

Trump cancels US-North Korea summit; two people injured in an Indianapolis school shooting

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- **On Monday**, in a 5-4 decision, the Supreme Court ruled that businesses can prohibit their workers from filing class-action lawsuits against their employers.
- Secretary Mike Pompeo warned that Washington will apply “the strongest sanctions in history” against Iran if the nation doesn’t change its behavior in the Middle East.
- The White House announced that Chief of Staff John Kelly will convene a meeting with the FBI, DOJ and DNI along with GOP congressional leaders to review information regarding the FBI’s use of a confidential source to help investigate Russia’s interference in the 2016 election.

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- **On Tuesday**, House Speaker Paul Ryan promised to bring up immigration legislation next month, in June.
- The Treasury Department sanctioned five Iranians who allegedly provided military expertise to rebels in Yemen on behalf of the Islamic Revolutionary Guard.
- The EPA blocked the Associated Press and CNN from attending a summit on water contaminants, with security guards reportedly shoving a reporter out of the building.

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- **On Wednesday**, a federal judge ruled that it’s unconstitutional for President Trump to block people from his Twitter account.
- Trump’s son-in-law and adviser Jared Kushner received a permanent White House security clearance.
- NFL owners unanimously approved new rules that will require players on the field to stand for the national anthem or remain in the locker room.
- Families of victims of the 2012 Sandy Hook school shooting, along with an FBI agent who responded to the scene, filed a defamation lawsuit against talk-radio personality Alex Jones, who’s claimed the shooting was a hoax.

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- **On Thursday**, President Trump canceled his June 12 meeting with North Korean leader Kim Jong Un, then told reporters that the U.S. military is prepared to respond if North Korea takes “foolish or reckless” action.
- Several congressional leaders attended classified briefings with Justice Department officials on the FBI’s use of an informant in the Russia investigation.
- President Trump signed legislation easing restrictions on all but the largest banks, the biggest rollbacks since the global financial crisis.

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- **On Friday**, the FBI issued a formal warning that a Russia-linked hacking campaign is compromising hundreds of thousands of home network devices worldwide, and advised owners to reboot devices to disrupt the malware.
- A gunman opened fire at a middle school in suburban Indianapolis, injuring two people.
- Presidential advisor Ivanka Trump’s office released a statement that she will be headlining two fundraisers for House Majority Leader Kevin McCarthy in California in June.

Sources: National Journal Research; The Atlantic Politics and Policy Newsletter, 2018; TheHill.com, 2018; The New York Times, 2018; Associated Press, 2018.