



**SHIMP FOR PRESIDENT 2028
DRAFT EXECUTIVE ORDER**

**FEDERAL REVIEW OF PUBLIC STATEMENTS CONCERNING
DEADLY FORCE AND LAW-ENFORCEMENT COMPLIANCE**

**Presidential Day-One Policy Draft
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By the authority vested in me as President by the Constitution and the laws of the United States of America, it is hereby ordered as follows:

Section 1. Purpose.

Public confidence in federal law enforcement depends upon the lawful, proportionate, and constitutionally accountable use of force. Statements by federal officials that may reasonably be understood as suggesting that failure to comply with law-enforcement instructions can result in death warrant careful factual and legal review when connected to federal enforcement activity.

Section 2. Statement Requiring Review.

Representative Troy Nehls of Texas has been publicly recorded stating:

“If you comply, you will not die. That’s it. Just comply. If you comply, you will not die.”

The Attorney General shall direct an appropriate preliminary review to authenticate the complete recording, determine the date, setting, audience, surrounding remarks, and context, and determine whether any related conduct or communications warrant further investigation under federal law. The quoted statement itself shall not be treated as proof that a crime occurred.

Section 3. Scope of Federal Review.

Consistent with applicable law, the review may examine: (a) whether the statement was merely political commentary or was connected to any instruction, agreement, coordination, solicitation, threat, or other conduct involving federal law-enforcement personnel; (b) whether any federal officer or agency interpreted or acted upon such communications; (c) whether evidence exists of an agreement or effort to encourage unlawful use of force, deprivation of constitutional rights, obstruction, or other federal offense; and (d) any other materially related conduct for which an independent factual predicate exists.

Section 4. Constitutional and Institutional Safeguards.

Nothing in this order shall direct a prosecution, predetermine criminal liability, or authorize investigation based solely on protected political speech, party affiliation, policy advocacy, or criticism. The Attorney General and Federal Bureau of Investigation shall respect the First Amendment, the Speech or Debate

Clause, separation of powers, due process, and all other applicable constitutional and statutory protections.

Section 5. Evidence Preservation and Authentication.

The Department of Justice may, through lawful means, preserve and authenticate publicly available recordings, transcripts, official hearing records, social-media publications, and other relevant evidence. Investigative compulsory process may be used only where independently authorized by law and supported by the required factual and legal predicate.

Section 6. Reporting.

Within 30 days of this order, the Attorney General shall provide the President a status report stating whether the Department has authenticated the statement, identified any legally sufficient basis for additional investigative action, referred any matter to another competent authority, or concluded that no further federal action is warranted. Any prosecutorial or investigative decision shall remain with the responsible law-enforcement officials under applicable law.

Section 7. General Provisions.

This order shall be implemented consistent with applicable law and subject to the availability of appropriations. It creates no right or benefit enforceable at law or in equity against the United States, its departments, agencies, officers, employees, agents, or any other person.

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