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First New Naval Shipyard in 80 Years + Drug Prices Hit 60-Year Low + FBI's Secret Sessions Probe Revealed

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WEEKLY BRIEFING

First New Naval Shipyard in 80 Years, Prescription Drug Prices Record 60-Year Low, Apple Opens U.S. Manufacturing Center in Houston, and Federal Cybercrime Powers Expanded

On August 13, President Trump signed a National Security Presidential Memorandum directing the **most significant naval expansion since the Reagan era**. The order establishes the **first new naval shipyard in more than 80 years**, creates a dedicated submarine component repair center, and directs a comprehensive reorganization of Naval Sea Systems Command to address chronic delays and cost overruns. The administration's "Finland model" permits foreign shipbuilders to temporarily construct vessels in their home shipyards while investing in American facilities and training American workers — a rapid-scaling pathway that complements the nearly **\$9 billion already allocated** for arctic security cutters and a sweeping buildup of new submarines, destroyers, and aircraft carriers.

Also on August 13, President Trump signed a proclamation imposing **new tariffs on drones and their components** — 100% on large drones or those equipped with

thermal imaging, and 25% on smaller commercial drones — protecting U.S. national security and accelerating domestic drone manufacturing. The administration simultaneously released “**The Great Transshipment Scam**,” a bombshell report exposing how foreign adversaries, primarily China, have exploited third-country trade routes to disguise the origin of their goods and evade U.S. tariffs — undermining American trade enforcement and domestic industry for years.

Prices continued to fall across the American economy. CPI declined in July, with **prescription drug prices recording their steepest monthly drop in more than 60 years** — powered by TrumpRx, executive actions on drug pricing, and renewed market competition. On August 13, **Apple opened its Advanced Manufacturing Center in Houston**, with Commerce Secretary Howard Lutnick joining CEO Tim Cook for the ribbon cutting — a major milestone in Apple’s commitment to expand its U.S. manufacturing footprint. **Stanley Black & Decker announced a \$1 billion investment** in American manufacturing and skilled trades workforce development, further building out the domestic industrial base.

On August 12, President Trump signed a National Security Presidential Memorandum directing a sweeping federal effort to **combat transnational cyber-enabled crime**. Americans lost **\$20.8 billion to cyber fraud and scams in 2025** alone — 73% of U.S. adults experienced online scams. The NSPM creates a new cyber operations program through the Homeland Security Task Force, establishes private sector partnerships with vetted companies for disruption capabilities, and builds a real-time information-sharing framework across federal, state, and local agencies. The FBI, DOJ, and DHS are authorized to take direct action against foreign-based criminal organizations running ransomware, phishing, fraud, sextortion, and scam networks targeting Americans.

The administration delivered a new wave of **immigration enforcement actions**. The Department of Justice sued New York, Connecticut, and Vermont for offering in-state college tuition to illegal aliens — challenging state policies that reward illegal immigration at the expense of lawful residents. The State Department **revoked more than 175,000 visas** belonging to foreign nationals arrested for fraud, theft, or drunk driving. And federal agents busted a New York City fraud scheme that engineered hundreds of **sham marriages between Americans and Chinese nationals**.

The White House Government Transparency Task Force released two more bombshell document sets. “**March Toll**” reveals that the FBI secretly opened a criminal

investigation into sitting Attorney General Jeff Sessions on the very same day President Trump fired Director James Comey — based on nothing more than a weeks-old letter from Democrat members of Congress and an article from a left-wing website. Sessions had already corrected the disputed Senate testimony, yet the FBI proceeded anyway. **“Round River”** exposes what the administration describes as the mirror-image operation to Crossfire Hurricane: a secret FBI and intelligence community effort to bury and discredit its own informants’ evidence of **Biden family corruption** during the 2020 election — actively suppressing credible leads while simultaneously pursuing years of disproven Russia collusion allegations against President Trump. Both document sets are now publicly available at [whitehouse.gov/election-integrity](https://www.whitehouse.gov/election-integrity).

On August 10, **Todd Blanche was sworn in as the 88th Attorney General of the United States**, bringing new leadership to the Department of Justice. On August 14, President Trump issued Presidential Messages honoring the **anniversary of America’s victory in World War II** and the anniversary of the Social Security Act. President Trump also condemned the **spray-painting of the World War II Memorial** by vandals, calling it an unforgivable insult to American heroes. On August 12, he proclaimed **National Substance Use Primary Prevention Month**. And the FBI reported the results of one year of President Trump’s D.C. crime crackdown: **more than 6,000 arrests** and a **44% drop in the homicide rate**.

60-Yr RECORD DRUG PRICE DROP	44% DC HOMICIDE RATE DROP	6,000+ DC CRIME CRACKDOWN ARRESTS	175K+ VISAS REVOKED FOR CRIMINAL RECORDS
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WEEK IN REVIEW

Largest Naval Expansion Since Reagan: First New Shipyard in Over 80 Years. On August 13, President Trump signed a National Security Presidential Memorandum launching the **most ambitious naval expansion since the Reagan era**. The order directs the establishment of the **first new naval shipyard in more than 80 years** and a new submarine component repair center, while ordering a comprehensive review and reorganization of Naval Sea Systems Command to fix chronic cost and schedule failures across six major programs. The NSPM adopts a “Finland model” that

allows foreign shipbuilders to temporarily build ships in their home yards while investing capital in American facilities and training American workers for future domestic production. This builds on nearly **\$9 billion already committed** for arctic security cutters and a sweeping buildup of new submarines, destroyers, and aircraft carriers — restoring U.S. naval dominance after decades of underfunding.

Drone Tariffs and the Great Transshipment Scam Exposed. President Trump signed a proclamation on August 13 imposing **tariffs on imported drones and their components** to counter national security threats and build American drone manufacturing capacity. Drones over 25 kilograms or equipped with thermal imaging face a **100% tariff**; smaller commercial drones face a **25% tariff**. The Commerce Secretary is authorized to establish an onshoring program for companies that invest in domestic drone production. The same day, the White House released “**The Great Transshipment Scam**” — a detailed report documenting how foreign adversaries, primarily China, have routed goods through third countries to falsely certify their origin and evade U.S. tariffs. The report lays bare a years-long fraud against American trade law that has cost domestic manufacturers billions and hollowed out key supply chains.

Drug Prices Hit 60-Year Low, Apple Opens in Houston, and Stanley Black & Decker Commits \$1 Billion. The July CPI report confirmed that **prescription drug prices recorded their sharpest monthly decline in more than 60 years** — the most dramatic drop since before the Apollo missions — driven by President Trump’s executive actions, the TrumpRx program, and restored market competition. Inflation continued to ease, with gasoline and grocery prices also falling. On August 13, **Apple opened its new Advanced Manufacturing Center in Houston**, with Commerce Secretary Howard Lutnick joining CEO Tim Cook for the opening — a landmark step in Apple’s broader commitment to expand American manufacturing. **Stanley Black & Decker announced a \$1 billion U.S. investment** to strengthen its domestic manufacturing footprint, drive innovation, and expand the skilled trades workforce that builds America’s infrastructure.

Cybercrime Crackdown: \$20.8 Billion Problem Gets Federal Firepower. On August 12, President Trump signed a National Security Presidential Memorandum directing the federal government’s most powerful new tool against online crime. **Americans lost \$20.8 billion to cyber-enabled fraud and scams in 2025** — 73% of U.S. adults experienced online scams, and one in seven young sextortion victims

reported self-harm. The NSPM creates a new cyber operations program under the Homeland Security Task Force's National Coordination Center, authorizes partnerships with vetted private sector companies to disrupt criminal networks, and establishes an information-sharing framework across federal, state, local, and tribal agencies. The FBI, DOJ, and DHS are now empowered to conduct targeted cyber operations against the foreign-based criminal organizations running these attacks — ransomware, phishing, fraud, sextortion, and mass scam campaigns — while maintaining full constitutional oversight.

DOJ Sues Three States; 175,000+ Visas Revoked; New Election

Integrity Documents Released. The Department of Justice filed suit against **New York, Connecticut, and Vermont** for offering in-state tuition to illegal aliens — state policies that reward illegal immigration at the direct expense of lawful residents and American taxpayers. The State Department **revoked more than 175,000 visas** belonging to foreign nationals who had been arrested for fraud, theft, or drunk driving. Federal agents dismantled a **New York City sham marriage fraud scheme** that provided hundreds of Chinese nationals with fraudulent immigration status. And the White House published two new election integrity document releases: **“March Toll”** reveals the FBI secretly opened a criminal probe into AG Sessions on the very day President Trump fired Director Comey, based solely on a weeks-old Democratic letter and a liberal news article; **“Round River”** exposes a secret FBI operation that buried evidence of Biden family corruption during the 2020 election. Both join the Maricopa County Data Breach, Oxford Comma, and other previously classified materials now available at whitehouse.gov/election-integrity.

New AG Sworn In, DC Homicides Down 44%, WWII Anniversary, and

Vandals Hit the Memorial. On August 10, **Todd Blanche** was sworn in as the **88th Attorney General of the United States**, bringing new leadership to the Department of Justice as the administration advances its law enforcement agenda. The FBI announced that one year into President Trump's Washington, D.C. crime crackdown, the results are undeniable: **more than 6,000 arrests** and a **44% drop in the homicide rate**. On August 14, President Trump issued Presidential Messages honoring the **anniversary of America's victory in World War II** and the **anniversary of the Social Security Act**. On August 12, he proclaimed **National Substance Use Primary Prevention Month**. And the President condemned the spray-painting of the **World War**

II Memorial by vandals — calling it an unforgivable insult to the Americans who gave their lives for freedom and vowing law enforcement is on their trail.

FROM THE WHITE HOUSE

 FACT SHEET: PRESIDENT TRUMP REBUILDS THE U.S. NAVY AND AMERICA'S SHIPBUILDING INDUSTRIAL BASE

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 THE GREAT TRANSSHIPMENT SCAM

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 FACT SHEET: PRESIDENT TRUMP EXPANDS CAPABILITIES TO COMBAT TRANSNATIONAL CYBER-ENABLED CRIME

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 NATIONAL SUBSTANCE USE PRIMARY PREVENTION MONTH, 2026

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 PRESIDENTIAL MESSAGE ON THE ANNIVERSARY OF WINNING WORLD WAR II

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 PRESIDENTIAL MESSAGE ON THE ANNIVERSARY OF THE SOCIAL SECURITY ACT

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 ELECTION INTEGRITY DOCUMENT RELEASES: “MARCH TOLL” AND “ROUND RIVER”

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THE TRUMP EFFECT

Major Investment Announcements

WEEK OF AUGUST 10-16, 2026

Bank of America	\$250B
Bristol Myers Squibb	\$2.3B
Steris	\$600M
BeOne Medicines	\$300M
Stanley Black & Decker	\$1B
Facebook	\$1B
Park Aerospace	\$65M
Electrical Power Products	\$42M
Geater Machining and Manufacturing	\$16M
Webster City Custom Meats	\$2.5M
S&J Tube	\$2.4M

THIS WEEK'S NEW INVESTMENTS	\$255.3B
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Total U.S. & Foreign Investments Since Day One	\$11 Trillion
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FBI Touts 6,000 Arrests, 44% Homicide Drop One Year Into Trump's DC Crime

Crackdown

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Apple's Tim Cook Joined by Howard Lutnick in Opening Houston Manufacturing Plant

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Trump's DOJ Sues New York, Connecticut, Vermont for Giving In-State Tuition to Illegal Aliens

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State Department Revokes Over 175,000 Visas of Foreigners Arrested for Fraud, Theft, Drunk Driving

PHOTO OF THE WEEK



ATTORNEY GENERAL SWORN IN — AUGUST 10, 2026

Todd Blanche Sworn In as the 88th United States Attorney General

Todd Blanche was sworn in on August 10, 2026 as the 88th Attorney General of the United States, bringing new leadership to the Department of Justice as the administration continues its historic law enforcement agenda.

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NUMBER OF THE WEEK

60-Yr

Prescription drug prices recorded their **sharpest monthly decline in more than 60 years** in July — the most dramatic drop since before the Apollo missions — driven by President Trump’s executive actions on drug pricing, the TrumpRx program, and the return of real competition to America’s pharmaceutical industry.

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“Our beautiful World War II Memorial was just hit by Spray Painting Vandals. THERE CAN BE NO GREATER INSULT TO THOSE AMERICAN HEROES WHO DIED IN WORLD WAR II. First the Reflecting Pool, now this. We are on their trail! Where do these animals come from??? President DJT”

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THIS WEEK’S POLL

Prescription drug prices just recorded their biggest

drop in more than 60 years. Which medication still needs to come down more?

- ☐ Insulin and diabetes medication
- ☐ Mental health prescriptions
- ☐ Heart and blood pressure medication
- ☐ Cancer and specialty drugs
- ☐ Other

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