

Administration of Donald J. Trump, 2025

Statement on the Attack Against National Guard Servicemembers in the District of Columbia

November 26, 2025

The animal that shot the two National Guardsmen, with both being critically wounded, and now in two separate hospitals, is also severely wounded, but regardless, will pay a very steep price. God bless our great National Guard, and all of our military and law enforcement. These are truly great people. I, as President of the United States, and everyone associated with the office of the Presidency, am with you.

NOTE: The statement referred to Spc. Sarah Beckstrom, USA, and Staff Sgt. Andrew Wolfe, USAF, members of the West Virginia National Guard, who were shot in an ambush-style attack during a patrol near the White House in Washington, DC, on November 26; and Rahmanullah Lakanwal, suspected gunman in the shooting.

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