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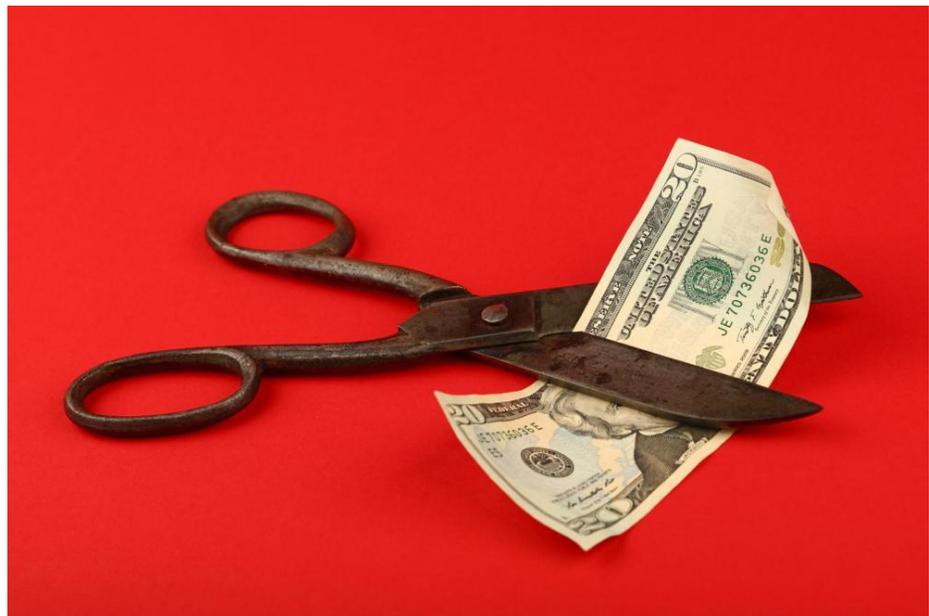
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Trump Cuts Aid to Reduce Immigration

President Trump has recently made the decision to cut off aid to three Central American states, namely Honduras, Guatemala, and El Salvador, in an attempt to curb immigration. This move, Trump believes, will be a sign for the governments of these three nations.

"We are carrying out the President's direction and ending FY [fiscal year] 2017 and FY 2018 foreign assistance programs for the Northern Triangle," a spokesperson of the state department has said.



In the year 2017 alone, Honduras received \$175m in aid, whereas Guatemala received over \$248m. El Salvador received the least of the three at \$115m.

"No money goes there anymore..." the President said about these three countries. "We were paying them tremendous amounts of money and we're not paying them anymore because they haven't done a thing for us."

Additionally, there is also speculation in an increase in the number of asylum seekers sent back home from the US-Mexico border. Reports suggest that the Trump administration might even want to increase this number to 300 a day.

Trump Shows Interest in Appointing “Immigration Czar”



Just a few days after Trump’s threat to shut down the southern border, the President has expressed interest in appointing an “immigration czar” to ensure that immigration policy is coordinated and followed across the board.

According to reports, two of the most popular candidates for the role are former Attorney General of Virginia, General Ken Cuccinelli, and Ken Kobach, former Secretary of State of Kansas. It is important to note that both of these candidates do not only feel strongly about immigration, but are also unequivocally far-right.

Trump has recently become far more vocal about the “invasion” of illegal immigrants, and believes that it is a crisis for national security.

Holding Area under El Paso Bridge To Be Closed by US Immigration

A holding area located under the bridge connecting El Paso and Juarez, Mexico will be closed down according to officials of US immigration.

A statement by US Customs and Border Protection also made it evident that illegal immigrants who were being held under the El Paso Del Norte Bridge would be transferred to a different location.

Recently, a senior immigration official stated that there was an “operational crisis” just a short distance away from the location of this holding area.



