

# After chemical attack, Trump says crisis in Syria ‘is now my responsibility’

The president said the images of young victims had a “big impact” on him but would not say how he would address the Assad regime's apparent use of a chemical weapon. Earlier Wednesday, U.N. Ambassador Nikki Haley assailed Russia in blunt terms for protecting the Syrian government.

By Anne Gearan

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## Bannon removed from National Security Council, reversing controversial decision

Chief strategist Stephen K. Bannon's role on the council had drawn criticism from experts who viewed it as elevating a White House official with no national security experience. The restructuring reflects the growing influence of national security adviser H.R. McMaster as he asserts himself over the flow of national security information in the White House.

By Robert Costa and Abby Phillip



## F-16 military jet crashes near Joint Base Andrews in Maryland; pilot parachutes out

The Air Force said the plane went down in an unpopulated area, but photos and videos taken at the crash show it went down in a wooded area a few hundred yards from houses.

By Dana Hedgpeth, Steve Hendrix and Lynh Bui



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## How the U.S. ethics chief took on Trump and became a reluctant Washington hero

When Walter M. Shaub Jr. tweeted advice at President-elect Donald Trump to divest from his businesses, it was clear the low-profile director of the little-known ethics office had found his voice and rocked Washington — and become a federal-code-spouting avatar of divided times.

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## Mitch McConnell: ‘Nuclear’ option helps Senate. John McCain: ‘Whoever says that is a stupid idiot.’

The Senate majority leader believes the GOP's unilateral response to confirm Neil Gorsuch on a simple majority vote will take senators “back to what was the tradition in the Senate” for confirming justices. McCain sees the move as the next step in the slide to crushing the chamber's bipartisan traditions.



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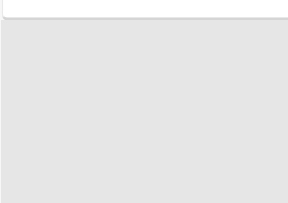
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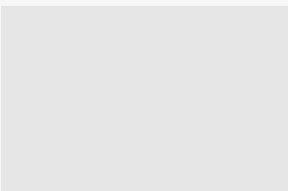


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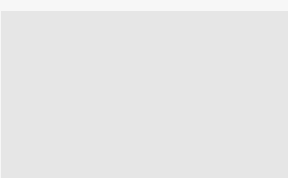
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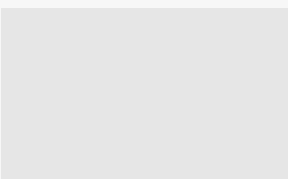
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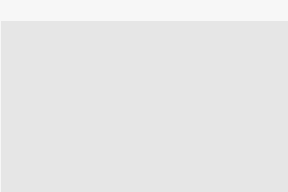
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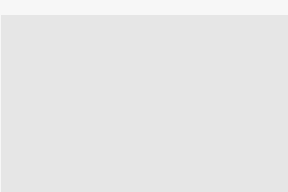
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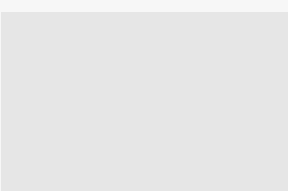


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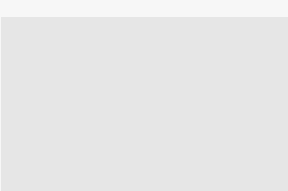
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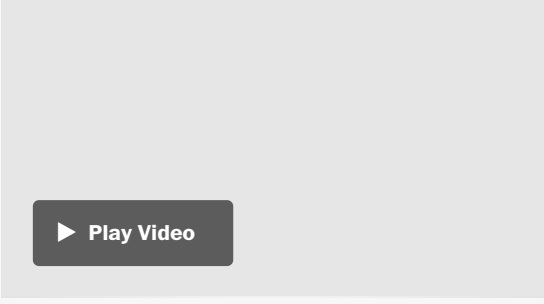
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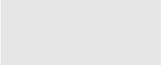
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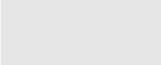
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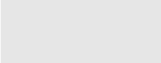
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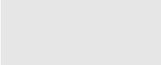
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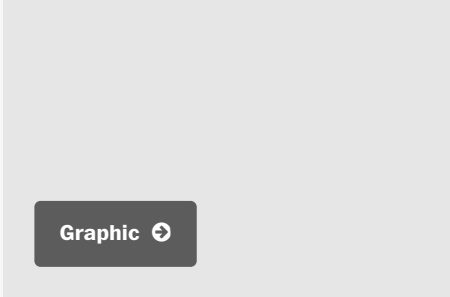
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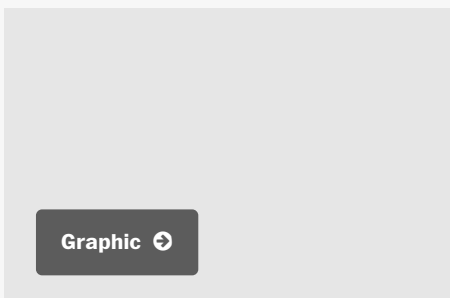
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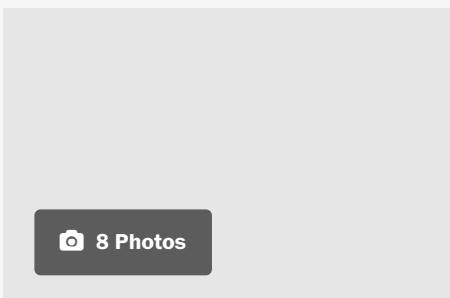
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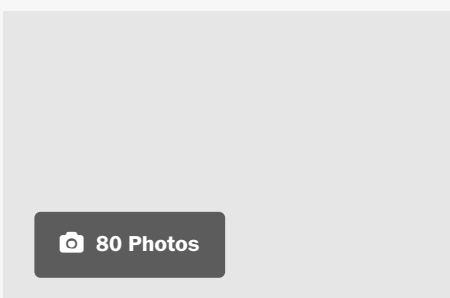
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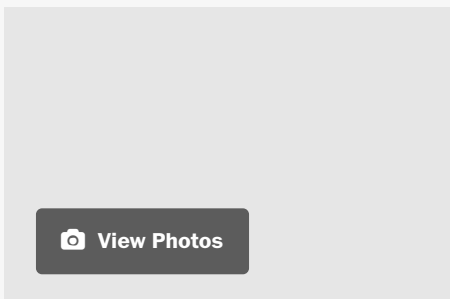
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