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NEWS ANALYSIS

Trump Finds Closer Targets To Vanquish

From ‘Narco-Terrorists’ to ‘Radicals’ on the Left

By DAVID E. SANGER

WASHINGTON — The first time President Trump ordered the U.S. military to attack a small, high-speed motorboat in international waters near Venezuela, he posted the fiery image online and said the deaths of the roughly dozen people on board should be a warning to “narco-terrorists.”

Vice President JD Vance chimed in, telling critics who said the attack amounted to an extrajudicial killing that getting rid of “cartel members who poison our fellow citizens is the highest and best use of our military.”

To drive home his point, Mr. Trump ordered an attack on a second boat on Monday, and told reporters that there had been a third, as well. He also announced on Monday that he would send National Guard troops to Memphis to crack down on crime, and he said that after the assassination of the prominent right-wing activist Charlie Kirk last week, investigations had begun into “radical left” groups. Some, administration officials say, may be designated “domestic terrorists.”

Eight months into Mr. Trump’s presidency, Americans and the world are learning a lot about his willingness to use military force, and terrorist designations, as he expands his targeting of perceived enemies, foreign and domestic. It is a notably different approach from that of his first term, when Mr. Trump chafed at being held back, including in one instance when his defense secretary said that he could not shoot missiles into Mexico to attack cartel strongholds.

In this term, cabinet members cheer him on, as they did in the Oval Office on Monday, and describe how the laws of counterterrorism are there to be bent to his will.

Much of this is about creating macho imagery, of course. Not long ago, the Department of Homeland Security, which has been issuing World War I- and World War II-style recruitment posters, sent a social media post that showed Mr. Trump on an armored personnel carrier, man-

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A Royal Welcome for Trump
Pomp and pageantry demonstrated Britain’s eagerness to appeal to President Trump. Page A8.

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Netanyahu and Israel With ‘No More Red Lines’

In Gaza City Operation, Embracing Isolation

By ROGER COHEN

JERUSALEM — Before the war in Gaza began almost two years ago, Benjamin Netanyahu, the Israeli prime minister, was not known as a risk taker. His rhetoric was bold, his deeds less so. Now, however, by sending the Israeli military into Gaza City, he appears to have dispensed with constraints.

The operation, which he says is necessary to defeat Hamas but is certain to increase Israel’s isolation as international anger mounts, has already killed many Palestinians and sent hundreds

of thousands into flight southward. It risks the lives of the estimated 20 living Israeli hostages. It renders any cease-fire unimaginable for the moment. It has been questioned even by the military’s chief of staff.

To all this, Mr. Netanyahu’s response seems to be: Bring it on.

This week, he suggested that

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Hollywood Adored Him. But It Wasn’t Mutual.

Redford Revered, Even With His Critiques

By BROOKS BARNES and NICOLE SPERLING

LOS ANGELES — Robert Redford was not subtle about his distaste for Hollywood.

He loathed awards season, the annual spree of self-congratulation and glittery excess that starts in August and culminates with the Academy Awards in March. His face would frost over if you asked what he thought about the mind-

less sequels and remakes churned out by the film industry. He lived in the mountains of Utah, where he died on Tuesday, eschewing the air-kiss culture of fashionable Los Angeles neighborhoods.

“He didn’t want to be where

elite breeds eliteness,” said John Cooper, who for 32 years worked at Mr. Redford’s Sundance Film Festival, most recently as director.

The feelings were not mutual. Hollywood tends to have very little tolerance for criticism, whether it is from people outside the industry or at the center of it. But it would be difficult to find anyone in Hollywood who re-

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Times Square Casino Proposal Is Struck Down

Big-Time Backers Lose to Local Opposition

By MATTHEW HAAG

The bright lights of Broadway will not include a casino marquee.

A proposed casino in Times Square that had faced intense opposition, including from Broadway groups and theaters, will not move forward after a key vote on Wednesday struck it down.

The \$5.4 billion plan for a resort in the heart of Midtown Manhattan had the backing of high-watt-

age supporters, including the gambling giant Caesars Entertainment, one of New York City’s biggest commercial developers, and Roc Nation, the rapper Jay-Z’s entertainment and sports company.

But the proposal could not overcome a surge of resistance from local residents and, in particular, theater owners and producers who said a casino would have threatened the local entertainment industry and harmed the neighborhood’s character.

The casino, Caesars Palace Times Square, was among eight gambling facilities jockeying for one of three new casino licenses in

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