

THE BG TOP 3

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#1 REP. VELAZQUEZ ANNOUNCES RETIREMENT

Rep. Nydia Velázquez (D-NY) has announced that she will retire at the end of the 119th Congress. She entered Congress in 1993 and has served for 34 years. She has most recently served as the lead Democrat on the House Committee on Small Business. She is the 50th policymaker to announce her retirement.

“ I have decided that this will be my last term in Congress. This was not an easy decision, but I believe that the time is right for me to move on and for a new generation of leaders to step forward. ”

- President Trump

#2 SAUDI CROWN PRINCE VISITS WHITE HOUSE

Crown Prince Mohammed bin Salman (MBS) of Saudi Arabia was welcomed by President Trump to the White House this week. Earlier, the Crown Prince canceled a meeting with a group of Senators, although he did meet with members of the House at an event hosted by the Speaker. The controversial visit included a formal dinner at the White House.

“ We covered a lot of ground with his royal highness at the White House last night... ”

- House Foreign Affairs Chairman Mast (R-FL)

#3 LEGISLATION PASSES TO RELEASE EPSTEIN FILES

After many months of building enough support to force a vote on legislation requiring the release of the Epstein files, President Trump indicated that Republicans should support the bill, and it quickly passed in the House and Senate (soon after the Attorney General named a U.S. Attorney to lead an investigation into those named in the files). The timing of the release is unclear, as is what the final released product will be.

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