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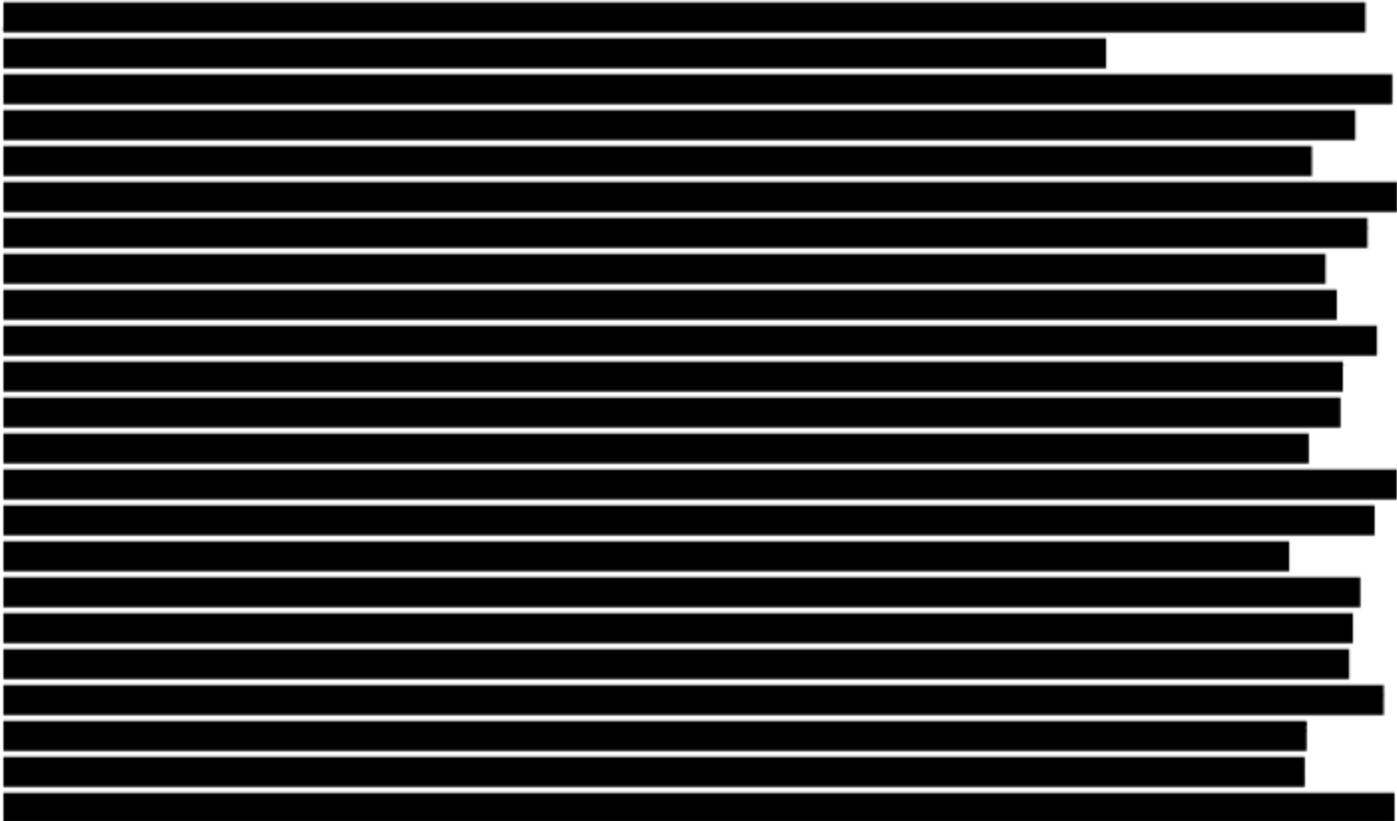
[Breitbart](#) (03/24, Mastrangelo) reported that the FBI is reportedly working overtime on a “frenzied mission” to redact the Epstein files before they are released to the public. The FBI is reviewing documents and other evidence related to the investigation of Jeffrey Epstein in order to make redactions before the DOJ releases them to the public, people familiar with the matter said. According to the article, due to the Trump administration’s promise for transparency, coupled with public interest in issues surrounding Epstein’s death and whether or not prominent figures could be implicated in the disgraced financier’s alleged crimes when he was alive, the FBI is now “frantically” working around the clock. Some agents have even been asked to momentarily set aside other investigations to help complete the redactions, while others have worked on the project all weekend in the Washington field office, sources told the outlet. “Under Attorney General Bondi’s leadership, the Department of Justice is working relentlessly to deliver unprecedented transparency for the American people,” a DOJ spokesperson said, adding, “All appropriate administrative and legal requirements are being adhered to.” All week, agents were seen filing into a room at FBI headquarters, where they sat for hours “at banks of computers, using editing software to identify redactions required under federal laws, including the Privacy Act,” sources claim.

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## INTERNATIONAL NEWS

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**Trump Pushes U.S. Claims to Greenland as Territory's Leaders Lambast US Delegation Trip**

[Reuters](#)

**U.S. Senators Push Trump Administration on Russian Assets, Letter Says**

[Reuters](#)

**Cubans Lament End of American Dream as Trump Overhauls Migration Policy**

[Reuters](#)

**Trump Prompts European Calls for a Homegrown Nuclear Umbrella**

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**Trade War Explodes Across World at Pace Not Seen in Decades**

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**Israel Is Killing Hamas Leaders in Quick Succession**

[Wall Street Journal](#)

**China Releases Detained Staff of U.S. Due-Diligence Firm Mintz**

[Wall Street Journal](#)

**Turkey's Erdogan Blames Opposition for Violent Protests**

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## OTHER WASHINGTON NEWS

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**Trump Administration Planning to Extradite Three Alleged Tren de Aragua Members to Chile**

[The Hill](#), [Fox News](#), [CBS News](#)

**Nazis Were Treated Better Than Venezuelans Deported by Trump, Judge Says at Hearing**  
[Reuters](#), [Wall Street Journal](#), [ABC News](#), [CBS News](#), [NBC News](#)

**U.S. Postal Service Chief DeJoy Steps Down**  
[Reuters](#), [CNN](#), [Washington Post](#), [Associated Press](#), [Fox News](#)

**Top Trump Adviser Leaving White House Two Months Into Administration**  
[Wall Street Journal](#), [Associated Press](#), [CNN](#), [ABC News](#), [New York Times](#)

**Boeing Is Pushing to Withdraw Guilty Plea Agreement**  
[Wall Street Journal](#), [Reuters](#), [Bloomberg](#)

**Pro-Palestinian Student and Permanent U.S. Resident Sues to Halt Deportation**  
[Reuters](#)

**Trump Auto Tariffs Are Coming, but Not All Levies Will Be Imposed April 2, Sending Stocks Higher**  
[Reuters](#)

**Trump Administration Asks Supreme Court to Block Order Reinstating Federal Employees**  
[Wall Street Journal](#)

**Trump Administration Takes DEI Battle to Federal Contractors**  
[Wall Street Journal](#)

**Fired Federal Workers Face Choices Now That a Judge Wants Them Rehired**  
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## **BIG PICTURE**

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### **Wall Street Journal**

- Top Trump Officials Debated War Plans on Unclassified Chat Shared With Journalist
- Trade War Explodes Across World at Pace Not Seen in Decades
- Boeing Is Pushing to Withdraw Guilty Plea Agreement
- Trump Prompts European Calls for a Homegrown Nuclear Umbrella
- Columbia's President Faces Angry Faculty in Closed-Door Meetings

### **New York Times**

- Hegseth Disclosed Secret War Plans in a Group Chat
- Justice Dept. Refuses to Give Judge Flight Data, Citing State Secrets
- In His Second Term, Trump Fuels a 'Machinery' of Misinformation
- Columbia Student Hunted by ICE Sues to Prevent Deportation
- Is Russia an Adversary or a Future Partner? Trump's Aides May Have to Decide.

### **Washington Post**

- Trump Officials Shared War Planning in Unclassified Chat With Journalist
- Democrats Once Killed a Pipeline in the Northeast. Now They May Help Trump Revive It.
- Fallout From Columbia Capitulation Fuels Fears About Academic Freedom
- Trump's Global Funding Cuts Leave a Void in Africa for Rivals to Exploit
- In Karoline Leavitt's World, Trump's Word Is Enough

### **Fox News**

- Hegseth Blasts Atlantic Article: 'Nobody Was Texting War Plans'; FBI Director Kash Patel Sends Memo Calling CNN Report of ATF Cuts 'Entirely False'; Pam Bondi Threatens Prosecution Amid DOGE's Findings About Fraud.

## CNN

- Damning Yemen Group Chat Reflects an Administration Indifferent to the Rule of Law; After living in the U.S. for 35 years and raising 3 citizens, these parents got deported to Colombia; U.S. Postal Service Head DeJoy Resigns.

## NBC News

- Atlantic Editor-In-Chief Mistakenly Placed on Trump Officials' War Plans Group Chat; Legal Showdown Over Trump's Deportation of Alleged Migrant Gang Members; Crews in Carolinas Fight Multiple Wildfires.

## ABC News

- VP National Security Team Mistakenly Add Reporter to Chat About Secret U.S. War Plans; "Incendiary" Devices Found at Tesla Dealership in Texas; Evacuations Underway as East Coast Battles Wildfires.

## CBS News

- Top Trump Officials Included Atlantic Editor in Group Chat About Plans to Bomb Yemen; Medal of Honor, Nation's Highest Military Award, Gets Its Own Museum in Texas.

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## WASHINGTON SCHEDULE

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### White House

#### President Trump

- 9:00 AM: In-Town Pool Call Time
- 12:30 PM: The President and the Vice President have lunch
- 2:00 PM: The President signs Executive Orders

#### Vice President Vance

- No official presidential schedule released or announced.

#### US Senate

- Business meeting to consider the nomination of Mehmet Oz, of Pennsylvania, to be Administrator of the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services. – 9:30 AM – Host: Finance
- To receive a closed briefing on the Department of Defense strategy on countering unmanned aerial systems. – 9:30 AM – Host: Armed Services
- Hearings to examine the nominations of Reed Rubinstein, of Maryland, to be Legal Adviser, Mike Huckabee, of Arkansas, to be Ambassador to the State of Israel, and Kevin Cabrera, of Florida, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Panama, all of the Department of State. – 10:00 AM – Host: Foreign Relations
- Hearings to examine worldwide threats; to be immediately followed by a closed hearing in SH-219. – 10:00 AM – Host: Intelligence
- Hearings to examine the nomination of Frank Bisignano, of New Jersey, to be Commissioner of Social Security Administration for the term expiring January 19, 2031. – 10:10 AM – Host: Finance
- Hearings to examine the censorship industrial complex. – 2:00 PM – Host: Judiciary
- Hearings to examine the state of conventional surface shipbuilding. – 2:30 PM – Host: Armed Services

- Closed hearings to examine harnessing artificial intelligence cyber capabilities; to be immediately followed by an open hearing at 3:30 p.m. in SR-232A. – 2:30 PM – Host: Armed Services

## US House of Representatives

- Hearing: "Reforming FEMA: Bringing Common Sense Back to Federal Emergency Management" – 10:00 AM – Host: Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure
- Hearing: Hearing Entitled: Beyond Silicon Valley: Expanding Access to Capital Across America. – 10:00 AM – Host: Committee on Financial Services
- Hearing: Metals Minerals and Mining: How the CCP Fuels Conflict and Exploitation in Africa. – 10:00 AM – Host: Committee on Foreign Affairs
- Hearing: Streamlined and Rightsized: Consolidating State Department Administrative Services – 10:00 AM – Host: Committee on Foreign Affairs
- Hearing: FY2026 Member Day – 10:00 AM – Host: Committee on Appropriations
- Markup: H.R. 38 the Constitutional Concealed Carry Reciprocity Act; H.R. 60 the Knife Owners Protection Act of 2025; H.R. 2184 the Firearm Due Process Protection Act; H.R. 2255 the Federal Law Enforcement Officer Service Weapon Purchase Act; H.R. 2243 the LEOSA Reform Act of 2025; H.R. 2267 the NICS Data Reporting Act; and H.R. 2240 the Improving Law Enforcement Officer Safety and Wellness Through Data Act of 2025. – 10:00 AM – Host: Committee on the Judiciary
- Hearing: Part 1: Consequences of Failure: How Biden's Policies Fueled the Border Crisis. – 10:00 AM – Host: Committee on Homeland Security
- Markup: the Full Committee to Consider the Following:1 H.R. 1295 the Reorganizing Government Act of 2025; 2 H.R. 1210 the Protecting Taxpayers Wallet Act; 3 H.R. 2249 the Preserving Presidential Management Authority Act; 4 H.R. 2174 the Paycheck Protection Act;5 H.R. 2193 the FEHB Protection Act of 2025;6 H.R. 2277 the Federal Accountability Committee for Transparency FACT Act;7 H.R. 2056 District of Columbia Federal Immigration Compliance Act;8 H.Res. 187 Of inquiry r – 10:00 AM – Host: Committee on Oversight and Government Reform
- Hearing: Legislative hearing on the following bills: H.R. 276 Rep. Greene Gulf of America Act of 2025 H.R. 845 Rep. Boebert Pet and Livestock Protection Act of 2025 H.R. 1897 Rep. Westerman ESA Amendments Act of 2025 and H.R. 1917 Rep. Dingell Great Lakes Mass Marking Program Act of 2025. – 10:15 AM – Host: Committee on Natural Resources
- Hearing: "The Future of Wage Laws: Assessing the FLSA's Effectiveness Challenges and Opportunities" – 10:15 AM – Host: Committee on Education and Workforce
- Hearing: Keeping the Lights On: Examining the State of Regional Grid Reliability. – 10:15 AM – Host: Committee on Energy and Commerce
- Hearing: Mission Incomplete: Strengthening the TAP Program to Ensure a Smoother Transition to Civilian Life for Tomorrow's Veterans – 10:15 AM – Host: Committee on Veterans' Affairs
- Hearing: American Trade Negotiation Priorities – 2:00 PM – Host: Committee on Ways and Means
- Hearing: Oversight Hearing Capitol Complex Public Safety and Security – 2:00 PM – Host: Subcommittee on Legislative Branch
- Markup: H.R. 1327 Mr. Luttrell the Syria Terrorism Threat Assessment Act; H.R. 1508 Ms. Titus the DHS Special Events Program and Support Act; H.R. 1736 Mr. Pfluger the Generative AI Terrorism Risk Assessment Act; H.R. 2116 Mr. Evans of CO the Law Enforcement Support and Counter Transnational Repression Act; H.R. 2139 Mr. Magaziner the Strengthening State and Local Efforts to Counter Transnational Repression Act; H.R. 2158 Mr. Pfluger the Countering Transnational Repression A – 2:30 PM – Host: Committee on Homeland Security

- Markup: H.R. 217 CHIP IN for Veterans Act; H.R. 1969 No Wrong Door for Veterans Act; H.R. 1971 Veterans Supporting Prosthetics Opportunities and Recreational Therapy SPORT Act; H.R. 1823 The VA Budget Accountability Act; H.R. 1107 The Protecting Veteran Access to Telemedicine Services Act; H.R. 1336 The Veterans National Traumatic Brain Injury Act; H.R. 658 To amend title 38 United States Code to establish qualifications for the appointment of a person as a marriage and family therapist qual – 2:15 PM – Host: Subcommittee on Veterans' Affairs
- Hearing: Breaking Down Barriers: Getting Veterans ACCESS to Lifesaving Care– 2:30 PM – Host: Committee on Veterans' Affairs
- Hearing: JOINT SPF and RDY Mobility Enterprise Hearing – 3:30 PM – Host: Committee on Armed Services

### Cabinet Members

- **Secretary of Defense Hegseth** is traveling.
- **Secretary of State Rubio** meets with Estonian Foreign Minister Margus Tsahkna, Latvian Foreign Minister Baiba Braže, and Lithuanian Foreign Minister Kęstutis Budrys at the Department of State at 11:00 AM.
- Secretary of State Rubio meets with Turkish Foreign Minister Hakan Fidan at the Department of State at 2:45 PM.

### Visitors

- No events scheduled.

### General Events

- The Heritage Foundation: Building America's Missile Defense Shield – Tuesday, March 25, 2025. Location: Online event, 11:00 AM. In his first ten days after taking office in January, President Trump issued an executive order to initiate the construction of an Iron Dome for the United States. Four decades ago, this kind of cohesive missile defense architecture was not attainable. Join us as we explore the recent technical advancements that now make it possible to build an Iron Dome and discuss how doing so is critical to our national security and the safety of the American people.
- CSIS: Streamlining Government Coordination for a More Rights Based Approach to Supply Chain Transparency – Tuesday, March 25, 2025. Location: Online event, 10:00 AM. The U.S. government relies on transparency programs to protect American supply chains from a variety of concerns ranging from bioterrorism and unwanted foreign influence to food safety and illicit seafood. Similarly, the U.S. government uses a variety of enforcement tools to protect American supply chains from human trafficking and forced labor including through import controls, sanctions, and criminal prosecutions. These programs do not always support each other effectively, however, and significant gaps remain that expose the American consumer to potential hazards, leave American markets open to distortion from illegal products, and continue to place workers at risk from abuse and exploitation.
- American Progress: The SAVE Act: The Bill That Could Block Millions of Americans From Voting – Tuesday, March 25, 2025. Location: Online event, 2:00 PM. The Safeguard American Voter Eligibility (SAVE) Act, which has been reintroduced in the U.S. House of Representatives, would require all Americans to prove their citizenship status by presenting documentation—in person—when registering to vote or updating their voter registration information. Specifically, the legislation would require the vast majority of Americans to rely on either 1) a passport or 2) a birth certificate in combination with a government-issued photo ID to prove their citizenship. While this may sound easy for many Americans, the reality is that more than 140 million American citizens do not possess a passport, as many as 69 million women who have taken their spouse's name do not have a birth certificate matching their legal name, and millions of transgender Americans do not possess these documents reflecting the name they use.
- INSA: Coffee & Conversation with Kevin Carlson – Tuesday, March 25, 2025. Location: Online event, 9:45 AM. Join us for a virtual Coffee & Conversation with Kevin Carlson, Executive Director of the Open Source

Enterprise, CIA, and Bishop Garrison, INSA VP for Policy, on Tuesday, March 25, from 9:00-9:45 am ET.

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