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Today, warm, partly cloudy, light winds, high 89. Tonight, partly cloudy, low 73. Tomorrow, very hot, humid, hazy sunshine, light breeze, high 95. Weather map, Page B10.

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Red Cross volunteers lowering the coffin of an Ebola victim into a grave in Ituri Province, Democratic Republic of Congo, this month.

## JUSTICES BROADEN PRESIDENTS' SWAY OVER REGULATORS

### Expansion of Power to Fire at Will Has Big Exception: Federal Reserve

By ANN E. MARIMOW

WASHINGTON — In a major expansion of presidential authority, the Supreme Court cleared the way on Monday for President Trump to fire independent government regulators despite federal laws meant to protect their jobs. But the justices carved out an exception for the Federal Reserve, preventing the president from immediately removing one governor, Lisa D. Cook, from the powerful central bank.

The court's 6-to-3 ruling to broadly allow the firings, with the three liberal justices dissenting, represented a significant shift in power from Congress to the president, and could drastically change the federal government's structure by giving the president more control over independent agencies. The case tested whether Mr. Trump could oust Rebecca Kelly Slaughter, a Democratic member of the Federal Trade Commission, simply because she did not align with his agenda, despite a law that says the president can remove commissioners only for "inefficiency, neglect of duty or malfeasance in office."

But the decision has implications for more than two dozen agencies — including those charged with protecting consumers, workers, the environment and nuclear safety — that have traditionally been insulated from presidential control.

In a social media post, Mr. Trump celebrated what he called a "BIG WIN," adding that it was a "Historic and Unprecedented Ruling, one of the most important ever given with respect to Presidential Powers."

In a separate decision, however, the court voted 5 to 4 to block the president from ousting Ms. Cook.

While the ruling decided a narrow procedural question, the majority opinion pointed to the uniquely independent nature of the central bank.

Former top Fed and Treasury officials and Ms. Cook's legal team

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## Agencies Balk At Master List Of Every Spy

This article is by Devlin Barrett, William K. Rashbaum and Julian E. Barnes.

WASHINGTON — The Trump administration is demanding that American intelligence officials turn over the names of all foreign espionage targets, including suspected spies and potential recruits, to create a master list that some officials fear will be misused or compromise operations, according to people familiar with the matter.

The effort by the Office of the Director of National Intelligence has intensified in recent months, frustrating counterparts at the F.B.I. and the C.I.A., who are skeptical of the claims that a master list is necessary to avoid inadvertent conflicts between agencies and to better track foreign intelligence threats in real time. The office was established after the attacks on Sept. 11, 2001, to streamline coordination among the intelligence agencies.

Senior counterintelligence officials at the F.B.I. and the C.I.A. have so far resisted those demands, the people familiar with the matter said, and the effort has been mostly unsuccessful. Officials still cannot agree on the most basic details, including how a list of what are known as foreign intelligence threat actors would be created, maintained and kept secure, the people said.

The clash also reflects the strained relationship between the Office of the Director of National Intelligence and the F.B.I. and the C.I.A. after the former director, Tuli Gabbard, pursued the president's priorities, including shrinking the office's work force and scrutinizing allegations of election fraud based on flimsy or unfounded claims. With Bill Pulte, a housing official who has no prior intelligence experience, serving as acting director, officials are increasingly wary of how the office might handle such secrets.

For the F.B.I., such a master list of espionage targets would include those the bureau wants to investigate and perhaps someday arrest. For the C.I.A., it would include a significant number of potential assets.

Some current and former intelligence officials fear that assembling identifying details about some of the most sensitive cases may fatally compromise long-running intelligence investigations

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## Twin Threats to Aid Workers: Ebola, and Anger

By DECLAN WALSH

BUNIA, Democratic Republic of Congo — In an instant, the funeral erupted into chaos. Furious mourners threw punches and stones, breaking car windows and chasing after the Red Cross workers they accused of bringing Ebola to their town.

In the melee, Ramazani Bokwandela, 61, a Red Cross volunteer, dove into the bushes. Only a few weeks earlier, he had been selling bottles of gasoline for \$1 from his roadside stall. Now, he was at the hard edge of efforts to contain the surging Ebola outbreak scything through his corner of the Democratic Republic of Congo — and he feared it was go-

### Facing Risks of Disease and Also Attack by Untrusting People

ing to cost him his life.

"I thought I was dead," he said. But Mr. Bokwandela, who had raised 15 children and escaped bouts of conflict here in northeastern Congo, knew a thing about improvising. Plucking a snail from a leaf, he used its shell as a razor and sliced off the sleeves of his Red Cross tunic, he said, casting away its famous emblem. Then he snatched a clump of plants, to disguise himself as a farmer, and stole away from the fighting.

His fellow Red Cross volunteers were not so fortunate. Four of them were hospitalized after being badly beaten at the funeral. Yet, three days later, Mr. Bokwandela was back at work, risking his life to ensure the kind of safe burials that are so pivotal to containing the virus.

"I'm on the front line against this disease," he said, wearing a new Red Cross tunic. "That's my duty."

Volunteers like Mr. Bokwandela are the ordinary heroes of Congo's Ebola outbreak. More than a month into the crisis, the chronic shortages of even the most basic supplies that blighted the early response are starting to ease. International aid is beginning to flow

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### Rowing and Roaring

At World Cup games, Norway fans have been pulling together with their Viking-inspired cheer. Colombia and other Latin American teams are popular attractions in South Florida. Pages B6, 8.

## A.I. Makes Voters Wince. Out of View, Campaigns Scamper to Reap Its Benefits.

By STUART A. THOMPSON

YORK, Pa. — On a recent afternoon, Alex Bond was standing outside his home in York, ticking off the political issues of greatest concern to him. After gas prices and taxes, he named data centers — the massive warehouses that consume enormous amounts of energy to make artificial intelli-

gence function.

"A.I. is terrible," said Mr. Bond, a 29-year-old account manager at a company that provides ankle monitors. "And it's probably going to kill us all."

He was speaking with a pair of political canvassers, sent to Pennsylvania's competitive 10th Congressional District at the recommendation of Janelle Stelson, the

Democratic candidate, as part of an old-fashioned door-knocking operation.

What Mr. Bond didn't realize was that his comments would soon be processed inside one of those very A.I. data centers.

After their chat ended, one of the canvassers, who was volunteering with Swing Left, a Democratic political group, recapped

what Mr. Bond said into a phone app. That memo was then analyzed by an A.I. tool alongside hundreds of other memos from similar door-knocks happening around the district.

The A.I. tool synthesized what voters like Mr. Bond were saying, feeding reports that the campaign could use to tailor its messages and turn persuadable voters like

him into supporters.

"Everything a person is saying is a data point," said Violet Kopp, one of the canvassers and Swing Left's organizing program manager for the East Coast.

Republican and Democratic candidates and strategists who were once wary of A.I. tools or overwhelmed by them are now

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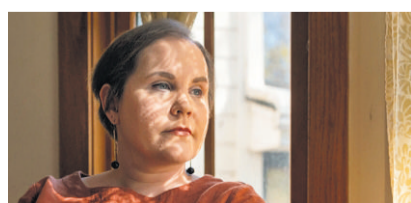
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