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THE CONVERGENCE REPORT: 2026 DAY-AT-A-GLANCE

The United States faces a precarious convergence of systemic climate instability, intensifying immigration enforcement controversies, and a historic Spanish-language shift in the global cultural landscape. July 16, 2026.



DAY-AT-A-GLANCE SUMMARY

Nation strained by simultaneous domestic & environmental crises. Trump administration re-escalates immigration enforcement (ICE pursuits) despite fatalities. Pushes "maximum readiness" military changes. Historic flooding in Texas, extreme heat in California, massive Canadian wildfires smoke, and anti-state Cyclospora outbreak. First all-Spanish World Cup final in NJ causes economic activity and geopolitical friction.



WIDESPREAD ENVIRONMENTAL FAILURE

Texas Disaster Declarations: 59 counties, historic flooding, tornadoes in San Antonio, California Heatwave & Power Shutoffs: Marin, Alameda, Contra Costa mitigate wildfire risks. Canadian Wildfires: 41 million acres burned, toxic smoke compromises air quality in Midwest & Northeast.



CULTURAL & GEOPOLITICAL SHIFT

World Cup Final: Argentina vs. Spain in NJ, first all Spanish final. Economic Impact: \$12 billion in U.S. productivity losses projected. Geopolitical Friction: Argentine pro-Malvinas banners cause diplomatic rift. Blend of populist fervor and nationalistic tension.

AGGRESSIVE ENFORCEMENT & MILITARIZATION



RE-ESCALATION OF IMMIGRATION ENFORCEMENT

- President Trump revokes suspension of ICE traffic stops and pursuits. Reversal follows three migrant deaths in one week (Florida, Maine, Texas).
- FBI investigates claims of methamphetamine in deceased migrant's vehicle (Houston); activists deny narrative-shaping to justify lethal force.



KEY GOVERNANCE TOPICS

Armed Conflict & Militarization: DoD shifting to bio-enhanced readiness, mandatory testosterone testing for older troops to "optimize performance," sparking ethics debates.



CIVIL UNREST & SOCIAL ORDER

Vigils/protests in Pasadena & Florida against ICE's "lethal machinery of deportation."

Local friction in Fresno over police surveillance cameras highlights divide between "security-first" governance and privacy advocacy.



INTERNAL DYNAMICS

Institutional Decay & Factional Polarization: "Law of the gun" vs. "due process" debate. Maine shooting of non-target immigrant fuels claims of agents acting outside law. Public sentiment shifting, 50% favor radical policy changes.

SYSTEMIC CRISES & INFRASTRUCTURE FAILURE



ENVIRONMENTAL & PUBLIC HEALTH THREATS

- Climate & Extreme Weather: Texas enduring historic precipitation (up to 30 inches), exceeding previous fatal floods. "Heat Island" effect in Fresno strains cooling ability.
- Global Health & Biosecurity: CDC reports massive Cyclospora parasite outbreak (7,000 cases) in 34 states, linked to fresh produce (lettuce, strawberries), vulnerabilities in supply chain.



ECONOMIC ENVIRONMENT

Economic Outlook: Tension between mass-market entertainment & infrastructure fragility. Productivity Losses: \$12 billion U.S. due to World Cup viewing.

Energy Costs: Preventive blackouts in Marin/Alameda counties.

Supply Chain Risk: Cyclospora outbreak targets fresh produce, leads to avoidance of bagged products.

Labor Market: 200,000 Salvadorans with TPS face July 22 deadline for work authorization, risking "massive layoffs".



LEGAL WARFARE & REGULATORY RISK

Sunshine Protection Act: House passes permanent Daylight Saving Time. San Francisco approves "Amsterdam-style" marijuana cafes, decentralized drug regulation despite federal hurdles.

GEOPOLITICAL TENSIONS & CULTURAL SHIFTS



GEOPOLITICAL ALIGNMENT & GLOBAL POSTURE

- President Trump hosts Salvadoran President Nayib Bukele to solidify regional migration & narcotics cooperation.
- Mexican President Claudia Sheinbaum rejects DEA allegations of collusion with drug cartels.
- Secretary of State Marco Rubio discusses "resurgence of far-left political terrorism" with 60 nations.



DEEP DIVE: TRENDS & THEMES

Hardening of the Enforcement State: Administrative efficiency and "effective tools" prioritized over oversight.

Normalization of Biological & Environmental Warfare Postures: "Biopolitical" turn in military; environmental "externalities" require permanent state of emergency.

Sports as Geopolitical Arena: World Cup as proxy for historical conflicts, weaponized for national identity.



LEADERSHIP CHANGES & EXTERNAL DYNAMICS

Strategic Personnel Moves: Trump re-shapes DHS/ICE. Bukele as "principal ally" trading migration control for diplomacy. Rubio leads ideological diplomacy. Sheinbaum faces defensive pressure.

External Dynamics: Projecting "Fortress North America," forging transactional alliances, retreating from multilateral environmental cooperation.

FUTURE OUTLOOK, RISKS & STRATEGIC FORESIGHT

SHORT TERM (1-4 Weeks)

- Expect civil unrest & mass protests in immigrant-heavy hubs following funeral and hardline turn.
- July 22 TPS deadline triggers immediate labor shortages if not extended.

MEDIUM TERM (1-6 Months)

- Passage of Sunshine Protection Act and expansion of police surveillance drive significant regulatory shift toward centralized citizen movement & time-management.

LONG TERM (1-5 Years)

- Biological optimization of military and normalization of "transborder disasters" indicate future U.S. state as "manager of emergencies and biological assets" with civil liberties taking a back seat.

RISK ASSESSMENT & RECOMMENDATIONS



SOCIAL INSTABILITY: High Likelihood (Enforcement Fatigue, Targeted Riots, Loss of Mandate)

Recommendation: Standardize body-camera mandates.



REGIONAL INFRASTRUCTURE COLLAPSE: Medium Likelihood (Sustained Heatwaves, Mass Casualties, Economic Standstill)

Recommendation: Decentralized solar/battery microgrids.



FOOD SUPPLY CHAIN CONTAMINATION: High Likelihood (Cyclospora Outbreak, Recalls, "Produce Deserts")

Recommendation: Pivot to whole-product/hydroponic sources, transition to indoor farming.



MASS LABOR DISPLACEMENT: Medium Likelihood (TPS Expiration, "Massive Layoffs", Business Closures)

Recommendation: Fast-track work permit extensions.



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THE PRECARIOUS FUTURE.

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THE UNITED STATES FACES A
PRECARIOUS CONVERGENCE OF
SYSTEMIC CLIMATE INSTABILITY,
INTENSIFYING IMMIGRATION
ENFORCEMENT CONTROVERSIES,
AND A HISTORIC SPANISH-
LANGUAGE SHIFT IN THE GLOBAL
CULTURAL LANDSCAPE.

DAY-AT-A-GLANCE

The reporting of July 16, 2026, depicts a nation strained by simultaneous domestic and environmental crises. The Trump administration has aggressively reasserted its immigration enforcement agenda, [reversing a brief suspension](#) of ICE traffic stops and vehicle pursuits despite a cluster of recent fatalities involving migrants. This "law and order" posture is being projected both domestically and through high-level diplomacy, exemplified by the [Oval Office meeting](#) between President Trump and Salvadoran President Nayib Bukele, a key regional ally. Simultaneously, the administration is pushing for structural changes in the military, including a controversial [testosterone monitoring](#)

[program](#) for troops over age 30, signaling a move toward a "maximum readiness" posture.

Environmentally, the North American continent is in a state of advanced distress. Historic flooding in Texas has triggered [disaster declarations in 59 counties](#), while the Central Valley of California endures a life-threatening heatwave with temperatures exceeding 100 degrees. These localized disasters are exacerbated by a macro-level environmental failure: massive Canadian wildfires have [burned 41 million acres](#), sending a plume of toxic smoke across the Midwest and Northeast U.S. that has compromised air quality for millions. This "permacrisis" environment is further stressed by a significant public health threat, as a multi-state [Cyclospora outbreak](#) has sickened thousands across 34 states, potentially linked to the fresh produce supply chain.

Culturally, the nation is pivoting toward a historic moment in sports as Argentina and Spain prepare for the [first-ever all-Spanish-language World Cup final](#) to be held in New Jersey. The tournament has become a focal point of both immense economic activity—projected to cause [\\$12 billion in U.S. productivity losses](#)—and sharp geopolitical friction, evidenced by the diplomatic rift over Argentine players displaying [pro-Malvinas banners](#) on the pitch. This blend of populist fervor and nationalistic tension underscores the complex societal health of the broadcasting nation.

MAJOR DEVELOPMENTS

Aggressive Re-escalation of Immigration Enforcement

- President Trump revoked a DHS order suspending ICE traffic stops and pursuits, calling them [essential tools for fighting crime](#).
- The reversal comes after [three migrant deaths](#) occurred in a single week during enforcement operations in Florida, Maine, and Texas.
- The FBI is investigating claims of [methamphetamine possession](#) in the vehicle of a deceased migrant in Houston, a move activists decry as narrative-shaping to justify lethal force.

Widespread Environmental and Infrastructure Failure

- Texas Governor Greg Abbott declared disasters in nearly 60 counties due to [catastrophic flooding and tornadoes](#) in San Antonio.
- PG&E implemented [preventative power shutoffs](#) in California's Marin, Alameda, and Contra Costa counties to mitigate wildfire risks during high winds and extreme heat.
- Canadian wildfires have burned an area [equivalent to South Dakota](#), triggering air quality alerts in New York and Boston.

Geopolitical Alignment and Regional Security

- President Trump hosted Salvadoran President [Nayib Bukele](#) to solidify regional migration and narcotics cooperation.

- The Pentagon announced mandatory [testosterone testing](#) for older soldiers to "optimize performance," sparking debates on military ethics.
- Mexican President Claudia Sheinbaum [rejected DEA allegations](#) of government collusion with drug cartels, creating diplomatic friction over security cooperation.

KEY GOVERNANCE TOPICS

Armed Conflict & Militarization

- The Department of Defense is shifting toward a bio-enhanced readiness model, proposing [hormone replacement therapy](#) for troops over 30 to maintain a competitive edge.

Civil Unrest & Social Order

- Activists in Pasadena and Florida have [launched vigils and protests](#) against ICE, citing a "lethal machinery of deportation" following recent deaths.
- Local friction in Fresno over [police surveillance cameras](#) highlights a growing divide between "security-first" governance and privacy advocacy.

Climate & Extreme Weather

- Texas is enduring [historic precipitation](#), with some areas receiving up to 30 inches of rain, exceeding levels seen in the previous year's fatal floods.
- The "Heat Island" effect in Fresno is [keeping nighttime temperatures](#) in the 90s, straining low-income residents' ability to pay for cooling.

Geopolitical Competition & Bloc Politics

- Secretary of State Marco Rubio met with [diplomats from 60 nations](#) to discuss the "resurgence of far-left political terrorism," indicating a hardening of ideological blocs.

Global Health & Biosecurity

- The CDC reports a [massive Cyclospora parasite outbreak](#), with 7,000 potential cases, emphasizing vulnerabilities in the fresh produce supply chain.

Legal Warfare & Regulatory Risk

- The U.S. House of Representatives passed the [Sunshine Protection Act](#) to make Daylight Saving Time permanent, citing benefits to commerce and road safety.
- San Francisco's Board of Supervisors [approved "Amsterdam-style" marijuana cafes](#), signaling a move toward decentralized drug regulation despite federal hurdles.

DEEP DIVE: TRENDS AND THEMES

The Hardening of the Enforcement State

A distinct trend is emerging where administrative efficiency and "effective tools" are prioritized over judicial or humanitarian oversight. The [re-authorization of ICE traffic stops](#) within 24 hours of their suspension suggests a leadership that views enforcement as an existential struggle rather than a regulated policy. This is mirrored in the [California Supreme Court's review](#) of undercover agents in jails, suggesting that institutionalized deception has reached a tipping point that requires high-court intervention.

Normalization of Biological and Environmental Warfare Postures

The move to [measure testosterone](#) in the military suggests a "biopolitical" turn in statecraft, where the individual soldier's biology is seen as a strategic asset to be optimized by the state. Simultaneously, the state's inability to manage the [transnational smoke crisis](#) from Canada reflects a world where environmental "externalities" are no longer manageable through traditional border-based governance, but instead require a permanent state of emergency posture.

Sports as the New Arena for Geopolitical Grievances

The 2026 World Cup has transcended athletics to become a proxy for historical conflicts. The [Argentina-England rivalry](#), stoked by pro-Malvinas rhetoric, indicates that international sporting events are being weaponized to consolidate national identity and distract from internal economic or political stressors.

INTERNAL DYNAMICS & DOMESTIC INSTABILITY

Institutional Decay and Factional Polarization

- The ["law of the gun" vs. "due process"](#) debate is intensifying. In Maine, the shooting of a Colombian immigrant who was not the target of an ICE operation has fueled claims that agents are acting outside the framework of the law.

- Public sentiment regarding immigration is shifting; polling [shows 50% of Americans](#) may now favor radical policy shifts once considered fringe, such as the total abolition of specific enforcement agencies, while others demand even harsher measures.

Elite Infighting over Security Narratives

- A significant "meta-battle" is occurring between the [FBI and local activists](#) regarding the characterization of deceased migrants, with federal agencies pushing drug-link narratives to pre-emptively defend officers' use of force.

EXTERNAL DYNAMICS & GLOBAL POSTURE

Projecting a Fortress North America

The U.S. is framing the external world as a source of "threat matrices," ranging from [cartel-linked governments in Mexico](#) to "far-left terrorism" abroad. The administration is reacting by forging transactional alliances with strongmen like [Bukele](#) while retreating from multilateral environmental cooperation, even as Canadian smoke [blankets U.S. cities](#). This suggests a strategic posture of "armed isolationism"—where the U.S. engages selectively to secure its immediate borders and energy interests while disregarding broader global stability.

THE ECONOMIC ENVIRONMENT

The economic outlook is characterized by the tension between mass-market entertainment and infrastructure fragility. While the World Cup generates massive ticket revenue—with [resale prices exceeding \\$40,000](#)—it also acts as a drag on general productivity.

Infrastructure risks are pricing in high costs for the energy sector as heatwaves necessitate [preventative shutdowns](#) and strain the grid.

- **Productivity Losses:** Estimated at [\\$17 billion globally](#) and \$12 billion in the U.S. due to World Cup viewing.
- **Energy Costs:** Preventive blackouts in Marin/Alameda counties to avoid [fire liability](#) during high winds.
- **Supply Chain Risk:** The [Cyclospora outbreak](#) has targeted fresh produce, specifically lettuce and strawberries, leading to recommendations to avoid bagged products.
- **Labor Market:** 200,000 Salvadorans with TPS [face a July 22 deadline](#) for work authorization, risking "massive layoffs" and business closures.

LEADERSHIP CHANGES

Strategic personnel moves indicate a consolidation of hardline loyalists within the executive branch and a shift in regional power dynamics.

- **President Donald Trump:** Actively reshaping DHS and ICE priorities, [reversing the agency's own suspension](#) of dangerous pursuit tactics to re-establish "law and order" dominance.
- **Nayib Bukele (El Salvador):** Solidified as a ["principal ally"](#) in the region, trading migration control for political legitimacy in Washington.
- **Marco Rubio:** Taking a lead role in [ideological diplomacy](#), hosting summits to categorize foreign political movements as terrorist threats.

- **Claudia Sheinbaum (Mexico):** Facing [defensive pressure](#) from the DEA; her survival depends on balancing domestic sovereignty with U.S. security demands.

EDITORIAL POSTURE & STORY HIERARCHY

The network's lead stories for the day focus heavily on the [World Cup](#) and local tragedy, serving as a distraction from deeper structural failures. While immigration deaths are covered, they are often [counterbalanced with law enforcement claims](#) of drug involvement, creating a "both-sides" narrative for lethal force. "Buried" stories include the long-term health implications of the [Cyclospora outbreak](#) and the economic catastrophe facing TPS holders, which are given less urgency than the World Cup final results. Conspicuous by its absence is any deep analysis of why Canadian wildfires have become [historically unmanageable](#), focusing instead on the smoke as a localized inconvenience.

GEOPOLITICAL FRAMING

The subtext of the day's reporting suggests a world bifurcating into "competent strongmen" and "chaotic neighboring states."

COUNTRIES

- **Argentina:** Portrayed as resilient, emotionally charged, and [geopolitically defiant](#) (Malvinas issue), but ultimately a "principled victor" in the cultural sphere.
- **Mexico:** Framed as a [chaotic and compromised actor](#), with its president forced to deny "lethal connections" to cartels.

- **El Salvador:** Portrayed as an [efficient, orderly partner](#) whose "security results" are praised by the U.S. executive.

LEADERS

- **Donald Trump:** Implicitly framed as [strong and decisive](#), prioritizing enforcement "tools" over administrative hesitation or migrant safety.
- **Nayib Bukele:** Framed as [competent and stable](#), a model for the "security-first" alignment the U.S. now favors.

INFORMATION WARFARE ENVIRONMENT

Active narrative seeding is visible in the [FBI's quick release of "white substance"](#) details in the vehicle of a migrant killed by agents. This is a classic "pre-emptive narrative" designed to delegitimize the victim before an investigation into the use of force can gain public traction. Furthermore, the framing of the World Cup as a [nationalist struggle](#) (Argentina vs. UK) serves a clear psychological function: it provides a socially acceptable outlet for populist grievances during a time of extreme economic and environmental stress.

HYPOTHESES AND FUTURE OUTLOOK

- **Immigration Escalation:** The reversal of the ICE pursuit ban suggests that [lethal enforcement incidents](#) will likely increase in the coming months as agents feel emboldened by executive backing.

- **Infrastructure Stress:** The [preventative blackouts](#) in California are likely to become a permanent feature of summer life, leading to a "utility-driven recession" in affected counties.
- **Political Realignment:** The [Marco Rubio meeting](#) suggests the U.S. is preparing to designate more foreign political movements as terrorist organizations to justify aggressive interventionism.

STRATEGIC FORESIGHT

Short Term (1-4 Weeks): Expect civil unrest and [mass protests](#) in immigrant-heavy hubs (Florida, Houston, Maine) following the funeral of Lorenzo Salgado and the Trump administration's hardline turn. The July 22 [TPS deadline](#) will trigger immediate labor shortages if not extended.

Medium Term (1-6 Months): The passage of the [Sunshine Protection Act](#) and the expansion of [police surveillance](#) (Fresno model) will drive a significant regulatory shift toward centralizing citizen movement and time-management under state control.

Long Term (1-5 Years): The [biological optimization](#) of the military and the normalization of "transborder disasters" (Canadian smoke) indicate a future where the U.S. state is primarily a "manager of emergencies and biological assets," with traditional civil liberties taking a back seat to survival and readiness.

RISK ASSESSMENT

- **Social Instability from Enforcement Fatigue:** Rapidly deteriorating trust in federal agencies due to lethal pursuits. Triggers: A high-profile pursuit death caught on video. Likelihood: High. Impact: Targeted riots and loss of government mandate in urban zones. Mitigations: Independent oversight and body-cam mandates ([currently lacking](#)).
- **Regional Infrastructure Collapse:** Sustained heatwaves in California ([Fresno heat island](#)) coupled with preventative blackouts. Triggers: Temperatures sustained over 110 degrees. Likelihood: Medium. Impact: Mass heat-stroke casualties and economic standstill. Mitigations: Decentralized solar/battery microgrids.
- **Food Supply Chain Contamination:** The Cyclospora outbreak ([7,000 cases](#)) indicates a systemic failure in produce sanitation. Triggers: Link found to a major national distributor. Likelihood: High. Impact: Wide-scale food recalls and "produce deserts." Mitigations: Transition to indoor vertical farming.
- **Geopolitical Sporting Flashpoint:** Escalation of the [Argentina-UK rift](#) into formal diplomatic sanctions. Triggers: Disciplinary action by FIFA against Argentine players. Likelihood: Low. Impact: Disruption of South Atlantic trade. Mitigations: Direct diplomatic mediation.
- **Mass Labor Displacement:** Expiration of TPS ([200,000 workers](#)). Triggers: Rejection of legal extension. Likelihood: Medium. Impact: "Massive layoffs" and collapse of service-sector businesses. Mitigations: Legislative amnesty or state-level work permits.

GAPS & BLIND SPOTS

- The transcripts do not analyze the [underlying cause](#) of the record Canadian wildfires, treating them as a discrete event rather than a systemic climate shift.
- There is no mention of [federal body-cam funding](#) actually being utilized, despite officials blaming "government shutdowns" for delays.
- The reporting fails to verify the [testosterone policy's](#) long-term health risks for soldiers, focusing only on the "performance" benefits.
- Missing is any perspective from the [marijuana industry](#) on how SF's cafes will survive federal banking restrictions.

CONTRARIAN NARRATIVE SCENARIOS

The Enforcement Reversal as Defensive Theatrics: The Trump administration's [sudden resumption of pursuits](#) may not be a sign of strength, but a desperate move to maintain morale within a DHS hierarchy that is facing massive internal dissent and legal challenges from sanctuary states.

The World Cup as an Economic Euthanasia: The [\\$17 billion productivity loss](#) might be a conservative estimate; the tournament could actually be serving as a "managed cooling" of a hyper-inflated economy, using mass distraction to hide a looming currency devaluation.

Black Swan Event: A [catastrophic river breach](#) in Texas following the 30-inch rain event, leading to the collapse of a major dam and the displacement of over 500,000 people, permanently altering U.S. internal migration patterns.

RECOMMENDATIONS & IMPLICATIONS

For Statecraft/Public Sector:

- **Security:** Standardize body-camera mandates across all [federal enforcement task forces](#) to mitigate civil unrest risks.
- **Economic:** Fast-track work permit extensions for [TPS holders](#) to prevent a self-inflicted labor shock.
- **Diplomatic:** Establish a "Smoke Management Protocol" with Canada to coordinate [transnational wildfire suppression](#) as a matter of national security.

For Private Sector/Investors:

- **Supply Chains:** Pivot away from bagging fresh produce ([Cyclospora risk](#)) toward whole-product and hydroponic sources.
- **Regulatory:** Prepare for a permanent [Daylight Saving Time](#) environment, optimizing logistics for afternoon/evening light.
- **Capital Allocation:** Diversify away from [wildfire-prone California counties](#) where "preventative blackouts" create unacceptable operational downtime.

LEGISLATIVE ROUNDUP

Legislative activity this week has focused on standardizing commerce and managing local drug and surveillance issues. The House has moved toward a [federal time standard](#), while local supervisors are challenging [federal narcotics norms](#).

BILLS DISCUSSED/DEBATED:

- **Sunshine Protection Act:** Passed the House ([308-117 vote](#)) to make Daylight Saving Time permanent, aiming to reduce road accidents and boost commerce.
- **SF Marijuana Cafe Ordinance:** Approved by SF Board of Supervisors ([7-4 vote](#)) to allow food/music in cannabis dispensaries.

HEARINGS & PRESS EVENTS:

- **Plaza César Chávez Redesignation:** Public comment period [open until July 27](#) in San Jose regarding potential name changes.
- **Trump-Bukele Oval Office Meeting:** Focused on [regional migration and security](#) cooperation.

KEY STORIES

- **World Cup Final Set:** Argentina defeats England 2-1 in a [tense comeback](#); will face Spain in New Jersey.
- **ICE Pursuit Reversal:** President Trump orders [resumption of traffic stops](#) despite recent deaths in multiple states.
- **Texas Disaster Declaration:** [59 counties](#) under emergency due to historic flooding and tornadoes.
- **Canadian Wildfire Smoke:** [41 million acres](#) burned, triggering air quality alerts in New York and Boston.
- **Cyclospora Outbreak:** Over [7,000 cases](#) across 34 states linked to fresh produce.
- **Testosterone Testing:** Pentagon to implement [annual hormone checks](#) for older soldiers to "optimize performance."
- **SF Boat Tragedy:** Search for [3 missing persons](#) suspended after boat "Volare" sinks near Alcatraz.

- **Redwood City Hit-and-Run:** [Arturo Romero](#), a non-profit director and rescue volunteer, killed; suspect arrested.
- **Oakland Garbage Truck Fatality:** A [45-year-old man](#) crushed to death while crossing the street.
- **Fresno Apartment Fire:** One dead and [15 displaced](#) in downtown Fresno blaze.
- **California Heatwave:** Temperatures [exceeding 100 degrees](#) in the Central Valley; preventative blackouts in Marin.
- **TPS Deadline Looming:** [200,000 Salvadorans](#) face loss of work permits on July 22.
- **Sheinbaum vs. DEA:** Mexico's president [rejects collusion claims](#), citing sovereign security efforts.

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