

# Cabinet/Administration News

## Saturday/Sunday - March 22nd & 23rd

- [Second lady Usha Vance will visit Greenland as Trump talks up US takeover](#)
- Trump envoy claims Ukraine 'agreed' to hold presidential elections
- Tech giants cozied up to Trump — his administration is still suing them
- 'Talk about waste': Fired in the name of efficiency, the VA's paying them not to work
- Pentagon is the latest agency to announce a leak investigation that could include polygraphs
- The Pentagon's DEI purge: Officials describe a scramble to remove and then restore online content
- IRS nears deal with ICE to share addresses of suspected undocumented immigrants
- IRS tax revenue could drop by 10% amid staff cuts
- Education secretary says Columbia University's changes put it on track to recover funding
- RFK Jr. and Djokovic share a passion for tennis along with their views about vaccines
- [The US lifts bounties on senior Taliban officials, including Sirajuddin Haqqani, says Kabul](#)
- [The Taliban say the U.S. has lifted bounties on three senior Taliban figures, including the interior minister who also heads a powerful network blamed for bloody attacks against Afghanistan's former Western-backed government.](#)
- [US envoy Witkoff optimistic about Ukraine talks, says Putin wants peace](#)

## Monday - March 24th

- Trump administration asks Supreme Court to halt judge's order to rehire probationary federal workers
- Trump administration invokes state secrets privilege in case over deportations under wartime law
- Trump intel officials testify on threat from drug cartels as Dems press them on leak of attack plans
- Who is Jeffrey Goldberg? What to know after U.S. officials' group-text mess
- [Trump officials defend use of wartime law to deport migrants](#)

- US holds separate talks with Russians after meeting Ukrainians to discuss a potential ceasefire
- US and Russia in Black Sea ceasefire talks after overnight strikes pound Ukraine
- US, Russia wrap up talks on proposed Black Sea ceasefire
- 'This is on Hamas,' US special envoy Witkoff says of new Gaza fighting
- US airstrikes launched against Yemen's Houthi rebels
- US airstrikes targeting Yemen's Houthi rebels kill at least 1 person, group says
- US alleges Columbia student covered up his work for UNRWA
- US turns to Brazil for eggs and considers other sources during bird flu outbreak
- What could federal mental health cuts mean for Washington's 988 system?
- Postmaster General Louis DeJoy resigns after 5 years in the position
- Trump campaign manager sues the Daily Beast over stories on how much he earned
- Mike Huckabee, Trump's pick for Israel ambassador, tries to distance from past Palestinian rhetoric
- FEMA Disaster Aid Review Could Deter Migrants from Seeking Help in Extreme Weather
- US top diplomat Rubio to visit Jamaica, Guyana and Suriname this week
- NASA says removal of 'first woman, person of color' language from Artemis websites 'does not indicate' moon mission crew change

## **Tuesday - March 25th**

- White House mistakenly shares Yemen war plans with a journalist at The Atlantic
- Trump admin Signal chat updates: The fallout from the leaked war plans
- In their own words: Trump officials shrugging off Signal leak once decried Clinton's server
- The Signal attack plan messages: What we do (and don't) know
- America's allies alarmed by a leaked group chat about attack plans
- Signal head defends messaging app's security after US war plan leak
- Pentagon's Hegseth in spotlight as officials deflect blame over leaked Yemen chat
- Trump team scrambles to handle fallout from Signal chat assailed as 'sloppy, careless'
- Trump administration argues Venezuelan deportations did not violate judge's order
- Trump administration says it will pull back billions in COVID funding from

- local health departments
- Trump admin investigates Portland school district over letting trans student compete in girls sports
- US Vice President JD Vance to join his wife in Greenland on Friday
- Homeland Security Secretary Noem visits the El Salvador prison where deported Venezuelans are held
- U.S. sanctions three Iranian officials allegedly involved in death of FBI agent Robert Levinson
- Rubio to discuss energy security, illegal migration in Caribbean trip

### **Wednesday - March 26th**

- Trump administration abruptly cuts billions from state health services
- ICE agents detain University of Alabama doctoral student
- Bondi signals criminal probe into Signal chat is unlikely, despite long history of similar inquiries
- Transcript of US attack plans shared with journalist
- The Atlantic releases the Signal chat showing Hegseth's detailed attack plans against the Houthis
- The White House says nothing classified was shared on Signal. Democrats say that strains credulity
- Former WA candidate Joe Kent involved in Signal chat scandal
- Rubio says US will evaluate Russian demands for Black Sea ceasefire
- US adds Chinese tech firms to its export control list, says they sought US knowhow for military use
- The White House security breach raises concerns among some military spouses and veterans
- The 'state secrets privilege' sounds mysterious. Here's what it is and how it works
- Education Department reopens applications for student loan repayment plans
- Change in itinerary for US Vice President JD Vance brings cautious relief for Greenland and Denmark
- NTSB chairwoman says midair crash review may prevent next accident
- Mexican drug lord charged with killing DEA agent could face death penalty
- US religious freedom panel urges sanctions against India's external spy agency
- DOGE staffer 'Big Balls' provided tech support to cybercrime ring, records show
- China poses biggest military, cyber threat to US, intel chiefs say
- New Russian envoy to US to present credentials on Thursday, State

### Department says

- Mexico foreign minister, US official hold call on bilateral issues
- Search for US soldiers continues in Lithuania after vehicle found submerged
- Trump's immigration policies find support as he expands crackdown

### **Thursday - March 27th**

- New US airstrike campaign targeting Yemen's Houthi rebels more intense than last, AP review finds
- Takeaways on AP's report on intense new US airstrike campaign targeting Yemen's Houthi rebels
- Suspected US strikes pummel Houthi-controlled areas of Yemen
- Vance accuses Denmark of underinvesting in Greenland as Trump presses for US takeover of the island
- Hegseth tells Philippines the Trump administration will ramp up deterrence against China threat
- Pentagon's Hegseth texted start time of planned killing of Yemeni militant
- Judge orders Trump administration to preserve Yemen attack plan messages
- Rubio to discuss with Jamaica Cuban doctor program after US visa threats
- Rubio says US may have revoked more than 300 visas
- Rubio voices US concerns to Turkey after arrest of Istanbul mayor
- Trump administration is pointing spy satellites at US border
- US will deploy biometric capabilities with Colombia, Noem says
- US Homeland Security Secretary Noem visits Colombia to discuss immigration and crime
- Trump administration is pointing spy satellites at US border
- Internal White House document details layoff plans across U.S. agencies
- Trump's DOJ to investigate L.A. Sheriff's Department over long waits for gun permits
- US gives initial approval for Qatar to purchase MQ-9 armed drones for nearly \$2 billion
- 10,000 federal health workers to be laid off
- Health and Human Services will lay off 10,000 workers and close agencies in a major restructuring
- FAA acknowledges it must do better after deadly DC air collision
- Was classified information shared? Senators overseeing military request probe into Signal leak
- EPA offers industrial polluters a way to avoid rules on mercury, arsenic and other toxic chemicals

- White House installs Trump loyalists at federal HR agency after 'five things' email
- Iran responds to Trump's letter, voices readiness for indirect talks
- Washington told EU to brace for more tariffs before any talks, envoys say
- Trump administration detains Turkish student at Tufts, revokes visa
- Trump Organization eyes multi-billion-dollar projects in Vietnam amid tariff risks
- US to provide short-term funding for program tracking abducted Ukrainian children
- NASA's daredevil solar spacecraft survives 2nd close flyby of our sun
- NASA cancels cargo launch to ISS due to damaged Cygnus spacecraft
- US Space Force certifies new Vulcan Centaur rocket to launch national security missions

### **Friday - March 28th**

- Private groups work to identify and report student protesters for possible deportation
- Takeaways about groups working to identify and report foreign student protesters
- Signal chat flouted rules on classified intel, say former defense officials
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- Vance accuses Denmark of not keeping Greenland safe from Russia, China
- US aid agency sending teams to Thailand for earthquake recovery, says source
- US FAA to investigate close call between Delta flight and Air Force jet
- Kristi Noem refused to say who financed some of her travel. It was taxpayers who were on the hook
- How Kristi Noem's \$50,000 Rolex in a Salvadoran prison became a political flashpoint
- Noem ends her first visit to Latin America in Mexico to discuss crime and migration
- IRS crime fighting arm announces modernization program as financial crimes use more tech
- The Trump administration is revoking hundreds of visas. Can noncitizens protest?
- Trump administration investigates Maine for claims of withholding gender transitions from parents
- Trump administration and Lithuanian forces struggle to drain swamp to recover 4 soldiers in submerged armored vehicle
- Hegseth reaffirms ironclad US commitment to Philippines to enhance

### threat deterrence

- Hegseth's younger brother is serving in a key role as liaison and senior adviser inside the Pentagon
- RFK Jr. pushes ban on soda being purchased with food stamps
- US, Japan, Philippines stage navy drills in disputed South China Sea as a Chinese ship keeps watch
- How the FBI Tracked, and Froze, Millions Sent to Criminals in Massive Caesars Casino Hack
- US is pushing more expansive minerals deal with Ukraine, sources say
- Boeing's next Starliner launch for NASA could slip to early 2026 after fixes