforce the laws of our country.”

At 9:15 p.m., Ms. Yates received a hand-delivered letter at the Justice Department that informed her that she was fired. Signed by John DeStefano, one of Mr. Trump’s White House aides, the letter informed Ms. Yates that “the president has removed you from the office of Deputy Attorney General of the United States.”

Two minutes later, the White House officials lashed out at Ms. Yates in a statement issued by Sean Spicer, the White House press secretary.

“Ms. Yates is an Obama administration appointee who is weak on borders and very weak on illegal immigration,” the statement said.

The firing of Ms. Yates came at the end of a turbulent three days that began on Friday with Mr. Trump’s signing of his executive order. The action stranded travelers around the world, led to protests around the country and created alarm inside the bureaucracy.

Ms. Yates, like other senior government officials, was caught by surprise by the executive order and agonized over the weekend about how to respond, two Justice Department officials involved in the weekend deliberations said. Ms. Yates considered resigning but she told colleagues she did not want to leave it to her successor to face the same dilemma.

By Monday afternoon, Ms. Yates added to a deepening sense of anxiety in the nation’s capital by publicly confronting the president with a stinging challenge to his authority, laying bare a deep divide at the Justice Department, within the diplomatic corps and elsewhere in the government over the wisdom of his order.

“At present, I am not convinced that the defense of the executive order is consistent with these responsibilities, nor am I convinced that the executive order is lawful,” Ms. Yates wrote in a letter to Justice Department lawyers.

Mr. Trump's senior aides huddled together in the West Wing to determine what to do.

They decided quickly that her insubordination could not stand, according to an administration official familiar with the deliberations. Among the chief concerns was whether Mr. Sessions could be confirmed quickly by the Senate.

After Reince Priebus, the White House chief of staff, received reassurances from Senator Mitch McConnell of Kentucky, the Republican leader, that the confirmation was on track, aides took their recommendation to Mr. Trump in the White House residence.

The president decided quickly: She has to go, he told them.

The official statement from Mr. Spicer accused Ms. Yates of failing to fulfill her duty to defend a "legal order designed to protect the citizens of the United States" that had been approved by the Justice Department's Office of Legal Counsel.

"It is time to get serious about protecting our country," Mr. Spicer said in the statement. He accused Democrats of holding up the confirmation of Mr. Sessions for political reasons. "Calling for tougher vetting for individuals traveling from seven dangerous places is not extreme. It is reasonable and necessary to protect our country."

Former Justice Department officials said the president's action would send a deep shudder through an agency that was already on edge as officials anticipated an ideological overhaul once Mr. Sessions takes over. One former senior official said that department lawyers would be unnerved by the firing.

Democrats, meanwhile, hailed Ms. Yates as a principled defender of what she thought was right. Senator Chuck Schumer of New York, the Democratic leader, said in a statement that the "attorney general should be loyal and pledge fidelity to the law, not the White House. The fact that this administration doesn't understand that is chilling."

Mr. Boente has told the White House that he is willing to sign off on Mr. Trump's executive order on refugees and immigration, according to Joshua Stueve, a

spokesman for the United States attorney's office in Alexandria, Va., where Mr. Boente has served as the top prosecutor since 2015.

Mr. Boente, who has been a prosecutor with the Justice Department for 31 years, had no hesitation about accepting the acting attorney general's job given his "seniority and loyalty" to the department, Mr. Stueve said in a telephone interview on Monday night.

As acting attorney general, Ms. Yates was the only person at the Justice Department authorized to sign applications for foreign surveillance warrants. Administrations of both parties have interpreted surveillance laws as requiring foreign surveillance warrants be signed only by Senate-confirmed Justice Department officials. Mr. Boente was Senate-confirmed as United States attorney and, though the situation is unprecedented, the White House said he was authorized to sign the warrants.

Ms. Yates's decision had effectively overruled a finding by the Justice Department's Office of Legal Counsel, which had already approved the executive order "with respect to form and legality."

Ms. Yates said her determination in deciding not to defend the order was broader, however, and included questions not only about the order's lawfulness, but also whether it was a "wise or just" policy. She also alluded to unspecified statements the White House had made before signing the order, which she factored into her review.

Mr. Trump initially responded to the letter with a post on Twitter at 7:45 p.m., complaining that the Senate's delay in confirming his cabinet nominees had resulted in leaving Ms. Yates in place.



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The 1973 “Saturday Night Massacre” led to a constitutional crisis that ended when Robert H. Bork, the solicitor general, acceded to Mr. Nixon’s order and fired Archibald Cox, the special prosecutor.

Ms. Yates, a career prosecutor, is different because she is a holdover from the Obama administration. She agreed to Mr. Trump’s request to stay on as acting attorney general until Mr. Sessions is confirmed to be attorney general.

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BREAKING NEWS: Full Text of Draft Dissent Channel Memo on Trump Refugee and Visa Order

By **Benjamin Wittes**, **Susan Hennessey**, **Quinta Jurecic** Monday, January 30, 2017, 9:25 AM

Omphalos: Middle East Conflict in Perspective

Consider this a major bureaucratic uprising on the part of career foreign service officers against the President on his executive order on refugees.

Numerous Foreign Service officers and other diplomats have drafted a dissent memo expressing opposition to President Donald Trump's executive order banning refugees and immigrants from Iran, Iraq, Libya, Somalia, Sudan, Syria, and Yemen from entering the United States. ABC reported this morning on the draft, which is likely to be submitted today.

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Here's a copy of the actual draft. We are hearing that literally hundreds of foreign service officers are planning to be party to the dissent memo; it's still unclear exactly how many. We have redacted all names and personally identifiable information from this document.

To print the document, click the "Original Document" link to open the original PDF.
At this time it is not possible to print the document with annotations.

The State Department's Dissent Channel is a mechanism for employees to confidentially express policy disagreement, created in 1971 as a response to concerns within the Department over the government's handling of the Vietnam War. Authors of a memo submitted through the Channel, which is open to all regular employees of the State Department and USAID, may not be subject to any penalty or disciplinary action in response. Once a memo is submitted, the Secretary of State's Policy Planning Staff must acknowledge its receipt within two working days and will usually distribute it to the Secretary of State, the Deputy Secretary of State, the Under Secretary for Political Affairs, the Chairperson of the Open Forum, and, if the memo's author is employed by USAID, by the head of that agency as well. Taking into account the wishes of the author, the memo may also be distributed more broadly within the State Department and may be done so anonymously.

The ultimate significance of the channel is that memos must receive a substantive response within 30-60 working days.

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(U) The following is a Dissent Channel message from

(SBU) Summary: We are writing to register our dissent to the State Department's implementation of President Trump's Friday, January 27, 2017 Executive Order on "Protecting The Nation From Foreign Terrorist Entry Into The United States," which, among other things, blocks the Department of State from issuing immigrant and nonimmigrant visas to citizens of Syria, Iraq, Iran, Libya, Somalia, Sudan, and Yemen for a minimum 90 day period with an unclear timeline for when issuance would resume. As consular professionals, Foreign Service Officers, and members of the Civil Service, we see every day the value that "**Secure Borders and Open Doors**" brings to our nation. A policy which closes our doors to over 200 million legitimate travelers in the hopes of preventing a small number of travelers who intend to harm Americans from using the visa system to enter the United States will not achieve its aim of making our country safer. Moreover, such a policy runs counter to core American values of nondiscrimination, fair play, and extending a warm welcome to foreign visitors and immigrants. Alternative solutions are available to address the risk of terror attacks which are both more effective and in line with Department of State and American values.

This Ban Does Not Achieve Its Aims--And Will Likely Be Counterproductive

(SBU) This ban, which can only be lifted under conditions which will be difficult or impossible for countries to meet, will not achieve its stated aim of to protect the American people from terrorist attacks by foreign nationals admitted to the United States. Despite the Executive Order's focus on them, a vanishingly small number of terror attacks on U.S. soil have been committed by foreign nationals who recently entered the United States on an immigrant or nonimmigrant visa. Rather, the overwhelming majority of attacks have been committed by native-born or naturalized U.S. citizens--individuals who have been living in the United States for decades, if not since birth. In the isolated incidents of foreign nationals entering the

U.S. on a visa to commit acts of terror, the nationals have come from a range of countries, including many (such as Pakistan or Saudi Arabia) which are not covered by the Executive Order.

(SBU) Given the near-absence of terror attacks committed in recent years by Syrian, Iraqi, Irani, Libyan, Somalia, Sudanese, and Yemeni citizens who are in the U.S. in after entering on a visa, this ban will have little practical effect in improving public safety.

(SBU) If this ban will not prevent terror attacks from occurring, what will it do?

- (SBU) It will immediately sour relations with these six countries, as well as much of the Muslim world, which sees the ban as religiously-motivated. These governments of these countries are important allies and partners in the fight against terrorism, regionally and globally. By alienating them, we lose access the intelligence and resources need to fight the root causes of terror abroad, before an attack occurs within our borders.
- (SBU) It will increase anti-American sentiment. When the 220 million citizens of these countries lose the opportunity to travel to the U.S. overnight, hostility towards the United States will grow. Instead of building bridges to these societies through formal outreach and exchanges and through informal people-to-people contact, we send the message that we consider all nationals of these countries to be an unacceptable security risk. Almost one-third of these countries' combined populations are children under the age of 15; there is no question that their perception of the United States will be heavily colored by this ban. We are directly impact the attitudes of current and future leaders in these societies--including those for whom this may be a tipping point towards radicalization.
- (SBU) It will have an immediate and clear humanitarian impact. Every day foreign nationals come to the United States to seek medical treatment for a child with a rare heart condition, to attend a parent's funeral, or to help a relative in distress. For citizens of these countries, a blanket ban on travel will not just ruin vacation plans but potentially cut off access to life-saving medical treatment or impose terrible humanitarian burdens. While the Executive Order allows for the Secretary of State or the Secretary of Homeland security to admit travelers from these countries on a case-by-case basis, it is unrealistic to think that this will be feasible to implements for the thousands of aliens with urgent and compelling needs to travel.

- (SBU) It will have a negative impact on the U.S. economy. According to the Department of Commerce, foreign travelers collectively injected almost \$250 billion into the U.S. economy in 2015 alone, supporting over one million American jobs. Foreign students alone contribute more than \$30 billion to the U.S. economy. Preventing travelers from these six countries from spending their money in the U.S. will immediately decrease that amount; more perniciously, this ban can be expected to cause an overall drop in traveler dollars as the U.S. quickly sheds its welcoming “Secure Borders, **Open Doors**” reputation.

(SBU) The end result of this ban will not be a drop in terror attacks in the United States; rather, it will be a drop in international good will towards Americans and a threat towards our economy.

We Are Better Than This Ban

(SBU) Looking beyond its effectiveness, this ban stands in opposition to the core American and constitutional values that we, as federal employees, took an oath to uphold.

(SBU) The United States is a nation of immigrants, starting from its very origins. The concept that immigrants and foreigners are welcome is an essential element of our society, our government, and our foreign policy. So, too, is the concept that we are all equal under the law and that we as a nation abhor discrimination, whether it is based on race, religion, sex, or national origin. Combined together, that means we have a *special* obligation to maintain an immigration system that is as free as possible from discrimination, that does not have implied or actual religious tests, and that views individuals as individuals, not as part of stereotyped groups.

(SBU) The Executive Order frames the ban as a 90-day suspension of entry for these nationals until their countries can set up arrangements to provide adequate information to determine that an individual seeking a benefit is who the individual claims to be and is not a security or public-safety threat. This is a high, vague, and nebulous bar. In some cases, the governments of these countries may be wholly incapable of providing this information; in others, the government may be unwilling. In either case, individual citizens will pay the price—a situation which runs counter to U.S. values of fair play and offering equal opportunities to all.

(SBU) Banning travelers from these seven countries calls back to some of the worst times in our history. Law enacted in the 1920s and which lasted through the 1960s severely restricted immigration based on national origin and, in some cases, race. The decision to restrict the freedom of Japanese-Americans in the U.S. and foreign citizens who wanted to travel to or settle in the U.S. during the 1940s has been a source of lasting shame for many in our country. Decades from now, we will look back and realize we made the same mistakes our predecessors: shutting borders in a knee-jerk reaction instead of setting up systems of checks that protect our interests and our values.

Alternative Ways Forward

(SBU) Just as equality and multiculturalism are core American values, so too is pragmatism. And there are pragmatic ways to achieve our common goals to protect the American people from terrorist attacks by foreign nationals admitted to the United States and to secure a better and more prosperous future.

(SBU) Rather than a blanket ban on the travel of over 200 million citizens, we need to strengthen our targeted and interagency approach to deterring, detecting, and subverting attacks. We should not focus our screening and vetting on specific nationalities at the expense of missing the forest for the trees but should turn those tools to cover the full range of sources of terror, including those who may hold “friendly” or even U.S. passports.

(SBU) There is no question that the visa process can be improved and refined to better detect individuals who intend to exploit United States immigration laws for malevolent purposes. We need to expand existing interagency cooperation between the different elements of the government responsible for border security and protection of the homeland. This includes cooperation with state, local, campus, and tribal law enforcement, who in many cases are best situated to detect threats. The Visa Security Program which embeds Department of Homeland Security staff into consular sections around the world has proven the effectiveness of incorporating a law enforcement perspective into the visa process; this approach should be expanded.

(SBU) Continuous vetting program for visa holders--which looks at all visa holders, not just those of specific nationalities--allows our law enforcement and intelligence bodies to act on new information and to focus on individuals that may become radicalized. This vetting should be expanded and made more comprehensive. Likewise, the Visa Viper Program, which allows posts overseas to

report on potential threats, should be strengthened to become a more reliable source of intelligence.

(SBU) The Department of State and the U.S. government already has numerous tools already at its disposal to secure its visa process: access to law enforcement databases, biometric screening, Security Advisory Opinions, continuous vetting. If we haven't accomplished our goals so far, then let's strengthen and improve these tools. And let's develop new tools: cutting-edge data analytics, social media tracking, data mining, aggressive outreach.

(SBU) We do not need to place a blanket ban that keeps 220 million people--men, women, and children--from entering the United States to protect our homeland. We do not need to alienate entire societies to stay safe. And we do not need to sacrifice our reputation as a nation which is open and welcoming to protect our families. It is well within our reach to create a visa process which is more secure, which reflects our American values, and which would make the Department proud.



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(New York, NY) December 7th, 2015, -- Donald J. Trump is calling for a total and complete shutdown of Muslims entering the United States until our country's representatives can figure out what is going on. According to Pew Research, among others, there is great hatred towards Americans by large segments of the Muslim population. Most recently, a poll from the **Center for Security Policy** released data showing "25% of those polled agreed that violence against Americans here in the United States is justified as a part of the global jihad" and 51% of those polled, "agreed that Muslims in America should have the choice of being governed according to Shariah." Shariah authorizes such atrocities as murder against non-believers who won't convert, beheadings and more unthinkable acts that pose great harm to Americans, especially women.

Mr. Trump stated, "Without looking at the various polling data, it is obvious to anybody the hatred is beyond comprehension. Where this hatred comes from and why we will have to determine. 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. If I win the election for President, we are going to Make America Great Again." - *Donald J. Trump*

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A spokesperson for **Donald Trump** has claimed the president-elect “never advocated” for a registry that tracks individuals based on their religion, despite a video showing him endorsing precisely such a plan.

The Republican was captured on film in November 2015 describing a network that would register and trace Muslims living across the US.

Yet Mr Trump's transition team communication director Jason Miller released a **statement** on Thursday saying: “President-elect Trump has never advocated for any registry or system that tracks individuals based on their religion, and to imply otherwise is completely false.”

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In 2015 Mr Trump said he said he would bring in “a lot of systems” that could track Muslims, after signing them up in various places across the country.

they have to be.”

Asked to confirm whether he would introduce the policy against Muslims if he won the White House he said: “I would certainly implement that, absolutely.”

Mr Trump said it was possible to bring in the scheme because he would implement “good management”.



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People are fighting Donald Trump's 'Muslim register' by campaigning fo

The idea of a Muslim register was one of the most controversial issues of the Trump campaign and the billionaire already appears to have rowed back on some of his statements.

A key member of the Republican's transition team caused consternation on Wednesday when he said that Mr Trump's **policy advisors were discussing plans for tracking Muslim immigrants living in the US.**

Kris Kobach, the secretary of state for Kansas, has helped devise strict immigration laws in a number of US states and claims to

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The anti-immigrant hardliner also said the Trump administration could push ahead quickly with the construction of a US-Mexico border wall — without seeking congressional approval first.

The Muslim registration scheme is reminiscent of a programme launched in the wake of the 9/11 terror attacks in 2001, known as the National Security Entry-Exit Registration System (NSEERS) which required thousands of Arab and Muslim visitors and temporary US residents to register with the state.

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NSEERS – of which Mr Kobach was a key architect – was abandoned in 2011 after it was criticised for unfairly targeting immigrants from Muslim-majority nations.

It is not yet clear whether Mr Kobach will have a role in the Trump administration, but he is tipped for the role of Attorney General.

The Muslim registration scheme would reportedly hand Muslims a form of identification that notes their religion and **parallels between Mr Trump's proposals and the Nazi's treatment of Jews have been drawn.**

 **President Trump protests**



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In an interview on Sunday **Mr Trump** told CBS he would deport two to three million undocumented immigrants “immediately” on taking office.

He also confirmed his plans to “build a wall”, although he added that some parts of the barrier **could be a fence**.

The President-elect is reported to be considering appointing the vice-president of a think-tank that has said Muslims are infiltrating the American government as his deputy security advisor.

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Trump says we've known his Muslim ban and database plans 'all along.' But we still don't — not really.

By **Aaron Blake** December 21, 2016

Update: President-elect Trump offered his latest oblique statement about how his administration might register Muslims or ban Muslim immigrants on Wednesday, telling reporters when asked about a Muslim ban or registry, "You've known my plans all along" and adding, "I've been proven to be right. 100 percent correct" in response to attacks in Berlin and Turkey.

It's just the latest opaque comment from Trump on this topic. Last month, we looked at his evolution on the issue after one of his potential attorneys general spoke about instituting some kind of database. That post is below, with the new comments at the bottom.

The idea of a so-called Muslim registry or Muslim database has been back in the news in recent days after a pair of high-profile Donald Trump supporters rekindled it.

Kansas Secretary of State Kris Kobach — formerly rumored to be a candidate for Trump's attorney general — talked to Reuters on Tuesday about the Trump administration implementing one. By Wednesday, Trump surrogate Carl Higbie cited Japanese American internment camps during World War II as “precedent” for doing such a thing.

But it's worth noting how this idea evolved over the course of Trump's campaign.

What Kobach and Higbie are talking about is actually less far-reaching than the Muslim database that Trump suggested he might support as a candidate. They are talking about a registry for immigrants from Muslim countries — similar to one Kobach helped implement as a staff member in the George W. Bush Justice Department and that was scrapped in 2011 — but Trump at times expressed an openness to a database for *all* Muslims in the United States.

The idea for both versions is basically that radical Islam poses such a threat that Muslims — irrespective of their potential ties to extremism — should be on some kind of registry so they can be tracked.

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Trump has not stated clearly exactly what he favors, and he has even disputed reports that he supported the broader version of the Muslim database. His campaign released a statement late Thursday stating, "President-elect Trump has never advocated for any registry or system that tracks individuals based on their religion, and to imply otherwise is completely false."

But he has also pointedly declined to rule it out and has at times talked about implementing just such a system.

In other words, as with many policies he might push as president, we just don't know exactly what he'll do — until he steps forward and says it himself. And he has offered plenty of conflicting signals.

So how did we get to this point? And what exactly has Trump said? Let's recap.

A noncommittal start

Almost exactly one year ago, on Nov. 19, 2015, Trump was asked by a Yahoo News reporter what measures he might take when it came to his stated proposal to increase surveillance of Muslims in the United States.

"We're going to have to do certain things that were frankly unthinkable a year ago," Trump said. Asked about registering Muslims in a database or noting their religion on IDs, Trump responded: "We're going to have to look at a lot of things very closely. We're going to have to look at the mosques. We're going to have to look very, very carefully."

Asked the following day again whether he supported a Muslim database, Trump was again oblique: "There should be a lot of systems — beyond databases. I mean, we should have a lot of systems." Trump then began talking about a border wall.

Leaning in

The MSNBC reporter followed up: "But that's something your White House would like to implement?"

Trump responded: "I would certainly implement that. Absolutely."

It wasn't clear whether the "that" he was referring to was a database or "a lot of systems" or a border wall. But the reporter then asked how he would register people, and Trump's responses suggested that he supported a database.

"It would just be good management," he said. When asked whether they would be required to register, he responded: "They have to be — they have to be. Let me just tell you: The key is people can come to the country, but they have to come legally."

Trump disputes it — somewhat

Later that same day, Trump disputed the reports saying he had endorsed a Muslim database, but he still didn't say he disagreed with it.

Still later that day, though, Trump again left open the possibility. Asked on Fox News Channel whether he would support a “full Muslim database,” he said: “Basically the suggestion was made and [is] certainly something we should start thinking about. ... But certainly I would want to have a database for the refugees — for the Syrian refugees that are coming in, because nobody knows where they're coming from.”

The database is 'all right' and 'okay'

The following day in Alabama, Trump seemed to lean in more toward some kind of a database, saying it would be “all right” and “okay” but again quibbled with the idea that it was a big deal.

“So the database — I said yeah, that’s all right, fine,” he said. “But they also said the wall, and I said the wall, and I was referring to the wall. But database is okay, and watch list is okay, and surveillance is okay. ... And the biggest story yesterday — the biggest — was ‘Trump wants database on Muslims.’ I said, ‘What's all happening here?’”

A day later, Trump again left open the possibility. Asked by ABC News if he would rule out a database on all Muslims, he said no, but then shifted to talking about a database just of refugees.

“No, not at all,” he said. “I want a database for the refugees that — if they come into the country. We have no idea who these people are. When the Syrian refugees are going to start pouring into this country, we don't know if they're ISIS, we don't know if it's a Trojan horse.

“And I definitely want a database and other checks and balances. We want to go with watch lists. We want to go with databases. And we have no choice.”

The issue was soon overshadowed by Trump's proposal in December to ban all Muslim immigration — which he may or may not have walked back since then. And in an anti-terrorism speech in June, he made no mention of a database or registry.

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But judging from these comments, it's little surprise that the Trump transition team is looking at some kind of database involving Muslims or Muslim countries. The real question from here is how far they take the idea.

'You've known my plans all along'

In a very brief Q&A session with reporters, this exchange occurred:

QUESTION: [Have the attacks in Berlin and Turkey] caused you to rethink your reevaluate your plans to create a Muslim registry or ban Muslim immigration to the United States?

The latter statement is debatable. The former is just not the case.

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On January 27, President Donald J. Trump issued an executive order that affects thousands of international students currently studying at U.S. colleges and universities.

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HOW
TRUMP'S
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The order banned citizens of seven countries from entering the U.S. for 90 days. During the 90-day travel ban, the Department of Homeland Security is meant to improve the vetting process for immigrants from those countries. The countries affected include **Iran, Iraq, Libya, Somalia, Sudan, Syria, and Yemen**.

The number of international students in the U.S. has grown tremendously in the past few years, and thousands of students will be affected by this travel ban.

The travel ban prevents students who are citizens of the seven countries mentioned from traveling to and from their country of origin and the United States. Some students have already been detained from re-entering America.

There may be exceptions made on a case-by-case basis, but for now, these students face extreme uncertainty as to their future. This ban will also no doubt affect the number of new international students who decide to choose the U.S. to pursue their education.

The Numbers

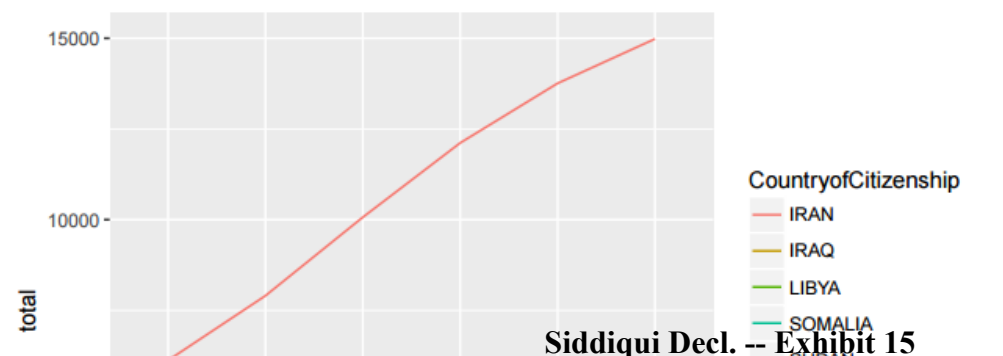
Based on 2015 data, there are **23,763** students studying in the U.S.A. who are affected by this travel ban, the majority of whom are from Iran.

Country	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	% Growth
Iran	6,123	7,905	10,067	12,115	13,757	14,981	19.60%
Libya	3,435	3,270	2,823	3,149	3,604	3,772	1.89%
Yemen	527	658	956	1,245	1,804	2,053	31.25%
Syria	737	780	956	1,396	1,576	1,334	12.60%
Iraq	568	794	856	1,033	1,124	1,075	13.61%
Sudan	327	339	356	374	414	481	8.02%
Somalia	21	34	37	51	52	67	26.12%
Total	11,738	13,780	16,051	19,363	22,331	23,763	15.15%

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International students from these countries have grown steadily over the past five years.



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Trump recently issued an executive order that bans travel from seven countries. This ban affects thousands of international students currently studying in the U.S.

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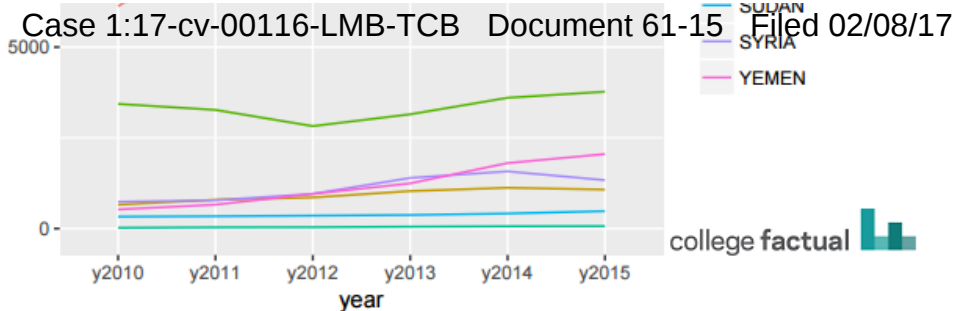
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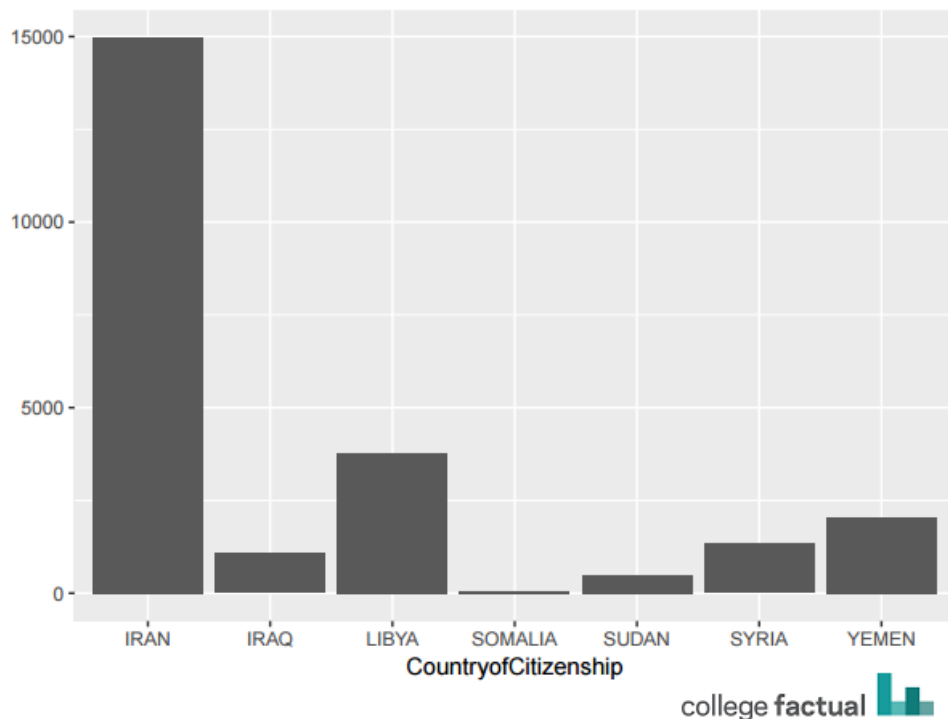


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Of the 23,763 students affected by the travel ban, **15,773** of them are attending higher education institutions offering bachelor degrees or higher. The colleges most likely to be affected include **Texas A&M** (<http://www.collegefactual.com/colleges/texas-a-and-m-university-college-station/>), **University of Southern California** (<http://www.collegefactual.com/colleges/university-of-southern-california/>), and **Northeastern University** (<http://www.collegefactual.com/colleges/northeastern-university/>), among others.

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Private	311	4,019	\$235,239,381



Data comes from the Department of Homeland Security and is based on the number of F1 and M1 Student Visas granted in the past five years.

Cost estimates come from the Department of Education.

This report covered in Bloomberg, the Wall Street Journal, Fortune, Business Insider, MarketWatch, and other media outlets.
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Note we will continue to add data to this story as we are able to collect and analyze it.

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The 10 US colleges that stand to lose the most from Trump's immigration ban



ABBY JACKSON
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Last week,



Trump's immigration ban have a sizable impact on the bottom line at certain American colleges.

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President Donald Trump signed an executive order that [bars citizens of Iran, Iraq, Libya, Somalia, Sudan, Syria, and Yemen from entering the US for 90 days](#) and all refugees for 120 days. Opponents of the ban worry that the temporary travel ban will turn into a permanent one.

Around the nation, news has emerged of college students from the affected countries [not being able to get back into the US](#).

Aside from the personal hardship the ban has been seen to cause, it may also have a big effect on the bottom line at certain American colleges, according to estimates provided to Business Insider from [College Factual, a higher education data analytics and research company](#).

International students can pay up to three times more than in-state students at public universities, [Business Insider's Tanza Loudanback reported in September](#), citing data from SelfScore, a company providing financial services to international students. Foreign students effectively subsidize education costs for other students at schools where they pay more, taking some of the financial burden off of American students.

College Factual collected data from Department of Homeland Security on the number of student visas that were approved in 2015, the most recent year they were able to get information. The 10 universities that had the highest number of student visas from the seven countries which now have a temporary travel ban are:

1. Texas A&M University — 271
2. University of Southern California — 252
3. Northeastern University — 249
4. The Pennsylvania State University — 227
5. University of Central Florida — 224
6. University of Houston-System — 221
7. Kaplan International Centers — 219
8. The University of Texas at Arlington — 219
9. Arizona State University — 199
10. Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University — 197

To estimate the potential yearly revenue loss of these figures, College Factual used the tuition and fees and room and board cost for bachelor's degree programs at each of these schools. The schools that stand to lose the most revenue assuming these students have their visas revoked are:

1. University of Southern California — \$16.9 million
2. Northeastern University — \$15.6 million
3. Texas A&M University — \$11.5 million
4. The Pennsylvania State University — \$11.1 million
5. University of Central Florida — \$8.6 million
6. Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University — \$8.2 million
7. Arizona State University — \$8.2 million
8. University of Houston-System — \$7.9 million
9. The University of Texas at Arlington — \$7.3 million
10. Kaplan International Centers — \$4.3 million

These estimates assume all students are seeking bachelor's degrees, as the visa data was not able to split between those seeking bachelor's degrees and those seeking master's or doctoral degrees.

Of note: Texas institutions of higher education seem to be most susceptible to revenue loss if Trump's immigration ban becomes permanent, with Texas A&M, the University of Houston System, and the University of Texas at Arlington losing an estimated \$26.7 million combined.

Amy Smith, senior vice president and chief marketing officer at Texas A&M, said that while the school has not conducted an impact analysis, she thought the numbers were likely inflated as some of its doctoral students attend the school on scholarship. Smith also said that the school doesn't support the ban. "We would not be the university we are without a diverse student body," Smith said.

Some experts warn that the effect on foreign enrollment in US schools could be far greater than just adjusting for the seven banned countries.

"The domino effect of this ban will result in a precipitous decline in international student enrollment from Muslim-majority countries," Rahul Choudaha, [cofounder of international student support organization interEDGE](#), told Business Insider in an email.

Josh Rogin | Opinion

Inside the White House-Cabinet battle over Trump's immigration order

By Josh Rogin February 4

Editor's Note: Prior to publication of this column, The Post sought comment from the Department of Homeland Security but not from the White House. We should have done both. The article has been updated. – Fred Hiatt

UPDATE (Feb. 4, 6:13 p.m.): The article has been updated to reflect comments from White House press secretary Sean Spicer. The article previously stated that Stephen K. Bannon visited Homeland Security Secretary John F. Kelly's office on Jan. 28. Spicer said Bannon did not make such a visit. He also said that Secretary of State Rex Tillerson and Bannon did not participate in a 2 a.m. conference call on Jan. 29. The article also previously stated that President Trump approved a pause in executive orders pending new procedures. According to Spicer, it was White House Chief of Staff Reince Priebus, rather than the president, who approved the new procedures, but not a pause.

UPDATE (Feb. 5, 8:55 a.m.): This post has been updated.

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Over the weekend of Jan. 28-29, as airport protests raged over President Trump's executive order on immigration, the man charged with implementing the order, Homeland Security Secretary John F. Kelly, had a plan. He would issue a waiver for lawful permanent residents, a.k.a. green-card holders, from the seven majority-Muslim countries whose citizens had been banned from entering the United States.

White House chief strategist Stephen K. Bannon wanted to stop Kelly in his tracks and told him not to issue the order. Kelly, according to two administration officials familiar with the confrontation, refused to comply. That was the beginning of a weekend of negotiations among senior Trump administration staffers that led, on Sunday, Jan. 29, to a White House decision to change the process for the issuance of executive orders.

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The disagreement between Bannon and Kelly pitted a political operator against a military discipline master. Administration officials gave the following account of their exchange: Respectfully but firmly, the retired general told Bannon that despite his high position in the White House and close relationship with President Trump, the former Breitbart chief was not in Kelly's chain of command. If the president wanted Kelly to back off from issuing the waiver, Kelly would have to hear it from the president directly, he told Bannon. White House press secretary Sean Spicer said Kelly and Bannon spoke on Jan. 27 and 29, but denied they had a confrontation over the green card waiver. In an email sent late Saturday, Bannon also denied a confrontation with Kelly and said he had not told him to withhold the waiver.

Trump didn't call Kelly to tell him to hold off. Kelly issued the waiver late Saturday night, although it wasn't officially announced until the following day.

That did not end the dispute. At approximately 2 a.m. Sunday, according to the two officials, a conference call of several top officials was convened to discuss the ongoing confusion over the executive order and the anger from Cabinet officials over their lack of inclusion in the process in advance.

On the call were White House senior policy adviser Stephen Miller, White House Counsel Donald McGahn, national security adviser Michael Flynn, Kelly, Defense Secretary Jim Mattis and a senior State Department official, who represented the State Department because Secretary of State nominee Rex Tillerson had not yet been confirmed.

One White House official and one administration official told me that the Cabinet officials presented a united front and complained about the process that led to the issuance of the immigration executive order, focusing on their near-complete lack of consultation as well as the White House's reluctance to make what they saw as common-sense revisions, such as exempting green-card holders.

Bannon and Miller pushed back, defending the White House's actions and explaining that the process and substance of the order had been kept to a close circle because the Trump administration had not yet installed its own officials in key government roles and other officials were still getting settled into place.

Flynn, according to the White House official, partially sided with the Cabinet officials, arguing that they should be included in the process, even if the White House ultimately decided not to adopt their recommendations.

"Flynn's argument was a process argument, that we are unnecessarily putting these guys in a tough position," the White House official said. "If you are going to ignore them, you have to at least give them a chance to say their piece."

Later on Sunday, White House Chief of Staff Reince Priebus met with senior staff and made a decision at that, following the already scheduled rollout of an executive order on regulatory reforms, all other executive orders would be held up until a process was established that included the input of key officials outside the White House.

Spicer told The Post that there was no pause and that Priebus simply issued new procedures for executive orders that were meant for improving the process.

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“We have to take the very best policy input from the cabinet secretaries and do it before we get things, and the White House official said. The pause appeared to end on Friday, when Trump signed an executive order and a memorandum on financial regulation.

The weekend’s events were the first major dust-up between the White House political leadership and the powerful figures Trump has appointed to head the national security bureaucracies. The Cabinet members stood up for themselves and their agencies and successfully pushed for a policy tweak that the administration later embraced in a memorandum to “clarify” the executive order.

The Cabinet members also demonstrated that they had something to offer the White House besides their policy input; they are the most credible spokespeople for controversial White House policies in the eyes of the public. On Tuesday, Kelly gave the White House badly needed political cover by holding a news conference and strongly defending the immigration executive order.

“This is not, I repeat, not, a ban on Muslims,” Kelly said. “We cannot gamble with American lives. I will not gamble with American lives. These orders are a matter of national security, and it is my sworn responsibility as secretary of homeland security to protect and defend the American people,” he said.

He said the DHS would implement the order “humanely,” that the DHS lawyers had been involved in preparing the order and that he did have some advance notice, denying reports he found out about it being signed while he was on an airplane. “We knew it was coming. It wasn’t a surprise,” Kelly said.

Minutes later, Spicer told reporters at the daily briefing that “there was proper coordination and preparation” between the White House and the DHS.

If the White House is now serious about working with the Cabinet, that’s a positive sign and means that this series of events had a constructive impact on policymaking. But there’s a good chance that this won’t be the last time that Cabinet secretaries will have to confront Bannon and Miller. Score their first battle as a tie.

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The Boston terrorist thugs' mother is also a radical. I am sure she will be granted citizenship shortly.

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Why won't President Obama use the term Islamic Terrorism? Isn't it now, after all of this time and so much death, about time!

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"@shawnlivinlife: I still haven't heard the WH say the words islamic terrorist. Call it what it is. #Trump2016 can't happen fast enough.

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When will President Obama issue the words RADICAL ISLAMIC TERRORISM? He can't say it, and unless he will, the problem will not be solved!

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I didn't suggest a database-a reporter did. We must defeat Islamic terrorism & have surveillance, including a watch list, to protect America

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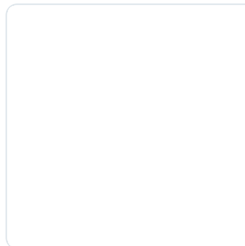
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Donald Trump is telling the truth about Muslims celebrating in New Jersey on September 11, 2001.

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"@thumpomma: I likewise saw militant Muslims burning our flag and burning George Bush photos and figures, right after 9/11! Not#here!"

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Wonder if Obama will ever say RADICAL ISLAMIC
TERRORIST?

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Hillary won't call out radical Islam! She will be soundly defeated.

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"Credible Source on 9-11 Muslim Celebrations: FBI"

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Credible Source on 9-11 Muslim Celebrations: FBI

One retired FBI agent says Donald Trump's claims of seeing Muslim celebrations following the attacks on 9-11 are absolutely plausible.

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DONALD J. TRUMP STATEMENT ON PREVENTING MUSLIM IMMIGRATION



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Our country is facing a major threat from radical Islamic terrorism. We better get very smart, and very tough, FAST, before it is too late!

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On civil liberties:



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With Boston terrorist cell widening in suspects, it's now clear that it was a mistake to read the bomber the Miranda warning so early.

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Why are some more concerned with granting terrorist rights than protecting innocent Americans?

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Any American who fights w/ ISIS in Iraq or Syria should have their passport revoked. If they try to come back in, send them to Gitmo.

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"@TheBrodyFile: On the Muslim issue: It might help @BarackObama if he actually supported Christians religious liberty rights.

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On Iraq:



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Govt. collapsing in Iraq only 2 weeks after withdrawal of our troops. Sadly, I called this one and please remember, I alone called it.

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America wasted billions and precious lives in Iraq and Iran will soon take control--very very sad.

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Why are we building a \$1Billion embassy in Iraq when the country kicked us out, didn't give us any oil & is about to get taken over by Iran?

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Under Obama, Iran has taken over Iraq, Al Qaeda has taken over Libya, the Muslim Brotherhood now controls Egypt. Worst foreign policy ever.

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10 yrs ago today, the Iraq war began. 4,485 of our nation's finest have not returned home alive. Iran will soon control Iraq & its oil.

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Iran is moving troops into Iraq under the guise that it is helping out. Actually, they will take over Iraq and all of their oil. Stupid U.S.

7:17 PM - 14 Jun 2014

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Iran will convince our incompetent President that they are trying to help us with Iraq, take over the country & oil, and "O" will say thanks

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Remember when I said when Saddam Hussein fell - the new leader of Iraq will be meaner and tougher and hate the U.S. even more. Welcome ISIS!

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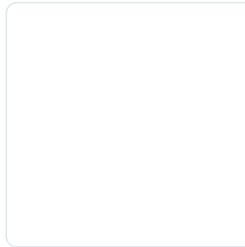
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Iraq's Army Chief of Staff is already seeking "Stronger" Ties with Iran. Once we leave, Iran will take over Iraq. bit.ly/uJZfV6

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Iraq's Army Chief of Staff Seeks 'Stronger' T...

Secretary of Defense Leon Panetta testified before the Senate Armed Services Committee today that "Iraq is ready to handle security without nationalreview.com

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Iraq should be paying us while we fight ISIS. Give the money to the families of our brave soldiers.

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Wow, ISIS has just taken the City of Ramadi in Iraq. So many of our great soldiers died in originally going after it. Such a waste.

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If any candidate believes that with what we know today we still should have invaded Iraq then they are unqualified to be Commander-in-Chief.

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Has Charles [@krauthammer](#) ever apologized for being so totally wrong on Iraq? I called it right in every way—Make America Great Again!

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Jeb, why did your brother attack and destabilize the Middle East by attacking Iraq when there were no weapons of mass destruction? Bad info?

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On Obama's middle east policy, and predictions of an attack on Iran:



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In order to get elected, [@BarackObama](#) will start a war with Iran.

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The WH should not have hosted the Muslim Brotherhood. [@BarackObama](#)'s friends are enemies of the US and [@Israel](#). The Islamist winter is here.

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Just as I predicted, @BarackObama is preparing a possible attack on Iran right before November. nyti.ms/N5CTdm

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U.S. Adds Forces in Persian Gulf, a Signal t...

The United States' quiet military buildup in the Strait of Hormuz, in response to Iranian threats to disrupt sea traffic, carries risks of confrontation. nytimes.com

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I always said @BarackObama will attack Iran, in some form, prior to the election.

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Remember that I predicted a long time ago that President Obama will attack Iran because of his inability to negotiate properly-not skilled!

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Message to Obama re: Iran: "The worst thing you can possibly do in a deal is seem desperate to make it." – The Art of the Deal

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"I would triple the sanctions on Iran if the American pastor is not released." - my @SRQRepublicans speech

8:04 PM - 21 May 2015

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Just as I predicted, while Obama lifted sanctions 18 months ago, Iran cheated & increased its nuclear fuel by 20%. We must DOUBLE sanctions!

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On not taking the oil from Iraq, Libya and Syria.



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USA should take oil from Iraq in repayment for their liberation.

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Trump: Taking Iraq's Oil Would Boost US Economy

Donald Trump says it is not necessary to cut social programs to reduce America s debt and revitalize the economy what is needed is
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Iraq's government is treating us like fools. We should demand their oil.

4:07 PM - 18 Oct 2011

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We are leaving Iraq after expending a tremendous amount of blood and treasure. We should be reimbursed with oil! -- Don't give it to Iran.

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Why aren't we getting any oil from Iraq before we leave? We are leaving the country wide open for Iran. Big mistake.

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When will our nation's sacrifices be respectfully appreciated? Iraq and Libya should reimburse us in oil.

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Iran will soon take all of the oil in Iraq...and Iraq itself---Keep the oil.

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I still can't believe we didn't t take the oil from Iraq.

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China has 5 oil projects in Iraq and we didn't get anything from the Iraqis except asked to leave. Iraq is going (cont) [tl.gd/f0ec7f](https://t.me/f0ec7f)

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We should have gotten more of the oil in Syria, and we should have gotten more of the oil in Iraq. Dumb leaders.

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The dummies left Iraq (and Libya) without the oil!

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I still can't believe we left Iraq without the oil.

2:14 PM - 23 Jan 2013

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Just as I predicted, Iraq is deteriorating into utter chaos bit.ly/11ZsNT7 The war was a waste. China is taking all the oil.

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I still can't believe we left Iraq without the oil.

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WHO IS GOING TO GET IRAQ'S OIL???????

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I was never a fan of Bush 2 FOR MANY REASONS, including the fact that we should never have gone into Iraq but once there, kept the oil! DUMB

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Our debt is about to reach \$17T. Iraq has \$20T in oil reserves. Interesting.

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China is taking the oil from Iraq after we spent 1.5 trillion dollars and thousands of lives for their "freedom". Our leaders are so stupid!

7:29 AM - 23 Jul 2013

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"@Bigjohn6531 You were 100% on the mark Donald when you said we should have taken some Iraqi oil ..." True, now Iran has it.

3:33 PM - 27 Mar 2014

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Once the tragic mistake of going into Iraq was made, we should have at least taken the oil (or at least some of it). Now Iran & China get it

4:53 AM - 22 Apr 2014

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I told you so a long time ago: Iraq just lost second largest city as their soldiers drop their guns and run. Only the beginning! OIL.

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Iraq told us to get out, Iraq is now falling, and Iraq now wants us to come back! Don't do it unless we get the OIL, and I mean ALL OF IT!

8:03 AM - 12 Jun 2014

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I told all of the haters and losers long ago that Iraq would fall, take the OIL or get out fast! Massive waste of lives and trillions of \$'s

8:07 AM - 12 Jun 2014

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After foolishly spending two trillion \$'s and losing so many great young people, the U.S. will be the only one who won't get the oil in Iraq

12:38 AM - 4 Jul 2014

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We should have taken the oil in Iraq, and now our mortal enemies have got it, and with no opposition. Really dumb U.S. pols! I'm so angry!

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Do not go back into Iraq unless they agree, in a signed formal instrument, to give the U.S. 50% of their oil reserves. Make the deal dummies!

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Donald Trump Sits Down With Bill O'Reilly

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BILL O'REILLY, HOST: In the "Personal Story" segment tonight: Donald Trump for president. The real estate mogul and TV personality says he's considering a run for the Republican nomination in 2012. Mr. Trump has made millions building and selling real estate. His program "The Celebrity Apprentice" is very highly rated, and he is a no-spin guy. Just ask the ladies on "The View." But he has not been closely questioned about policy until tonight.

(BEGIN VIDEOTAPE)

O'REILLY: Obamacare. Do you believe the federal government has an obligation, a moral obligation, to provide people who can't afford health insurance with health insurance?

More on this...

[Donald Trump in No Spin Zone, Part 2](#)

DONALD TRUMP, REAL ESTATE MOGUL: I certainly would like to see -- you know, I have a big heart. I really do, despite what you may think.

O'REILLY: Me?

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TRUMP: And I have a great, big, fat, beautiful heart. And when people are in trouble, I like to help them out. We have a moral obligation to help people. I really believe that. I believe that strongly and not everybody does.

O'REILLY: So there will be Trumpcare then?

TRUMP: Well, it would be a form of much better. As an example, I have a big company. When I buy health insurance, I can't go across state lines to buy it. You know why?

O'REILLY: Yes.

TRUMP: And I can make a better deal in New Jersey than I can in New York with a better company. Yet, I can't go. No. 1, anywhere in the United States has to be a strong company. But we should be able to go out and price it privately. I believe in the private. But I don't want to be stuck with one or two companies in New York. I should be able to go to Wisconsin. I should be able to go to Iowa. If I want to buy health care for my people, as long as it's a strong company, I should be able to bid it out.

O'REILLY: All right.

TRUMP: So that would be a big thing right there.

O'REILLY: One of the reasons the recession hit us so hard is because weasels on Wall Street ginned up these real estate derivatives. You're a real estate guy. Would you crack down on Wall Street? Would you have more regulations on these people? More rules they have to follow over there?

TRUMP: I would not do that. You're making it so tough for our companies and our Wall Street people -- let's use the word nicely -- our Wall Street people to compete with the rest of the world because you have guys in London, guys in Switzerland, guys in Hong Kong that are giving very, very good deals, and they don't have the kind of regulation that we have here. I'm not a big regulation person.

O'REILLY: OK, all right. Now, you have a situation where the unions, all right, are being attacked by some governors because the public service unions, tremendous perks. OK. You use union labor.

TRUMP: I do.

O'REILLY: What do you think about the unions?

TRUMP: I have a great relationship with unions. I understand what's happening, let's say in Wisconsin. I understand.

O'REILLY: Is Walker right in Wisconsin?

TRUMP: I think that he is maybe right for his state. I think it doesn't necessarily apply to all states. You know, I have had great relationship over the years with unions. We've had collective bargaining. I have become very wealthy. I have dealt with unions because, as you know, New York is largely unions. You are dealing with them. I have great friends that are in unions and heads of unions. So I haven't had the same difficulty and problem. But I think you have to do what's right for your area. I respect him. He is tough.

O'REILLY: Walker, you're talking about.

TRUMP: Yes. He is unyielding and maybe sometimes too unyielding and maybe not too unyielding. He wants Wisconsin to come back. He wants to have a great balanced budget. So I understand what he is doing.

O'REILLY: All right. Illegal immigration. How are we going to stop that?

TRUMP: Well, you either have a country or you don't. You either have a line and a boundary or you don't. Something has to be done.

O'REILLY: What?

TRUMP: Well, you put soldiers on that line.

O'REILLY: You militarize it.

TRUMP: Do you have a choice?

O'REILLY: I don't think so. I've been calling for that for 10 years.

TRUMP: They are coming over and they are -- they are climbing over a fence and there's nobody within 10 miles. And they walk...

O'REILLY: All right, you militarize the border. You make it very difficult.

TRUMP: They get a job and they are selling drugs all over the place...

O'REILLY: Yes, you stop the narcotics.

TRUMP: ...and they are killing people all over the place. We're not doing anything about it.

O'REILLY: OK. Now, the 15 million illegal aliens already in the United States. What do you do with them?

TRUMP: I think right now you're going to have to do something and, you know, it's hard to generalize. But you're going to have to look at the individual people. See how they've done. See how productive they have been. See what their references are and then make a decision.

O'REILLY: And then make a decision. All right, on case by case. It's going to take a long time and a lot of people.

TRUMP: A long time, but, you know, you have some great productive people that came in.

O'REILLY: No doubt.

TRUMP: And then you have some total disasters that probably should be in prison.

O'REILLY: OK. Real quick, social issues. Abortion.

TRUMP: Right.

O'REILLY: You favor it?

TRUMP: No. As you know, I'm pro-life.

O'REILLY: OK, so you're pro-life on abortion. But would you outlaw abortion?

TRUMP: Well, I'd -- I'd go a step -- I'd go a pretty strong step. Something I don't like, I used to not be pro-life. I have become pro-life. I have seen friends that had children that they didn't want. And now they have children and they are the apple of the eye. So I really have changed in my views over the years but I am pro-life. I would -- I would really -- I'm forming an opinion, I'm forming a very strong opinion but I'll let you know in about three or four weeks if I decided to.

O'REILLY: All right. Gay marriage, favor it?

TRUMP: I'm against it.

O'REILLY: Why?

TRUMP: I just don't feel good about it. I don't feel right about it. I'm against it and I take a lot of heat because I come from New York. You know, for New York it's like, how can you be against gay marriage? But I'm opposed to gay marriage.

O'REILLY: They say, the gays, that this violates their rights, that they are American citizens and they should have a right to live the same way heterosexuals live, and you say?

TRUMP: Well, I think it's a tough situation, and I'll tell you what I say. I say that we have other problems. We have other problems in this country. And I don't think a president should be elected on gay marriage or not gay marriage because we have some very big problems. Based on everything I see, Obama, who said basically the same thing as I do, I think he is going to come out in favor of gay marriage.

O'REILLY: Yes, he will. But you remain opposed?

TRUMP: I am opposed, yes.

(END VIDEO CLIP)

O'REILLY: All right. Now we'll have more with Mr. Trump in a moment. We'll pin him down on the tax question. That's pretty interesting.

(COMMERCIAL BREAK)

O'REILLY: Continuing now with our interview of Donald Trump, who may run for president in the Republican primaries. We begin our second segment with Trump's media exposure.

(BEGIN VIDEOTAPE)

O'REILLY: You saw me on "The View" with the ladies walking out.

TRUMP: Yes, I did.

O'REILLY: But they did not walk out with you when you brought up the birth certificate and they should have. That was worse than what I did. Is there a Muslim problem in the world?

TRUMP: Absolutely. Absolutely. I don't notice Swedish people knocking down the World Trade Center.

O'REILLY: So why...

TRUMP: I came out very strongly against the mosque being built virtually...

O'REILLY: So did I. You and I are on the same page. However, Muslim-Americans say you are picking on us.

TRUMP: No, nobody is picking. The fact is it was so insensitive when they announced the mosque in that location. Don't forget that's my territory, Manhattan real estate. When they announced the mosque in that location I couldn't believe it. You know, you have people — 3,000 people died and you have all those parents and sisters and brothers and wives, I mean, just saying, "I can't believe it. The World Trade Center came down, my loved one more than anybody in the world I love this person, dead and now they are building a mosque across it."

O'REILLY: Yes. I thought it was the same way.

TRUMP: I think it's very insensitive and I...

O'REILLY: But you do believe overall there is a Muslim problem in the world.

TRUMP: Well, there is a Muslim problem. Absolutely. You just have to turn on your television set.

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O'REILLY: And do you think it encompasses all Muslims?

TRUMP: No. And that's the sad part about life. Because you have fabulous Muslims. I know many Muslims and they're fabulous people. They're smart. They're industrious. They're great. Unfortunately, at this moment in time, there is a Muslim problem in the world. And by the way, and you know it and I know it and some people don't like saying it because they think it's not politically correct.

O'REILLY: Whoopi and Joy will walk off on me. But when I say there is a Muslim problem in the world I basically say why don't the good Muslims that I believe outnumber the bad Muslims probably eight or nine to one...

TRUMP: Or more.

O'REILLY: ...why don't they, the Muslim community throughout the world, speak out more forcefully against the jihadists?

TRUMP: Well, there is something out there that brings a level of hostility that I have never seen in any religion. I mean, you can say what you want about the Koran. You can say what you want, but there's something there. There is tremendous hatred and tremendous hatred of us. I look at Iraq. I was watching the other day, you know, we have spent all this money and all those lives in Iraq. They hate us. They hate us. They can't get rid of us fast enough.

O'REILLY: Now, when you were on "The View" and they didn't walk out, which they should have because they walked out on me and they should have stayed. You were way, way worse than I was on "The View." You were hammering the birth certificate.

Now, we very early on did an investigation about Barack Obama's birth certificate. What "The Factor" found out was there were two announcements the week he was born in both Honolulu newspapers saying that he was born, OK. That is impossible -- that is impossible to make happen if he had not been born in the hospital. So therefore, I just put it to bed. I said he was born in Honolulu. The two newspapers documented it. His mother was a hippy. His father was a guy from Kenya who split. There couldn't have been a sophisticated -- what is he, Baby Jesus? -- there was a sophisticated conspiracy to smuggle this baby back into the country? So I just dismissed it. But you made a big deal of it.

TRUMP: Bill, I grew up with Wall Street geniuses. What they do in terms of fraud and how they change documents and I will tell you something. If you notice those dates were three days later. Here is what I ask people. Who puts announcements? Here are two poor people, a man and a woman with no money, they have a baby. There's announcements in the newspaper?

O'REILLY: The grandparents did it.

TRUMP: Excuse me. The grandparents. Nelson Rockefeller doesn't put announcements.

O'REILLY: Sure, there are birth announcements all the time.

TRUMP: I have never seen one.

O'REILLY: Really? They are common.

TRUMP: I've never seen one.

O'REILLY: But why is this important to you?

TRUMP: Because if you are going to be president of the United States you have to be born in this country. And there is a doubt as to whether or not he was born...

O'REILLY: Oh come on. Do you really feel this about him?

TRUMP: You know, I started off by saying -- and I always do and I did on the "The View." I'm a very smart guy. I went to the best college. I had good marks. I was a very smart guy, good student and all that stuff. Because what they do to the birthers, which is a term I hate because a lot of these birthers are just really quality people that just want the truth. What they do to the birthers is unbelievable to a point where people are afraid to talk about this subject. They are afraid to confront you or anybody about this subject.

O'REILLY: Do you think it's an important subject?

TRUMP: Listen, I have a birth certificate. I have my birth certificate. And in fact, they said the one I gave yesterday wasn't good enough. So I actually got the one from the Health Department, which is the perfect one. Because they were saying the one I gave yesterday wasn't good enough, so I got the other. People have birth certificates. He doesn't have a birth certificate. He may have one but there's something on that, maybe religion, maybe it says he is a Muslim. I don't know. Maybe he doesn't want that. Or he may not have one. But I will tell you this. If he wasn't born in this country, it's one of the great scams of all time.

O'REILLY: Absolutely. But I don't think that's the case.

TRUMP: You don't, but I'm starting to think.

O'REILLY: I don't think you believe that either. I think it's provocative, you get a lot of attention raising the question. But I don't think you believe it either.

TRUMP: Two weeks ago I felt like probably he was born in the country. Today it's possibly. I'm telling you it's changed. I have seen too many things.

O'REILLY: Why did Whoopi Goldberg get so angry about it?

TRUMP: I don't know.

O'REILLY: Didn't you ask her?

TRUMP: Then she said to me. She likes me, she said, "Donald, I love you but" -- she actually said, if it were a white man. Now, I know they asked for Bush's birth certificate. I know for a fact they asked for John McCain's birth certificate.

O'REILLY: So why did she make it racial? Why did she...

TRUMP: I don't know. She brought race into it. She brings race into it. What can I tell you?

(END VIDEOTAPE)

O'REILLY: All right. So, I misspoke. We are going to have that tax thing tomorrow and then we're going to go to Libya tomorrow and Afghanistan and all of that with Trump, so we hope you tune in. It gets even more flamboyant.

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Donald Trump Says He'd 'Absolutely' Require Muslims to Register

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NEWTON, Iowa — Donald J. Trump, who earlier in the week said he was open to requiring Muslims in the United States to register in a database, said on Thursday night that he “would certainly implement that — absolutely.”

Mr. Trump was asked about the issue by an NBC News reporter and pressed on whether all Muslims in the country would be forced to register. “They have to be,” he said. “They have to be.”

When asked how a system of registering Muslims would be carried out — whether, for instance, mosques would be where people could register — Mr. Trump said: “Different places. You sign up at different places. But it’s all about management. Our country has no management.”

Asked later, as he signed autographs, how such a database would be different from Jews having to register in Nazi Germany, Mr. Trump repeatedly said, “You tell me,” until he stopped responding to the question.

Both Mr. Trump and Ben Carson, the top two Republican presidential candidates in most polls, have made sharply provocative remarks about Muslim refugees from Syria and Iraq, and have been criticized by Muslim groups in the United States.

On Thursday, Mr. Carson seemed to equate refugees’ seeking entrance to the United States to “a rabid dog running around your neighborhood.” Both Mr. Carson’s and Mr. Trump’s remarks came the day the House voted to severely restrict the flow of Syrian and Iraqi refugees into the United States, amid security concerns after the terrorist assaults in Paris.

Donald Trump’s Call for Muslim Registry Denounced by Democrats

By MAGGIE HABERMAN

Donald J. Trump’s remarks took hours to penetrate over social media, but by Friday morning, Democrats were calling him out. Jeb Bush was one of the first Republican presidential candidates to respond, calling Mr. Trump’s words “just wrong.”

Donald Trump Steps Back From Calling for Muslim Registry

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Mr. Trump said the idea that Muslims in America should register with the federal government had come from a reporter.

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Mr. Trump drew back from his call for a mandatory registry of Muslims in the United States, capping a week where candidates discussed their approaches to terrorism.

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Trump to MSNBC: 'The Muslim Community Is Not Reporting What's Going On'



BY: ROBERT KRAYCHIK on DECEMBER 8, 2015

Donald Trump told MSNBC on Tuesday that Muslims in America “aren’t helping” authorities combat domestically-cultivated Islamic terrorism. Calling in to speak with Morning Joe, Trump told Joe Scarborough, “I want (Muslims in America) to be on our side, I hope they are on our side.” Referring to last week’s Islamic terrorist attack in San Bernardino, CA, he asserted that those close to Syed Farook and Tashfeen Malik - including family and friends - had advance knowledge of the threat they posed and refused to contact authorities.

Asked by Mika Brzezinski about engaging the “Muslim community”, Trump said, “I would want to engage the Muslim community, but the Muslim community has to help us, Mika, they’re not helping us. The Muslim community is not reporting what’s going on. They should be reporting that their next door neighbor is making pipe bombs.”

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Trump explained his views of the responsibilities of Muslims in America with knowledge of threats from potential Islamic terrorists, saying, "The Muslim community has to help us, because without the Muslim community we would have to get very tough, and much tougher, and I don't wanna do that. But the Muslim community, it's not a one way street, the Muslim community knew that this guy, what he was doing, and his wife, his very heavily radicalized wife, they knew what they were doing was wrong. Nobody called the police. Nobody said this is what happened."

Trump's statement echoes an **interview conducted yesterday** (<http://www.breitbart.com/big-government/2015/12/07/fmr-fbi-counterterrorism-agent-weve-received-nearly-zero-help-from-u-s-muslim-community-since-911/>) by Breitbart News Daily with a former FBI counterterrorism agent, asserting that since 9/11, "we have effectively received zero help from the Muslim community." Also asserted is that "major Islamic organizations" across America put their efforts towards harming national security measures in the realm of counterterrorism, rather than cooperation with authorities. As an example, organizations like the Council on American-Islamic Relations - ostensibly a group defending civil liberties - obfuscate the overlap between Islamic terrorism, Islam, and Muslims.

Pushing back against what he said was an unfair generalization of Muslims, Scarborough invited Trump to join him in meeting Muslims in America, asking, "What if you and I go to an Islamic center in Washington, D.C.? Or New York City?"

Scarborough described **Trump's proposal** (https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=TB1xd_o2OwA) to **ban Muslim entry** (<http://www.dailywire.com/news/1668/desperate-trump-drops-ugly-policy-bomb-ban-all-ben-shapiro>) into the U.S. as "counterproductive and unconstitutional" - **despite its not being unconstitutional** (<http://www.dailywire.com/news/1685/no-donald-trumps-immigration-plan-isnt-ben-shapiro>) with respect to immigration - and likened the broad measure as akin to the **TSA's searching** (<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Y4GUEIkRcYk>) of 7-year-old children.

Trump warned of "radicalized" Islamic neighborhoods in Paris and other cities in Europe as coming to America in the absence of his leadership. Scarborough scoffed at the assertion of the existence of such zones, parroting the denial of their existence that has **gone on for years** (<http://www.breitbart.com/big-government/2015/11/16/exclusive-bobby-jindal-right-muslim-no-go-zones/>) in left-wing media.

If his warnings aren't heeded, Trump warned, "you are going to have other world trade centers, you are going to have other cities being blown up."

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The Republican National Convention that begins tomorrow in Cleveland will star Donald Trump and his chosen running mate the governor of Indiana, Mike Pence.

The Republican leadership has praised Pence as a good choice to unite the party. He's known as a reliable conservative with close ties to the religious right and he also has good relations with Republicans in Congress, having served six terms in the House of Representatives.



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We had the chance to ask the two of them about that in their first and only interview together, yesterday afternoon in New York, in Trump's three-story penthouse apartment in the Trump Tower.

Lesley Stahl: First of all, Governor Pence, congratulations.

Mike Pence: Thank you.

"IT'S VERY, VERY HUMBLING AND I COULDN'T BE MORE HONORED TO HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY TO RUN WITH, AND SERVE WITH, THE NEXT PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES."

Lesley Stahl: This has probably come as a huge, life-changing moment for you.

Mike Pence: It has. It's very, very humbling and I couldn't be more honored to have the opportunity to run with, and serve with, the next president of the United States.

Lesley Stahl: Before we actually talk about the politics, you know, there've been so many major world events very recently, in the last week. I don't know if you can remember the last time we have seen a world this much in chaos. You even said, "It's spinning apart." Are you ready for this world that we are facing today?



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**MIKE PENCE ON WAGING WAR
AGAINST RADICAL ISLAM**

Donald Trump: We're both ready. I've no doubt. We need toughness. We need strength. Obama's weak, Hillary's weak. And part of it is that, a big part of it. We need law and order. We need strong borders.

Lesley Stahl: But all reactions to what's been going on aren't muscular. For example, look what happened in Turkey. There was a military coup in a democratic country; a NATO ally. How would you respond to that?

Donald Trump: Well, as a president, I'm going to be-- you know, they've been an ally and I stay with our allies. They have been an ally. But that was a quick coup. I was actually surprised to see how well it was handled. And you know who really handled it? The people. So, I mean, we can say what we want, but the people handled it. When they surrounded the army tanks and without the people, you would've never had it. The military would've taken over.

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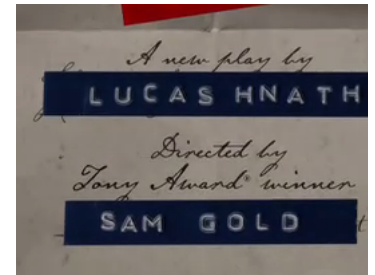
Mike Pence: But I truly do believe that the larger issue here is declining American power in the world. I truly do believe that history teaches that weakness arouses evil and whether it be the horrific attack in France, the inspired attacks here in the United States, the instability in Turkey that led to a coup. I think that is all a result of a foreign policy of Hillary Clinton and Barack Obama that has led from behind and that has sent an inexact, unclear message about American resolve. One of the reasons why I said yes in a heartbeat to run with this man, is because he embodies American strength, and I know that he will provide that kind of broad-shouldered American strength on the global stage as well.

Lesley Stahl: Let's talk about what happened in Nice, horrendous, carnage, horrible--

Donald Trump: Horrible.



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Lesley Stahl: Horrible. You said you would declare war against ISIS. What exactly do you have--

Donald Trump: It is war. By the way, it is war.

Lesley Stahl: No, but does that-- when you say, "Declare war," do you want to send American troops in there? Is that what you mean?

Donald Trump: Look, we have people that hate us. We have people that want to wipe us out. We're gonna declare war against ISIS. We have to wipe out ISIS. These are people that--



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**DID TRUMP CONSIDER HIS
DAUGHTER FOR VICE PRESIDENT?**

Lesley Stahl: With troops on the ground?

Donald Trump: I am going to have very few troops on the ground. We're going to have unbelievable intelligence, which we need; which, right now, we don't have. We don't have the people over there. We are going to use--

Lesley Stahl: You want to send Americans--

Donald Trump: Excuse me-- and we're going to have surrounding states and, very importantly, get NATO involved because we support NATO far more than we should, frankly, because you have a lot of countries that aren't doing what they're supposed to be doing. And we have to wipe out ISIS. And speaking of Turkey, Turkey is an ally. Turkey can do it by themselves. But they have to be incentivized. For whatever reason, they're not. So we have no choice.

Lesley Stahl: But I still don't know if you're going to send troops over--

Donald Trump: Very little. I'm gonna--

Lesley Stahl: But declare war--

Donald Trump: --get neighboring states and I'm going to get-- we are going to get NATO; we're going to wipe 'em out. We're gonna--

Lesley Stahl: But declare war?

Mike Pence: Lesley--

Lesley Stahl: What does that mean--

Mike Pence: This is-- this is the kind-- this is the kind of leadership that America needs and it--

Lesley Stahl: But what--

Mike Pence: -and it begins with deciding to destroy the enemies of our freedom.

Lesley Stahl: How?

Mike Pence: And how we do that? I have every confidence. You-- you remember I served on the Foreign Affairs Committee. And I'm very confident that when Donald Trump becomes president of the United States, he'll give a directive to our military commanders, bring together other nations, and we will use the enormous resources of the United States to destroy that enemy.



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**TRUMP AND PENCE'S SHARED
VALUES**

Donald Trump: Now look, we are going to get rid of ISIS, big league. And we're going to get rid of 'em fast. And we're going to use surrounding states. We're going to use NATO, probably. And we're going to declare war. It is war. When the World Trade Center comes tumbling down, with thousands of people being killed, people are still-- I have friends that are still--

Lesley Stahl: But we did go to war, if you remember. We went to Iraq.

Donald Trump: Yeah, you went to Iraq, but that was handled so badly. And that was a war-- by the way, that was a war that we shouldn't have entered because Iraq did not knock down-- excuse me

Lesley Stahl: Your running mate--

Donald Trump: Iraq did not--

Lesley Stahl: --voted for it.

Donald Trump: I don't care.

Lesley Stahl: What do you mean you don't care that he voted for?

Donald Trump: It's a long time ago. And he voted that way and they were also misled. A lot of information was given to people.

Lesley Stahl: But you've harped on this.

Donald Trump: But I was against the war in Iraq from the beginning.

Lesley Stahl: Yeah, but you've used that vote of Hillary's that was the same as Governor Pence as the example of her bad judgment.



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**TRUMP OK WITH PENCE'S VOTE
FOR IRAQ WAR, BUT NOT
CLINTON'S**

Donald Trump: Many people have, and frankly, I'm one of the few that was right on Iraq.

Lesley Stahl: Yeah, but what about he--

Donald Trump: He's entitled to make a mistake every once in a while.

Lesley Stahl: But she's not? OK, come on--

Donald Trump: But she's not--

Lesley Stahl: She's not?

Donald Trump: No. She's not.

Lesley Stahl: Got it.

Lesley Stahl: I have to move on or we're never gonna find out why he chose you. Why did you pick him? You had other candidates--

Donald Trump: OK, I did. I had a lot of people that wanted it; a lot more people than anybody--

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Lesley Stahl: That came to you and begged you for it?

Donald Trump: That called me and came to me and wanted it badly. And you know, the press didn't report that. The press said, "Well, maybe he's having hard time picking--"

Lesley Stahl: Well, what about the governor? Did he want it like that?

Donald Trump: I actually brought it up to him.

Lesley Stahl: OK.

Donald Trump: I got to know him during the-- when I was in Indiana during the primaries, and I did very well in Indiana, like I did just about everywhere else in all fairness. But-- I got to know him very well and I gained great respect for him. And I looked at the numbers, meaning the financials, which we would say in business. But I looked at the numbers. Unemployment? What a great job he did. Jobs? What a great job he did. Triple-A rating on his bonds.

Lesley Stahl: --but you went to him and said--

Donald Trump: I did--

Lesley Stahl: Would you want to be considered--

Donald Trump: I broached it.

Lesley Stahl: He didn't -- And then he said, "I-- I really want it." So why did you pick him?

Donald Trump: I would say that he thought about it a little bit. And about two seconds later, he called me, with his incredible wife, and said--

Lesley Stahl: That I'd like to be-- but what--

Donald Trump: Like many others.

Lesley Stahl: How does he help you? How does he help you win in terms of groups of people? And what is your weakness that he compensates for and so forth--

Donald Trump: Well, I went for the quality individual rather than I'm gonna win a state, because I'm doing very well in Indiana, and I guess I'm a lot up. And I think I'm gonna win Indiana. I have a great relationship and Bobby Knight helped me so much with Indiana. Indiana's a great place; great state.

Lesley Stahl: Why didn't you pick him? No, I'm joking -- moving on.

Donald Trump: He would've been very good. But he's a terrific guy. But-- but I really like him as an individual.

Lesley Stahl: So you must've considered, obviously, by the reaction to your choice, a lot of the conservatives are very happy.

Donald Trump: Very happy.

Lesley Stahl: Was that part of the--

Donald Trump: Yes, it was party unity. I'm an outsider. I am a person that used to be establishment when I'd give them hundreds of thousands of dollars. But when I decided to run, I became very anti-establishment because I understand the system--

Lesley Stahl: Is he establishment?

Donald Trump: --than anybody else. He's very establishment, in many ways, and that's not a bad thing. But I will tell you--

Lesley Stahl: That's kind of interesting --

Donald Trump: --I have seen more people that, frankly, did not like me so much, and now they're saying, "What a great pick." You see the kinda reaction. He has helped bring the party

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together. I understand. Look, I got more votes than anybody, but I also understand there's a faction--

Lesley Stahl: Is it already unified, do you think?

Donald Trump: I think it's very close to unified. And I will say--

Lesley Stahl: Just because of this pick?

Donald Trump: No. I think it's be-- I think it was much more unified than people thought. You saw that with the recent vote where we won in a landslide. You saw that with the big vote, the primary vote. I think it's far more unified than the press lets on. But having Governor Mike Pence has really-- people that I wasn't necessarily liking or getting along are loving this pick, because they have such respect for him.

Lesley Stahl: And that was--

Donald Trump: And the party unity is OK. You know, I think it's OK to say I picked somebody, because I-- as one of the things. But I really believe the main reason I picked him is the incredible job he's done. Just look at the economics of Indiana--

Lesley Stahl: Indiana--

Donald Trump: --and what's going on.

Lesley Stahl: But what about the chemistry between you two? You don't really know each other that well. You're -- at least I've read, a very low-key, very religious, you're a brash New Yorker--

Donald Trump: Religious.

Lesley Stahl: Religious?

Donald Trump: Religious--

Lesley Stahl: Are you?

Donald Trump: Yea, religious.

Lesley Stahl: --you wouldn't--

Donald Trump: Hey, I won the evangelicals. The evangelicals--

Lesley Stahl: That doesn't--

Mike Pence: You know, nobody thought--

Donald Trump: --well, I think it means a lot. I don't think they think I'm perfect, and they would get up and they would say, "You know, he's not perfect," but--

Lesley Stahl: They'd point to the --

Donald Trump: --they like me--

Lesley Stahl: --divorces--

Donald Trump: --but I won-- I won states with evangelicals that nobody thought I'd even come close to--

Lesley Stahl: Well, that's true--

Donald Trump:--and I won--

Lesley Stahl: --so you didn't (UNINTEL)--

Donald Trump: --with landslides--

Lesley Stahl: --need him for the evangelicals?

Donald Trump: I think it helps. But I don't think I needed him, no, because--I won with evangelicals.

Mike Pence: But I think we have more in common--

Lesley Stahl: Yeah, tell me--

Mike Pence: --than--

Lesley Stahl: --what you think you have in common.

Donald Trump: --what might be immediately obvious.

Lesley Stahl: Besides issues. Values and things like that.

Donald Trump: I think we will have very, very good chemistry. I feel that. And I can feel that pretty early on. I don't think you need to be with somebody for two years to find that out. My feeling is--

Lesley Stahl: Your gut feeling.

Donald Trump: I knew him during the primaries, during many trips to Indiana, I'd be with him. I think we have a great chemistry.

Lesley Stahl: I want to ask you though about something you've said about negative campaigning.

Donald Trump: Yeah.

Lesley Stahl: You said negative campaigning is wrong, and a campaign ought to demonstrate the basic decency of the candidate.

Mike Pence: Right.

Lesley Stahl: With that in mind, what do you think about your running mate's campaign and the tone and the negativity of it?

Mike Pence: I think this is a good man who's been talking about the issues the American people care about.

Lesley Stahl: But name-calling?

Mike Pence: In that--

Lesley Stahl: "Lyin' Ted?"

Mike Pence: --in the essay that I wrote a long time ago, I said campaigns oughta be about something more important than just one candidate's election. And-- and this campaign and Donald Trump's candidacy has been about the issues the American people care about.

Lesley Stahl: --but what about--

Donald Trump: Lesley, Lesley--

Lesley Stahl: --the negative side? He apologized for being a negative--

Donald Trump: We're different people. I understand that. I'll give you an example. Hillary Clinton is a liar. Hillary Clinton-- that was just proven--

Lesley Stahl: That's--

Donald Trump: --last week.

Lesley Stahl: --that's negative--

Donald Trump: Hillary Clinton--

Lesley Stahl: By the way --

Donald Trump: --you better believe it. Hillary Clinton is a crook.

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Lesley Stahl: That's negative--

Donald Trump: I call her "Crooked Hillary." She's crooked Hillary. He won't-- I-- I don't-- I didn't ask him to do it, but I don't think he should do it because it's different for him.

Lesley Stahl: But-- he--

Donald Trump: He's not that kind of a--

Lesley Stahl: He probably--

Donald Trump: --person. We're different people--

Lesley Stahl: --don't you think he--

Donald Trump: --to me she's--

Lesley Stahl: --thinks that's--

Donald Trump: --Crooked Hillary.

Lesley Stahl: --wrong?

Donald Trump: I don't think he should use that term. I've never said one way or the other. But to him, I don't think it would sound right, but he will say how dishonest she is by going over the facts.

Lesley Stahl: But would you go to him-- let's say you won, you're the vice president, your office is, I assume, down the hall, and you go in and you say, "You know, you shouldn't be saying-- name-calling." Would you do that? Would you go in and say, "You crossed the line, I think you should apologize?" Would you do something like that?

Mike Pence: Look, I--

Lesley Stahl: He's laughing.

Mike Pence: --it's probably-- it's-- it's probably--

Lesley Stahl: It's OK.

Mike Pence: --obvious to people that our styles are different. But I promise you, our vision is exactly the same.

Lesley Stahl: No, but would you--

Mike Pence: And let me be--

Lesley Stahl: --will--

Mike Pence: --clear--

Lesley Stahl: --will you answer that? Would you go in --

Mike Pence: Well the-- one of the things I found out about this man is he appreciates candor. And--

Lesley Stahl: So you would go in--

Mike Pence: --I-- I--

Donald Trump: I'd like him to if he thinks I was doing something wrong--

Lesley Stahl: Would you listen--

Donald Trump: --just say--

Lesley Stahl: --to him--

Mike Pence: Yeah.

Lesley Stahl: --if he said you--

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Donald Trump: Absolutely--

Lesley Stahl: --crossed the line.

Donald Trump: --absolutely. I might not apologize. You know, you said apologize, but--

Lesley Stahl: I did say apologize.

Donald Trump: But I might not do that, but I would absolutely want him to come in-- if he thinks I'm doing something wrong, Mike, I would want him to come in and say, really, you're doing, you gotta-- and that's OK. I accept that from my consultants and my people and if Mike came in and told me, you know, "I think you should do this or that--

Lesley Stahl: Back off that.

Donald Trump: I would listen and very likely listen to him.

Lesley Stahl: Do you think John McCain is not a hero because he was captured?

Mike Pence: I have a great deal of respect for John McCain, and--

Lesley Stahl: Do you think he went too far?

Donald Trump: You could say yes. I-- that's OK.

Donald Trump: That one, you could say yes, I mean, you're not--it's fine - hey, look, I like John McCain. But we have to take care of our vets.

Lesley Stahl: No, but I wanna know if--

Donald Trump: OK, but I'm just--

Lesley Stahl:--Mr. Pence would go in and--

Donald Trump:--I'm just saying, that's--

Lesley Stahl: --say to you--

Donald Trump: --why not that many people are that upset--

Lesley Stahl: What are you -- what did you say? You know, would you do something like that?

Mike Pence: I promise you that when the circumstances arise where I have a difference on policy or on presentation, I have-- I can tell you in my heart, I know-- I would have no hesitation, were I privileged to be vice president, to walk into the president's office, close the door, and share my heart. And I also know this good man would listen, and has the leadership qualities to draw from the people around him.

Lesley Stahl: Let's talk about-- some of the issues. Because there seems to be some daylight between you two, and we can just tick-- go quickly through these. Immigration. Mr. Trump, you have called for a temporary ban on Muslims entering the United States. Do you agree with that?

Mike Pence: I do. In fact, in Indiana we suspended the Syrian refugee program in the wake of the terrorist attack. We have no higher priority than the safety and security of the people of this country, and Donald Trump--

Lesley Stahl: Now--

Mike Pence: --is right to--

Lesley Stahl: --in December--

Mike Pence: --articulate that view.

Lesley Stahl: --in December you tweeted, and I quote you, "Calls to ban Muslims from entering the U.S. are offensive and unconstitutional."

Donald Trump: So you call it territories. OK? We're gonna do territories. We're gonna not let people come in from Syria that nobody knows who they are. Hillary Clinton wants 550 percent more people to come in than Obama--

Lesley Stahl: So you--

Donald Trump: --who doesn't know what he's--

Lesley Stahl: --so you're changing--

Donald Trump: --so we're going to--

Lesley Stahl: --your position.

Donald Trump: --no, I-- call it whatever you want. We'll call it territories, OK?

Lesley Stahl: So not Muslims?

Donald Trump: You know-- the Constitution -- there's nothing like it. But it doesn't necessarily give us the right to commit suicide, as a country, OK? And I'll tell you this. Call it whatever you want, change territories, but there are territories and terror states and terror nations that we're not gonna allow the people to come into our country. And we're gonna have a thing called "Extreme vetting." And if people wanna come in, there's gonna be extreme vetting. We're gonna have extreme vetting. They're gonna come in and we're gonna know where they came from and who they are.

Mike Pence: You just asked me--if I'm comfortable with that--

Mike Pence: --and I am. What-- what Donald--

Lesley Stahl: You're on the same--

Mike Pence: Which--

Lesley Stahl: --page on that?

Mike Pence: --clearly-- clearly this man is not a politician. He doesn't speak like a politician--

Lesley Stahl: He's done pretty well.

Mike Pence: --he-- he speaks from his--

Mike Pence: --heart--

Donald Trump: Is that a good thing? I think that's a good thing.

Mike Pence: --he speaks from his heart. And--

Lesley Stahl: Well, I--

Donald Trump: Well, I-- I speak from my heart and my brain. Just so we understand.

Mike Pence: Right.

Donald Trump: This is (points to head) maybe more important.

Lesley Stahl: Let's go to trade. You have voted for every trade agreement when you were in Congress--

Mike Pence: I have.

Lesley Stahl: --that came before you. You're supporting the Trans-Pacific partnership that Mr. Trump says would rape this country. Now, are you gonna be able to go out and campaign in support of his protectionist positions?

Mike Pence: I support free trade, and so does Donald Trump.

Lesley Stahl: Not really--

Donald Trump: I do. I'm free trade, but I wanna make good deals. No, no, I'm all for free--

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Lesley Stahl: You've talked

Donald Trump: --trade. You--

Lesley Stahl: --about--

Donald Trump: --know I'm not an isolationist. A lot of people think because I wanna make good deals--

Lesley Stahl: You wanna undo--

Donald Trump: --these are stupid people--

Lesley Stahl: --these--

Donald Trump: --wait a minute Lesley, these are stupid people that think that. I wanna make great deals for our country. We have deals like the deal signed by Bill Clinton, NAFTA, one of the worst things that ever happened to this country in terms of trade, in terms of economics.

Lesley Stahl: What do you think about NAFTA?

Mike Pence: You're absolutely right. I've supported free trade throughout my career. But--

Lesley Stahl: OK.

Mike Pence: --the truth of the matter is NAFTA has provisions in that law that call for it to be reviewed, that have never been-- never been-- initiated. What-- what I hear Donald Trump saying is let's-- let's look at these trade agreements and reconsider them and renegotiate them. And--

Lesley Stahl: And you're OK with--

Mike Pence: --with regard to--

Lesley Stahl: --that?

Mike Pence: --and with regard to other trade agreements, we've talked about this. I-- I really do believe when the American people elect one of the best negotiators in the world as president of the United States, we would do well--

Donald Trump: We're gonna bring back jobs--

Mike Pence: --to negotiate individually with countries.

Donald Trump: We're gonna bring back our jobs, we're gonna bring back our wealth, we're gonna take care of our people. Very simple.

Lesley Stahl: OK. More issues. Waterboarding. Mr. Trump wants to bring back waterboarding, and quote, "A hell of a lot more." Are you comfortable with bringing back waterboarding?

Mike Pence: I don't think we should ever tell our enemy what our tactics are.

Lesley Stahl: But what about that? What--

Mike Pence: I don't--

Lesley Stahl: --about-- he's publicly--

Donald Trump: I like that answer.

Lesley Stahl: --said that--

Mike Pence: I don't think we should-- I-- I think--

Lesley Stahl: But are you OK with the idea of--

Mike Pence: --I think--

Lesley Stahl: --waterboarding?

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Mike Pence: --I think enhanced interrogation saved lives.

Lesley Stahl: And you're OK with--

Mike Pence: I--

Lesley Stahl: --that?

Mike Pence: --what I'm OK with-- what I'm OK with is protecting the American people. What I'm OK with is when people have the intent to come to this country and take American lives, that-- that we are-- that we are prepared to do what's necessary to gain the information to protect the people of this country--

Donald Trump: But Lesley, let's step further. We have an enemy, ISIS and others, who chop off heads, who drown people in steel cages and we can't do waterboarding--

Lesley Stahl: OK, but, but why--

Donald Trump: OK, they're not playing--

Lesley Stahl: --would you use their--

Donald Trump: --under -- because you know--

Lesley Stahl: --techniques?

Donald Trump: --what, those techniques get information. I don't care what anyone says.

Lesley Stahl: Are you agreeing with him?

Mike Pence: I am--

Donald Trump: And get information--

Mike Pence: --what I--

Donald Trump: --using those things.

Mike Pence: --what I can tell you is enhanced information gleaned information that saved American lives and, I was informed, prevented incoming terrorist attacks on this country from being successful. The American people expect the president of the United States to be prepared to support action to protect the people of this nation, and I know Donald Trump will.

Lesley Stahl: Have you answered me?

Mike Pence: I have.

Lesley Stahl: Let's talk about the convention. You're a showman. What are you going to do to keep it from being a snooze-o-rama, as some have happened.

Donald Trump: Well, I think we're gonna have an exciting time. We've got some wonderful speakers. We have some very talented people. My family's gonna speak.

Lesley Stahl: Worried about violence outside? This is an open-carry state. People can carry guns. There'll be demonstrators. They've already said they're going to carry assault rifles. Are you worried? And would you call on people not to carry their guns?

Donald Trump: I have great faith in law enforcement. If they don't want to take their guns, I think that's fantastic. But I have great confidence in law enforcement. The police like Donald Trump. It's law and order. And I have great confidence that they will do a great job.

Lesley Stahl: There's no question in anybody's mind that you want to win this election. I don't think anyone would doubt that. But what about being president? Do you really want to be president of the United States?

Donald Trump: I want to make America great again. Honestly. I want to make Am-- I'm not doing this because-- I'm sacrificing tremendous things. I could be doing other things. It's

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lovely to sit down with you and be grilled. That's okay. But I could be doing other things right now. And I have some of the greatest properties in the world. I could be out there--

Lesley Stahl: Would you rather be out there?

Donald Trump: I tell you what. I've really enjoyed this process. I've gotten to know the people of this country. I've gotten to know places that I didn't know, that I read about, but I didn't know. I've also gotten to see the problems. And it's a movement.

Donald Trump: Now, when you ask me the question, do I wanna be?

Lesley Stahl: Yeah.

Donald Trump: I wanna be for one reason. I wanna make America safe again, and I wanna make America great again. That's why I'm doing this. And I love it.

Lesley Stahl: And you wanna govern? I mean it--

Donald Trump: I do wanna govern.

Lesley Stahl: It is different--

Donald Trump: I do--

Lesley Stahl: --building a movement--

Donald Trump: I govern my-- I--

Lesley Stahl: -and than-- going in there with the nitty gritty and--

Lesley Stahl: --all that tough decision making.

Donald Trump: Sure. No, no I wanna govern

Lesley Stahl: OK, this is my absolute final question.

Donald Trump: OK.

Lesley Stahl: You're not known to be a humble man. But I wonder--

Donald Trump: I think I am, actually humble. I think I'm much more humble than you would understand.

Lesley Stahl: As you think about-- prospect of running this country in these tough times where the world is spinning apart-- are you awed? Are you intimidated? Are you humbled by the enormity of this?

Donald Trump: You just said it best.

Mike Pence: Mmm.

Donald Trump: In a world that's spinning apart. That's what I'm thinking of. I'm not thinking of, "Oh gee, isn't this wonderful? Isn't this great what I've done?" I've had people that said, "It doesn't matter if you win or lose, what you've done has never been done before. You're gonna go down in the history books." You know what I say to 'em?" I say, "You're wrong." I will consider it, 'cause I funded my own primaries, I'm funding now a lot of this campaign. I'm putting in, you know-- I've spent \$55 million in the primaries. I'm spending a fortune now. I'll tell you, it is spinning. Our world is spinning out of control. Our country's spinning out of control. That's what I think about. And I'll stop that.

Lesley Stahl: Not-- humbled or-- awe.

Mike Pence: I can say to 'ya-- what--

Lesley Stahl: Go ahead.

Mike Pence: Talking with him in private settings, I love the words you used because this man is awed with the American people, and he is not intimidated by the world. And Donald Trump, this good man, I believe, will be a great president of the United States.

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Donald Trump: I love what he just said.

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