

Dangerous Trump Republican Administration Actions

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82	Foreign Policy	3/16/17	Trump budget proposes cutting State Department budget by 28%. Funding cuts focus on focus on diplomacy, as well as foreign aid that keeps regions stable, and thus America safe. Among the cuts: drastic reductions in the 60-year-old State Department Food for Peace Program, which sends food to poor countries hit by war or natural disasters. Also cut World Bank funding.	Talking and working with foreigners to keep the peace and promote safety, democracy and stability are out. Funding efforts for more efficiently and effectively killing people when things go a direction we don't like are in.	That these programs don't work; repeated studies and the military as well as the CIA say they do.	Diplomacy and stabilization efforts being eliminated will lead to, not surprisingly, destabilization, friction and conflict. As the problems facing the poor in the developing world continue to worsen, hope will recede for them, leading to extremism and violence. Global support of the US and our policies will further deteriorate, as will our status as a global leader, costing us dearly and making us less safe. Plus many people will needlessly die.
83	Foreign Policy	4/4/17	Trump administration is considering steps for "extreme vetting". Foreigners entering US could be forced to disclose contacts on their mobile phones, social media passwords and financial records, and to answer probing questions about their ideology.	Play to base about how hard he is on those "dangerous foreigners".	That this will keep Americans safer	Retaliation by foreign countries on US travelers; US not any safer.
84	Foreign Policy	5/25/17	Trump congratulated Duterte for doing an "unbelievable job" in his war on drugs, where the government has allowed extrajudicial killing for drug dealers and users.	Show respect for other "tough guys"	"You are a good man," Trump told Duterte. "Keep up the good work."	The State Department's human rights report calls the Philippines "disregard for human rights and due process" one of the "most significant human rights problems."
85	Foreign Policy	6/16/17	Trump rolled back Obama's Cuba policy	Cronyism	Trump called it a "completely one-sided deal."	Tightening travel restrictions and blocking business with the island
86	Foreign Policy	6/22/17	The White House is urging House Republicans to weaken its Russia sanctions bill, which was overwhelmingly passed by the Senate	Make money in/with/from Russia	That he has no special interests or ties with Russia	The bill would place new sanctions on Russia for its meddling in the 2016 election and allow Congress to block Trump from lifting penalties against Moscow
87	Free Speech	4/2/17	At least 19 states have introduced measures that would criminalize peaceful protests, stiffen penalties for demonstrators who block traffic, and even allow motorists to run over	Stop dissent; entrench himself as ruler of the land	That protests are endangering communities	The bills represent an "alarming and undemocratic" trend that could have a chilling effect on activism. The United Nations warns that Americans' right to protest is in danger under Trump
88	Free Speech	4/21/17	Trump's lawyers have argued that anti-Trump protesters "have no right" to "express dissenting views" at his campaign rallies.	Not allow Americans that oppose him to be heard	Lawyers for Trump's campaign say that his calls to remove the protesters were protected by the First Amendment.	Violation of the first amendment of the US Constitution

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89	Freedom of Press	5/2/17	Trump administration has "looked at" changes to libel laws that would curtail press freedoms	Trump has frequently slammed the press for its coverage of him and has suggested changing libel laws.	That the press libels him	Libel is when defamatory statements about someone are published. But the American press enjoys some protection from lawsuits claiming libel because of the First Amendment's guarantee of free speech rights.
90	Gay rights	6/30/17	Trump appoints an anti-transgender activist to the office of Gender Equality and Women's Empowerment	Play to his base	She will be fair and balanced	In 2016, Bethany Kozma campaigned to oppose the Obama's guidance to public schools that transgender students have the right to use bathrooms matching their gender identity, repeating an unsubstantiated assertion the policy leads to sexual assault
91	Hate	4/24/17	Anti-Semitic incidents have surged since the election of Trump	Pit Americans against each other to strengthen his base	That the rise in hate crimes since his campaign began has nothing to do with his hateful rhetoric	The "heightened political atmosphere" has played a role in the rise of bomb threats and cemetery desecration to assaults and bullying.
92	Hate	6/5/17	Louisiana Congressman proposed an extreme solution to the London terror attacks: kill any suspected radical Muslim. Representative Clay Higgins wrote on his Facebook page that "all of Christendom... is at war with Islamic horror" and that "not a single radicalized Islamic suspect should be granted any measure of quarter" and their "entry to the American homeland should be summarily denied.	Inspire hate amongst Americans	The world is out to get us	Every conceivable measure should be engaged to hunt them down. Hunt them, identity them, and kill them." He concluded that the only appropriate solution was to "Kill them all. For the sake of all that is good and righteous. Kill them all."
93	Health	1/23/17	Global Gag Rule	Win favor of Religious Right (happens first day in office for every Republican president)	That this restriction on access to family planning has no impact on the health of women or families	. Restricting access to international family planning . Will result in more unintended pregnancies, deaths from pregnancy, more infant mortalities, more poverty, etc.
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96	Health	3/6/17	Defund Planned Parenthood	Fire up base and kill a social program that goes against Republican ethos	That Planned Parenthood is all about abortions, forgetting how their services actually prevent abortions, lower infant mortalities and keep families healthy	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> . Move abortions underground as unsafe and illegal, as they used to be. . Drastically more unintended births, driving up population and healthcare / social costs to take care of them . Primary source of healthcare for low income women and families is eliminated
97	Health	2/13/17	Supporting overturning rule to make it simpler for those who are a danger to themselves or others to get their hands on a gun.	Win favor of the NRA and the gun lobby	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> . That the rule is an attack on the second amendment . That it won't make us less safe 	Keep expanding the epidemic of gun violence in the US
98	Health	3/8/17	Support of House Republicans efforts to let employers demand workers' genetic test results. The bill, HR 1313, was approved by a House committee on 3/8/17	More power to corporations over workers	That this info is legitimately required by businesses	Allow companies to require employees to undergo genetic testing or risk paying a penalty of thousands of dollars, and would let employers see that genetic and other health information, enabling this data to be used
99	Health	4/4/17	The State Department cut off funding to the UN's family planning agency that works on maternal and reproductive health.	Play to Religious Right and anti-abortion lobby	That UNFPA funds go to support China's one-child policy: they do not.	In 2016, US funding prevented an estimated 320,000 unintended pregnancies, averted almost 100,000 unsafe abortions, and provided about 800,000 people with access to contraception. This move will drive up abortions, increase infant mortalities, increase the death rate of women from pregnancy related issues, drive up global population, etc.
100	Health	4/8/17	Jeff Sessions wants to bring back the war on drugs	Keep minorities in jail; placate white base	That the war on drugs somehow worked	The war on drugs effectively reinstated Jim Crow laws in the US, with the goal of locking up minorities

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101	Health	5/2/17	Trump picks antiabortion activist to head HHS family planning section	By placing antiabortion activist Teresa Manning in charge of the Title X program, which provides family planning funding for poor Americans or those without health insurance, his goal is to kill the program	Typical anti-abortion lies	This move will drive up abortions, increase infant mortalities, increase the death rate of women from pregnancy related issues, drive up global population, etc.
102	Health	5/4/17	House Republicans narrowly passed the controversial health care bill to repeal and replace the Affordable Care Act	Follow-through on his campaign commitment	That the new plan will work better than the ACA	Sick and expensive America.
103	Health	5/4/17	Trump signed an order aimed at allowing churches to engage in more political activity	Play to Religious Right and anti-abortion lobby	The executive order would provide "regulatory relief"	Remove ACA's requirement that health insurance cover birth control and other family planning services.
104	Health	5/25/17	Nearly 700 positions at the CDC are vacant because of Trump's hiring freeze	Cut social programs in favor of defense spending	That this spending is not value added	Programs supporting local and state public health emergency readiness, infectious disease control and chronic disease prevention are all affected. At least 125 job categories have been blocked from being filled.
105	Health	5/25/17	Trump's budget is expected to cut \$1.7 trillion from Medicaid and anti-poverty programs over the next 10 years	Cut social programs in favor of defense spending	During the campaign, Trump promised not to cut Social Security, Medicare or Medicaid	Assuming the GOP health care bill becomes law, the budget proposal will cut \$800 billion from Medicaid leaving an estimated 10 million people without benefits. SNAP, the modern version of food stamps, will be reduced by \$193 billion – about a quarter.
106	Health	6/12/17	Senate Republicans won't release a draft of their health care bill	Don't allow discussion	That their plan will be better. It will, for the wealthy who's taxes will be drastically cut	It's unclear what changes Republicans have made, because there have been no hearings and no possibility for amendment.
107	Health	6/13/17	Jeff Sessions asked congressional leaders to undo federal medical marijuana protections so he could prosecute providers	Play to his base by reinstalling a "war on drugs"	That this war will help America	This war has failed dramatically at curbing drug use, but it's allowed the gov't to lock up minorities. Also, research strongly suggests that cracking down on medical marijuana laws could make the opiate epidemic even worse
108	Health	6/28/17	The Senate health bill would leave 22 million more uninsured by 2026, slightly lower than the 23 million the House bill was projected at.	Tax cuts for the rich	The Senate's bill is great while Obamacare is a TOTAL FAILURE!	15 million more people would become uninsured next year compared to the current law. An estimated 208,500 additional deaths could occur by 2026 under the Senate health plan.
109	Health	7/19/17	The CBO estimates that the Senate "repeal only" bill would leave 32 million more uninsured and double premiums over a decade.	Kill Obamacare in favor of tax cuts for the wealthy	Obamacare is a massive failure at all levels	Again, 32 million lose their healthcare

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110	Health	7/21/17	The Trump team used Obamacare money to run ads that undermined the health care law.	Kill Obamacare in favor of tax cuts for the wealthy	Obamacare is a massive failure at all levels	The Trump administration requested \$574 million from the Department of Health and Human Services' "consumer information and outreach" budget, which is supposed to be used for advertising the ACA and encouraging enrollment. Instead, they bought social media ads and produced more than 130 videos designed to damage public opinion of Obamacare.
111	Housing and Urban Development	3/9/17	Trump administration considers \$6 billion cut to HUD budget	Cut social programs in favor of defense spending	That dependency on HUD programs has become "a way of life" for recipients.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> . The plan would squeeze public housing support and end most federally funded community development grants, which provide services such as meal assistance and cleaning up abandoned properties in low-income neighborhoods. . It's the latest evidence that the administration is following through on President Trump's goal to cut domestic spending by \$54 billion to bolster the defense budget. . HUD's budget would shrink by about 14 percent
112	Housing and Urban Development	6/16/17	Trump picked his family's event planner to run federal housing programs in New York	Cronyism	Claiming to have a law degree the school says she never earned	Lynne Patton will oversee the distribution of billions of taxpayer dollars despite having no housing experience
113	Housing and Urban Development	6/21/17	Trump's budget seeks to cut funding for programs that shelter the poor and combat homelessness, except for a federal housing subsidy that earns him millions of dollars a year	Fatten his wallet at poor people's expense	Programs aren't needed	Homeless crisis