# **Cabinet/Administration News**

### Saturday/Sunday - March 29th & 30th

DOGE fires nearly all of staff at U.S. Institute of Peace headquarters Why DOGE is struggling to find fraud in Social Security

DOGE wants businesses to run government services 'as much as possible' A DOGE employee is put in charge of the US Institute of Peace, a court filing alleges

Hegseth vows to strengthen alliance with Japan as he joins Iwo Jima memorial service

Kristi Noem refused to say who financed some of her travel. It was taxpayers who were on the hook

Under the new Trump administration, this year's Transgender Day of Visibility has a different tenor

#### Monday - March 31st

Trump Administration Will Review Billions in Funding for Harvard Trump administration says it deported 17 more 'violent criminals' to El Salvador

Trump's USAID cuts cripple American response to Myanmar earthquake White House abruptly fires career Justice Department prosecutors in latest norm-shattering move

<u>White House weighs executive order to fast-track deep-sea mining, sources</u> <u>say</u>

Trump officials eye a longer road to Ukraine peace as frustration mounts Trump task force to review Harvard's funding after Columbia bows to federal demands

DOGE accesses federal payroll system over objections of career staff A DOGE employee is put in charge of the US Institute of Peace, a court filing alleges

Hegseth orders fitness standards to be gender neutral for combat jobs. Many already are

Pentagon's Hegseth says US command in 'warrior' Japan being upgraded to deter China

Top senator criticizes Pentagon 'mid-level' leaders on troop level plan in Europe

Defense Department to offer new round of voluntary resignations, retirements. There are few details

US deports more alleged gang members to El Salvador amid court fight US embassies tell suppliers to comply with Trump ban on diversity policies US military completes 'counter-terrorism mission' with El Salvador As Iran tensions build, US military moves warplanes to reinforce Middle East

U.S. issues Iran-related sanctions against China, UAE-based entities

US says it killed top Houthi missile expert, but questions linger

US, Denmark to hold first high-level talks since Trump's win, FT says

U.S. has spent \$40 million to jail about 400 migrants at Guantánamo

US restricts Chinese officials' visas over access to Tibetan areas

US aid response in Myanmar faces hurdles after staff cuts

Justice Department instructed to dismiss legal challenge to Georgia election law

EPA chief Zeldin says he is closing the agency's one-room museum, saving taxpayers \$600,000 a year

Thousands of workers at nation's health agencies brace for mass layoffs Trump's pick for Joint Chiefs chairman vows to be apolitical and addresses Signal chat

Nonprofit groups and Democrats sue Trump administration over election executive order

Comic Amber Ruffin cut from White House correspondents' event after angering Trump team

# Tuesday - April 1st

White House says Trump will go ahead with tariffs as nervous world awaits trade war

An 'administrative error' sent a Maryland man to an El Salvador prison, ICE says

Waltz and staff used Gmail for government communications, officials say Trump administration halts dozens of research grants at Princeton University Trump Administration Cancels NIH Scientific Integrity Policy

Trump administration pauses some family planning grants as it investigates compliance with laws

NIH Director Removes Four Main Scientists amid Massive Staff Purge Institute of Museum and Library Services Staff Placed on Administrative Leave by Trump Administration

Trump administration lists hundreds of barriers to US exports

Trump officials eye a longer road to Ukraine peace as frustration mounts

US vice-president due to visit Italy at Easter, source says

Federal prosecutors to seek death penalty for Luigi Mangione in UnitedHealthcare CEO's killing

Pentagon eliminates lower fitness standards for women in combat roles

Layoffs begin at US health agencies responsible for research, tracking disease and regulating food

<u>All local workers, US diplomats to be fired from USAID, sources say</u> FDA tobacco official is removed from post in latest blow to health agency's leadership

White House may remake reporters seating chart, escalating tensions White House says Maryland resident mistakenly deported to an El Salvador prison was an MS-13 member

Millions of women will lose access to contraception as a result of Trump aid cuts

Social Security Administration probes origin of website portal outage Fired federal health workers were told to contact an employee. She's dead EPA Head Shutters Agency's National Environmental Museum

Body of fourth missing US soldier found in Lithuania

Trump's pick for Joint Chiefs chairman vows to be apolitical and addresses Signal chat

Unsolved violent crimes in Native American communities to get more attention with FBI surge

Melania Trump says courage is 'based in love' as she honors women from around the world for bravery

Institute of Peace headquarters transfer is a done deal even as lawsuit continues to unfold

US sanctions six Chinese and Hong Kong officials for rights abuses FAA closes investigation into Blue Origin New Glenn booster failure

### Wednesday - April 2nd

Waltz team set up 20 Signal chats on global issues, Politico reports US officials object to European push to buy weapons locally

Trump Administration Threatens Extreme Cuts to the National Endowment for the Humanities

Ex-Kalshi lawyer acting as DOGE's representative at the SEC, sources say DOGE official at DOJ bragged about hacking, distributing pirated software Musk will stay until he completes DOGE mission, White House says

Attorney General Pam Bondi announces murder arrests connected to MS-13 gang activity in Florida

Top officials to leave US SEC's anti-bribery unit, sources say

Trump administration adds beer, can imports to 25% US aluminum tariffs

Doctor with wish list for more vaccine scrutiny named assistant to new FDA chief, sources say

Groupthink Explains Defense Department's Signal Chat Fiasco <u>Trump's Treasury Secretary issues blistering six-word warning to countries</u>

### threatening tariff revenge

#### Thursday - April 3rd

Secretary of State told NATO allies US is committed to NATO, but Europe must spend more on defence

Rubio meets Danish foreign minister, stresses 'strong' relationship Elon Musk's DOGE has eliminated at least 124 Deloitte contracts, one of at least 10 consulting firms, alleging \$371 million in savings Elon Musk will continue to be adviser, Vance says Musk team issued inaccurate USAID firing notices, must send correct versions, say sources Trump administration fires staff of program that helps low-income households pay for heat US announced job cuts surge in March on Doge hit, recruitment firm Challenger says

<u>Several White House national security officials fired, sources say</u> Trump-appointed State Department official steps down after less than 3

months

Potential US military restructuring in Europe could pose challenges, US general says

<u>Trump TikTok decision to come before deadline, US vice president says</u> <u>Pentagon watchdog opens probe into use of Signal for Yemen attack plans</u>

A Pentagon inspector general announces investigation into Hegseth's use of Signal

Federal officials are quietly terminating the legal residency of some international college students

<u>'Elevated' risk of data leak from SEC surveillance tool, watchdog says</u> <u>Trump administration is months away from direct payments to farmers,</u> agriculture secretary says

Harmeet Dhillon confirmed by Senate to lead Justice Department's Civil Rights Division

Cantor analysts double down on Kennedy criticism as FDA jobs cuts begin Judge to weigh if Trump administration violated order not to deport Venezuelans

<u>'Fair likelihood' Trump administration violated court order not to deport</u> <u>Venezuelans, judge says</u>

EEOC chief shifts focus to investigating DEI but the methods provoke an outcry

A look at Laura Loomer, longtime Trump ally criticized for racist posts and Sept. 11 conspiracies

Sheriffs would be required to cooperate with immigration agents under bill

approved by Texas Senate

US will know in weeks if Russia serious about Ukraine ceasefire, Rubio says How the White House calculated Trump's sweeping new tariffs On top of layoffs, HHS ordered to cut 35% of spending on contracts Education Dept. warns schools: Eliminate DEI programs or lose funding Immigration officials raid Washington state roofing company and arrest over 3 dozen people

After promising transparency, RFK guts public records teams at HHS

## Friday - April 4th

Trump administration issues demands on Harvard as conditions for billions in federal money

Danish leader tells the US 'you cannot annex another country' as she visits Greenland

FEMA to Halt Billions in Grants for Disaster Protection, Internal Memo Says US sending Israel 20,000 assault rifles that Biden had delayed

The ammunition for the Houthi hunt alone has probably already cost Trump \$200 million

<u>US will know in weeks if Russia serious about Ukraine ceasefire, Rubio says</u> U.S. added 228,000 jobs in strong March buildup to Trump trade wars

Ousted Vaccine Chief Says RFK Jr.'s Team Sought Data to Justify Anti-Science Stance

Trump Administration Rejects Expanding Medicare, Medicaid Coverage of Obesity Drugs

Trump Administration Weighs New Bailout for U.S. Farmers

<u>Trump administration issues demands on Harvard as conditions for billions in</u> <u>federal money</u>

AG Bondi announces arrest of three alleged MS-13 gang members in killing a decade ago

Trump Administration Must Return Man Sent to El Salvador Prison in Error, Judge Rules

Rubio Is Confident About Trump's Tariffs: 'The Markets Will Adjust'

US Secretary of State: Rubio talks about "partnership" with Greenland Rubio discusses tariffs with Netanyahu, State Department says

US sending Israel 20,000 assault rifles that Biden had delayed, say sources The Energy Department identifies thousands of nonessential positions at risk of DOGE cuts

Top Trump Official So Freaked Out by Tariffs, He Wants to Quit National Endowment for the Humanities staff put on immediate leave