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Quick Quotes

Vice President Tells Europeans the Administration Strongly Backs NATO

"The United States of America strongly supports NATO and will be unwavering in our commitment to this trans-Atlantic alliance."

Speaking at a meeting of European political and security leaders in Munich, Vice President Mike Pence delivered President Trump's assurance about continued U.S. backing of NATO. But he also suggested that all NATO members must support the alliance financially, something they have never done, while expecting that the United States would continue to meet a disproportionate share of the costs.

NBC Media Star Moans About Being Criticized

"This is not a laughing matter. I'm sorry, delegitimizing the press is un-American."

A Gallup poll found that only 32 percent of the American people trust the mass media. NBC's Chuck Todd thinks it's un-American to refuse to trust him and his colleagues.

Economic Guru Bemoans Government Borrowing

"Giving politicians the ability to borrow is like giving a teenager a bottle of whiskey and the keys to a Corvette. The debt is an albatross around the necks of the next several generations. It's criminal to make indentured servants out of people who aren't even born yet."

Long a foe of deficit spending and borrowing, economist Doug Casey continues to speak out about both.

Like Her Predecessors, Federal Reserve Chair Wants Independence

"I think central banks all over the world have recognized that an independent central bank that can focus on the long-term health of the economy gives rise to a better economic environment."

During a congressional hearing held in mid-February, Fed Chief Janet Yellen made sure she plugged the Fed's vaunted independence. Like her predecessors, she wants to avoid an audit of the Federal Reserve.

Trump Administration Will Enforce Existing Immigration Laws

"The faithful execution of our immigration laws is best achieved by using all these statutory authorities to the greatest extent practicable."

Secretary of Homeland Security John F. Kelly was chosen by President Trump to enforce laws designed to curb illegal immigration, something previous administrations have never done.

Court Rules Against Florist Who Declined Same-sex Couple's Business

"Arlene's Flowers is not required to sell wedding flowers. [The business is] required to sell wedding flowers if it chooses to sell them."



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Baronelle Stutzman refused to sell flowers for a same-sex “wedding” because of her religious views. But the State of Washington’s Supreme Court ruled that she violated a law. Her attorney argued fruitlessly that the refusal to supply flowers was not because the buyers were homosexuals but because the ceremony [the marriage of two men] violated her conscience and religious beliefs.

Senator Opposed Choice for Office of Management and Budget

“I will vote to oppose Congressman [Mick] Mulvaney’s nomination because it would be irresponsible to place the future of the defense budget in the hands of a person with such a record and judgment on national security.”

The Senate went ahead and confirmed the South Carolina congressman 51-48 despite the objection registered by Senator John McCain (R-Ariz.). Mulvaney is regarded by friend and foe as a “fiscal hawk” who will seek to cut the federal budget.

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