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Access Denied in El Salvador

Trying to reach the prison where the wrongly deported Kilmar Armando Abrego Garcia is being held, Senator Chris Van Hollen of Maryland, third from right, and Chris Newman, the family’s lawyer, had words with the soldiers blocking their way. Page A17.

Supreme Court
Set to Consider
Birthright Ban

By ABBIE VANSICKLE
WASHINGTON — The Supreme Court announced on Thursday that it would hear arguments in a few weeks over President Trump’s executive order ending birthright citizenship. The brief order by the justices was unsigned and gave no reasoning, as is typical in such emergency cases. But the unusual move is a sign that the justices consider the matter significant enough that they would immediately hold oral argument on the government’s request to lift a nationwide pause on the policy. The justices announced they would defer any consideration of the temporary block on the policy until they heard oral arguments, which they set for May 15. That means that the executive order, which would end birthright citizenship for the children of undocumented immigrants and foreign residents, will remain paused in every state while the court considers the case. The order was the latest response to a series of emergency applications brought by the Trump administration to challenge lower court blocks on a number of policies, including efforts to freeze more than \$1 billion in foreign aid and the deportation of Venezuelans to a prison in El Salvador without due process. In three emergency applications, the administration asked the justices to find that lower courts had erred in imposing bans on the birthright citizenship policy that extended beyond the parties involved in the litigation. It did not ask the court to weigh in on the constitutionality of that executive order, which was challenged soon after it was signed. The court agreed to hear arguments on those applications, which focus on whether lower court judges went too far in imposing a nationwide pause on the policy. On Mr. Trump’s first day in office, he issued the executive order ending birthright citizenship, the guarantee that a person born in the United States is automatically

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Trump Assails Fed Chair for Not Cutting Rates

By COLBY SMITH and TONY ROMM
President Trump on Thursday escalated his long-running attack on the Federal Reserve, by lashing out repeatedly at the head of the nation’s central bank, Jerome H. Powell, for not doing enough to fortify the economy as the effects of tariffs take hold. Mr. Trump has long sought to exert control over the politically independent Fed, often denouncing Mr. Powell for keeping interest rates too high for his liking. In an

President Says Powell’s
‘Termination Cannot
Come Fast Enough’

early morning social media post that ricocheted around Washington, Wall Street and beyond, Mr. Trump reprised those attacks, saying: “Powell’s termination cannot come fast enough!” The president continued his offensive in the afternoon, accusing Mr. Powell of “playing politics.”

Speaking from the White House, Mr. Trump said, “If I want him out, he’ll be out of there real fast, believe me.” Mr. Trump’s broadsides arrived a day after Mr. Powell warned in a speech that the president’s tariffs could create a “challenging scenario” by putting the Fed’s two main goals — stable inflation and a healthy labor market — in tension. The Fed chairman has maintained that the nation’s central bank must be patient on interest rates — one of the main tools the

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Shooting at Florida State University

At least two people were killed and six more were injured on the Tallahassee campus. Page A20.

Pill Could Do the Job of a Weight-Loss Injection

By GINA KOLATA and REBECCA ROBBINS
A daily pill may be as effective in lowering blood sugar and aiding weight loss in people with Type 2 diabetes as the popular injectable drugs Mounjaro and Ozempic, according to results of a clinical trial announced by Eli Lilly on Thursday morning. The drug, orforglipron, is a

A Trial Produces Results
Similar to Ozempic

GLP-1, a class of drugs that have become blockbusters because of their weight-loss effects. But the GLP-1s on the market now are expensive, must be kept refrigerated and must be injected. A pill that

produces similar results has the potential to become far more widely used, though it is also expected to be expensive. Lilly said it would seek approval from the Food and Drug Administration later this year to market orforglipron for obesity and early in 2026 for diabetes. Industry analysts expect the drug to win approval sometime next year and to

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Trump Turns Up Pressure,
But Educators Fight Back

Warning to Harvard:
Give Data or Lose
Foreign Students

This article is by Hamed Aleaziz, Luke Broadwater and Stephanie Saul.

WASHINGTON — The Trump administration has threatened to block Harvard University from enrolling international students unless the school hands over detailed records about the student body, in another escalation of the federal government’s fight against higher education. In a letter sent on Wednesday, Kristi Noem, the homeland security secretary, asked for “relevant information” on each student visa holder at Harvard who had been involved in “known illegal” or “dangerous” activity. She also requested information on the coursework of student visa holders, to verify that they had taken enough classes to “maintain nonimmigrant student status.” “It is a privilege to have foreign students attend Harvard University, not a guarantee,” Ms. Noem wrote in the letter, which was obtained by The New York Times. “The United States government understands that Harvard University relies heavily on foreign student funding from over 10,000 foreign students to build and maintain their substantial endowment.”

The university, Ms. Noem added, “has created a hostile learning environment for Jewish students” because of its “failure to condemn antisemitism.” The letter was sent after Harvard refused President Trump’s demands to make sweeping changes to its admissions and hiring policies. The White House hit back with financial threats and penalties, including freezing \$2.2 billion in multiyear grants to the university, along with a \$60 million contract. Mr. Trump has also threatened Harvard’s tax-exempt status, even though federal law prohibits the president from “directly or indirectly” telling the Internal Revenue Service to conduct specific tax investigations. The I.R.S. is still weighing whether to revoke

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States Resist Threats
to Cut Funding
Over D.E.I.

By SARAH MERVOSH and DANA GOLDSTEIN

The Trump administration is facing lawsuits and growing push-back over its demand that all 50 states end the use of what it says are illegal diversity programs in public schools or risk losing federal funding for low-income students. About a dozen mostly Democratic-leaning states including California, New York and Michigan, have refused to sign on to the administration’s directive. The nation’s two largest teachers’ unions, along with the N.A.A.C.P., are challenging the demand in federal court. Arguments in one of those cases were heard in New Hampshire on Thursday, escalating a tense standoff over the federal government’s role in local education. The Trump administration is relying on a novel interpretation of civil rights law, arguing that the Supreme Court’s decision in 2023 overturning affirmative action in college admissions also applies to K-12 public schools. Federal officials say the ruling “sets forth a framework” for the use of race in education generally. And they say it requires banning curriculums and programs that are targeted toward specific racial groups, or that center on concepts such as structural racism, the idea that racial discrimination is pervasive in the economy, law and other institutions. But that interpretation of federal law is contested by many education officials and legal scholars. “The Trump administration is trying to use a relatively narrow decision and turn it into a broad holding that brings about whatever it wishes,” said Justin Driver, a professor at Yale Law School and an expert on the Constitution and education. Now, several court cases are teed up to determine if Washington can withhold billions of federal dollars for schools to educate low-income students, a program known as Title I. Many of the nation’s poorest school districts rely

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As Israel Planned Iran Attack,
Trump Opted for Talks Instead

This article is by Julian E. Barnes, Eric Schmitt, Maggie Haberman and Ronen Bergman.

WASHINGTON — Israel had planned to strike Iranian nuclear sites as soon as next month but was waved off by President Trump in recent weeks in favor of negotiating a deal with Tehran to limit its nuclear program, according to administration officials and others briefed on the discussions. Mr. Trump made his decision after months of internal debate over whether to pursue diplomacy or support Israel in seeking to set back Iran’s ability to build a bomb, at a time when Iran has been weakened militarily and economically. The debate highlighted fault lines between historically hawkish American cabinet officials and other aides more skeptical that a military assault on Iran could destroy the country’s nuclear ambitions and avoid a larger war. It resulted in a rough consensus, for now, against military action, with Iran signaling a willingness to ne-



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Prime Minister Netanyahu
with President Trump.

gotiate. Israeli officials had recently developed plans to attack Iranian nuclear sites in May. They were prepared to carry them out, and at times were optimistic that the United States would sign off. The goal, according to officials briefed on the plans, was to set back Tehran’s ability to develop a nuclear weapon by a year or more. Almost all of the plans would have required U.S. help, not just to

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Surges in Mennonite communities near the U.S. border may complicate containment efforts, including in Ontario, Canada, and Chihuahua, Mexico. PAGE A12

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A judge ruled that Google broke the law in its system for placing advertisements on web pages. The ruling could reshape its power over the internet. PAGE B1

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The Fight of His Life

Bobby Jenks was a World Series champion with the White Sox. In January, he lost his home in the Palisades fire. Then, the cancer diagnosis came. PAGE B7

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Rashid Johnson’s show at the Guggenheim, set at the very top of the museum, offers a rich mix of media and a sense of healing, our writer says. PAGE C1

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