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Trump Stole U.S. Military Secrets

FRESNO—Donald Trump has avoided repercussions for his crimes so often that many of us have become numb. When he betrayed and blackmailed Ukraine to manufacture lies against Joe Biden’s family, we got an investigator who believes it is impossible for a U.S. president to commit a crime. When he tried to lead a putsch against the U.S. capital and threaten his own vice president with death, the Republican Party formed ranks behind him. The man once had his own staff workshoping how to fill the Rio Grande with man-eating alligators to devour immigrants, and that story did not even stand out in anyone’s memory among all the other offenses.

So no one could blame you for treating this FBI raid with a side-glance of weary skepticism. But then the warrant was exposed, and we found out they were looking for classified secrets including documents about the U.S. nuclear arsenal. These are items that not only require top security clearance to view but also can only be viewed inside specially designated secured government buildings. Floridian golf resorts are not on that list. These are not something that can be simply declassified, even by a president. A former U.S. president is being investigated for, and by the presence of material evidence seems guilty of, espionage crimes against our country.

When a President Trump first became a possibility, there were a lot of jokes made about that vicious buffoon and the “nuclear football.” However, again it appears satire underestimated Trump’s simpleminded selfish cruelty.

The seriousness of these offenses cannot be understated. The United States executed Julius and Ethel Rosenberg for transferring nuclear secrets to a foreign power. Now, prominent U.S. politicians are calling for an explanation of Jared Kushner’s \$2 billion payout from Saudi Arabia, shortly before his father was found illegally in possession of crates of stolen U.S. secrets.

There is no explanation that minimizes these infractions—no excuse.

Donald Trump and his family must face consequences for the crimes they have committed against this country and its citizens.

We have allowed Congress to atrophy and given more and more power to the executive and legislative branches. If Donald Trump is allowed to escape without suffering any personal loss for his crimes, we have established that the office of the presidency is completely unbound by law. People have gotten so used to talking about Trump as “norm shattering” that the difference between norms and actual laws has gotten lost.

Donald Trump and all his accomplices must face federal criminal prosecution.

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