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Trump softens border wall demands in bid to calm shutdown jitters

The White House said the president was open to delaying funding for a wall along the U.S.-Mexico border until September as the administration sought to project confidence that a new spending bill would be passed by the Friday deadline and a government shutdown would be avoided.

By Philip Rucker, Robert Costa and David Weigel

President seeks 15 percent corporate tax rate, even if it swells the national debt

Sticking to one of his campaign pledges but shattering another, President Trump instructed advisers to drastically cut the corporate tax rate from 35 percent. By doing so — but not committing to measures that would offset the revenue loss — Trump is making clear he is putting a priority on cutting taxes over the national debt.

By Damian Paletta and Robert Costa

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The mismatch between a president who promised to shake up Washington and the slow pace on Capitol Hill is causing tensions as the 100-day mark nears.

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Rep. Will Hurd, R-Tex., answers questions at the U.S.-Mexico border in Tornillo, Tex. (Melina Mara/The Washington Post)

This congressman's reelection challenge is (almost) as big as Texas

As Democrats try for an anti-Trump wave in next year's midterm elections, break-the-mold Republican Will Hurd is fighting to hold a vast, politically volatile district along the U.S.-Mexico border with a battle plan that includes being one of the harshest GOP critics of the president's push to build a wall along that border.

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U.S. to launch punitive tariffs on Canadian lumber

Commerce Secretary Wilbur Ross said the administration is planning to impose a roughly 20 percent tariff on softwood lumber imported from Canada, in what may be the biggest trade dispute between the U.S. and its northern neighbor in over a decade.



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The state, which resumed executions days ago before one of its lethal injection drugs expires, is awaiting word from the U.S. Supreme Court on a requested stay from a second inmate. It would be the country's first back-to-back executions in almost two decades.

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New Orleans removes a tribute to 'the lost cause of the Confederacy' — with snipers standing by

Fearing reprisals by protestors, masked workers, under darkness and the protection of police snipers, dismantled a monument to white paramilitaries who died battling a mixed-race police force after the Civil War's end.

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In Chicago, Obama tells young leaders that 'special interests dominate the debates in Washington'

In his first public appearance since leaving the White House, the former president told young leaders that he had failed to realize his "aspirational" goal of uniting Americans in red and blue states.

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A volunteer firefighter, who was driving behind the van in northern Arkansas, pulled over and ran to the girl, carrying her out of the road. The girl, who had unlatched the van's emergency door, suffered a broken jaw, broken teeth and lacerations covering her face.

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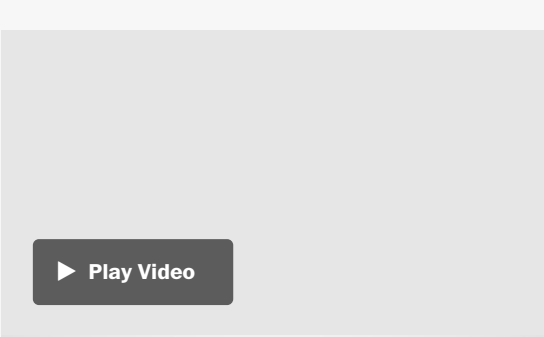
No one knew there was any other parchment copy of the document that proclaimed the independence of America's 13 colonies, other than the one at the National Archives in Washington.

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