

U.S. is poised to ramp up military in Afghanistan

The Trump administration is considering a major shift in strategy in Afghanistan, including an increase of at least 3,000 troops, that would effectively put the United States back on a war footing with the Taliban. The plan would authorize the Pentagon, not the White House, to set troop levels in Afghanistan and give it far broader authority to use airstrikes to target militants.

By Missy Ryan and Greg Jaffe

Yates says she warned White House that Flynn could be blackmailed by Russia

Former acting attorney general Sally Yates told lawmakers that she expected the White House to “take action” on her January warning about then-national security adviser Michael Flynn. The retired general stayed on the job for 18 days after Yates’s warning.

By Devlin Barrett and Sari Horwitz



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Colombian policemen destroy a coca plantation in a rural area of Tumaco. (Daniela Quintero/AFP/Getty Images)

In Colombia, a deal to bring peace has also helped to fuel its cocaine boom

The peace accord signed by the Colombian government and leftist FARC rebels to end their 52-year war called on the guerrillas to quit the drug business and help rural families switch to legal crops. But cash benefits available through the deal has had the opposite effect, luring farmers to stuff their fields with coca plants, the raw ingredients of cocaine.

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Judges weighing travel order repeatedly ask Trump’s attorneys about campaign promise of a Muslim ban

President Trump’s political statements trailed him to court, where judges on the U.S. Court of Appeals for the 4th Circuit seemed skeptical his revised travel ban was based on national security concerns rather than his campaign promise to ban Muslims from entering the United States.

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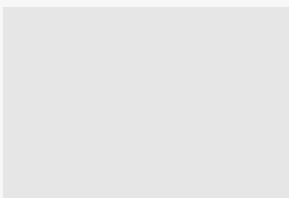
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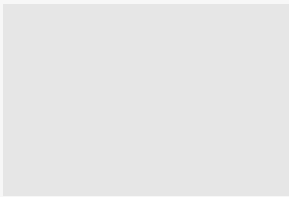
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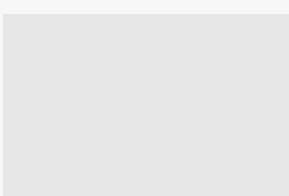


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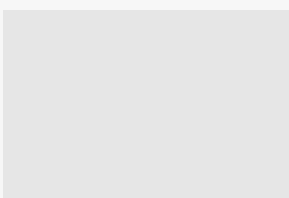
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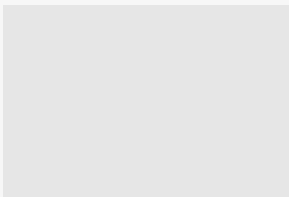
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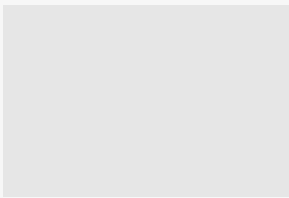
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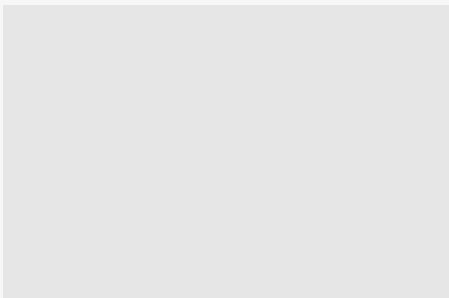
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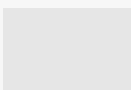


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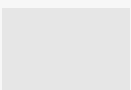
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Andre Burakovsky scored twice as Washington built a five-goal lead en route to a 5-2 victory that tied the series 3-3 and set up a high-stakes finale in the District on Wednesday.

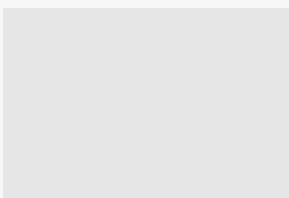
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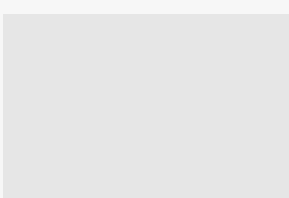
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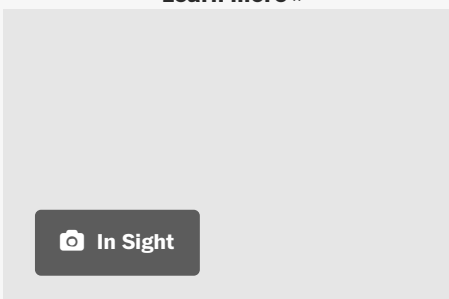
In the wake of the health-care vote, Archie Parnell and South Carolina’s beleaguered Democrats are trying to make Republicans sweat in the race for Mick Mulvaney’s seat. But the district is drawn to elect a Republican and has a large black population that Democrats struggle to turn out.

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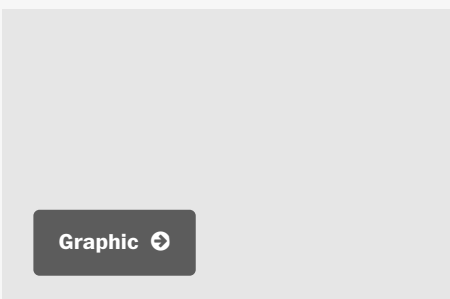
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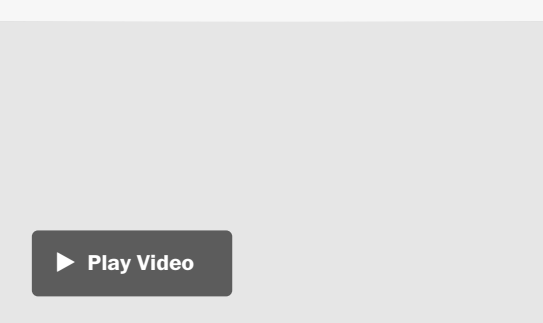
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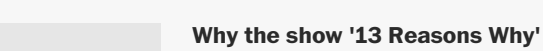
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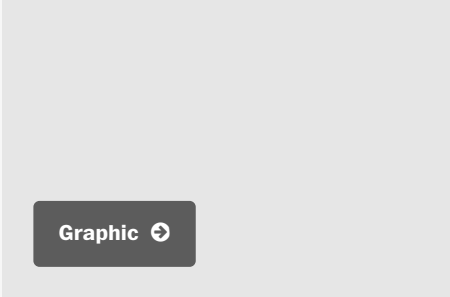
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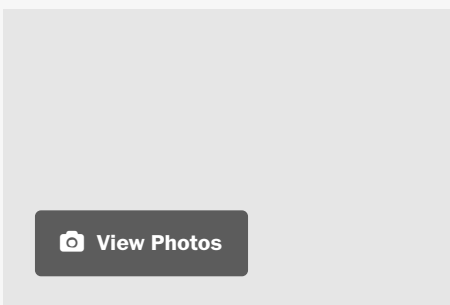
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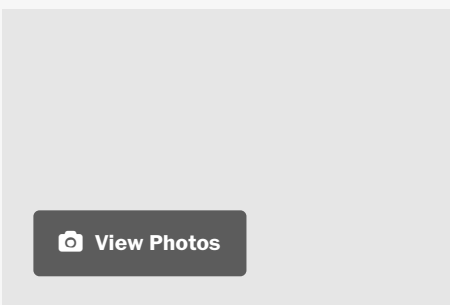
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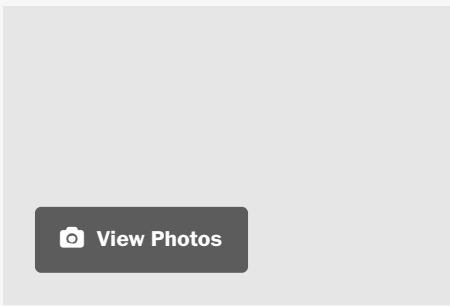
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