

Timeline of Donald Trump's "Deadly Legacy": April 30 2017 - June 30 2017

A daily update of press and news stories about Donald Trump and the actions of the 115th Congress

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Note: With few exceptions, sources are from mainstream media and updated daily with additions and changes.

April 30, 2017 Sunday

- Trump dominates the 101st day with tweets, tough talk about health care.

<https://www.usatoday.com/story/news/politics/2017/04/30/trump-dominates-101st-day-tweets-tough-talk-health-care/101124052/>



- Trump on whether he could start war with North Korea: 'I don't know. I mean, we'll see'.

<http://www.independent.co.uk/news/world/americas/us-politics/donald-trump-north-korea-nuclear-latest-war-a7710521.html>

- South Korea said the United States had reaffirmed it would shoulder the cost of deploying the THAAD anti-missile system, days after Trump said Seoul should pay for the \$1-billion battery designed to defend against North Korea.

<http://www.reuters.com/article/us-northkorea-usa-idUSKBN17W04T>

- Trump says China could have hacked Democratic emails.

<http://www.reuters.com/article/us-usa-trump-russia-china-idUSKBN17W0N4>

- McCain on pre-emptive strike on North Korea: 'We have to consider that option'.

<http://www.politico.com/story/2017/04/30/mccain-north-korea-missiles-237803>

- U.S.-led fight on ISIS has killed 352 civilians: Pentagon.

<http://www.reuters.com/article/us-mideast-crisis-usa-civilians-idUSKBN17W0ML>

- Reince Priebus says White House is looking into change to libel laws.

<https://www.theguardian.com/media/2017/apr/30/reince-priebus-libel-law-change-media-white-house>

- Attorney General Eric Holder: Trump's first 100 days full of 'chaos, carnage'.

<http://thehill.com/blogs/blog-briefing-room/news/331329-holder-trumps-first-100-days-full-of-chaos-carnage>

- Neo-Nazis and anti-fascist protesters leave Kentucky after standoff.

<https://www.theguardian.com/us-news/2017/apr/30/neo-nazis-anti-fascist-protesters-kentucky-pikeville>

- Trump invited President Rodrigo Duterte, an authoritarian leader accused of ordering extrajudicial killings of drug suspects in the Philippines, to visit him at the White House.

<https://www.nytimes.com/2017/04/30/us/politics/trump-duterte.html>

- Spread of Hate Crimes Has Lawmakers Seeking Harsher Penalties.

<https://www.nytimes.com/2017/04/30/us/hate-crimes-legislation.html>

- Immigrant workers at Churchill Downs fear deportation.

<https://www.yahoo.com/news/immigrant-workers-fear-deportation-churchill-downs-134258304.html>

- Trump guarantees protection for those with preexisting medical conditions — but it's unclear how.

<https://www.washingtonpost.com/news/post-politics/wp/2017/04/30/trump-guarantees-protection-for-those-with-preexisting-medical-conditions-but-its-unclear-how/>

- After a lost court battle, New Orleans protesters launch last-ditch effort to protect Confederate monuments.

<https://www.washingtonpost.com/news/post-nation/wp/2017/04/30/after-a-lost-court-battle-new-orleans-protesters-launch-last-ditch-effort-to-protect-confederate-monuments/>

- Sebastian Gorka to leave White House. Gorka is a former Breitbart national security editor who has been outspoken on the need to confront Islamic terrorism.

<http://www.cnn.com/2017/04/30/politics/gorka-leaving-white-house/index.html>

(Opinion) Rick Perlstein: The Alt-Right Is Gunning for Anti-Trump Protesters.

<http://www.newsweek.com/rick-perlstein-alt-right-gunning-anti-trump-protesters-590732>

- FULL TRANSCRIPT: President Donald Trump's interview with "Face the Nation" (recorded Apr. 29)

<http://www.cbsnews.com/news/trump-interview-full-transcript-face-the-nation/>

- Pelosi accidentally refers to Trump as Bush: 'I am so sorry'.

<http://thehill.com/homenews/house/331283-pelosi-accidentally-refers-to-trump-as-president->

[bush](#)

May 1, 2017 Monday

- Congress strikes budget deal that shortchanges Trump. The bill doesn't include money for the border wall or block funds for 'sanctuary cities.'

<http://www.politico.com/story/2017/04/30/budget-deal-congress-shutdown-237822>

<https://www.washingtonpost.com/news/powerpost/wp/2017/05/01/whats-in-the-spending-agreement-we-read-it-so-you-dont-have-to/>

<https://www.nytimes.com/2017/05/01/us/politics/winners-and-losers-of-the-spending-deal-spoiler-alert-trump-lost.html>

- After spending-bill win, Democrats confident they can block Trump agenda. By exploiting Republican divisions over spending priorities, Democrats secured nearly \$5 billion in new money for domestic programs in the five-month budget deal. The lopsided victory means it will be very difficult — if not impossible — for the GOP to exert its will in future budget talks.

https://www.washingtonpost.com/powerpost/after-their-spending-bill-win-democrats-confident-they-can-block-trumps-agenda/2017/05/01/5be2915e-2e97-11e7-9534-00e4656c22aa_story.html

- Trump administration scraps Michelle Obama's health and education programs.

<https://www.theguardian.com/us-news/2017/may/01/michelle-obama-school-lunch-let-girls-learn-scrapped-trump>

- GOP suffers surprise defection on Obamacare repeal. The scramble for votes is still very much on.

<http://www.politico.com/story/2017/05/01/does-gop-have-obamacare-repeal-votes-237843>

- (Other) In Donald Trump, European elites see a threat that rivals Vladimir Putin. Three months into his presidency, the rest of Europe too [besides Sweden] is still deeply unsettled over this new president unlike any other, confused about whether he's a dangerous ideologue or merely dangerously ignorant.

<http://www.politico.com/magazine/story/2017/05/01/trump-europe-carl-bildt-global-politico-215087>

- The White House is quietly starting to pull the plug on its shadow Cabinet of Trump loyalists who had been dispatched to federal agencies to serve as the president's eyes and ears.

<http://www.politico.com/story/2017/05/01/trump-starts-dismantling-his-shadow-cabinet-237819>



- Trump voices confusion over US history: 'Why was there a civil war? Walks out on interview.'

<https://www.theguardian.com/us-news/2017/may/01/donald-trump-civil-war-cause-andrew-jackson>

<http://www.reuters.com/article/us-usa-trump-jackson-idUSKBN17X20W>

<http://www.vanityfair.com/news/2017/05/trump-interviews-civil-war-wiretapping>

- U.S. issues travel alert for Europe, citing threat of terrorist attacks.

<http://www.reuters.com/article/us-usa-europe-alert-attacks-idUSKBN17X2CV>

- May Day Marked With Defiant Rallies for Worker Rights Around the Globe.

<http://www.reuters.com/article/us-may-day-usa-protests-idUSKBN17X1H1>

<http://time.com/4761103/may-day-labor-day-rallies/>

<http://www.aljazeera.com/indepth/inpictures/2017/05/millions-hit-streets-worldwide-day-rallies-170501124327738.html>

<http://www.bbc.co.uk/programmes/p050y2s6>

- Arrests made as thousands rally in US against Trump's immigration and labor policies on May Day.

<http://abcnews.go.com/Politics/wireStory/immigrants-unions-march-us-rights-trump-47123801>

- Trump says he would be 'honored' to meet with North Korean dictator Kim Jong Un.

<https://www.washingtonpost.com/news/post-politics/wp/2017/05/01/trump-says-hed-be-honored-to-meet-with-north-korean-dictator/>

- Trump keeps praising international strongmen, alarming human rights advocates. Trump appears to be buttering up totalitarian leaders with long records of human rights abuses.

https://www.washingtonpost.com/politics/trump-keeps-praising-international-strongmen-alarming-human-rights-advocates/2017/05/01/6848d018-2e81-11e7-9dec-764dc781686f_story.html

<http://www.politico.com/story/2017/05/01/trump-duterte-dictators-white-house-237848>

- Historians see a dark underside to Trump's Civil War riff.

<http://www.politico.com/story/2017/05/01/trump-civil-war-237854>

- Trump's treasury secretary, Steven T. Mnuchin, told a Beverly Hills audience at the annual conference of the Milken Institute, an economic research group: 'Thank me for your bank stocks doing better'.

<https://www.washingtonpost.com/news/wonk/wp/2017/05/01/trumps-treasury-secretary-thank-me-for-your-bank-stocks-doing-better/>

- Senate Republicans introduce anti-net neutrality legislation.

<http://thehill.com/policy/technology/331483-republicans-introduce-anti-net-neutrality-legislation>

- Historian Timothy Snyder: "It's pretty much inevitable" that Trump will try to stage a coup and overthrow democracy.

<http://www.salon.com/2017/05/01/historian-timothy-snyder-its-pretty-much-inevitable-that-trump-will-try-to-stage-a-coup-and-overthrow-democracy/>

May 2, 2017 Tuesday

- Trump Says U.S. Needs Government 'Shutdown' in September or an immediate end to filibusters in the Senate so that he might gain more leverage in the next round of budget talks.

<https://www.nytimes.com/2017/05/02/us/politics/good-shutdown-congress-trump.html>

<https://www.washingtonpost.com/news/post-politics/wp/2017/05/02/trump-raises-prospect-of-government-shutdown-to-leverage-better-budget-for-gop-in-fall/>

- (Other: morning TV): Scarborough: 'I'm Not Saying He [Trump] Has Dementia' But...

<http://theweek.com/speedreads/696001/joe-scarborough-frets-about-trumps-mental-state-compares-mother-dementia>

<http://crooksandliars.com/2017/05/scarborough-im-not-saying-he-has-dementia>

- Democrats save arts funding for NPR and PBS from Donald Trump.

<http://www.independent.co.uk/news/world/americas/us-politics/trump-npr-pbs-public-arts-cut-s-democrats-save-funding-budget-a7712421.html>

- Trump rally altercations could add to legal woes. The rough treatment of protesters by Bikers for Trump at the president's rally Saturday could provide fodder for lawsuits by people who had similar experiences during the campaign.

<http://www.politico.com/story/2017/05/02/trump-rally-fights-protesters-237861>

- Clinton says Comey's letter, Russian hackers cost her the election.

<http://www.reuters.com/article/us-usa-clinton-idUSKBN17Y2FF>

- Former Acting Attorney General Sally Yates plans to tell a Senate panel next week that she strongly warned the White House about then-national security adviser Michael Flynn weeks before he was fired.

<http://thehill.com/homenews/administration/331640-cnn-yates-to-testify-that-she-gave-white-house-forceful-warning-on>

- U.S. Senate votes to confirm Jay Clayton as SEC chairman.

<http://www.reuters.com/article/us-senate-sec-clayton-idUSKBN17Y2KS>



- Senate intel panel to CIA headquarters for briefing on Russia probe.

<https://amp.cnn.com/cnn/2017/05/02/politics/senate-intelligence-committee/index.html>

- U.S. high school cancels Canada trip over fears students might not be let back in.

<https://www.theguardian.com/us-news/2017/may/02/washington-high-school-field-trip-canada>

- FDA delays enforcement of stricter standards for e-cigarette, cigar industry.

https://www.washingtonpost.com/politics/fda-suspends-enforcement-of-stricter-standards-for-e-cigarette-cigar-industry/2017/05/02/be7e557a-2ed6-11e7-9534-00e4656c22aa_story.html

- USDA shifts Obama-era school lunch guidelines. The Trump administration is scaling back school meal nutritional requirements set by the Obama White House in 2012, relaxing standards in three key areas: whole grains, salt and milk.

<http://www.cnn.com/2017/05/02/health/school-lunch-changes/index.html>

- Trump and Putin discuss cease-fire in Syria in first conversation since U.S. airstrikes.

https://www.washingtonpost.com/world/russias-putin-to-talk-with-the-leaders-of-the-west-separately/2017/05/02/d77dd446-2ecd-11e7-a335-fa0ae1940305_story.html

- Frustrated by failures, Trump now demands more power.

<https://www.washingtonpost.com/news/the-fix/wp/2017/04/29/trump-is-now-talking-about-consolidating-his-own-power/>

- Nouriel Roubini, the man who called the 2008 financial crisis, fears Wall Street is badly underestimating the negatives lurking beneath Trump's agenda.

<http://money.cnn.com/2017/05/02/investing/roubini-dr-doom-trump-biggest-risk/index.html>

- As tensions mount over Syria and North Korea, World War III again a U.S. fear.

<https://www.usatoday.com/story/news/politics/2017/05/02/world-war-iii-trump-russia-north-korea-syria-fear/101193642/>

- White House leaning toward exiting Paris climate pact.

<http://thehill.com/policy/energy-environment/331671-white-house-leaning-toward-exiting-paris-climate-pact>

- Commerce Secretary Wilbur Ross calls Trump's Syria airstrikes 'after-dinner entertainment'.

<http://www.nydailynews.com/news/politics/wilbur-ross-calls-syria-airstrike-after-dinner-entert>

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May 3, 2017 Wednesday

- The House approved a bipartisan spending deal to keep the federal government funded through September and avoid a shutdown at the end of this week.

<http://thehill.com/policy/finance/331773-house-passes-spending-deal-to-avoid-shutdown>

<https://www.nytimes.com/2017/05/03/us/politics/budget-spending-government-shutdown.html>

- Trump wins over two Republican holdouts in new healthcare bill push breathing new life into the embattled effort to make good on the party's top legislative priority of the last seven years.

<https://www.theguardian.com/us-news/2017/may/03/obamacare-repeal-healthcare-reform-trump-republicans>

- FBI Director James Comey appeared before the Senate Judiciary Committee. The tense, four-hour appearance exposed still-raw emotions over President Trump's surprise victory in November. 'Mildly Nauseous' Over Idea He Swayed the Election.

<https://www.nytimes.com/2017/05/03/us/politics/james-comey-fbi-senate-hearing.html>

<http://thehill.com/policy/national-security/331809-fbi-director-to-congress-no-regrets>

<http://www.cnn.com/2017/05/03/politics/comey-senate-hearing-highlights/index.html>

- Comey's Calculations Favored the GOP.

<https://www.bloomberg.com/view/articles/2017-05-03/comey-s-calculations-favored-the-gop>

- Susan Rice declines Senate request to testify on Russian hacking.

<http://www.cnn.com/2017/05/03/politics/susan-rice-refuses-graham-russia-hearing/index.html>

- Rex Tillerson: 'America first' means divorcing our policy from our values, spoke of a separation between American values and policies that support its interests, a distinction that alarmed former diplomats.

<https://www.theguardian.com/us-news/2017/may/03/rex-tillerson-america-first-speech-trump-policy>

- Scott Pruitt, EPA chief, argued that using coal for electricity is necessary for the reliability of the electric grid. Pruitt and President Trump have worked on numerous fronts in recent months to push policies that help coal, mainly through working to repeal regulations that harmed the industry.

<http://thehill.com/policy/energy-environment/331819-epa-chief-us-needs-coal-to-protect-electric-grid>

- Trump Is Expected to Relax Tax Rules on Churches Taking Part in Politics.

<https://www.nytimes.com/2017/05/03/us/politics/trump-religion-executive-order-gay-rights.html>

- 141 House Republicans support repealing defense budget caps.

<http://thehill.com/policy/defense/331827-141-house-republicans-support-repealing-defense-budget-caps>

- Code Pink activists convicted for disrupting Sessions's confirmation hearing.

<http://thehill.com/business-a-lobbying/331790-code-pink-activist-found-guilty-for-disrupting-sessions-confirmation>

- Fed holds interest rates steady, downplays economic weakness.

<http://www.reuters.com/article/us-usa-fed-idUSKBN17Z28S>

- Trump was elected 176 days ago. He's spent 68 of them talking about the election.

<http://theweek.com/speedreads/696382/trump-elected-176-days-ago-hes-spent-68-talking-about-election>

- House to vote Thursday on Obamacare repeal. GOP leaders are confident they have the support but acknowledge it will be very close.

<http://www.politico.com/story/2017/05/03/house-to-vote-thursday-on-obamacare-repeal-bill-237949>

- GOP rushing to vote on healthcare without analysis of changes. House Republicans are once again fast-tracking consideration of their ObamaCare replacement bill without knowing the full impact of the legislation they'll vote on.

<http://thehill.com/policy/healthcare/331863-gop-rushing-to-vote-on-healthcare-without-analysis-of-changes>

- Groups brace for Trump's religious liberty order that they fear will give individuals and organizations a sweeping license to discriminate against women and LGBT Americans. The ACLU and the Human Rights Campaign are already on the attack.

<http://thehill.com/regulation/administration/331792-groups-brace-for-trumps-religious-liberty-order>

May 4, 2017 Thursday

- U.S. Senate passes bill to fund government through September.

<http://www.reuters.com/article/us-usa-budget-idUSKBN1802FI>

- House banking panel passes bill to undo U.S. financial crisis rules. With support only from the panel's Republicans, the bill approved by the House Financial Services Committee would eliminate significant parts of the Dodd-Frank financial reform law and place new restrictions

on regulators monitoring Wall Street.

- Jay Clayton sworn in as chairman of the U.S. SEC.

<http://www.reuters.com/article/us-usa-sec-clayton-idUSKBN180206>

- Trump signs order to ease ban on political activity by churches, an executive order on religious liberties designed to ease a ban on political activity by churches and other tax-exempt institutions. The order also mandates regulatory relief to religious employers that object to contraception. It does not include provisions to allow government agencies and businesses to deny services to gay people in the name of religious freedom, as was feared by some civil liberties and gay rights groups.

<http://www.reuters.com/article/us-usa-trump-religion-idUSKBN18025T>

https://www.washingtonpost.com/politics/trump-signs-order-aimed-at-allowing-churches-to-engage-in-more-political-activity/2017/05/04/024ed7c2-30d3-11e7-9534-00e4656c22aa_story.html

<http://www.cnn.com/2017/05/03/politics/trump-religious-liberty-executive-order/index.html>

<https://www.usatoday.com/story/news/politics/2017/05/04/donald-trump-religious-liberty-johnson-amendment/101277724/>

- GOP HOUSE DISMANTLES ACA 217-213. The U.S. House of Representatives narrowly approved a bill to repeal Obamacare, handing Republican President Donald Trump a victory that could prove short-lived as the healthcare legislation heads into a likely tough battle in the Senate.

<http://www.reuters.com/article/us-usa-healthcare-idUSKBN18014F>

<https://www.nytimes.com/2017/05/04/us/politics/health-care-bill-vote.html>

https://www.washingtonpost.com/powerpost/republicans-plan-health-care-vote-on-thursday-capping-weeks-of-fits-and-starts/2017/05/03/e7dd7c28-306d-11e7-9dec-764dc781686f_story.html

<http://www.cnn.com/2017/05/04/politics/health-care-vote/index.html>

- Trump congratulated Republican members of the House after the passage of a bill to repeal and replace major parts of the Affordable Care Act.

<https://www.nytimes.com/video/us/politics/100000005080570/trump-obamacare-repeal.html>

- Trump savors health care win: 'Hey, I'm president'.

<http://www.politico.com/story/2017/05/04/trump-health-care-win-238005>

- State Dept. seeks tougher visa scrutiny, including social media checks.

<http://www.reuters.com/article/us-usa-immigration-visa-idUSKBN18020A>

- Senate GOP to Snub House Obamacare Repeal Bill and Write Its Own. The decision will

likely delay even further the prospect of any repeal bill reaching Trump's desk.

<https://www.bloomberg.com/politics/articles/2017-05-04/senate-gop-plans-own-obamacare-repeal-bill-after-house-action>

- [Bloomberg Editorial Board] The Shame of the House. Nothing can redeem the Republicans' health-insurance legislation.

<https://www.bloomberg.com/view/articles/2017-05-04/the-shame-of-the-house-health-care-vote>

- American Medical Association condemns House healthcare bill passage.

<http://thehill.com/policy/healthcare/331966-american-medical-association-condemns-house-healthcare-bill-passage>

- Senators face lobbying onslaught from liberals, health care groups.

<http://www.mcclatchydc.com/news/politics-government/congress/article148726669.html>



- FBI Director Comey and NSA chief brief House panel amid Russia probe.

<http://thehill.com/policy/national-security/332002-comey-rogers-brief-house-intelligence-committee>

<http://www.mcclatchydc.com/news/nation-world/national/national-security/article148719984.html>

- The U. S. will shoot itself in the foot if it quits the Paris climate accord because China, India and Europe will snap up the best power sector jobs in future, U.N. Environment chief Erik Solheim said.

<http://www.reuters.com/article/us-usa-climatechange-un-idUSKBN1802H3>

- Secretary of State Tillerson urges ASEAN to cut North Korea funding, minimize ties.

<http://www.reuters.com/article/us-usa-asean-northkorea-idUSKBN1802EI>

- Protesters turn out for Trump's New York return. President forced to make a quick getaway after his first visit home since winning the White House.

<http://thehill.com/homenews/administration/332027-protesters-turn-out-for-trumps-new-york-return>

<https://www.theguardian.com/us-news/2017/may/05/hes-an-embarrassment-hostile-welcome-for-trump-on-return-to-new-york>

- Trump's malignant narcissism is toxic: Psychologist.

<https://www.usatoday.com/story/opinion/2017/05/04/trump-malignant-narcissistic-disorder-psychiatry-column/101243584/>

May 5, 2017 Friday

- Republican healthcare bill heads to Senate, where it may undergo drastic changes.

<https://www.theguardian.com/us-news/2017/may/05/republicans-house-healthcare-bill-senate>

- Trump-Russia investigation reignites as Senate asks aides to hand over notes - Carter Page, Roger Stone and others.

<https://www.theguardian.com/us-news/2017/may/05/trump-russia-investigation-senate-carter-page>

<https://www.nytimes.com/2017/05/05/us/politics/senate-russia-trump-associates.html>

- Planned Parenthood head: 'Being a woman is now a pre-existing condition'.

<https://www.theguardian.com/us-news/2017/may/05/planned-parenthood-healthcare-bill-devastating-women-cecile-richards>

- Trump rejoices: 'We will have truly great healthcare!' Trump touted House Republicans' "very exciting" win, while predicting a bright future for American health care.

<http://www.politico.com/story/2017/05/05/obamacare-repeal-bill-passes-trump-tweet-response-238029>

- Trump to stay in N.J. to avoid causing 'big disruption' in NYC. "Rather than causing a big disruption in N.Y.C., I will be working out of my home in Bedminster, N.J. this weekend. Also saves country money!," Trump tweeted.

<http://www.politico.com/story/2017/05/05/trump-stay-in-new-jersey-tweet-238030>

- North Korea accuses CIA of biochemical plot to kill Kim Jong-un.

<https://www.theguardian.com/world/2017/may/05/north-korea-accuses-cia-biochemical-plot-kill-kim-jong-un>

- Saudi Arabia, U.S. in talks for billions in arms sales.

<http://www.reuters.com/article/us-usa-saudi-arms-exclusive-idUSKBN18124K>

- FCC chairman wants to cut regulations, speed new innovation approvals.

<http://www.reuters.com/article/us-usa-fcc-idUSKBN181273>

- Poll: Most federal employees disapprove of Trump.

<http://thehill.com/homenews/administration/332125-poll-most-federal-employees-disapprove-of-trump>

- Canada studying ban on U.S. coal exports from Pacific ports. Trudeau revealed the news in a letter to British Columbia premier Christy Clark, who asked him last month for the ban in response to fresh U.S. tariffs on Canadian exports of lumber.

<http://www.reuters.com/article/us-usa-trade-canada-coal-idUSKBN18125U>

- S&P 500 hits record on rebound in U.S. job growth, energy shares.

<http://www.reuters.com/article/us-usa-stocks-idUSKBN18118G>

- Make Pregnancy Expensive Again: A Woman's Guide to the New Health Bill.

<https://www.bloomberg.com/news/articles/2017-05-05/make-pregnancy-expensive-again-a-woman-s-guide-to-the-new-health-bill>

- U.S. Bluntly Rebuffs Queries on Climate. The Trump administration, responding to skepticism about its commitment to the Paris climate accord from China and other countries, bluntly told them that it is putting American jobs first.

<https://www.bloomberg.com/politics/articles/2017-05-05/u-s-bluntly-rebuffs-queries-from-china-u-k-on-climate-change>

- White House fires its chief usher — the first woman in that job.

<https://www.washingtonpost.com/news/post-politics/wp/2017/05/05/white-house-fires-its-chief-usher-the-first-woman-in-that-job/>

- FDA denies memo saying it only allows Fox News on TVs.

<http://thehill.com/homenews/media/332133-fda-denies-memo-saying-it-only-allows-fox-news-on-tvs>

- Mark Green withdraws his nomination for Army secretary. The decision by Green, Trump's second pick for the post, came after his nomination ran into trouble following a backlash after past controversial statements on LGBT issues, Islam and evolution were revealed.

<http://www.cnn.com/2017/05/05/politics/mark-green-army-secretary-withdrawal/index.html>

- Amid opioid epidemic, White House may cut drug control office budget.

<https://www.usatoday.com/story/news/politics/2017/05/05/amid-opioid-epidemic-white-house-may-cut-drug-control-office-budget/101335060/>

- States That Voted for Trump May Have the Most to Lose Under House Health Care Bill.

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