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# **Quick Quotes**

# **Hawaiians Bristle at Attorney General's Comment**

"I am really amazed that a judge sitting on an island in the Pacific can issue an order that stops the president of the United States from what appears to be clearly his statutory and constitutional power."

The judge had ruled against the Trump administration's ban on travel from portions of the Muslim world. And Attorney General Jeff Sessions angered Hawaiians because of the way he described our nation's 50th state.

# **Bill O'Reilly Loses His Coveted Perch**

"Whatever your ideological outlook, don't cry for Bill O'Reilly. He's always thought of himself as a national example. And now he truly is, though not in the way he intended."

After the popular Fox News television star agreed to step away in the wake of sexual harassment charges, Boston Globe columnist Scot Lehigh issued a comment seconded by many.

## **Utah Congressman Won't Seek Reelection**

"I have long advocated public service should be for a limited time and not a lifetime or full career. After more than 1,500 nights away from my home, it is time."

First elected in 2008, Congressman Jason Chaffetz (R-Utah) surprised many with his announcement that he will step aside. He did not rule out a future seeking some other office such as the governorship of his home state.

# ISIS Attack in Egypt Killed 45 Christians but Has Hidden Goals

"There's a significant propaganda factor to this. ISIS wants to show that it can attack one of the Arab world's most populous countries."

Moktar Awad, a militancy expert at George Washington University, could have added that ISIS wants to weaken the nation's leader, Abdel Fatah el-Sisi, and create an increase in the nation's growing sectarian conflict between Muslims and Christians.

## **Trump Nomination Disappoints His Supporters**

"It would be nice, considering how important the immigration issue has been to Trump, to have gotten an economist to this position who was at least not a booster for higher immigration."

Anti-illegal immigration activist Mark Krikorian of the Center for Immigration Studies wasn't happy about President Trump's nomination of pro-immigration Kevin Hassert to lead the Council of Economic Advisers.

# Former U.S. Ambassador to NATO Pleased With Trump





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#### Reversal

"Nothing has changed at NATO in the last 80 days. It's gratifying to see the president affirming that NATO is no longer 'obsolete.' It never was."

Appointed U.S. ambassador to NATO by President Obama, Ivo Daalder disagreed with President Trump's initial — but now abandoned — claim that NATO is "obsolete."

#### National Teacher of the Year Discusses Her Success

"You get these students who don't know that learning is fun ... and then, all of a sudden, you find something they're passionate about and it's like their entire world lights up."

Sydney Chaffee, a humanities teacher at the Dorchester, Massachusetts, Codman Academy Charter School, teaches ninth-graders.

# **President Reverses His Position on Export-Import Bank**

"Actually, it's a very good thing. And it actually makes money; it could make a lot of money."

During the 2016 campaign, Donald Trump denounced the Ex-Im Bank, which lends money to American exporters. On April 12, 2017, he expressed a completely different attitude while being interviewed by a Wall Street Journal reporter.

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