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DRIVING THE DAY

BULLETIN FROM BLOOMBERG'S JEN JACOBS at 9:55 a.m.: "McFarland to Exit White House as McMaster Consolidates Power": "K. T. McFarland has been asked to step down as deputy National Security Advisor to President Donald Trump after less than three months and will become U.S. ambassador to Singapore, according to a person familiar with White House personnel moves. The departure of the 65-year-old former Fox News commentator comes as Trump's second National Security Advisor, Lt General H.R. McMaster, puts his own stamp on the National Security Council after taking over in February following the firing of Michael Flynn."

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A QUESTION FOR TEAM TRUMP: What does the United States want to happen to Syrian President Bashar Assad? So far, they don't have one answer. This could be a problem for President Trump and his advisers, as questions about the future of Syria will only intensify from here. Check out the variety of thoughts, as displayed on the Sunday shows.