

This is a daily update (Monday through Saturday) on US executive branch (Executive Branch) schedules, notable developments and a synopsis of President Trump's social media activities. The report further provides a snapshot of the Executive Branch's priorities via daily press releases.

We report on the daily public event schedules for the President of the United States (POTUS) and Vice President of the United States (VPOTUS), as released by the White House; therefore, time for some scheduled items may change daily in real-time. The notable developments provided in this update typically include a listing of executive actions; a selection of departmental press releases and publications from the day prior; and information on or related to coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19); among other information.

POTUS' Schedule

5:00 p.m. EDT – THE PRESIDENT participates in a meeting with Senior Military Leadership and National Security Team | Cabinet Room

VPOTUS' Schedule

THE VICE PRESIDENT has no public events scheduled.

Recap of May 8, 2020

Note: All colored text denotes hyperlinks. Purple colored hyperlink spotlights COVID-19 developments.

The White House (WH)

- [Presidential Message](#) on the 75th Anniversary of Victory in Europe Day
- [Presidential Memorandum](#) on Providing Continued Federal Support for Governors' Use of the National Guard to Respond to Covid-19 and to Facilitate Economic Recovery (re: South Dakota)

- [Transcript](#): Press Briefing by Press Secretary Kayleigh McEnany (re: FBI/Michael Flynn; unemployment/restarting the economy; COVID cases at the WH; distribution of Gilead drug remdesivir; Ahmaud Arbery case; negotiations on the next stimulus package; CDC guidelines for reopening)
- [Article](#): April's Job Losses Show Many Workers Are Still Connected to Their Employers
- [Disaster Declaration](#): President Donald J. Trump Approves Seminole Tribe of Florida Disaster Declaration
- [Disaster Declaration](#): President Donald J. Trump Approves North Carolina Disaster Declaration

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC)

- [COVID-19 webpage](#)

Department of Health and Human Services

- [Statement](#) from Secretary Azar on Senate Confirmation of Brett Giroir to World Health Organization (WHO) Executive Board

Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA)

- [Press Release](#): President Donald J. Trump Approves Major Disaster Declaration for Seminole Tribe of Florida
- [Press Release](#): President Donald J. Trump Approves Major Disaster Declaration for North Carolina
- [Fact Sheet](#): Federal Aid Programs for the State of North Carolina

Department of Defense

- [Remarks](#) by Defense Secretary Dr. Mark T. Esper for DOD Virtual Victory in Europe Day Commemoration
- [Remarks](#) by Army Gen. Mark A. Milley for DOD Virtual Victory in Europe Day Commemoration
- [Article](#): President Leads Nation in Commemorating Anniversary of Nazi Defeat in Europe
- [Article](#): DOD, Private Sector Leaders See Danger to GPS Due to FCC Licensing Ruling
- [Article](#): NORTHCOM Has Stepped Up to Battle COVID-19
- [Article](#): Defense Secretary Marks 2nd Anniversary of First Lady's 'Be Best' Initiative
- [Contracts](#) for May 8, 2020

Department of State

- May 8: [Message](#) on the 75th Anniversary of Victory in Europe (VE Day)
- May 8: [Interview](#) | Secretary Michael R. Pompeo With Ben Shapiro of the Ben Shapiro Show (re: China/Wuhan lab; Democrats' messaging on China; China/WHO/threats; US leadership/COVID; Venezuela/coup/Americans detained; Saudi Arabia/withdrawal of patriot missiles; DOJ/Michael Flynn)
- May 8: [Transcript](#) | Briefing With Assistant Secretary for Political-Military Affairs R. Clarke Cooper on the Political-Military Affairs Bureau's Support for Global COVID Relief Efforts
- May 8: [Transcript](#) | Briefing With Special Envoy Lea Gabrielle, Global Engagement Center Update on PRC Efforts to Push Disinformation and Propaganda around COVID
- May 8: [Travel Advisory](#) | Secretary Pompeo's Travel to Israel (13 May)
- May 8: [Fact Sheet](#) | This Week in Iran Policy

US Agency for International Development (USAID)

- [Press Release](#): The United States Is Providing Immediate Humanitarian Assistance in Response to the Partial Dam Collapse in the Republic of Uzbekistan

Department of the Treasury

- [Press Release](#): Treasury, IRS Deliver Economic Impact Payments to 130 Million Americans in Record Time

Department of Homeland Security/Customs and Border Protection (CBP)

- [Press Release](#): CBP Announces Contract Award for New Border Wall System in Texas (Washington DC)
- [Press Release](#): Air and Marine Operations (AMO) Expanding and Modernizing Air Assets (Washington DC)
- [Press Release](#): Border Patrol Agents Seize Methamphetamine at Checkpoint (California)
- [Press Release](#): CBP Seizures Include Contraband in a Child's Doll (Texas)
- [Press Release](#): Laredo Sector Border Patrol Renders Medical Aid to Lost Individual (Texas)
- [Press Release](#): Cincinnati CBP Stops 11 Pounds of Ketamine (Ohio)
- [Press Release](#): CBP Officers in Cincinnati Seize Disinfecting Wipes Containing 4Lbs of Marijuana (Ohio)

Department of Justice (DOJ)

Daily Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) Press Releases

- [Press Release](#): Justice Department Files Statement of Interest to Protect the Rights of Military and Overseas Voters in Georgia
- [Press Release](#): President's Commission on Law Enforcement and the Administration of Justice Holds Hearing on Juvenile Justice via Series of Teleconferences

Department of Commerce

- [Blog](#): Spotlight on Commerce | Ibrahim Baig, Special Assistant to the Deputy Assistant Secretary for Antidumping and Countervailing Duty Operations, International Trade Administration
- [Blog](#): Spotlight on Commerce | Son Lam, Management Analyst and Contracting Officer's Representative, US Economic Development Administration

Department of Agriculture (USDA)

- [Press Release](#): America's Meatpacking Facilities Practicing Safe Reopening to Ensure a Stable Food Supply
- [Press Release](#): USDA Approves Rhode Island to Accept SNAP Benefits Online

Department of Interior

- [In Case You Missed It](#): Interior Continues to Restore Public Access to Public Lands

Department of Labor

- [Press Release](#): US Department of Labor Awards Arkansas National Dislocated Worker Grant Funding to Aid Recovery from Severe Storms and Flooding
- [Press Release](#): US Department of Labor Awards Nearly US\$2 Million to Local Workforce Development Board to Assist Laid-off Workers in Kansas' Aviation Industry
- [Statement](#) by US Secretary of Labor Scalia on the April Jobs Report

US Government (USG) COVID-19 Webpages

- Department of Defense [COVID-19 webpage](#)
- Department of State [COVID-19 Travel Advisory webpage](#)
- Office of Personnel Management [COVID-19 webpage](#)
- Food and Drug Administration [COVID-19 webpage](#)
- Department of Homeland Security Employee [COVID-19 webpage](#)

- Department of Labor [COVID-19 webpage](#)
- USAGov [COVID-19 webpage](#)

Non-USG COVID Webpages

Johns Hopkins University & Medicine

- [Coronavirus Resource Center](#)
 - [COVID-19 Interactive Map](#)

Synopsis of President Trump's Tweets

- May 8: "Vote @MikeGarcia2020 by May 12th! His opponent @ChristyforCA25 voted to fire teachers, and cut their salaries while bumping up her pay. Now she's mocking our Great Vets! We need Navy Fighter Pilot Mike Garcia in #CA25!"

- May 8: "Tom Tiffany (@TomTiffanyWI) is a Great Advocate for the incredible people of Wisconsin (WI07). We need Tom in Congress to help us Make America Great Again! He will Fight for Small Business, supports our Incredible Farmers, Loves our Military and our Vets...."
- May 8: "....He is Strong on Crime, the Border, and Second Amendment. Tom has deep roots in Wisconsin, is a big Tax Cutter, and will help me DRAIN THE SWAMP! Tom has my Complete and Total Endorsement. Vote for Tom Tiffany!"
- May 8: [[Presidential Message on the 75th Anniversary of Victory in Europe Day](#)]
- May 8: "Retired Ice Director Tom Homan knows more about the Border and Border Security than anyone. He's a tough guy, but a good guy - and as smart as they come. His new book, "Defend The Border and Save Lives: Solving Our Most Important Humanitarian and Security Crisis" is a...."

May 8: "....must read for anybody looking for U.S. Security and Protection. Go get it now and make Tom a Top Best Seller — he deserves it!"

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