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POWER OF THE PEN President Trump is moving quickly to put his imprint on federal government policy through executive orders.



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IMMIGRATION A declaration of a national emergency at the U.S.-Mexico border allows funds to be unlocked for wall construction.



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ENERGY A broad rollback of Biden-era climate policies includes halting the leasing of federal waters for offshore wind farms.

President Wants to Unleash Energy, but Not if It’s Wind or Solar

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President Trump is moving to restructure the nation’s energy future to block any transition away from fossil fuels. And he is testing the boundaries of presidential power to do it. The orders that Mr. Trump signed on Monday would make it easier and cheaper for companies to produce oil and gas and for the government to stop clean energy projects that have been approved. While some actions lie within his purview, others may violate

federal law or run counter to judicial decisions. Among other things, Mr. Trump raised the possibility of reversing the Environmental Protection Agency’s authority to regulate greenhouse gases, which has been confirmed by the Supreme Court, and proposed to halt funding for electric vehicle charging stations that Congress has already authorized. “Congress passed landmark infrastructure and climate investments, and now President Trump is attempting to illegally withhold that money from American businesses, communities and workers,” said Representative Frank

Efforts to Stifle Shift to Renewable Power Face Legal Risks

Pallone, Democrat of New Jersey. The moves also underscore a fundamental tension. Mr. Trump declared that the United States is facing an energy emergency, yet he wants to block thousands of megawatts of planned wind projects that could power homes and businesses. He talks about strengthening American manu-

facturing but plans to stifle the electric vehicle industry, which has invested billions of dollars in new factories across the United States. “The phrase ‘energy emergency’ is an excuse to put in place initiatives that are hostile to the energy transition that is already taking place, to stop the progress that has been made in producing solar and wind power, electric vehicles, batteries, and renewable power,” said Robert N. Stavins, director of the Harvard University Environmental Economics Program.

IN WAVE OF MOVES, TRUMP OPENS PUSH TO REMAKE NATION

Pardoning of Rioters Angers the Police

By LUKE BROADWATER
WASHINGTON — When inmates are released from federal prison, the Justice Department places a call to their victims, notifying them that the defendant who attacked them is now free. On Tuesday, the phones of U.S. Capitol Police and D.C. police officers were buzzing nonstop. For Aquilino A. Gonell, a former Capitol Police sergeant, the automated calls began on Monday evening and continued into Tuesday morning after President Trump issued a sweeping legal reprieve to all of the nearly 1,600 defendants, including those convicted of violent crimes, in the Jan. 6, 2021, attack on the Capitol. Between 7:03 a.m. and 9:37 a.m., Mr. Gonell received nine calls from the Justice Department about the release of inmates. Mr. Gonell, who was assaulted during the attack and retired because of the injuries he suffered, was as outraged and distraught as he was shortly after the violence. “It’s a miscarriage of justice, a betrayal, a mockery, and a desecration of the men and women that risked their lives defending our democracy,” he said of the nearly 1,600 pardons and 14 commutations. More than 150 police officers from the two agencies were injured during the assault on the Capitol by a pro-Trump mob four years ago. Some were hit in the head with baseball bats, flagpoles and pipes. One lost consciousness after rioters used a metal barrier to push her down as they marched to the building. Now many of those officers described themselves as struggling and depressed in response to Mr. Trump freeing their attackers. In the days and weeks after the riot, several police officers at the Capitol on Jan. 6 died, including Officer Brian D. Sicknick of the Capitol Police, who was attacked by the mob, suffered a stroke and died of natural causes on Jan. 7. Officers Jeffrey Smith of Washington’s Metropolitan Police Department and Howard S. Liebengood of the Capitol Police died by suicide in the days after the violence.

A Border Crackdown Enlists the Military

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WASHINGTON — President Trump’s flurry of executive actions on immigration in the hours after taking office was the leading edge of an effort to roll back four years of policies put in place by the Biden administration and reimpose an agenda that would fundamentally upend the United States’ global role as a sanctuary for refugees and immigrants. In a series of orders he signed on Monday night, Mr. Trump moved to seal the nation’s borders against migrants and systematically crack down on undocumented immigrants already in the United States, part of a policy barrage that included a national emergency declaration to deploy the military to the border and a bid to cut off birthright citizenship for the children of noncitizens. Though some of the orders were likely to face steep legal challenges and might be difficult or impossible to enforce, the directives sent an unmistakable message that Mr. Trump was serious about fulfilling his frequent campaign promises of clamping down on the border, and escalating an anti-immigration agenda that he has made the centerpiece of his political identity. “With these actions we will begin the complete restoration of America and the revolution of common sense,” Mr. Trump said from the Capitol Rotunda after taking his oath of office. “All illegal entry will immediately be halted and we will begin the process of returning millions and millions of criminal aliens back to the places from which they came.” Just minutes after Mr. Trump took the oath, his administration shut down a government program created by his predecessor that allowed migrants to secure appointments for admission into the United States through legal ports of entry through an app. Switching off the program, known as C.B.P. One, plunged about 30,000 migrants who had existing appointments to enter the United States into limbo, and indicated

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In Car-Loving L.A., Losing Vehicles to Wildfires Adds to the Pain

JESUS JIMÉNEZ and ORLANDO MAYORQUÍN

LOS ANGELES — Dozens of vehicles sit abandoned, covered in ash, along a stretch of Palisades Drive near Sunset Boulevard in the Pacific Palisades neighborhood of Los Angeles. There’s a pair of black boots beside a gray Subaru Crosstrek. Down the street, a pink backpack with the name Sonya on it has been left in a Tesla Model X. Nearby, a box of family photos remains in a partly melted red Lexus UX. Farther east, in Altadena, dozens more sit in ruins. Exactly how many vehicles were damaged or destroyed this month by the Palisades and Eaton fires is still unclear. For many residents, though, that facet of the devastation is deeply personal. The lost vehicles were more than just a means of transportation in a sprawling city where a set of wheels is all but a necessity. In Los Angeles, where cars are em-

bedded in the culture, a vehicle is also an extension of one’s home. A place to store a backup pair of sneakers. Somewhere to eat during a lunch break. A phone booth to call a friend while stuck in gridlock. Liliana Baqueiro, 18, lost her 2012 Honda Civic. It was her first car. The Eaton fire also razed her home in Altadena and two of her grandfather’s cars. Ms. Baqueiro and her family left their home before evacuation orders were issued the night the fire broke out, thinking they were doing so only as a precaution and would be back the next day. All Ms. Baqueiro took with her were her pajamas, her passport, her birth certificate, two dogs — Baby and Angel — and her parrot, Milo. Two days after the fire swept through Altadena, Ms. Baqueiro was able to view the rubble of her home. Seeing that her car had also been destroyed was an added blow. “It felt almost like a second



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An abandoned vehicle in the wake of the Eaton fire in Altadena. loss,” Ms. Baqueiro said. Her Civic had been a gift from her grandfather, who had promised her for years that he would buy her a car when she graduated from high school. She had just started to get com-

fortable behind the wheel of that car. She has a learner’s permit, and had scheduled a driving test for that week. Because her permit was burned and lost in the fire, though, she has postponed the

Israel Extends West Bank Raids As Conflict in Gaza Is Suspended

By ISABEL KERSHNER and FATIMA ABDULKARIM

JERUSALEM — Israeli security forces on Tuesday embarked on a military operation in Jenin, a Palestinian city in the Israeli-occupied West Bank, as Israel turned its focus to an area seen as a hotbed of militancy just days after a temporary cease-fire took hold in Gaza. Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu of Israel said in a statement that the operation, the latest in a string of West Bank raids over the past year, was aimed at “eradicating terrorism” and would be “extensive and significant.” The Palestinian Authority’s health ministry reported that eight people had been killed and at least 35 injured during the first hours of the operation. For Mr. Netanyahu, the operation in the West Bank could serve as a distraction from Gaza, where

Hamas gunmen paraded through the streets even before the cease-fire began on Sunday, a show of force signaling that it had survived the 15-month war despite Mr. Netanyahu’s vows to crush it. But with its strength severely diminished in Gaza, Hamas has intensified its efforts to arm militants in the West Bank to open another front against Israel, analysts said, making an Israeli offensive there almost inevitable. The Jenin operation comes amid sharply rising tensions in the West Bank, as the militants have grown in power and settler violence against Palestinian civilians has soared. On Monday, President Trump rescinded sanctions imposed by the Biden administration last year on dozens of far-right Israeli indi-

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