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1 United States People close to Trump are trading based on national secrets Excerpts edited for brevity and clarity and relationship to Residents Against Wood Smoke Emission Particulates a 501C3 nonprofit organization Substack Letters from an American Heather Cox Richardson March 24 2026 This morning economist Paul Krugman came right out and said it People close to Trump are trading based on national secrets Another word for that he said is treason The evidence for such a claim is the sudden and isolated jump in trading volume in S and P Five Hundred and oil futures about 15 minutes before Trump suddenly announced that the U S and Iran were in negotiations to end the war—an announcement that turned out to be false The oil futures trade alone was worth about five hundred eighty million dollars Exploiting confidential information for financial gain otherwise known as insider trading is illegal But exploiting confidential information about national security for private financial gain is something else again It puts profit making above the safety of Americans The Trump vision of the US is one tied to fossil fuels leading the administration to declare war on renewable energy On Monday it announced it will pay nine hundred twenty eight million dollars in taxpayer money to the large French energy company TotalEnergies to buy back leases it acquired under the Biden administration to build two wind farms one off New York and the other off North Carolina TotalEnergies will then invest that money in US oil and gas projects including one in Texas that will export liquefied natural gas North Carolina governor Josh Stein a Democrat said North Carolina has the offshore wind potential to power millions of homes with renewable American made energy It is ludicrous and wasteful that the Trump Administration is spending nearly one billion dollars in taxpayer money to pay off a company to stop it from investing private dollars to create the clean energy we need There is an especial irony in Trump attacking mail in voting as fraudulent Today Trump voted by mail in the Tuesday elections in Florida In the special legislative elections in Florida today Democrat Emily Gregory flipped the house district in which the Trump Mar a Lago sits The district went for Trump by eleven percent in 2024 Gregory a business owner and a military spouse defeated a Republican who received The Trump Complete and Total Endorsement in January Everyone is feeling that affordability crisis and the last thing that Florida families needed when they are struggling is four dollar gas Psychologist Mary Trump who is the niece of Trump posted The Democrats just flipped a state house seat in the district where Donald committed voter fraud by casting his ballot illegally by mail **2** United States Trump Killed an Effort to Secure Our Technological Future Excerpts edited for brevity and clarity and relationship to Residents Against Wood Smoke Emission Particulates a 501C3 nonprofit organization The New York Times March 24 2026 The Trump administration has quietly killed an effort that would have helped secure the American future in the crucial semiconductor industry Semiconductor chips are what make modern life possible They drive your phone your laptop your television and probably your car Yet most of them are manufactured in Taiwan whose independence is under threat from neighboring China By undermining efforts to produce these chips domestically President Trump is also undermining the security and economic stability for our nation In August Commerce Secretary Howard Lutnick announced that his department would effectively shut down a nonprofit entity called Nat cast set up in the Biden administration The Nat cast job was to distribute billions in research and development funds focused on bolstering domestic chip making The administration has not offered a satisfying explanation for the decision Lutnick claimed the previous administration support for Nat cast violated a federal law that limits the Federal government ability to establish a corporation The Biden administration lawyers had specifically structured the organization to comply with the statute As the Trump administration later acknowledged the Justice Department signed off on the Nat cast formation The likeliest explanation is petty The money that Nat cast was charged with distributing came from the CHIPS and Science Act of 2022 the US Congress ambitious effort to bring back to the United States major pieces of the American economy Trump is known to dislike the CHIPS Act because its passage was one of the biggest accomplishments by Biden This is not the only time Trump has defunded our future For example look at Trump efforts to dismantle research funding for universities The actions against Nat cast carry an extra element of misfortune The CHIPS Act was a

genuine bipartisan accomplishment with a 64 to 33 vote in the Senate. What Nat cast was set to address has been a chronic problem in our technology ecosystem. Take extreme ultraviolet lithography machines which are used to make advanced chips. Much of the foundational research behind these very complicated machines was done in the United States. America did not have an industry willing or able to invest in the work of finding practical applications for early discoveries a process that took years and billions of dollars. Today commercial extreme ultraviolet lithography machines are made by a Dutch company. Coming off the supply shocks of the Covid 19 pandemic lawmakers passed the CHIPS Act to resume making chips in America. The United States once dominated the semiconductor industry but it lost its edge over the past several decades including to China. With Nat cast the Biden administration wanted to create something new and purpose built to create a major center for semiconductor research for the nation. It lasted only about two years and the Trump administration has articulated no plans for a replacement. Instead it has asked individuals and companies to apply for slices of the CHIPS Act research and development funding. This could help some researchers get ideas off the ground but scattershot grants are not going to build the sustained ecosystem of innovation that Nat cast and Congress were hoping to create. The Trump administration has continued carrying out other important elements of the CHIPS Act with new grants and partnerships for major manufacturing plants. That is good. But the United States needs to make sure it can build not only chips of today but also of tomorrow. Meanwhile America continues to lose its technological edge to its economic and geopolitical rivals.

3 Ukraine. Russia launches nearly one thousand drones in one of the largest assaults of the war killing seven and injuring fifty five. Excerpts edited for brevity and clarity and relationship to Residents Against Wood Smoke Emission Particulates a 501C3 nonprofit organization.

Kiev Independent. March 24 2026. Russia launched nearly 1000 attack drones against Ukraine over the 24 hour period between March 23 and March 24 in what appeared to be one of the largest aerial assaults of the full scale war. The barrage included a rare daytime wave on March 24 during which Russia launched more than 550 kamikaze drones across central and western parts of the country. The strikes hit cities and infrastructure across western and central Ukraine killing at least three people and injuring at least 34 according to regional officials. The daytime barrage followed overnight strikes across Ukraine during which at least four people were killed and 21 others injured local officials reported. In Lviv at least 17 people were injured after drones struck civilian areas. Lviv Oblast Governor Maksym Kozytskyi reported. Kyiv Independent journalists on the ground reported hearing air defense activity drones and explosions in Lviv at around 420 p.m. local time. Yarema Semaniv a Lviv resident who was having tea at a cafe about 500 meters from one of the strike sites said the daytime attack felt different from previous Russian strikes on the city. People were running from the Danylo Halytsky monument as if it was a terrorist attack he said. It was the first time I experienced something like that downtown. This is definitely something new. Two districts of the city were hit with fires breaking out in residential buildings in the historic center and the Sykhiv district. An architectural landmark of national significance the Bernardine Monastery complex was damaged in the attack Kozytskyi said. The site lies within the Lviv historic center which is listed as a UNESCO World Heritage site. Fires broke out in buildings within the monastery complex with the extent of the damage still being assessed. Strikes also hit critical infrastructure facilities in the Komarno and Dobrosyn Maheriv communities Kozytskyi added. Ivano Frankivsk another regional capital in western Ukraine was also targeted with Russian drones. Two people were killed in the attack on central Ivano Frankivsk Governor Svitlana Onyshchuk reported. Four others were injured including a 6 year old child and are receiving medical assistance. Authorities also reported damage to maternity hospitals and around 10 residential buildings. Explosions were also reported in Ternopil Vinnytsia Zhytomyr and Khmelnytskyi. A 12 year old girl was injured in a Russian strike on central Zhytomyr and has been hospitalized where she is receiving medical care. Zhytomyr Oblast Governor Vitalii Bunechko said. The attack damaged a two story residential building and shattered windows in nearby structures. In Vinnytsia at least one person was killed and 11 others were injured in the mass attack regional official Nataliia Zabolotna reported. In Khmelnytskyi Oblast a man was injured suffering a concussion and a brain contusion. He was hospitalized and the attack caused power outages in parts of the region with repair crews working to restore electricity. Governor Serhii Tiurin said. Russian strikes hit energy infrastructure facilities and an administrative building in Ternopil Oblast causing power outages regional Governor Taras Pastukh reported. Kyiv and surrounding areas were also under threat as the daytime assault continued. The Ukraine Air Force reported at 11 07 am 11 45 am and 12 36 pm that drones were flying towards Kyiv Oblast and the city of Kyiv from the northern direction. At 12 35 pm an air alert was announced in Kyiv according to the Kyiv City State Administration. By midafternoon the Air Force reported that the attack continues with a large number of Russian drones flying over the Kyiv Chernihiv Sumy Poltava Vinnytsia Cherkasy Kirovohrad Kherson and Dnipropetrovsk oblasts. The aftermath of a Russian drone

attack on the center of Lviv 24 March 2026 The aftermath of a Russian drone attack on the center of Lviv 24 March 2026 The Ukraine Defense Ministry advisor Serhii Flash said that Russia is constantly changing its tactics for massive strikes trying to find vulnerabilities and break through The Ukraine air defenses The current strategy is to launch strikes spread out over time he wrote on Facebook In case you missed the Russian push to ban Telegram will hinder its economy war effort Ukraine believes Tucker Carlson works for Putin amid growing US scrutiny The Kyiv Iranian diaspora living through nightmare of war in both homes 4 Ukraine Finally Got Battlefield Momentum Now Comes a Russian Offensive The Moscow forces are intensifying their attacks in southern Ukraine after Kyiv made rare gains along the front Russia Launches Large Daytime Attack on Ukraine Russia unleashed a wave of drones across Ukraine damaging apartment buildings hospitals and a UNESCO World Heritage site officials said Excerpts edited for brevity and clarity and relationship to Residents Against Wood Smoke Emission Particulates a 501C3 nonprofit organization The New York Times March 25 2026

After years of slowly losing ground Ukrainian forces started the month of March with some rare momentum Mounting a counterattack on the open steppe of the southern Zaporizhzhia region one of the most fluid parts of a largely frozen front line Ukraine in February gained more ground than it lost for the first month since 2023 according to analysts It is difficult to assess territorial gains. Kyiv forces clawed back about 100 square miles of territory during the first two months of the year A small assist came from the Elon Musk unexpected decision in February to block the access of Russian troops to his satellite internet service Starlink That gave Ukrainian forces a brief reprieve from drone assaults and more ease of movement Ukrainian officials applauded what they called a successful operation in Zaporizhzhia President Volodymyr Zelensky said that the Kyiv aim had been to thwart the Russian plans for a new offensive starting in the spring As the Moscow offensive begins to unfold the Kyiv forces are still slowly advancing in places where they had made gains this year But Russian troops are pushing forward in other areas and are looking to retake land they recently lost analysts and the Ukrainian military say They are massing in these places said Lieutenant Colonel Vitaliy Gersak a Ukrainian commander in Zaporizhzhia and want to push us again Russian forces are taking advantage of more favorable weather as the region emerges from a brutal winter and they have intensified assaults over the past week Zelensky said on Sunday Analysts and The Ukraine military have noted an uptick in Russian combat activity in the direction of the town of Huliaipole which was the focus of The Kyiv recent counterattack in the Zaporizhzhia region Zelensky said Russia was also trying to advance in the Kharkiv region of northeastern Ukraine and in the Sumy region near the Russian border And General Syrskiy added on Monday that Ukrainian troops were under colossal pressure including in the eastern Donetsk region as Russia continued to resort to so called meat grinder assaults resulting in heavy losses General Syrskiy and Zelensky have asserted that Russia is suffering sky high numbers of casualties as Ukraine tries to inflict greater losses than Moscow can replace through recruiting Their claims could not be independently verified The Ukraine gains in recent weeks followed a darker period on the battlefield Russian forces were mounting assaults in Donetsk while advancing in the Zaporizhzhia and Dnipropetrovsk regions in the south The Russian advances in Zaporizhzhia came in part because Ukraine which is outnumbered and outgunned by Russia had moved troops from that area to shore up its defenses in the Donetsk region The fate of Donetsk is one of the main sticking points in American mediated peace talks paused in recent weeks as the United States has focused on its war against Iran Eventually Ukraine moved more troops back into Zaporizhzhia and at the end of January it launched its counterattack While the counterattack was successful it was limited in scope Just because for one or two months Russia has slower gains than Ukraine does not necessarily mean there is been a great shift said Emil Kastehelmi a military analyst with the Finland based Black Bird Group As Russian forces open a spring offensive a yearly push that in the past has continued through the summer and into the fall they may make tactical shifts Because drones make it difficult to move on the battlefield Russia has turned to infiltration tactics in which soldiers move in very small groups on foot or sometimes on motorcycles Kastehelmi said that Moscow might look to move away from that approach which left its forces vulnerable With the skies filled by drones Russia and Ukraine have long abandoned large scale mechanized warfare But if either side wants to make significant operational gains Kastehelmi said it will need to somehow find the way to utilize armor again in a successful way A recent Russian mechanized assault near Lyman in eastern Ukraine could indicate an effort to try that tactic again In Zaporizhzhia where the front line is more fluid we are likely to see a set of seesaw battles rather than just the Russian forces trying to advance against an entrenched Ukrainian defense said Michael Kofman a military analyst at the Carnegie Endowment for International Peace The back and forth battles have put the regional capital itself also called Zaporizhzhia in potential danger Small first person view exploding drones which are equipped with cameras and piloted remotely have started to reach the city a sign that Russian forces have moved closer