



**JOINT STATEMENT CONDEMNING THE ACTIONS OF THE U.S.
DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE AND THE FEDERAL BUREAU OF
INVESTIGATIONS FOR FAILING TO ADHERE TO THE RULE OF LAW**

August 12, 2022

Politicizing federal law enforcement with a mission to target political opponents and a former U.S. President amounts to a total disregard for the Rule of Law.

On August 8, 2022, the Federal Bureau of Investigations (FBI) exercised a warrant to search the private home of the 45th U.S. President, Donald J. Trump for documents. The search was premised upon a dispute between the National Archives and the former president over whether or not certain documents are the property of the former president. The dispute lacks urgency and lacks the necessity required for implementing the use of forced entry, especially when predecessor administrations have historically privately settled similar disputes. This raid constitutes another abuse of power by the Department of Justice which has now reached an intolerable level and constitutes weaponized politicization. These tactics are more characteristic of a “banana republic” rather than our great American Republic.

Jointly, the Undersigned Organized Bodies Demand:

1. That the U.S. House and U.S. Senate immediately investigate this event and the U.S. Attorney General Garland, who has lost the trust of the American People, must be required to testify before Congress and make a public apology for the maneuver, and answer for his abusive tactics;
2. That the U.S. Attorney General Garland be required to explicitly state the basis for probable cause he deemed ample justification to seek a warrant and conduct a raid on the home of the former president and his wife, and to focus the attention of federal agents on the president’s private safe and the former First Lady’s wardrobe;

3. Confirmation whether the current President or his staff, or the Speaker of the House or her staff, or any other member of the Cabinet or their respective personnel, were aware of the plan to raid the former president's residence or the basis for doing so, or if U.S. Attorney General Garland acted independently; and
4. That all department heads and administrators of executive government agencies, and their employees, be required henceforth to refrain from politicized acts, weaponized abuse of their delegated powers, to adhere to a measured standard of response when dealing with the former president Donald J. Trump, and to adhere at all times to fundamental principals of due process of law.

The abuse of government power to persecute a political opponent has no place in the U.S.A.

Signed,

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