

Mexican president reveals U.S. concession Trump failed to mention as tariffs paused



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Mexico's President Claudia Sheinbaum holds a press conference in Mexico City, Mexico February 3, 2025. REUTERS/Raquel Cunha

Mexican President Claudia Sheinbaum Pardo issued a "read-out" of her call with U.S. President Donald [Trump](#) on Monday — but her list of what the two leaders agreed to is different from his in one major respect: guns.

Washington Post staff writer [Meryl Kornfield](#) pointed out on X that in Sheinbaum's list of things the U.S. had committed to do is stop the flow of guns into [Mexico](#).

[More guns flow into Mexico](#) than flow into the U.S. — a fact that Vice President [J.D. Vance](#) was corrected on [during the vice-presidential debate](#).

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"There is [long-standing](#) evidence showing the gun smuggling route is going [in the opposite direction](#)," said [NPR](#) in a report.

"Most recently, the Mexican Attorney General of the Republic and the United States Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives (ATF) made an effort to trace the origin and number of firearms in Mexico coming from or through the United States," the report continued. "Mexico's Secretariat of Foreign Relations found that 70-90% of traced firearms originated from and passed through the U.S. The ATF and U.S. Government Accountability Office (GAO) estimated a lower rate of 68%."

In Trump's readout of the call, the [White House](#) neglected to mention that the new president agreed to stop U.S. guns crossing the border, [CNBC confirmed](#).

Trump announced that Mexico had [agreed to send 10,000 troops](#) to the U.S. border, which caused him to pause threatened tariffs on the country.



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