

others that he stole and shared top-secret government information. Talk about a national security threat. The call is coming from inside the house.

Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent to include in the RECORD an article from Rolling Stone titled: "Trump All But Confesses to Mishandling Classified Docs on FOX News."

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from Massachusetts?

There was no objection.

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TRUMP ALL BUT CONFESSES TO MISHANDLING CLASSIFIED DOCS ON FOX NEWS

(By Miles Klee)

A week after his second post-presidential arrest, this one for his alleged mishandling of classified documents after leaving the White House, Donald Trump turned to Fox News host Bret Baier on Monday to make the case for why he should lead the country again. But he ended up essentially confessing to the crime of which he's accused: stealing and sharing top-secret government information.

Before that, however, Baier pressed Trump to explain why he kept the boxes of classified materials at Mar-a-Lago and refused to comply with government requests to return them, as described in his new felony indictment. In between dismissing the case as "the document hoax" or accusing other presidents of illegally hoarding their own sensitive documents, Trump offered the bizarre explanation that he couldn't give up the boxes to authorities because they also contained . . . his clothes.

"Like every other president I take things out," Trump said. "In my case, I took it out pretty much in a hurry. People packed it up and left. I had clothing in there. I had all sorts of personal items in there. Much, much stuff." After a brief digression to call his former attorney general Bill Barr a "coward," Trump reiterated, "I have got a lot of things in there. I will go through those boxes. I have to go through those boxes. I take out personal things." Finally, he clarified what those items were: "These boxes were interspersed with all sorts of things: golf shirts, clothing, pants, shoes, there were many things," he said.

While not wanting Dark Brandon to seize your golf shirts may prove a compelling argument in court, another of Trump's evasions seems less likely to hold water. Baier also brought up one of the most damning parts of the federal indictment, a recording from July 2021 in which Trump is heard showing off a document detailing an attack plan against Iran, revealing that it's still officially secret and he no longer has the power to declassify it. Trump blustered for a moment about what he actually said, then pivoted to the claim that he wasn't even holding a particular document—despite corroborating testimony from others in the room when it happened. No wonder this guy's lawyers keep quitting on him.

"Bret, there was no document," Trump insisted. "That was a massive amount of papers and everything else, talking about Iran and other things. And it may have been held up or may not. That was not a document. I didn't have any document per se. There was nothing to declassify, these were newspaper stories, magazine stories, and articles." When Baier referred again to the facts of the recording laid out in the indictment, Trump said, presumably of the prosecutors: "These people are very dishonest people, they are thugs." He also suggested they could be "stuffing" the boxes with incriminating material.

Later on, the pair got into a debate on the results of the 2020 election, with Baier trying in vain to remind the former president that he lost while Trump rambled on about fake ballots. The rest of the conversation involved Trump bashing Biden's international diplomacy, from Ukraine to the Middle East to China, and musing about how much better things were with him in office.

Afterward, Fox News chief political analyst Brit Hume said that Trump's answers regarding matters of the law were "on the verge on incoherent," and specifically mentioned the bizarre detail of not returning the boxes of classified documents because they hadn't been "separated from his golf shirts or whatever he was saying." Overall, Hume said, it sounded as if Trump was making the argument that the papers were his to do with as he liked, "which I don't think is going to hold up in court."

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Mr. ROY. Mr. Speaker, I yield 2 minutes to the gentleman from Florida (Mr. MILLS), my friend and an Army veteran.

Mr. MILLS. Mr. Speaker, I am honored to be here today to support Representative BOBERT's request for this to be referred to the Committee on Homeland Security with regard to the dereliction of duty under this administration and this President's policies.

As a United States Army combat veteran, I have fought abroad for the majority of my adult life. I have spent over 7 years of my life in Iraq, over 3 years of my life in Afghanistan, Kosovo, Pakistan, and northern Somalia. I have been blown up twice, and I am a Bronze Star recipient.

I went overseas for the purpose of protecting this Nation and ensuring that terrorists do not have the ability to come to threaten our lives and threaten our children, but under the failed policies of this President just this last year, in the last 7 months, we have had over 96 people who are on the known terrorist watch list who have crossed our borders.

I would love to know from this President and from everyone else here: Why did my brothers go and die in the thousands? Why did we waste 20-plus years of our lives fighting terrorism? Why did we go ahead and botch the Afghan withdrawal and leave our allies behind if we were just going to open our borders anyway to them?

Tell me why it was that we were going to vote to fight in these wars to protect this Nation when this President and his failed policies were going to do nothing but open up our borders to the terrorists who are coming across daily.

We will see another 9/11-type attack if we continue this type of unsafe policy and do not get ahold of this right now.

Mr. MCGOVERN. Mr. Speaker, I yield myself such time as I may consume.

Mr. Speaker, I want the record to reflect that the previous President of the United States supported an insurrection to basically steal the election.

My friends think it is funny, but I will tell you this: Laugh in the face of the Capitol Police.

Mr. Speaker, 140 of them were injured. People lost their lives, and the best you can do is laugh—is laugh—about what happened that day? I mean, that is disgusting.

Mr. Speaker, I reserve the balance of my time.

#### ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair will remind all persons in the gallery that they are here as guests of the House and that any manifestation of approval or disapproval of proceedings is in violation of the rules of the House.

Mr. ROY. Mr. Speaker, I am prepared to close, and I reserve the balance of my time.

Mr. MCGOVERN. Mr. Speaker, may I inquire how much time I have remaining?

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The gentleman from Massachusetts has 4 minutes remaining.

Mr. MCGOVERN. Mr. Speaker, I yield myself the balance of my time.

Mr. Speaker, we are now in week three of an ongoing temper tantrum by the radical right because they didn't get to cause a catastrophic default.

First, they ground the House floor to a complete halt, and now they are jumping over each other to circumvent regular order and diminish this institution in order to look as extreme as their most fervent supporters.

What is getting lost in the meantime is any legislation that would actually help the American people.

We could bring more jobs back to America.

We could expand the middle class and further fight inflation.

We could provide every student with the opportunity to receive a quality education.

We could ensure every patient has access to affordable and quality healthcare.

We could make sure every single person has a roof over their head and food on the table.

We could do more to keep our communities safe.

We could invest in mental health and substance abuse programs.

We could fund projects that will make our air cleaner and our water purer.

We could pass a bipartisan immigration bill, if it is such a big issue to my friends on the other side of the aisle.

There is so much we could do if given the chance, but this Republican majority is clearly far more concerned about scoring political points than they are about making life better for everyday Americans.

Because the Speaker is not in control of this Chamber anymore, they are wasting the House's time with a debate on whether to send this extreme MAGA resolution to an extra committee instead of just voting to table it.

One final word for my Republican friends, Mr. Speaker: Everything that

Donald Trump touches fails. This guy has a reverse Midas touch: Trump casinos, Trump University, Trump Steaks, Trump Vodka, Trump Hotels, and now the Trump Republican Party.

We can't let him destroy our democracy or this institution. As my mother says, it is never too late to do the right thing.

Mr. Speaker, I urge a "no" vote on this ridiculous, pathetic rule.

Mr. Speaker, I yield back the balance of my time.

Mr. ROY. Mr. Speaker, I yield myself the balance of my time.

We are here today not actually talking about the botched exit from Afghanistan that my friend from Florida rightly raises as a massive criticism of this administration, nor the Biden crime family syndicate that we are now dealing with with the son of the President of the United States. Nor are we dealing with the weaponization of government against the American people, including Scott Smith in Loudoun County for daring to stand up in defense of his daughter. Nor are we talking about energy production getting killed, leaving people stranded with high inflation and the inability to afford energy and unable to carry out their lives and prosper.

We are here talking about the border. We are here talking about a dereliction of duty.

We are here talking about the violation of the fundamental first principle of the executive branch of the Federal Government of the United States led by the President to actually secure and defend the United States of America.

"All obstructions to the execution of the laws, all combinations and associations, under whatever plausible character, with the real design to direct, control, counteract, or awe the regular deliberation and action of the constituted authorities, are destructive of this fundamental principle and of fatal tendency."—Washington's Farewell Address.

"Energy in the executive is . . . essential to the protection of the community against foreign attacks; it is not less essential to the steady administration of the laws; to the protection of property against those irregular and high-handed combinations which sometimes interrupt the ordinary course of justice."—Hamilton, Federalist No. 70.

"Let every American, every lover of liberty, every well-wisher to his posterity, swear by the blood of the Revolution, never to violate in the least particular, the laws of the country; and never to tolerate their violation by others."—Lincoln, Lyceum Address, 1838.

We are here precisely because the Constitution contemplated separation of powers, which is being violated every single day by an executive branch undeterred.

Our job in the House of Representatives is, in fact, to deter the overreach and abuse of authority by the President of the United States refusing to

carry out the laws of the United States in detriment to the well-being, security, and lives of the people of this country.

That is our job in the House of Representatives. That is why we are here. That is why I support this rule. That is why I support this resolution. That is why I support this inquiry. We are just beginning.

The material previously referred to by Mr. MCGOVERN is as follows:

AN AMENDMENT TO H. RES. 529 OFFERED BY  
MR. MCGOVERN OF MASSACHUSETTS

At the end of the resolution, add the following: I21SEC. 2. Immediately upon adoption of this resolution, the House shall proceed to the consideration in the House of the resolution (H. Res. 178) affirming the House of Representatives' commitment to protect and strengthen Social Security and Medicare. The resolution shall be considered as read. The previous question shall be considered as ordered on the resolution and preamble to adoption without intervening motion or demand for division of the question except one hour of debate equally divided and controlled by the chair and ranking minority member of the Committee on Ways and Means or their respective designees.

SEC. 3. Clause 1(c) of rule XIX shall not apply to the consideration of H. Res. 178.

Mr. ROY. Mr. Speaker, I yield back the balance of my time, and I move the previous question on the resolution.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on ordering the previous question.

The question was taken; and the Speaker pro tempore announced that the ayes appeared to have it.

Mr. MCGOVERN. Mr. Speaker, on that I demand the yeas and nays.

The yeas and nays were ordered.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 8 of rule XX, further proceedings on this question are postponed.

#### CONDEMNING THE USE OF ELEMENTARY AND SECONDARY SCHOOL FACILITIES TO PROVIDE SHELTER FOR ALIENS WHO ARE NOT ADMITTED TO THE UNITED STATES

Ms. FOXX. Madam Speaker, pursuant to House Resolution 524, I call up the resolution (H. Res. 461) condemning the use of elementary and secondary school facilities to provide shelter for aliens who are not admitted to the United States, and ask for its immediate consideration.

The Clerk read the title of the bill.

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Ms. LEE of Florida). Pursuant to House Resolution 524, the amendments to the resolution and the preamble recommended by the Committee on Education and the Workforce printed in the resolution are adopted and the resolution, as amended, is considered read.

The text of the resolution, as amended, is as follows:

H. RES. 461

*Whereas sheltering aliens who are not admitted to the United States in school facilities will divert educational resources from children already suffering from historic learning loss;*

*Whereas, on May 16 and 17, 2023, about 300 such aliens were sheltered in current or former public school gymnasiums in New York City, and Mayor Eric Adams announced plans to use as many as 20 public school gymnasiums as overflow housing for such aliens;*

*Whereas turning schools into housing centers for such aliens compromises schools' duty to educate enrolled children and keep them safe;*

*Whereas hosting such aliens on school campuses poses a significant safety risk to school children and compromises schools' ability to secure their own campus;*

*Whereas using school gymnasiums as housing for such aliens may impede children's access to safe recreation and physical education, may force children to spend their entire school day with little exercise, and may disrupt the ordinary routines of the school day;*

*Whereas a public elementary or secondary school should be ineligible to receive Federal financial assistance if it is used to shelter, house, or otherwise serve as a sanctuary for, aliens not admitted to the United States;*

*Whereas the Biden administration has created these problems with a failed border security strategy that has encouraged illegal aliens to cross the border, tallying more than 10,000 a day ahead of the May 11, 2023, expiration of the public health emergency relating to COVID-19, declared under section 319 of the Public Health Service Act (42 U.S.C. 247d), and of the concomitant power of the President, under section 362 of such Act (42 U.S.C. 265), to prohibit entries of persons into the United States from certain countries or places; and*

*Whereas the school children in the United States should not bear the burden for the disastrous immigration policies of either the Biden administration or local leaders: Now, therefore, be it*

*Resolved, That the House of Representatives condemns the use of public elementary or secondary school facilities that serve students to provide shelter for aliens who are not admitted to the United States.*

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The resolution, as amended, shall be debatable for 1 hour, equally divided and controlled by the chair and ranking minority member of the Committee on Education and the Workforce or their respective designees.

The gentlewoman from North Carolina (Ms. FOXX) and the gentleman from Virginia (Mr. SCOTT) each will control 30 minutes.

The Chair recognizes the gentlewoman from North Carolina.

Ms. FOXX. Madam Speaker, I yield myself such time as I may consume.

Madam Speaker, I rise today in support of H. Res. 461, a resolution condemning the use of elementary and secondary school facilities to provide shelter for aliens who are not admitted to the United States.

Round condemnation of adult, illegal migrants sharing facilities with schoolchildren would be supported by both sides of the aisle but for one simple reason. It would require Democrats to confront the tragedy of their own making at the southern border.

The rhetoric from the left deploys flowery language to address the flooding of migrants into our country. It is a scam.

Democrats must confront reality. There are real human consequences to losing operational control of our southern border. Democrats have plunged our southern border into chaos, trafficking, and bloodshed.