



DeSantis Slams ‘Weaponized Federal Agencies’ For Raid On Trump’s Mar-A-Lago

Description

USA: Florida Governor Ron DeSantis (R) came out with a blistering response to the Monday FBI raid on former President Donald Trump’s Mar-a-Lago residence, reportedly in connection with materials Trump brought with him after leaving office.



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— Ron DeSantis (@RonDeSantisFL) [August 9, 2022](#)

Attorney General Garland: preserve your documents and clear your calendar.
pic.twitter.com/dStAjnwbAT

— Kevin McCarthy (@GOPLeader) [August 9, 2022](#)

If they can do it to a former President, imagine what they can do to you.

— House Judiciary GOP (@JudiciaryGOP) [August 8, 2022](#)



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FBI raiding Trump. Fucking Obscene. @TheJusticeDept serves the Democrat party, existing to arm Left narratives and squash the Right's. The Left wants you to fear serving in a Republican administration. They want you to fear voting Republican.

Trump Says FBI Raided His Florida Home as Focus Escalates

By Josh Wingrove and Mario Parker

(Bloomberg) -- Donald Trump said Monday that federal investigators were raiding his Florida residence, a move that comes as prosecutors are escalating their focus on the former president's conduct during the insurrection.

It was not immediately clear why agents were searching his property. The Justice Department had no comment on Trump's statement.

"My beautiful home, Mar-A-Lago in Palm Beach, Florida, is currently under siege, raided, and occupied by a large group of FBI agents," Trump said in a statement Monday. He did not indicate what they were seeking. "They even broke into my safe!"

Trump complained that he was being mistreated by "Democrats who desperately don't want me to run for president in 2024."

The search, if confirmed, will fuel the speculation that the Justice Department's investigation into the fatal Jan. 6 riot, carried out by a mob of Trump supporters, is leading toward Trump himself.

The Justice Department is using a grand jury in Washington to investigate efforts by Trump and his inner circle to create false electors and pressure former Vice President Mike Pence to overturn the 2020 election.

1,372

1,893

8,404



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This is not just an ex-POTUS. Trump is the current leading candidate for the Republican spot in '24. Biden says he will seek re-election, so his AG is raiding Biden's likely opponent. For the same type of "crimes," Hilary was NOT subpoenaed and NOT raided. Third World.

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BREAKING: [@dbongino](#) goes off on the FBI Raid on Donald Trump:

"This is some Third World BULLSH*T" pic.twitter.com/2e9jryfVOi

— Benny Johnson ? (@bennyjohnson) [August 8, 2022](#)

If DoJ has the goods on Trump, then charge him. But raiding his home for a violation of the

presidential records act on the anniversary of Nixon's resignation smells like partisan bullshit and an abuse of power.

— Eli Lake (@EliLake) [August 9, 2022](#)

...That is why, again, we cannot assume that criminal charges are inevitable after such a raid . On MSNBC, a host said that the "orange jumpsuit may be coming." That is rather premature given history of prosecutions in this area and the absence of confirmed evidence.

— Jonathan Turley (@JonathanTurley) [August 9, 2022](#)

Trump supporters have begun **gathering outside Mar-a-Lago**.

?[#BREAKING](#): Trump supporters gather outside Mar-A-Lago protesting the FBI raid

?[#PalmBeach](#) | [#Florida](#)

Right now Multiple trump supporters have started to gather as large crowds grow near Mar-A-Lago Florida after the 45th president Donald trump was raided by FBI this evening
pic.twitter.com/WHgWZFjsfr

— R A W S A L E R T S (@rawsalerts) [August 9, 2022](#)

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Moments ago, Donald Trump – who is still banned by Twitter – published a statement on Truth Social in which he said that his Florida home, Mar A Lago is “**currently under siege, raided, and occupied by a large group of FBI agents**”, an assault which according to Trump “could only take place in broken, Third-World Countries.” He is probably right. He also claims the Fed's presence was unannounced and the reason was politically motivated.



His full statement posted on his Truth Social account is below:

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Local reporters confirmed the raid, saying the FBI executed a search warrant at Mar-a-Lago. “They just left,” although it isn’t clear what the search was about.

Scoop — The Federal Bureau of Investigation [@FBI](#) today executed a search warrant at Mar-a-Lago, two sources confirm to [@Fla_Pol](#).

“They just left,” one source said.

Not sure what the search warrant was about.

TBH, Im not a strong enough reporter to hunt this down, but its real.
pic.twitter.com/hMsGhIVp3d

— Peter Schorsch (@PeterSchorschFL) [August 8, 2022](#)

Social media was predictably full of kneejerk reactions.

BREAKING: The U.S. government is currently raiding an opposition party leader’s home, as seen in tin pot dictatorships.

If this were happening in another country, the State Department would condemn it and fund the opposition. <https://t.co/CKp7P9yRsz>

— Raheem J. Kassam (@RaheemKassam) [August 8, 2022](#)

Trump said the FBI is *raiding* Mar-a-Lago, not *raising* it. ?

— Tim O'Brien (@TimOBrien) [August 8, 2022](#)

This is disgraceful and it happens because Republicans refuse to weaponize their prosecutors as Dems do.

Chris Wray is a Democrat operative. <https://t.co/RK2Ld2AheI>

— John Cardillo (@johncardillo) [August 8, 2022](#)

We live under a morally repugnant Gestapo regime.

Our Founders would puke.

This is NOT America.

— Benny Johnson (@bennyjohnson) [August 8, 2022](#)

So you're saying we're a Banana Republic...??? <https://t.co/iJFdRavEjt>

— Kuppy (@hkuppy) [August 8, 2022](#)

According to the [New York Times](#):

The search, according to two people familiar with the investigation, appeared to be focused on material that Mr. Trump had brought with him to Mar-a-Lago, his private club and residence, after he left the White House. Those boxes contained many pages of classified documents, according to a person familiar with their contents.

Mr. Trump delayed returning 15 boxes of material requested by officials with the National Archives for many months, only doing so when there became a threat of action being taken to retrieve them.

As [Techno Fog notes](#), the politics of the search can't be ignored. If the New York Times is to be believed, Trump's purported crime – the delay of returning materials – could have been resolved in another manner not involving raiding his home and breaking open a personal safe. No doubt the search is an escalation by a desperate Regime confronted by their own failures at home and abroad.

This doesn't necessarily mean there wasn't another reason for the search. Could it have to do with the DOJ's ongoing January 6 probe (although, given the politicization of Biden's DOJ, that is no guarantee)? Maybe not, but it might be too soon to tell. Last week there was reporting that a federal grand jury investigating January 6 had issued subpoenas to the Trump White House Counsel, Pat Cipollone, and his top deputy, Patrick Philbin.

According to the author, it is possible that the roadmap for the DOJ comes from the January 6 Committee, "which has poured out the thin gruel of purported criminal charges against Trump, alleging he and others, including attorney John Eastman, could be charged with":

1. Obstruction of an Official Proceeding (18 USC 1512(c)(2)); and
2. Conspiracy to Defraud the United States (18 USC 371).

Each of these counts, as well as the DOJ's pursuit of Trump and his attorneys and advisors, amounts to the criminalization of politics, or as Technofog puts it, "arguments of law that might fail in the courts are now prosecutable offenses. Attempts to delay a vote count based on novel, and not corrupt, interpretations of the law can put you in prison. Issues surrounding the counting of state results or whether the Vice President can refuse to count electoral votes is a matter to be decided through the civil or political process, not through charges brought by vindictive opponents."

Meanwhile, we are still waiting for an official comment:

No comment yet from either [@TheJusticeDept](#) or [@FBIMiamiFL](#).

— Steve Herman (@W7VOA) [August 8, 2022](#)

by Tyler Durden

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