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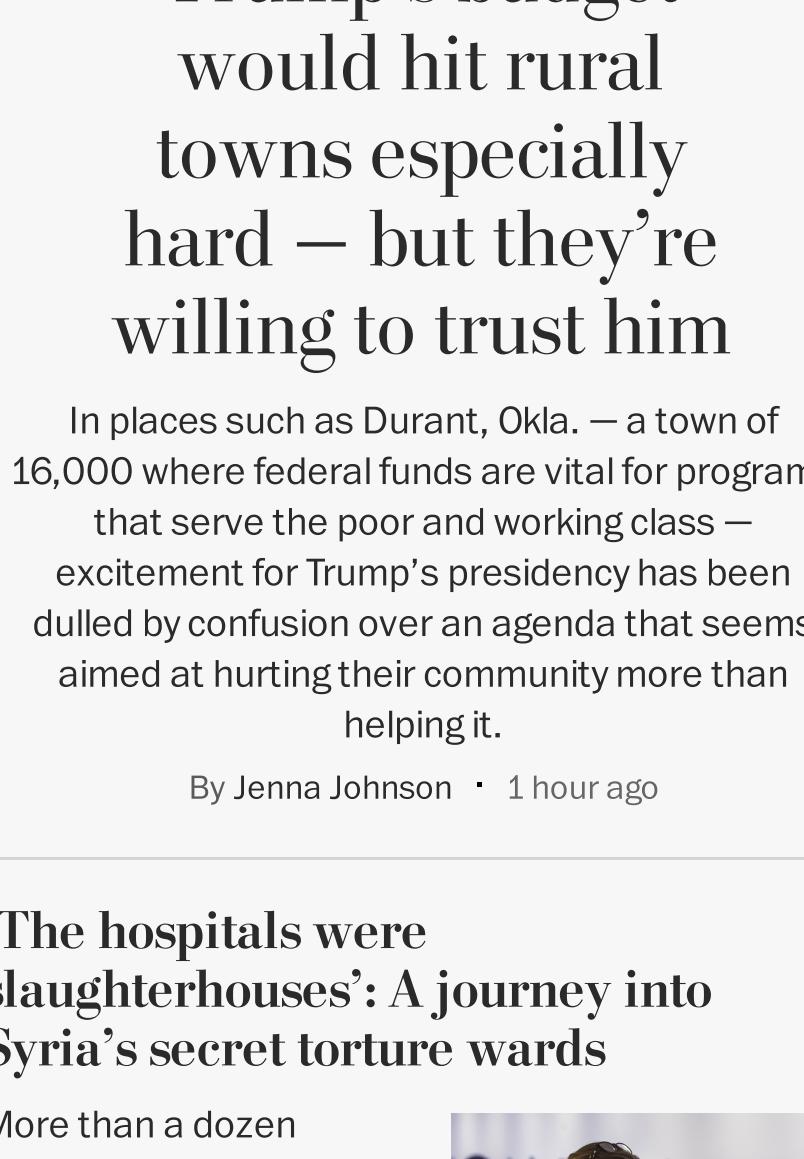
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## SPECIAL REPORT

## DEA falters in major effort to hold drug company accountable in opioid epidemic

After six years and four investigations that spanned five states, the government has taken no legal action against Mallinckrodt, one of the nation's largest manufacturers of the highly addictive painkiller oxycodone. Instead, the company has reached a tentative settlement with prosecutors in a case that shows how difficult it is to hold a drugmaker responsible for the damage done by its product.

By Lenny Bernstein and Scott Higham • 3 hours ago



Scenes from Durant, Okla. (Cooper Nell for The Post)

## Trump's budget would hit rural towns especially hard — but they're willing to trust him

In places such as Durant, Okla. — a town of 16,000 where federal funds are vital for programs that serve the poor and working class — excitement for Trump's presidency has been dulled by confusion over an agenda that seems aimed at hurting their community more than helping it.

By Jenna Johnson • 1 hour ago

## Trump remains the center of attention, but he's increasingly isolated politically

Ahead of his 100th day in office later this month, President Trump has struggled to build a governing coalition that matches the nontraditional alliance that put him in the Oval Office. And he has turned to making enemies out of former supporters among Republicans in Congress, even as Democrats keep him at arm's length.

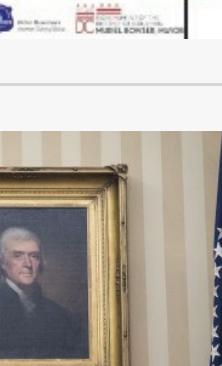
By Abby Phillip and Robert Costa

## Home stretch for Gorsuch's Supreme Court nomination could forever alter the Senate

Lawmakers will embark on a final, and perhaps bitter, round of debate this week, and the GOP-controlled Senate will likely confirm Judge Neil Gorsuch — but only if it changes the chamber's rules to end filibusters for high court selections.

By Ed O'Keefe

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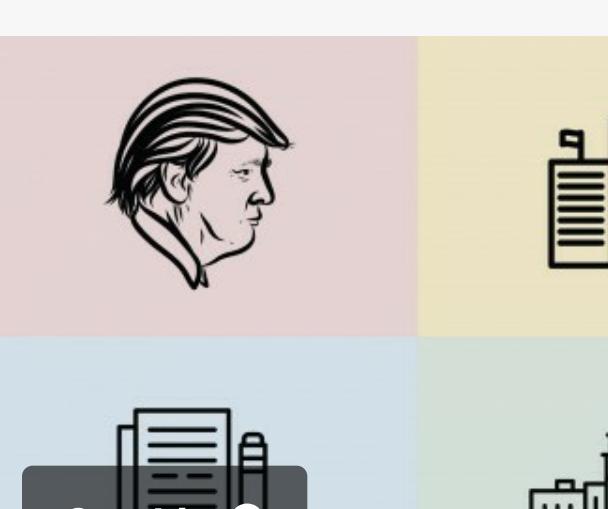


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By Graham Allison

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By David Daley



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Scott Walker's proposal is one of several changes that Republican state leaders hope to impose in their programs in the wake of the failure to pass an Affordable Care Act replacement last month.

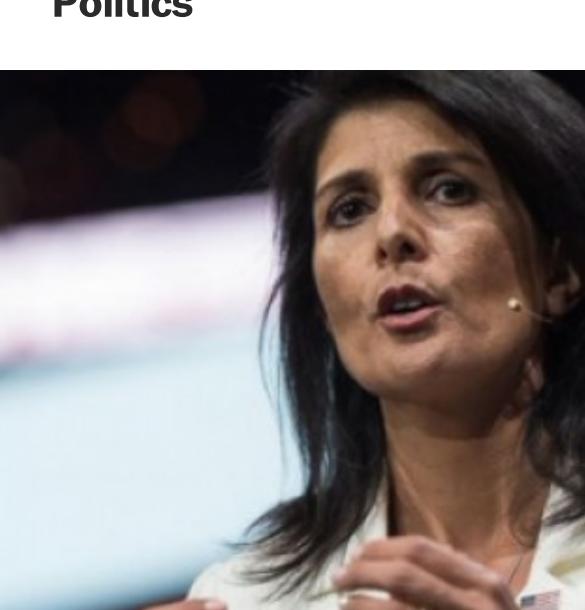
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## Ecuadorans brace for a narrow finish in tense presidential election

With nearly 92 percent of the ballots counted, both candidates were declaring victory Sunday, with the country on edge and possibly heading for a political crisis.

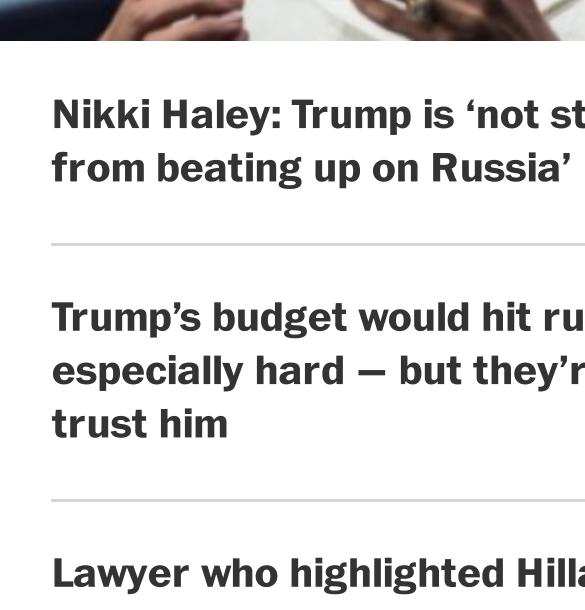
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## Tweets, stats and confusion: The case of D.C.'s missing girls

A police initiative to tap the power of social media morphed into a perceived epidemic of missing girls in the nation's capital. Now the mayor and police are in crisis mode as they try to separate fact from fiction.

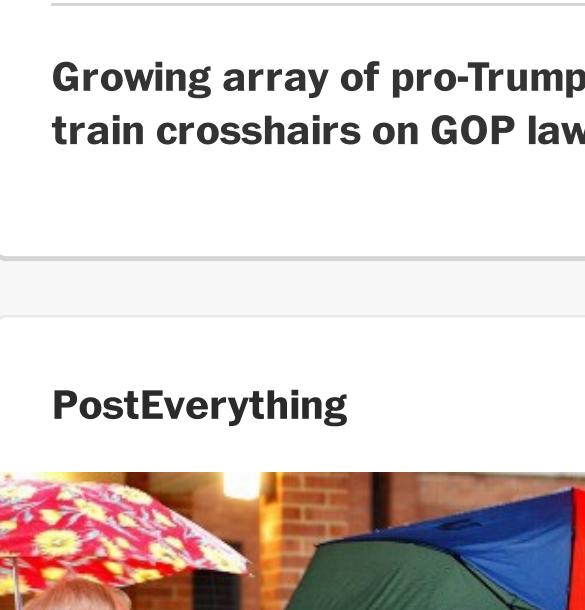
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## White House social media director misused official position by going after GOP lawmaker, ethics experts say

Dan Scavino Jr. used his personal Twitter account to urge President Trump's supporters to challenge Freedom Caucus member Justin Amash, calling him "a big liability."

By Matea Gold



## The Fix Analysis: A ruling on Trump's word choice: Speech that incites violence is not protected

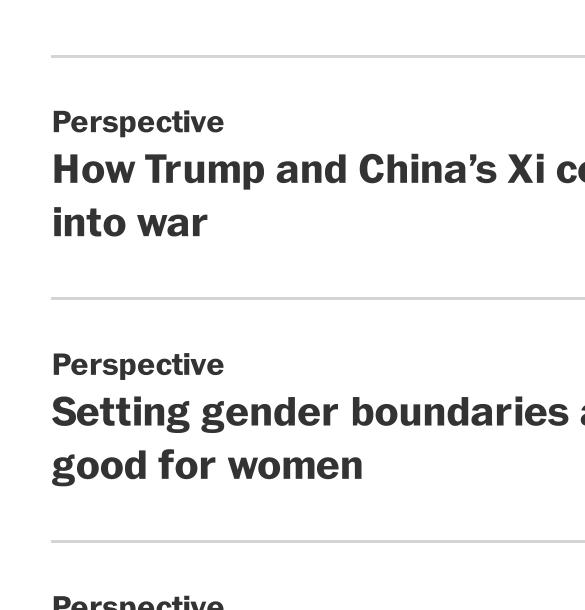
A federal judge in Kentucky ruled against efforts to throw out a lawsuit that accused Donald Trump of inciting violence against protesters during a campaign rally in March 2016.

By Aaron Blake



## A live stream of Shia LaBeouf chanting was disrupted by Nazi-themed dancing. Then things got weird.

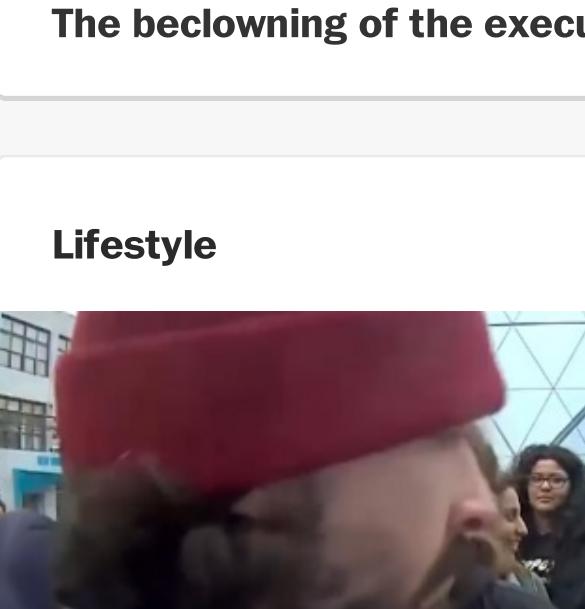
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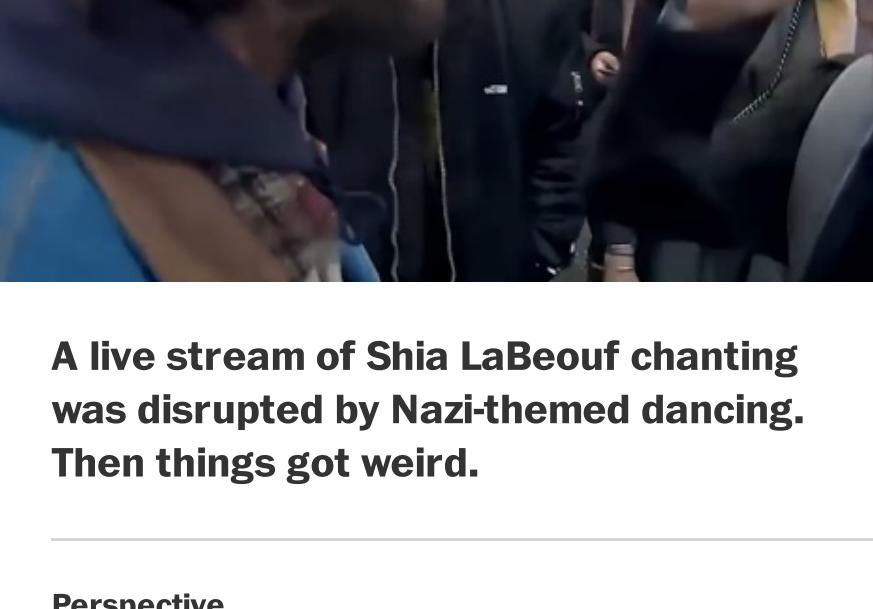
## South Carolina tops Mississippi State, claims first NCAA championship

The Gamecocks beat their Southeastern Conference rival Bulldogs for the third time this season, and Sunday's 67-55 championship-clinching victory was by far the sweetest.

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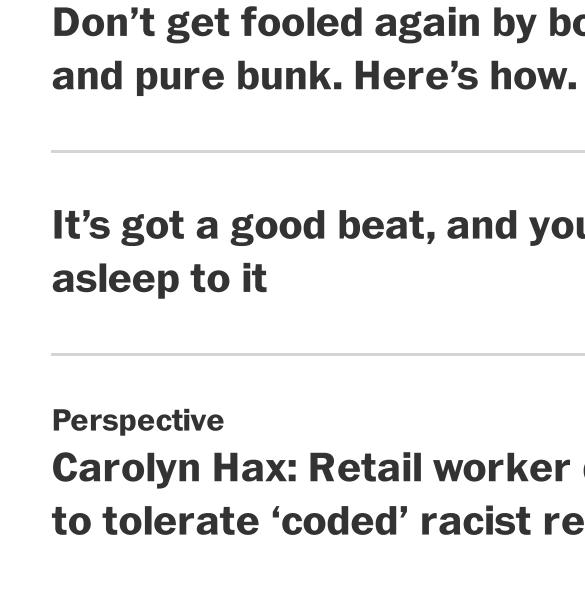


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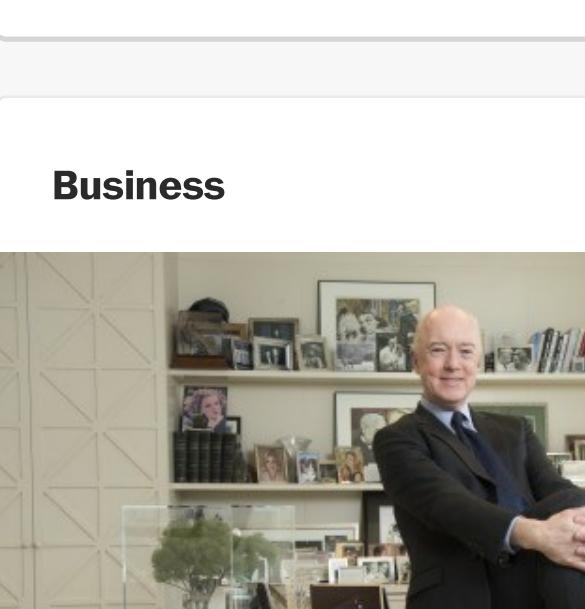
## Landscape photographers capture a growing nation: The U.S. in the 19th century

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## How Gorsuch's judicial experience compares with his Supreme Court predecessors

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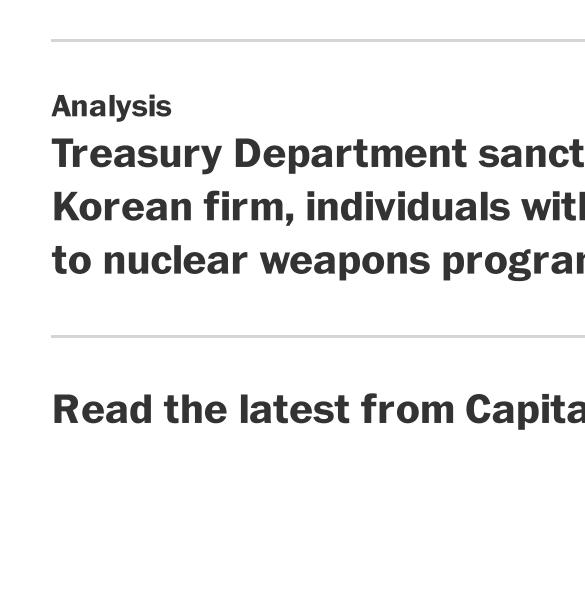
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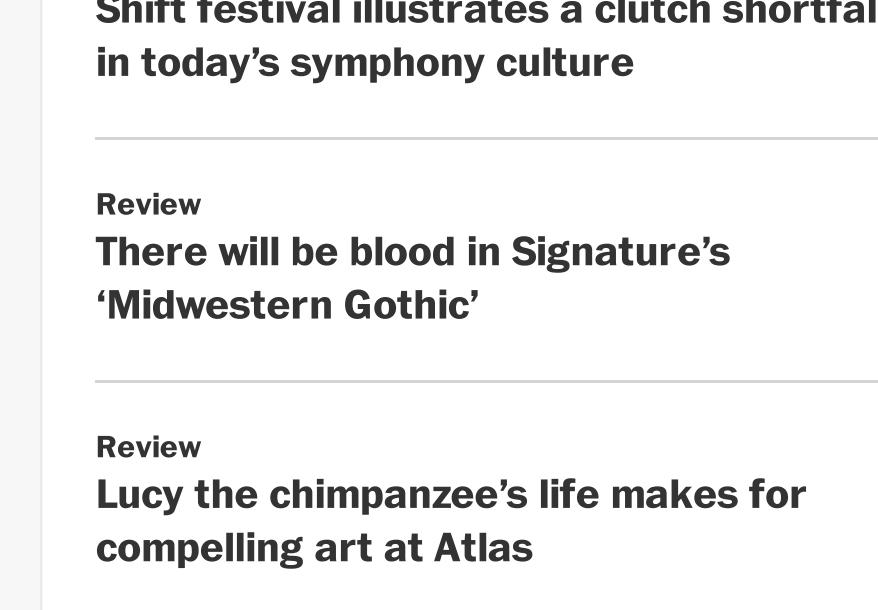
## Lawyer who highlighted Hillary Clinton's role in defending rape suspect tapped for key federal civil rights post

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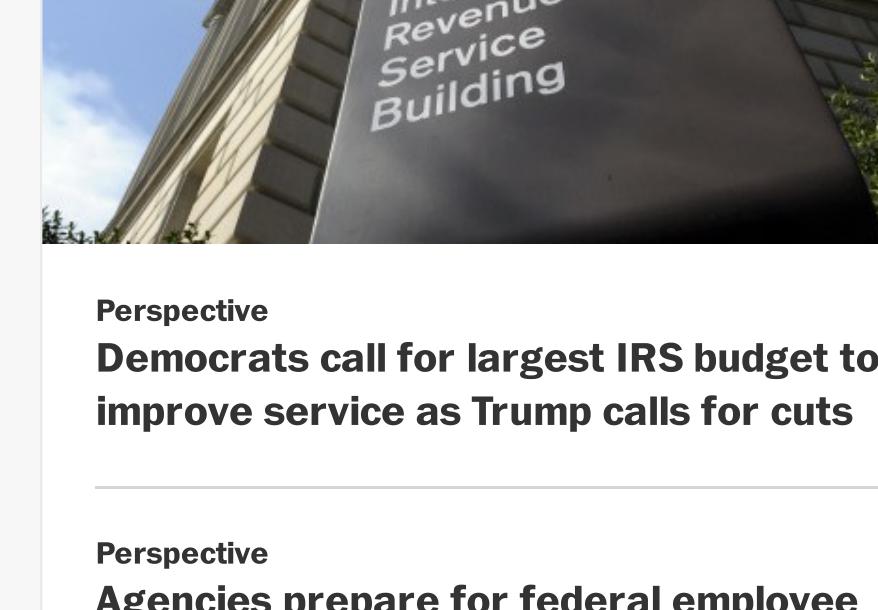


## Growing array of pro-Trump groups could train crosshairs on GOP lawmakers

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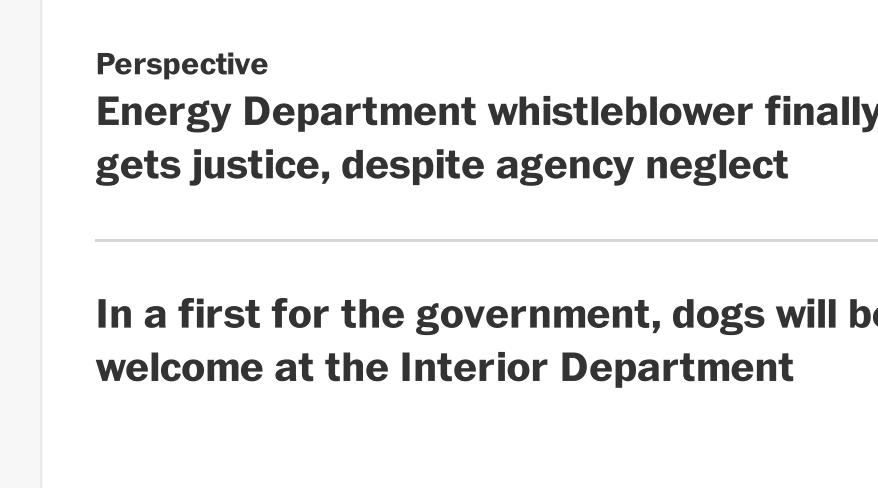


## How Trump is rolling back Obama's legacy



## A near-no show on Red Square highlights problems of Russia's protest movement

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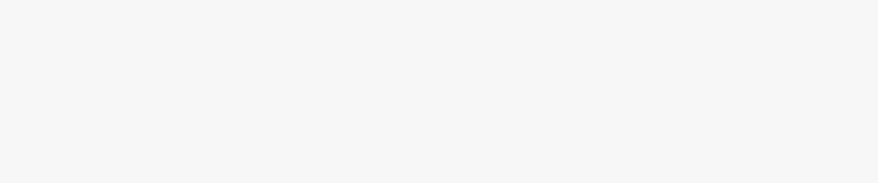
## Trump's U.N. ambassador emerges as fierce but unnuanced voice on foreign policy

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