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IN THE NEWS

Brennan, Strzok, Page Subpoenaed as Part of Federal Russiagate Probe

[Fox News](#) (11/07, Singman) reported that a federal grand jury subpoenaed former CIA Director John Brennan and former FBI officials Peter Strzok and Lisa Page as part of the Justice Department's probe into the origins of the Trump-Russia investigation known as "Crossfire Hurricane." According to the article, Strzok — the FBI agent who opened the bureau's initial Russia investigation in July 2016 — and Page, a former FBI lawyer, were among roughly 30 individuals expected to be subpoenaed, with sources noting that both had faced scrutiny over anti-Trump text messages while working on Special Counsel Robert Mueller's team. The article noted that CIA Director John Ratcliffe referred evidence of possible wrongdoing by Brennan to Director Patel for review, after which the FBI opened a criminal investigation into whether Brennan made false statements to Congress about his role in promoting the Steele Dossier's inclusion in the 2017 Intelligence Community Assessment. The article explained that declassified records and internal reviews found the FBI's senior leadership pushed for the dossier's inclusion despite warnings from CIA officials that it was "internet rumor," and that the final assessment footnoted the Steele report "largely at the insistence of FBI's senior leadership." It further described how Justice Department Inspector General Michael Horowitz and Special Counsel John Durham later criticized the FBI for "significant inaccuracies and omissions" in FISA warrants targeting former Trump campaign aide Carter Page and for "failing to act on a clear warning sign" that the bureau was being manipulated for political purposes. The article stated that Durham concluded the FBI "failed to adequately consider" intelligence showing that Hillary Clinton's campaign sought to link Trump to Russia, which should have prompted "a more critical eye" within the bureau. The article added that

former FBI Director James Comey, who oversaw the Crossfire Hurricane probe, has been charged with making false statements and obstruction of a congressional proceeding, and his trial is scheduled to begin in January. Additional reporting on the story was provided by [Bloomberg](#) (11/07, Stroh, Miller, et al.), [CBS News](#) (11/07, Rosen, Walsh), [CNN](#) (11/07, Polantz, Perez), [Daily Caller](#) (11/07, Angela), [Dallas Express](#) (11/08, Staff Writer), [The Daily Beast](#) (11/08, Vaillancourt), [NewsNation](#) (11/07, Espitallier), [New York Post](#) (11/07, Nava, Christenson), [New York Times](#) (11/09, Thrush, Feurer, Savage), [Reuters](#) (11/07, Staff Writer), and [Washington Examiner](#) (11/07, Zimmerman). The [National Review](#) (11/08, McCarthy) and [Raw Story](#) (11/08, Nichols) provided additional reporting on former FBI Director James Comey.

Director Patel Visited China to Talk Fentanyl, Law Enforcement, Sources Say

[Reuters](#) (11/10, Chen, Slodkowski) reported that Director Patel visited China last week to discuss fentanyl and law enforcement issues with Chinese officials, marking a significant development in the efforts of the two countries to address the flow of the deadly synthetic opioid. The visit, which was not officially announced by either the US or China, took place after a summit between President Trump and Chinese President Xi Jinping, where both leaders hailed a "consensus" on the matter of fentanyl and law enforcement cooperation. The article explained that President Trump has said that Jinping will work "very hard to stop the flow" of fentanyl, which is the leading cause of American overdose deaths, and as a result, the US has halved the tariffs on Chinese goods imposed as a punishment over the flow of fentanyl to 10%. The article noted that Chinese officials have vehemently defended their record on fentanyl, saying they have already taken extensive action to regulate precursor chemicals used to make the drug, and have accused Washington of using the issue as "blackmail", while US Treasury Secretary Scott Bessent has said that the details of the fresh consensus will be hashed out through the new bilateral working group.

Director Patel's Jet Use on Par With Predecessors but His Changes Are Saving Tax Dollars

[Just the News](#) (11/09, Dunleavy, Solomon) reported that Director Patel's use of a government jet is similar to that of his predecessors, James Comey and Christopher Wray, with Director Patel averaging 2.48 flights per week. According to the article, Director Patel has taken steps to save taxpayers money by avoiding commercial airports and their expensive landing fees, instead using regional government-owned airports, which has likely saved the government substantial money. The article noted that the FBI contends that Director Patel's decision to use regional airports has saved around \$2.2 million compared to Wray's use of Reagan National Airport, and Director Patel pays reimbursement in advance for personal travel, following Office of Management and Budget rules. The article highlighted that FBI spokesman Ben Williamson said on X in late October that the criticisms of Director Patel's travel are disingenuous. "FBI Directors are 'required use travelers' under federal regulations — meaning they are mandated by Congress to travel on a government plane, even on personal travel," Williamson said. "They're actually barred from flying commercial. The reason for this is to maintain access to secure communications equipment in the event of an emergency." Williamson argued on X in late October that "this FBI has taken steps to dramatically reduce costs of Director travel, both official and personal" and that "when Kash flies, he chooses to take a government airfield vs. airports like DCA, because the government option is about 2.5x cheaper."

DOJ Moved "Swiftly and Decisively" to Stop ISIS-Linked Halloween Terror Plot Targeting Jews

[Fox News](#) (11/08, Baehr) reported that federal prosecutors said the FBI dismantled an ISIS-linked network spanning from Michigan to New Jersey, charging several young men accused of plotting a Halloween mass shooting and conspiring to join the Islamic State. The Justice Department described the case as a "sprawling federal investigation," with US Attorney Alina Habba stating that the New Jersey defendants "had pledged themselves to ISIS" and that the department would "continue to move swiftly and decisively whenever terrorism or hate threatens our communities." According to the article, FBI agents seized firearms, ammunition, tactical vests, and GoPro cameras during Oct. 31 raids in Michigan, and the FBI's Detroit office said the agency would "continue to investigate, arrest and disrupt all attempts or plots to do harm ... to defend the homeland." The article explained that US Attorney Jerome F. Gorgon Jr. in Detroit vowed to "follow the tentacles where they lead," while Habba praised coordination between the FBI's Michigan and New Jersey offices as "a model of coordination against extremist threats." The article noted that FBI Special Agent Jennifer Runyan emphasized her team's commitment to ongoing investigations into the "Muslimeen" chat group, where suspects allegedly discussed the "pumpkin" timeline for an ISIS-inspired Halloween attack. [Detroit News](#) (11/08, Snell) reported that FBI counter-terrorism agents used a secret surveillance tool to investigate a group of individuals, including juveniles and adults from Michigan, who were allegedly planning a domestic terror attack on behalf of the Islamic State. The investigation,

which involved electronic surveillance allowed under the FISA, gathered evidence against three Michigan men: Ayob Nasser, Mohamed Ali, and Majed Mahmoud, who are due in federal court for a detention hearing. The article highlighted that in recent years, US officials have revealed abuses and mistakes by FBI analysts in improperly querying the intelligence repository for information about Americans or others in the US, including a member of Congress and participants in the racial justice protests of 2020 and the Jan. 6, 2021, riot at the US Capitol.

Continued Reporting: Lessons From the NBA Betting Scandal and Law Enforcement Priorities

[ABC News](#) (11/09, Guha, Nawaday) reported that the DOJ unsealed an indictment accusing three current and former NBA coaches and players of participating in an illegal sports gambling scheme, which Director Patel described as “the insider trading saga for the NBA.” The article explained that Patel’s comment drew a comparison between insider trading in financial markets and the alleged misuse of confidential player information to influence sports betting outcomes, though legal experts questioned whether the analogy held up under securities law standards. According to the article, the FBI’s NBA probe has highlighted broader questions about the federal government’s role in policing the integrity of private sports leagues, noting that the NBA itself has extensive partnerships and oversight mechanisms with betting companies. The article stated that while insider trading laws protect the capital markets vital to the U.S. economy, the Justice Department’s rationale for targeting sports betting misconduct is less clear since such activity provides little broader economic benefit. The article noted that the FBI’s involvement and Director Patel’s framing underscored a growing trend in federal law enforcement to apply traditional financial-crime models to emerging markets like legalized sports gambling, even as the long-term public interest remains uncertain.

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COUNTERTERRORISM

Arizona Man Sentenced for Plotting to Target Christian Churches

[KTAR-FM](#) (11/08, Werner) reported that Zimnako Salah, a 46-year-old Arizona man, was sentenced to 6 years in prison for plotting to target Christian churches. According to the article, Salah was convicted of making fake bomb threats and obstructing congregants’ freedom to exercise religion, with the jury finding that the incident was a hate crime. According to the Department of Justice, while Salah was making a series of false bomb threats, he was simultaneously constructing a real explosive device designed to fit inside a backpack. During a search of his storage unit, an FBI bomb technician recovered materials that were later analyzed by an FBI explosives expert, who testified that the seized items were consistent with components used to build an improvised explosive device. “The FBI has zero tolerance for those who target Americans based on their religious beliefs,” FBI Sacramento Special Agent in Charge Sid Patel said. “Salah sought to instill fear and disrupt Christian communities across California, Colorado, and Arizona. We are grateful for the cooperation of these churches and communities, which were vital in the investigation that led to Salah’s arrest and conviction. Today’s sentencing highlights the collective efforts of law enforcement and vigilant Americans in preventing this act of terrorism.” Additional reporting was provided by [KCNC \(CBS-4\)](#) (11/08, Smith), [AZFamily](#) (11/07, Baker), [Sacramento Bee](#) (11/07, Bernstein), [KTXL \(FOX-40\)](#) (11/07, Kidger), and [Christian Post](#) (11/07, Gryboski).

FBI Opens Nation’s First Counter-Drone Training Center in Alabama

[Wiregrass Daily News](#) (11/09, Fletcher) reported that the FBI has opened the National Counter-Unmanned Training Center (NCUTC) at Redstone Arsenal in Alabama, the first facility of its kind in the US. The center will train law enforcement and security professionals to detect and respond to drone threats. The NCUTC will provide training and assistance for security planning at major US events, including the 2026 FIFA World Cup and the 2028 Summer Olympics.

Former Capitol Police Officer a Forensic Match for Jan. 6 Pipe Bomber

[The Blaze](#) (11/08, Baker, Hanneman) reported that a forensic analysis of a former U.S. Capitol Police officer’s gait shows a 94%-98% match to the Jan. 6 pipe-bomb suspect, with the officer identified as 31-year-old Shauni Rae Kerkhoff. According to the article, Kerkhoff, who left the Capitol Police in mid-2021 to work for the CIA, is suspected of being involved in the planting of the pipe bombs, with evidence suggesting possible law enforcement involvement in the incident. The article noted that the FBI, which had been investigating the case for nearly five years, had been close to Kerkhoff’s location days after the incident but was pulled away, leading a former FBI agent to suggest a potential cover-up.

COUNTERINTELLIGENCE

Continued Reporting: Tulsi Gabbard's Quest to Bring the "Deep State" Under Her Control

[The Atlantic](#) (11/07, Jurecic, Harris) and [Raw Story](#) (11/07, Garza) reported that Director of National Intelligence Tulsi Gabbard is seeking to transfer counterintelligence authority from the FBI to her own office, arguing that the bureau's Counterintelligence Division has been "weaponized for political purposes" by so-called "deep state actors." The article explained that a memo circulating among federal agencies — including the FBI and the National Security Council — outlined Gabbard's proposal to make the Office of the Director of National Intelligence the lead agency for counterintelligence, prompting strong opposition from within the bureau. According to the article, the FBI warned Congress in a separate letter that such a transfer would cause "serious and long-lasting damage to U.S. national security," emphasizing that the FBI already conducts the bulk of counterintelligence operations and maintains trained agents who cultivate sources in foreign intelligence services. The article described how Gabbard's proposal has put her at odds with Director Patel. The article noted that former FBI counterintelligence agent Michael Feinberg rejected claims that the bureau's approach was too narrow, explaining that "prosecutions represent only one tool" and that the FBI "engages in a wide swathe of activities—most never revealed to the public—to keep our nation's secrets safe."

Russian National Pleads Guilty to Breaking Into Networks

[CyberScoop](#) (11/07, Kapko) reported that Aleksei Olegovich Volkov, a 25-year-old Russian national, pleaded guilty to participating in Yanluowang ransomware attacks. Volkov, also known as "chubaka.kor", served as an initial access broker and faces a maximum penalty of up to 53 years in prison. He agreed to pay nearly \$9.2 million in restitution to the seven US businesses that were attacked, which included demands for \$24 million in ransoms. The article highlighted that The FBI said it traced cryptocurrency transactions related to the payments to accounts reportedly owned by Volkov and a co-conspirator, "CC-1," who was residing in Indianapolis at the time. The article noted that Blockchain analysis allowed the FBI to confirm Volkov's identity and uncover multiple accounts they used to communicate with co-conspirators about ransomware attacks, payments and splitting illicit proceeds from their criminal activities, according to court records.

CRIMINAL INVESTIGATIONS

Death on Carnival Cruise Ship Sparks FBI Investigation

The [Associated Press](#) (11/08, Staff Writer) and [Fox News](#) (11/08, Koch) reported that authorities in Miami, including the FBI, are investigating the death of a passenger aboard the Carnival Horizon cruise ship, which returned to Port Miami as scheduled on Saturday. The cruise line confirmed that it is cooperating with the FBI Miami office, emphasizing that its focus is on supporting the family of the deceased guest while assisting investigators. According to the articles, FBI Miami spokesperson James Marshall said agents "responded to the scene" but declined to provide additional details, citing the ongoing nature of the investigation. The Miami-Dade Sheriff's Office referred all inquiries to the FBI, and officials have not yet disclosed the cause or circumstances of the passenger's death. The articles noted that the FBI has not released the identity of the deceased or clarified whether foul play is suspected as the investigation continues. Additional reporting on the story was provided by [CBS News](#) (11/08, Geisel), [Cruise Hive](#) (11/08, Mayntz), [WKRC \(Fox-28\)](#) (11/09, Staff Writer), [The Independent](#) (11/08, Graziosi), [WTVJ \(NBC-6\)](#) (11/08, Staff Writer), [Newsweek](#) (11/08, Adeosun), [People](#) (11/09, Brunner), [The Sun](#) (11/09, Cherruault), [TMZ](#) (11/09, Staff Writer), and [WSVN \(ABC-7\)](#) (11/08, Staff Writer).

Continued Reporting: NY Attorney General James Claims DOJ Charges Are Retaliation for Trump Lawsuit

[Reuters](#) (11/07, Goudsward) reported that New York Attorney General Letitia James is facing mortgage-related charges, including bank fraud and making a false statement to a financial institution. James claims the case is "vindictive" and an act of retaliation by President Donald Trump for her office's civil fraud lawsuit against him and his family business. James has asked a federal judge to throw out the case, with a hearing scheduled for December 5 to consider her claims. The article highlighted that the filing echoes arguments made last month by former FBI Director James Comey, who is also seeking to have a criminal false statements case against him tossed out on similar grounds. Additional reporting on the story was provided by [Associated Press](#) (11/07, Tucker), [CNN](#) (11/07,

Scannell), [The Hill](#) (11/07, Mancini), [Law & Crime](#) (11/07, Kalmbacher), [New York Times](#) (11/07, Barrett), [Newsweek](#) (11/08, Rahman), [Washington Post](#) (11/07, Roebuck), and [Washington Times](#) (11/07, Wilson).

North Dakota Man in Court for Threatening President Trump & Director Patel

[Tampa Free Press](#) (11/07, Grissom) reported that Andrew Walter Sandvik, a 47-year-old North Dakota man, has been charged with threatening to kill President Donald Trump and other high-ranking officials. According to the article, the charges are based on a series of violent online posts attributed to Sandvik, including threats against Director Patel and law enforcement. "Thursday morning, the FBI, along with our Federal, State, and Local partners, arrested Andrew Walter Sandvik on charges related to threats made against Federal Officials," said FBI Minneapolis Special Agent in Charge Alvin M. Winston, Sr. "As alleged in the complaint, Sandvik made threats against President Donald J. Trump, FBI Director Kash Patel, local law enforcement officers, and the U.S. military." The article noted that Sandvik was arrested following an investigation by the FBI and other agencies, and is being prosecuted by the United States Attorney's Office, District of North Dakota. Additional reporting was provided by [KFYR \(NBC-5\)](#) (11/07, Gray), [KFGO-FM](#) (11/07, Staff Writer), [KXMB \(CBS-12\)](#) (11/07, Mendoza), and [Law and Crime](#) (11/07, Hoyt).

FBI Joins Hunt for Dominic Connelly; \$10K Reward for Info Leading to Capture

[WCTI \(ABC-12\)](#) (11/07, Cardoso) reported that the FBI has joined the hunt for Dominic Connelly, offering a \$10,000 reward for information leading to his capture. According to the article, Connelly is wanted for the murder of his grandmother and the attempted murder of a Craven County Sheriff's Deputy. The article noted that the public is urged not to approach Connelly if spotted, but to call 911 immediately, and can submit tips anonymously through the Craven County Crime Stoppers app. Additional reporting was provided by [WNCT \(CBS-9\)](#) (11/07, Law), [KTVU \(FOX-2\)](#) (11/08, Ruiz), and [WITN \(NBC-7\)](#) (11/07, Staff Writer).

DNA Breakthrough in 1987 Texas Murder Points to Potential Suspect

[KYTX \(CBS-19\)](#) (11/07, Wellerman) reported that DNA evidence has identified Dallas Reynolds Casanova as a potential suspect in the 1987 murder of Rickey Herriage in East Texas. According to the article, Casanova, who lived in Henderson County at the time of the murder, died in 2008 in New Orleans, Louisiana. The article noted that the identification was made possible through advanced DNA testing and collaboration between the Henderson County Sheriff's Office, Pure Gold Forensics, Othram Inc., and the FBI Dallas Violent Crimes Task Force. Additional reporting was provided by [KLTV \(ABC-7\)](#) (11/07, Staff Writer) and [KETK \(FOX-51\)](#) (11/07, Collins).

Toddler Killed Two Months Ago on Tribal Land in Washington

[The News Tribune](#) (11/07, Johnson) reported that a 2-year-old boy, Amory Goode Mitchell-Diaz Bradley, was killed by a gunshot wound to the head on Puyallup Tribal property near Tacoma over 2 months ago. According to the article, the Pierce County Medical Examiner's Office has ruled the death a homicide, but authorities, including the Puyallup Tribal Police Department and the FBI, have not released any further information. The article noted that the Puyallup Tribal Council has expressed sorrow over the loss, and the FBI has taken over the investigation, but no charges have been filed yet.

Police Arrest Suspect in Double Homicide at Michigan Auto Shop

[MLive](#) (11/08, Eberbach) reported that police in Shelby Township have arrested a suspect in connection with a double homicide at Star Auto Sales. According to the article, the double homicide occurred on Friday, November 7, and left two men, a 48-year-old from Clinton Township and a 40-year-old from Shelby Township, dead. The article noted that the Utica Police Department, Michigan State Police, the Romulus Police Department, and the FBI also assisted in the investigation. Additional reporting was provided by [WXYZ \(ABC-7\)](#) (11/08, Staff Writer), [Detroit Free Press](#) (11/08, Wildt), [WJBK \(FOX-2\)](#) (11/08, Vicar), [WWJ \(CBS-62\)](#) (11/08, Booth-Singleton, Lentz), [Detroit News](#) (11/08, Staff Writer), and [WDIV \(NBC-4\)](#) (11/08, Heyman).

Body Found at California Skate Park Prompts Homicide Investigation

[KOVV \(CBS-13\)](#) (11/08, Fabian) reported that a man's body was found at the temporary skateboard park in Condon Park, Grass Valley, prompting a homicide investigation. According to the article, the deceased man is believed to be in his 30s, but his identity has not been released yet. The article noted that no arrests have been made, and the Grass Valley police are investigating with the help of the FBI Evidence Response Team and the Nevada County District Attorney's Office. Additional reporting was provided by [KXTV \(ABC-10\)](#) (11/08, Ellison), [KTXL \(FOX-40\)](#) (11/08, Ayoubgoulan), and [KCRA \(NBC-3\)](#) (11/08, Dotson).

Georgia Inmate Convicted of Running Drug, Money Laundering Operation

[WXIA \(NBC-11\)](#) (11/07, Woods) reported that Jarvis Matthews, a 46-year-old inmate, was convicted of running a multi-million dollar drug and money laundering operation from behind bars in Calhoun State Prison. According to the article, Matthews used contraband cellphones to direct the distribution of drugs, including methamphetamine, heroin, and fentanyl, in and around Atlanta, with the help of his family members. The investigations began in July when FBI agents identified a social media account that Matthews used to conduct dozens of drug deals. Agents say Matthews used his fiancée, girlfriends, nephew, and two adult sons to distribute drugs and collect and launder money. "Jarvis Matthews used the confines of a prison cell to orchestrate a multi-million-dollar drug trafficking and money laundering operation, exploiting his family and the prison system to further his criminal enterprise," said Paul Brown, Special Agent in Charge of FBI Atlanta. "This case underscores the FBI's commitment to dismantling transnational criminal organizations and holding accountable those who think they can operate beyond the reach of the law." The article noted that he faces a mandatory minimum of 25 years in federal prison, to be served consecutively to his current life without parole sentence, after being found guilty of conspiracy and money laundering charges. Additional reporting was provided by [WAGA \(FOX-5\)](#) (11/07, Daniel), [WUPA \(CBS-69\)](#) (11/07, Raby), and [WSB \(ABC-2\)](#) (11/07, Staff Writer).

Multi-Agency Operation Leads to Indictments in Fentanyl Trafficking Case

[KTXL \(FOX-40\)](#) (11/07, Tack) reported that a multi-agency operation called Operation Daisy Cutter led to the indictment of three people: Kaela Berreman, Anthony Munoz, and Tyler Tofanelli, for their involvement in a fentanyl trafficking case. According to the article, the operation, which is part of the FBI's Operation Summer Heat, aimed to disrupt violent crime and combat the opioid epidemic in the Tahoe bi-state region by targeting cartel-supplied gang members and drug traffickers. The article noted that around 24 people have been arrested in connection with the operation, with one suspect, Cole Williams, still at large, and more arrests expected in the future.

Federal Prosecutors Recommend Time Served for Ex-California Chamber CEO

[The Los Angeles Times](#) (11/08, Roman) reported that federal prosecutors are recommending a sentence of time served for former Anaheim Chamber of Commerce CEO Todd Ament, citing his cooperation with the FBI in a corruption probe. According to the article, he pleaded guilty to four felonies, including wire fraud, and his cooperation led to the conviction of former Anaheim Mayor Harry Sidhu. The article noted that Ament is now seeking to undo his plea deal, claiming he received poor legal advice and that the facts alleged in the plea agreement are untrue.

Former Diocesan Fundraising Director Indicted on Wire Fraud

[OSV News](#) (11/07, Christian) reported that Jeremy Lillig, former director of stewardship and development for the Diocese of Kansas City-St. Joseph, Missouri, has been indicted on one count of wire fraud for allegedly stealing over \$150,000. The diocese "became aware of Mr. Lillig's potentially criminal financial activity shortly after his departure," and had "promptly reported" the matter "to local law enforcement and the FBI," Bishop James V. Johnston Jr. said. According to the article, the alleged theft occurred from 2017 to 2021 using a diocesan credit card, with Lillig purchasing and activating Visa gift cards for personal benefit. "Importantly, the FBI has assured us that their investigation did not find any individual donor funds which were diverted prior to secure deposit into the Bright Futures Fund," the bishop stressed. The article noted that if convicted, Lillig faces a maximum sentence of 20 years' imprisonment, a \$250,000 fine, and three years' supervised release, with his trial scheduled for March 16, 2026. Additional reporting was provided by [Christian Post](#) (11/07, Foley).

Prison for Kansas Credit Union Manager's \$700K Embezzlement Scheme

[Hays Post](#) (11/08, Staff Writer) reported that Rita Hartman, a 71-year-old former manager of Muddy River Credit Union in Atchison, Kansas, was sentenced to 63 months in prison for embezzling over \$750,000. According to the article, Hartman pleaded guilty to one count of false entries in federal credit union records and was ordered to pay \$778,361 in restitution. "The defendant was entrusted with the fiscal responsibility of the credit union's members. In using the money for her personal benefit, the defendant's actions were a betrayal of that trust," said Special Agent in Charge Stephen A. Cyrus of the FBI Kansas City Field Office. "This sentencing demonstrates the FBI's longstanding commitment to working financial fraud investigations and to hold individuals accountable for their actions." The article noted that her embezzlement scheme, which occurred between 2007 and 2021, wiped out the credit union's capital and forced it to merge with another credit union to continue operations.

FBI Warns of Criminals Posing as ICE in Robberies and Kidnappings

[Newsweek](#) (11/07, Rahman) reported that the FBI has warned of criminals impersonating ICE agents to carry out robberies, kidnappings, and sexual assaults, targeting vulnerable communities. According to the article, at least five incidents have been reported since early 2025, including cases in North Carolina, New York, and Florida, where suspects wore ICE-style gear or falsely claimed to be immigration officers. The article noted that the FBI advises verifying the identity of individuals claiming to be ICE agents by requesting official identification and contacting the local ICE field office to confirm their legitimacy.

Berkeley Teacher Scammed of Her Life Savings

[BerkeleySide](#) (11/07, Gecan) reported that Danielle White, a 31-year-old special education teacher, lost her life savings of nearly \$70,000 to phone scammers who posed as Oakland police officers. According to the article, the scammers used fear, sound effects, and fake identities to control White's reality, directing her to deposit cash into crypto ATMs around Oakland. She has filed complaints with the state DFPI and the FBI, but has not yet had any update. The article noted that the incident is being investigated by the Berkeley police, who reported over 100 similar fraud cases in Berkeley last year, with digital scammers estimated to have taken \$16.6 billion nationwide, according to the FBI.

California Man Indicted for Multimillion-Dollar Investment Scheme

[Hoodline](#) (11/07, Jenkins) reported that 29-year-old Ethan Joseph Sanchez of San Diego was charged with wire fraud and money laundering after an FBI investigation alleged he defrauded investors of more than \$6 million through his company, BSC Equity Ventures. Prosecutors claim Sanchez fabricated investment opportunities in real estate and even invented a fake associate, "Richard 'Rick' Aguilar," to gain credibility while diverting the funds for personal use. According to the article, the FBI's San Diego Field Office said less than \$1.8 million was ever returned to investors, and the case highlights the bureau's ongoing efforts to combat financial crimes. The article noted that Sanchez remains in custody following a November 6 hearing and that the FBI has encouraged potential victims to contact the bureau through a designated email or online form as the investigation continues. "The FBI aggressively investigates financial crimes and fraud schemes of all types, and we have seen investment fraud evolve into previously unimaginable high-dollar criminal deceptions," said Mark Dargis, special agent in charge of the FBI San Diego Field Office, in the [press release](#). "Today's indictment of Ethan Sanchez is another example of the FBI's relentless pursuit of those individuals who choose to scam unsuspecting investors for their personal profit. FBI San Diego will continue to adapt to the ever-changing illicit financial landscape to protect the communities where we live and serve."

Georgia Felon Sentenced to Ten Years for Shooting Police Officers

[Hoodline Atlanta](#) (11/07, Mehta) reported that Shane Jacques Barfield, a Bartow County felon, has been sentenced to 10 years in federal prison for illegal possession of a firearm. According to the article, Barfield pleaded guilty to firearm possession by a convicted felon and fired the weapon at Cartersville Police officers, who returned fire without injuring anyone. The article noted that the investigation and arrest were conducted in coordination between the Cartersville Police Department and the FBI.

Louisiana Police Department Conducts Safety Operation, Fifteen People Detained

[WGNO \(ABC-26\)](#) (11/08, Thompson) reported that the Kenner Police Department Facebook page, KPD, along with ICE, FBI, DEA, and the Louisiana State Police, investigated the Kenner boat launch area on Friday night, which resulted in 15 people being detained by ICE. According to the article, the operation was a response to long-standing issues with trash, noise, traffic, and other complaints from Kenner residents. The article noted that Kenner Police Chief Keith Conley stated that the operation aimed to address disrespectful conduct and ensure residents feel safer in the area. Additional reporting was provided by [NOLA](#) (11/08, Finn), [WWL \(CBS-4\)](#) (11/09, Moses), and [WDSU \(NBC-6\)](#) (11/09, Carroll).

FBI Opens Investigation Into Halloween Federal Immigration Enforcement Incident

[The Daily Northwestern](#) (11/07, Prakash) reported that the FBI has opened an investigation into a federal immigration enforcement incident that occurred on October 31 at Asbury Avenue and Oakton Street. According to the article, the incident involved at least 10 federal agents and resulted in the detention of several individuals, with the Department of Homeland Security confirming the arrest of at least eight people. The article noted that Mayor Daniel Biss has urged residents to learn about their rights regarding sharing information with federal immigration agents and stated that the City of Evanston will continue to protect its community and defend residents' rights.

Trump Official Accusing President's Rivals of Crimes Tapped a Former Registered Sex Offender for Federal Role

[Reuters](#) (11/07, Taylor, Prentice) reported that Bill Pulte, the Trump-appointed director of the Federal Housing Finance Agency (FHFA), hired Michigan restaurateur and Trump supporter Mark Zarkin—who previously pleaded no contest to a felony sex crime—as a consultant to mortgage giants Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac. Zarkin's appointment, which was not publicly announced, alarmed staff at both agencies given his lack of housing-sector experience and his prior conviction, which was later vacated without explanation. According to the article, a separate Michigan lawsuit accuses Zarkin of discussing a plan to bribe former President Trump for a pardon, and the plaintiffs in that case informed the Federal Bureau of Investigation and Michigan State Police of the alleged scheme. The report said a summary of the related city investigation reviewed by Reuters indicated that “the FBI had seized mobile telephones related to the case.” The article noted that the FBI declined to comment on the matter, while Michigan police said they had no ongoing investigations tied to the alleged pardon plot.

Georgia Man Arrested on Child Exploitation and Bestiality Charges Following FBI Investigation

[Now Habersham](#) (11/07, Angell) reported that Jimmie Dominici Jr., a 59-year-old Toccoa man, was arrested and charged with child exploitation and bestiality. According to the article, the arrest followed a four-month FBI investigation that began with a tip from the FBI Atlanta-Gainesville office. The article noted that information obtained by the FBI Pittsburgh Child Exploitation and Human Trafficking Task Force led to the identification and rescue of a four-month-old child depicted in illicit material. At the same time, another suspect connected to the case was arrested in Ohio on sexual assault charges, officials confirmed. The Stephens County Sheriff's Office expressed gratitude to both the FBI Pittsburgh Task Force and the FBI Atlanta-Gainesville Resident Agency for their crucial assistance in providing intelligence and helping facilitate the apprehension of Dominici in the ongoing investigation. Additional reporting was provided by [Erie News Now](#) (11/07, Rainey) and [The Georgia Gazette](#) (11/07, Staff Writer).

Mexican National, Texas Sex Trafficker Gets Ten Years in Prison

[Tampa Free Press](#) (11/08, Grissom) reported that Clemente Melendez Gutierrez, a 42-year-old Mexican national, was sentenced to 10 years in federal prison for transporting a victim for prostitution. According to the article, he pleaded guilty to recruiting an 18-year-old victim from Mexico, subjecting her to abuse, and forcing her into commercial sex acts in Houston. In a Department of Justice [press release](#), FBI Houston Special Agent in Charge Douglas Williams stated, “Today's sentence brings long-awaited, and overdue, justice for the victim who was subjected to years of abuse and exploitation at the hands of Melendez Gutierrez. Unfortunately, the physical, mental, and emotional manipulation and trauma the victim suffered at the hands of this ‘suitor-turned-monster’ will remain with her forever. His long-awaited prison sentence reflects the tireless work and unwavering dedication of the investigators, victim specialists, and prosecutors who through the years stood alongside the victim to ensure her voice was heard and her suffering acknowledged. While no prison sentence can erase the pain and trauma his victims endured, our hope is that today's outcome represents accountability, justice, and a step toward healing and hope.” The article noted that Melendez Gutierrez used false pretenses, physical abuse, and debt bondage to exploit the victim, and his sentence reflects the severity of his conduct, with officials vowing to hold sex traffickers accountable.

Oregon Man Pleads Guilty to Sex Trafficking Three Teenagers

[Medford Alert News](#) (11/07, Staff Writer) reported that Eric Lamont Harris, a 50-year-old Portland man, pleaded guilty to multiple federal charges for sex trafficking three underage girls. According to the article, Harris admitted to transporting minors for prostitution and sexually exploiting children, and faces a maximum sentence of life in prison. FBI Portland Special Agent in Charge Doug Olson said the guilty plea marks “a first step in providing some form of closure to the victims and their loved ones.” He described Harris's actions as “a systematic approach to sexually exploiting minors for financial gain and satisfaction,” adding that they “warrant the full extent of the punishment legally possible.” The article noted that the investigation was conducted by the FBI and other law enforcement agencies, and the case is part of Project Safe Childhood, a nationwide initiative to combat child sexual exploitation and abuse.

Kansas Man Sentenced for AI-Generated Child Porn Possession

[WWLP \(NBC-22\)](#) (11/07, Eyermann) reported that Jeremy Weber, a 47-year-old Kansas man, was sentenced to 25 years in prison for transporting and possessing AI-generated child sexual abuse material. According to the article, Weber used an AI platform to create hundreds of depictions of child sexual abuse material by manipulating

and merging images of women and children he knew. In a Department of Justice [press release](#), Special Agent in Charge Stephen A. Cyrus of the FBI Kansas City Field Office stated, "The FBI is grateful for the work of the U.S. Attorney's Office and our law enforcement partners, including the Topeka Police Department, for their work in this case. The sentencing reflects the severity of the conduct the defendant has pled to and should send a message to anyone conducting this type of behavior: the FBI will not flinch to seek justice." The article noted that the FBI and the Topeka Police Department investigated the case.

School Shooting Threat on Snapchat in Ohio Triggers FBI Response

[WTRF \(ABC-7\)](#) (11/07, Harris) reported that a school shooting threat was made on Snapchat, prompting the FBI and Ohio State Highway Patrol to contact Kettering Police. According to the article, Austin Clark, the owner of the Snapchat account, was identified and arrested at his home with the help of the Dayton Police Department. The article noted that Clark is charged with making terroristic threats, a third-degree felony, and police have stated that the threat does not appear credible. Additional reporting was provided by [WKEF \(ABC-22\)](#) (11/07, Schrock) and [WHIO \(CBS-7\)](#) (11/07, Staff Writer).

Louisiana Man Arrested Hours After Robbing Texas Bank

[KPEL-FM](#) (11/07, Cunningham) reported that a 79-year-old Louisiana man, Charles Leger, was arrested in Texas for robbing a PNC Bank in Bellmead. According to the article, the robbery occurred on Thursday afternoon, and Leger was caught in Limestone County hours later without a weapon being used or anyone getting hurt. The article noted that Leger's arrest was the result of a multi-agency effort involving the Bellmead Police Department, the FBI, and other agencies, and he now faces federal charges for the bank robbery. Additional reporting was provided by [KCEN \(NBC-6\)](#) (11/07, Staff Writer) and [KWKT \(FOX-44\)](#) (11/07, Richter).

Seven Charged in Oregon and Washington for Burglary Ring Targeting Asian Business Owners

[Hoodline Portland](#) (11/07, Wright) reported that seven individuals have been charged for their involvement in a burglary ring targeting Asian business owners in Oregon and Washington. According to the article, the group, which included Derinson Martinez-Grandas and William Estiven Rodriguez-Gaviria, used sophisticated tactics such as signal jamming and counter-surveillance to carry out the burglaries. FBI Special Agent in Charge Doug Olson also condemned the racially targeted violence. "This robbery crew instilled fear and directed violence toward the hard-working small business owners who make this community special and unique," he noted, expressing relief at the disruption of the crime spree. The article noted that the suspects were arrested and detained after a collaborative investigation by the FBI and local police departments. Additional reporting was provided by [Oregon Live](#) (11/07, Bernstein).

Two Suspects Charged in Connection With Nine Connecticut Armed Robberies

[The Hartford Courant](#) (11/08, Muszynski) reported that two suspects, Corey Alexis and Guardy Roman, have been charged in connection with nine armed robberies in Meriden, Connecticut. According to the article, Corey Alexis is charged with carrying a dangerous weapon and attempting to commit first-degree robbery. In contrast, Guardy Roman is charged with first-degree robbery and fifth-degree larceny. "The Meriden Police Department would like to thank members of the Middletown Police Department, Connecticut State Police, Watertown Police Department, West Hartford Police Department, and the FBI Safe Streets Task Force for their assistance during these investigations," Lt. Darrin McKay said in a statement. The article noted that both suspects are being held on bond and are expected to face additional charges as the investigation into the robbery spree continues.

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CYBER DIVISION

FBI Has Launched Probe to Find the Person or Group Behind Archiving Website

[HackRead](#) (11/08, Ahmed) reported that the FBI issued a federal subpoena to the Canadian domain registrar Tucows in an effort to identify the anonymous operator of Archive.ph, also known as Archive.today and Archive.is, as part of a federal criminal investigation. According to the article, the subpoena—dated October 30 and posted online by Archive.today—demanded extensive records including the owner's name, address, billing information, phone logs, and internet session data, while ordering Tucows not to disclose the investigation's existence. The article noted that the FBI's probe did not specify the suspected crime but follows broader industry crackdowns on paywall-circumvention sites, with Tucows confirming it will comply with the subpoena by November 29.

New Study Has Identified Indiana as the Second Most Vulnerable State in the US to Cybercrime

[WOWO-FM](#) (11/07, Staff Writer) reported that Indiana is the second most vulnerable state to cybercrime in the US, with 342 complaints per 100,000 people, according to a study by Click Intelligence. The state's cybercrime victims lost an average of \$5,287 per person, totaling over \$125 million in losses. According to the article, the research by Click Intelligence analyzed 2024 data from the FBI's IC3 to assess cybercrime complaints per 100,000 people, highlighting the significant digital risk facing Hoosiers. The article highlighted that cybercrimes covered in the study include examples like credit card fraud, government impersonation scams, phishing and cryptocurrency scams. The escalating national threat saw the FBI report over 859,000 internet crime complaints in 2024, with total losses surpassing \$16 billion.

Budget Cuts at CISA Leaving US at Greater Risk

[CNBC](#) (11/07, MacBride) reported that the Trump administration's budget cuts and government agency gutting, including at the Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Agency (CISA), place Americans and the U.S. economy at greater risk of hacks than a year ago, according to expert assessments. On Thursday, the Washington Post reported that the Congressional Budget Office was hacked by a foreign nation-state actor. "We were surprised and disappointed," said Ret. Admiral Mark Montgomery, the executive director of bipartisan group Cybersolarium.org, of its recently released annual review of national cyber preparedness. "I think we can recover from this. But you can't continue to cut," he said. The article highlighted that the most recent assessment of cybersecurity, based on the goals set forward by the bipartisan U.S. Cyberspace Solarium Commission, found that the US was slipping in its progress toward 82 goals to create a strong cyber defense. The goals include things like reducing complex regulations on critical infrastructure companies, adding to cyber capacity in the FBI and within intelligence agencies, and improving K-12 cybersecurity education.

Berkshire Warns of AI Deepfakes Impersonating Warren Buffett

[Reuters](#) (11/07, Staff Writer) reported that Berkshire Hathaway warns that AI-generated deepfakes are impersonating Warren Buffett, with fake videos circulating on YouTube featuring comments he never made. The company highlights that the audio in these videos often features a flat, generic speech that is clearly not Buffett's voice, and may mislead those less familiar with him. According to the article, Warren Buffett is concerned about the spread of these fraudulent videos, which are made possible by the rise of deepfake technology and AI-driven voice tools, and can cause reputational damage and misinformation. The article noted that in May, the FBI reported that malicious actors had used AI-generated voice calls and text messages to impersonate senior US officials in attempts to access government employees' personal accounts.

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Skeletal Remains of California Man in 1978 Identified

[KTLA \(CW-5\)](#) (11/07, DuBose) reported that the skeletal remains of a man found on a beach in Ventura County in 1984 have been identified as Donald Scott Reich, a 33-year-old who died at sea in 1978. According to the article, Reich and another man, 20-year-old Michael Gray, died in a boating accident after their boat lost power and was ripped apart by the sea. The article noted that the identification was made possible through advanced DNA testing through the FBI's Combined DNA Index System, solving a 41-year investigation into the disappearance of Reich and Gray. Additional reporting was provided by [People](#) (11/07, Gillette) and [Newsweek](#) (11/07, Shoalib).

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INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS

Fugitive in Arizona Child Sex Case Captured in France Seventeen Years Later

[Arizona Family](#) (11/07, Cortez) reported that Michael Wiseman, a fugitive wanted for child sex crimes in Scottsdale, has been captured in France, 17 years after the initial case in 2008. The FBI Phoenix field office obtained a warrant for Wiseman's arrest. In 2009, he was arrested in Spain and extradited to the U.S. He was sentenced in 2012 for his crimes, but fled again while out on probation. According to the article, Wiseman was taken into custody for multiple counts of sexual exploitation of a minor and had been on Scottsdale's Most Wanted list. "Nearly two decades ago, this individual fled from accountability. Our detectives never stopped working to bring him to justice.

This arrest reflects years of persistence, teamwork, and an unwavering commitment to protecting children. We are deeply grateful for the FBI's partnership and their continued support in this case," said Scottsdale PD Chief Joe LeDuc. The article noted that numerous law enforcement agencies worked together to apprehend Wiseman, including Scottsdale PD, AZ ICAC, FBI Phoenix Task Force, FBI Phoenix Border Liaison Office, Maricopa County Attorneys' Office, FBI Legal Attache in Paris, and the U.S. Embassy in France. Additional reporting was provided by [KNXV \(ABC-15\)](#) (11/07, Staff Writer), [KSAZ \(FOX-10\)](#) (11/07, Wong), [KPNX \(NBC-12\)](#) (11/07, Reagan), and [KTAR-FM](#) (11/07, O'Sullivan).

Kosovo Police Warns of Internet Fraud

[Kossev](#) (11/07, Staff Writer) reported that the Kosovo Police has warned the public about fake emails claiming to be from the KP, FBI, Interpol, or the Cyber Security Agency. According to the article, these emails, titled "Call / Emergency Arrest", falsely state that the recipient has 24 hours to report to the police. The article noted that the KP has launched an investigation into the matter, stating that these emails are a form of cyber fraud and not official communications.

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OTHER FBI NEWS

Border Patrol Agent Who Shot Chicago Woman Boasted About It in Text Messages

[Reuters](#) (11/07, Hickman) reported that U.S. Customs and Border Protection Agent Charles Exum shot Chicago resident Marimar Martinez five times during an encounter on October 4, later boasting about his marksmanship in text messages with fellow agents. Exum, who claimed self-defense after the vehicles collided, told other agents in a Signal group chat, "I fired 5 rounds and she had 7 holes. Put that in your book boys," and later told the court that he took pride in his shooting skills as a firearms instructor. According to the article, after the shooting, the FBI photographed Exum's government-issued Chevy Tahoe and collected paint samples at the FBI's Chicago office before releasing the vehicle back to him the same evening. Exum then drove the vehicle over 1,000 miles to Maine, where a CBP mechanic made repairs that later became a point of contention because defense attorneys argued the vehicle should have been preserved as evidence. The article noted that Exum testified he believed the vehicle no longer needed to be preserved since it had been released by the FBI, even though FBI interview records appeared to contradict parts of his account.

Georgia Police Earn National Leadership Honor

[Now Habersham](#) (11/08, Angell) reported that the Lavonia Police Department has received the FBI-LEEDA Agency Trilogy Award for its commitment to professional growth and leadership. According to the article, the award is given to agencies whose command staff complete the FBI-LEEDA's three advanced leadership programs: Supervisor Leadership Institute, Command Leadership Institute, and Executive Leadership Institute. The article noted that the award reflects the department's dedication to leadership development and its guiding principles of honesty, professionalism, and integrity.

Active Shooter Symposium Planned in Pennsylvania

[Patch](#) (11/07, Bennett) reported that the Radnor Township Police Department is hosting an active shooter symposium on November 13 in Wayne, PA. According to the article, the symposium will cover topics such as recent attacks, active shooter methodology, and emergency planning, with presentations from the Radnor Police, Pennsylvania State Police, FBI, and Delaware County District Attorney's Office. The article noted the symposium will also cover Vulnerability Assessment tools and emergency planning.

In Trump 2.0, MAGA-Aligned Influencers and Media Emerge as the New Mainstream

[Reuters](#) (11/08, Coster, Shiffman, et al.) reported that nearly a year into Donald Trump's second term, a powerful alliance of MAGA-aligned influencers, conservative media figures, and administration officials has reshaped the American media landscape, pushing it sharply to the right. These influencers, often coordinated with Trump's White House, have amplified false claims, targeted perceived political enemies, and merged partisan messaging with private media operations, creating what researchers described as a state-aligned propaganda ecosystem. According to the article, Trump has courted and rewarded loyal influencers through access and influence, directing Justice Department resources—including hundreds of FBI agents—to review Jeffrey Epstein case files after pressure from right-wing media figures. When the Justice Department later announced that the review found no credible

new evidence, most prominent Trump influencers shielded the president from blame and instead attacked AG Bondi, reflecting their continued allegiance to Trump. The article noted that this fusion of government power and partisan media has eroded traditional boundaries between journalism, influence, and state messaging, with social platforms and billionaire-owned outlets now amplifying Trump's narratives more than ever before.

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WASHINGTON SCHEDULE

White House

President Trump

- 9:00 AM: In-Town Pool Call Time
- 11:00 AM: The President participates in a Bilateral meeting with the President of Syria
- 3:00 PM: The President participates in a Swearing-in Ceremony for the Ambassador to the Republic of India

Vice President Vance

- No official presidential schedule released or announced.

US Senate

- No events scheduled.

US House of Representatives

- No events scheduled.

Cabinet Members

- Secretary of State Rubio attends meetings and briefings at the Department of State.

Visitors

- No events scheduled.

General Events

- Brookings: Realizing Africa's potential: A journey to prosperity – Monday, November 10, 2025. Location: Online event, 10:00 AM. By 2050, Africa will be home to 25% of the world's population, hosting more than \$16 trillion in combined business and consumer spending. This profound growth is driving transformative change across African markets, while new technologies and trade relations have increased global interest in the continent's resources and labor.
- CSIS: The State of Taiwan: What's Next after the Trump-Xi meeting? – Monday, November 10, 2025. Location: Online event, 9:00 AM. By 2050, Join the CSIS China Power Project on November 10th from 9:00-10:30 am ET to unpack cross-Strait dynamics and U.S. policy toward Taiwan in the wake of President Trump's meeting with Xi Jinping on the sidelines of APEC. What do the outcomes of this meeting signal about the

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- [American Progress: Serving All Who Served: State Leadership for Transgender Veterans](#) – Monday, November 10, 2025. Location: Online event, 2:00 PM Join CAP and Out in National Security for a virtual event launching the Transgender Veterans Toolkit for governors and state legislatures.
- [AEI: The True Cost of Defense: A Film Screening](#) – Monday, November 10, 2025. Location: AEI Auditorium, 4:00 PM In recent years, serious threats to America's security posture have emerged. The rise of China's ambitions in the Indo-Pacific, large-scale war in Europe for the first time in over 70 years, and the changing landscape of the Middle East require strengthening investment in our military. However, the current economic climate in the United States has led many to believe we should scale back our defense contributions and reallocate them to domestic matters. This tension between funding defense and responsible fiscal policy requires an informed look at the true cost of our defense.
- [Atlantic Council: Strategic alignment on China: EU approaches and transatlantic cooperation](#) – Monday, November 10, 2025. Location: Online event, 10:00 AM Experts discuss whether China's latest rare earth actions, Europe's auto sector challenges, and recent US-EU summits with Beijing are pushing transatlantic views toward greater alignment.
- [Hudson Institute: The Future of US-Central Asia Relations](#) – Monday, November 10, 2025. Location: Online event, 10:00 AM The historic C5+1 summit in Washington—at which President Donald Trump will host the heads of state from the five nations of Central Asia (Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Tajikistan, Turkmenistan, and Uzbekistan)—will aim to create new momentum for American engagement in the region.
- [Hudson Institute: Lithuanian Foreign Minister Kęstutis Budrys on NATO, Energy Security, and Europe-China Relations](#) – Monday, November 10, 2025. Location: Online event, 2:30 PM Lithuania continues to be a leading North Atlantic Treaty Organization ally due to both its investment in its own defense capabilities and its outsized role in supporting Ukraine. Amid Russia's continued aggression against Ukraine and expanded hybrid operations across Europe, Vilnius has been a leading voice on security threats along NATO's eastern front.

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