

Trump weighs broader cabinet shake-up amid war

REUTERS, Washington

US President Donald Trump is considering a broader cabinet shake-up in the wake of Attorney General Pam Bondi's removal this week, as he grows increasingly frustrated with the political fallout from the war with Iran, five people familiar with internal White House discussions said.

Any potential reshuffling could serve as a reset for the White House as it confronts a politically challenging stretch: The five-week-old war has driven up gas prices, dragged down Trump's approval ratings and intensified anxiety about the consequences for Republicans heading into November's midterm elections.

Some allies said his televised speech to the nation on Wednesday - which one senior White House official described as an attempt to project a sense of control and confidence about the direction of the war - fell flat, adding to the sense that changes in messaging or personnel were needed.

"A shake-up to show action is not a bad thing, is it?" another White House official said.

Three White House officials and two other sources with knowledge of administration dynamics spoke to Reuters on condition of anonymity to discuss sensitive personnel matters.

The sources did not consistently describe any single cabinet member as certain to lose their job in the near term. But multiple officials are in some degree of danger, they said.

Several of the sources said Tulsi Gabbard, Trump's director of national intelligence, and Commerce Secretary Howard Lutnick are among those potentially on the chopping block, after Trump ousted Bondi and Homeland Security Secretary Kristi Noem in recent weeks.

Trump has in recent months expressed displeasure with Gabbard, said one senior White House official. Another source with direct knowledge of the matter said Trump had asked allies about their thoughts on potential replacements for his

intelligence chief.

Some high-profile Trump allies, meanwhile, are privately pushing for the removal of Lutnick, a close personal friend of the president who has faced renewed scrutiny in recent months for his relationship with late sex offender Jeffrey Epstein.

New files released earlier in the year revealed that Lutnick had lunch with Epstein on his private island in the Caribbean in 2012. Lutnick has said he "barely had anything to do with" Epstein and that the lunch took place only because he was on a boat near the island.

White House spokesman Davis Ingle said Trump maintained "total confidence" in Gabbard and Lutnick.

"The President has assembled the most talented and impactful Cabinet ever, and they have collectively delivered historic victories on behalf of the American people, from Director Gabbard's role in ending the Maduro narcoterror regime to Secretary Lutnick's role securing major trade and investment deals," Ingle wrote in an email when asked for comment.

A spokesperson for the Office of the Director of National Intelligence pointed Reuters to a Thursday post by the White House on X in which White House communications director Steve Cheung is quoted as saying Trump has "total confidence" in Gabbard.

The Commerce Department did not immediately respond to a request for comment.

Trump could ultimately decide, however, not to make any changes to his administration's senior ranks. Several others close to Trump have said the president is reluctant to overhaul his cabinet too frequently, after recurrent staffing changes during his first term dominated headlines and created the impression of chaos at the White House.

One of the White House officials said to expect a "targeted churn," rather than a "big, dramatic reset."

Still, after his disappointing speech on Wednesday, doing nothing could be just as politically dangerous as making a significant change that, for

better or for worse, would dominate news headlines, one White House official said.

Trump worked with his speechwriting team and top advisers on this week's prime-time address, one official said, after aides had urged him for weeks to speak directly to the nation about the U.S. role in Iran.

During the speech, the president declined to lay out an off-ramp for the war, which began on February 28, leaving the impression that the conflict was open-ended. And instead of offering solutions to voters' economic anxieties, he said the pain would be short-lived and that Tehran was to blame.

"The speech did not accomplish what it was supposed to," the official said, adding that while Trump's core supporters still backed him on the war, they are broadly under economic strain.

"Voters tolerate ideological messaging, but they feel fuel prices immediately," the official said.

Just 36% of Americans approve of Trump's overall job performance, according to the latest Reuters/Ipsos survey, the lowest figure of his current term. The war with Iran is particularly unpopular, with 60% of respondents disapproving of the U.S. Israeli decision to start the conflict.

Two of the White House officials said Trump is extremely frustrated with what he perceives to be unfair media coverage of the war in Iran, and he has made clear to his team he wants more positive news accounts. He has not indicated, however, that he is interested in adjusting his own messaging strategy.

Such pressures notwithstanding, multiple cabinet members have shown remarkable staying power despite drawing negative headlines or consternation from the White House over their actions.

Some outside allies, for instance, have pushed for Lutnick's ouster since April of last year, when he rolled out a set of global tariffs that puzzled allies and experts during "Liberation Day."

Govt starts measles shots drive today

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controlling the spread of infection of the disease and ensuring protection for children at risk.

He added that the campaign will begin in 30 high-risk hotspot areas from 9:00am today and will gradually be expanded nationwide, aiming to be completed by 21 May, ahead of Eid-ul-Azha.

The 30 upazilas are: Barguna Sadar upazila and municipality; Ishwardi, Atgharia, Bera, and Sardar upazila and municipality of Pabna; Mehendiganj and Bakerganj upazilas of Barishal; Haimchar, Sadar upazilas, and municipality of Chandpur; Maheshkhali and Ramu upazilas of Cox's Bazar; Nawabganj upazila of Dhaka; Gazipur Sadar upazila; Jashore Sadar upazila; Nalchity upazila of Jhalakathi; Madaripur Sadar upazila; Louhajang, Sreenagar, and Sadar upazilas of Munshiganj; Trishal, Phulpur, and Sadar upazilas of Mymensingh; Natore Sadar

upazila; Atpara upazila of Netrakona; Porsha upazila of Naogaon; Shibganj, Bholahat, and Sadar upazilas of Chapainawabganj; Godagari upazila of Rajshahi; and Zajira upazila of Shariatpur.

The minister said 82 percent of measles patients are between six months and under five years (up to 59 months and 29 days), and therefore, the decision has been made to vaccinate children in this age group.

All children of this group will be included in the programme, regardless of whether they have been vaccinated before, he said, adding that a Vitamin A capsule will be provided only to children affected by measles.

However, children suffering from fever or other illnesses would not be administered shots now; they will be vaccinated later.

The health minister will inaugurate the campaign in Nawabganj, Dhaka, while Home Minister Salahuddin Ahmed will open the programme in

Cox's Bazar, and State Minister for Health MA Muhit will do so in Pabna.

Talking to this correspondent, Shahriar Sajjad, deputy director of the Expanded Programme on Immunisation (EPI), said 13.23 lakh children of 30 upazilas have been selected for the emergency vaccination.

Responding to a question, he said they have already supplied vaccines and other logistics to the upazilas.

Meanwhile, of the four deaths in the 24 hours till 8:00am yesterday, three were reported from the Dhaka division, and one from Chattogram.

DGHS also reported 787 new suspected cases during the period, raising the total number to 6,476.

Sixteen deaths have so far been confirmed as caused by measles, including two in the last 24 hours, said the health directorate.

It reported nine confirmed measles deaths on Friday, but updated data raised the number to 16.

Open Hormuz in 48 hours or face 'hell'

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HORMUZ STRAIT," Trump wrote on Truth Social, referring to an ultimatum issued on March 26.

"Time is running out - 48 hours before all Hell will reign (sic) down on them."

Tehran said on Friday it had shot down an F-15 warplane, and US media reported United States special forces had rescued one of its two crew members, with the other still missing.

Iran's military also said it downed a US A-10 ground attack aircraft in the Gulf, with US media saying the pilot of that plane was rescued.

The local Mehr news agency yesterday quoted the deputy governor of Kohgiluyeh and Boyer-Ahmad province, Fattah Mohammadi, as saying the search for the missing pilot involved "presence of popular forces and tribesmen alongside military forces and is still ongoing".

He added that "last night, people fired at enemy helicopters with rifles and did not allow them to land".

Images posted on social media and verified by AFPV showed Iranian police firing at a US helicopter in southwestern Iran as US forces searched for the airman.

Iran's military said a "new advanced" air defence system was used to bring down the fighter jet.

Iranians celebrated the downing of the planes. Parliament Speaker Mohammad Ghalibaf said on X that the war had been "downgraded from regime change" to a hunt for pilots.

The incidents highlight the risks still facing US and Israeli aircraft over Iran, despite assertions by Trump and Defence Secretary Pete Hegseth that US forces had full control of the skies.

Meanwhile, US Israeli strikes hit an area near Iran's Bushehr nuclear power plant yesterday, prompting its foreign minister to warn that any radioactive fallout would be felt most acutely by Gulf neighbours.

The strike near the Bushehr plant killed a guard and led Russia, which partly constructed and helps operate the facility, to evacuate 198 workers.

"Remember the Western outrage about hostilities near Zaporizhzhia Nuclear Power Plant in Ukraine? Israel-US have bombed our Bushehr plant four times now. Radioactive fallout will end life in GCC capitals, not Tehran," Araghchi said on X, referring to Gulf Arab states.

Bushehr is considerably closer to Kuwait, Bahrain and Qatar than to the Iranian capital.

Rafael Grossi, head of the International Atomic Energy Agency, said on X that no increase in radiation levels had been reported, but expressed "deep concern", noting it was the fourth such incident in recent weeks.

With Iran's leadership remaining defiant, its foreign minister said in principle that peace talks with the US could take place via mediation from Pakistan, but gave no indication of willingness to accept Trump's demands.

"We are deeply grateful to Pakistan for its efforts and have never refused to go to Islamabad. What we care about are the terms of a conclusive and lasting END to the illegal war imposed on us," Araghchi said on X.

As hostilities continued yesterday, Iranian state media reported air strikes in a petrochemical zone in southwestern Iran, injuring at least

five people.

Iranian media also reported strikes on warehouses storing bottled water in western Iran.

The Israeli military said it carried out "a wave of strikes" on Tehran, targeting air defence sites, ballistic missile silos and research centres.

Iran also fired several rounds of missiles toward Israel, injuring several people in Tel Aviv and surrounding areas. Since midnight, seven waves of Iranian missiles have been launched towards Israel, according to the Israeli military.

Iran has virtually shut the Strait of Hormuz, which normally carries about a fifth of the world's oil and liquefied natural gas. However, the Tasnim news agency reported that Iran had authorised the passage of vessels carrying essential goods to its ports.

Meanwhile, India's Ministry of Petroleum and Natural Gas said domestic refiners continued to secure stable crude oil supplies from the Middle East.

In a statement on X, the ministry said, "Indian refiners have secured their crude oil requirements, including from Iran."

The statement came as another Indian flagged tanker carrying LPG safely passed through the Strait of Hormuz. Public broadcaster All India Radio said it was the "seventh India-bound LPG tanker" to cross the strait since the war began.

Authorities in Dubai said no injuries were reported after debris from aerial interceptions struck the facades of two buildings, including that of US tech company Oracle in Dubai Internet City.

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