

outside the United States to represent her adopted country. On the agenda for daylong stop Saturday in Toronto: a first-time meeting with Britain's Prince Harry, founder of the Invictus Games; a meeting with Canadian Prime Minister Justin Trudeau; remarks at a reception for the nearly 100 American athletes participating in the weeklong Olympic-style competition; and attending the opening ceremony."

<http://bit.ly/2xZyNqT>

**PALACE INTRIGUE -- "Aides warned Trump not to attack North Korea's leader personally before his fiery U.N. address,"** by LATimes' Brian Bennett: "Senior aides to President Trump repeatedly warned him not to deliver a personal attack on North Korea's leader at the United Nations this week, saying insulting the young despot in such a prominent venue could irreparably escalate tensions and shut off any chance for negotiations to defuse the nuclear crisis. Trump's derisive description of Kim Jong Un as 'Rocket Man' on 'a suicide mission' and his threat to 'totally destroy' North Korea were not in a speech draft that several senior officials reviewed and vetted Monday, the day before Trump gave his first address to the U.N. General Assembly, two U.S. officials said.

**"Some of Trump's top aides,** including national security advisor H.R. McMaster, had argued for months against making the attacks on North Korea's leader personal, warning it could backfire. But Trump, who relishes belittling his rivals and enemies with crude nicknames, felt compelled to make a dramatic splash in the global forum."

<http://lat.ms/2vxdGJk>

**-- "Enforcer or 'choke point'? Kelly seeks to bring order to chaotic White House,"** by WaPo's Ashley Parker and Phil Rucker: "White House Chief of Staff John F. Kelly has a new evening routine: He periodically strolls the perimeter of the White House grounds late at night, inspecting the compound and chatting with Secret Service agents to see if they have what they need. Just two months into his new post, Kelly has expanded his portfolio to include issues large and small throughout the administration from influencing personnel staffing at the agencies to vetting President Trump's reading materials to his periodic nighttime walks along the White House fence line to check security.

**"The no-task-too-small leadership style** - dating to Kelly's training in the Marine Corps, where he rose to a four-star general - has its benefits for a president who often sows chaos in his wake, implementing a sense of order and discipline in a White House known for lacking both. But it also has prompted grumbling about micromanaging

within the West Wing, where some staffers complain that Kelly may be growing his mandate too far and that his strict regimen stifles the creativity and spontaneity that have been hallmarks of Trump's enterprises. As one of Kelly's subordinates put it, the chief of staff sometimes becomes 'a one-man choke point.'" <http://wapo.st/2xpbPGc>

**DRAIN THE SWAMP! -- "Corey Lewandowski appears to be working with another lobbying firm,"** by Theo Meyer and Daniel Lippman: "Months after Corey Lewandowski, Donald Trump's former campaign manager, quit the lobbying firm he co founded after the 2016 election, he appears to be working with a new one, reviving questions about whether he is still cashing in on his relationship with the president. The firm, Turnberry Solutions LLC - a name that calls to mind Trump Turnberry, the president's Scottish golf resort - is staffed by two lobbyists who worked for Lewandowski's old firm. While Lewandowski has denied any link to the firm, there's plenty of evidence to the contrary. Lewandowski was on a recent conference call between Turnberry and one of its clients, according to the client, and Turnberry also created an email address with his first name on it.

**"A source familiar with the firm** told POLITICO that Lewandowski also traveled to Poland earlier this month with two of Turnberry's lobbyists to pitch the firm's services to the Polish government. ... Lewandowski has touted his access to Trump outside his work with Turnberry, too. In a recent conversation with Elin Suleymanov, the Azerbaijani ambassador to the U.S., Lewandowski promised that he could get the Azerbaijani president a meeting with Trump ... Asked whether he had promised access, Lewandowski responded by text message: 'No - I don't do foreign work. Sorry.'" <http://politi.co/2yyguGa>

**CLICKER - "The nation's cartoonists on the week in politics,"** edited by Matt Wuerker -- **16 funnies** <http://politi.co/2ffXUdy>

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## PLAYBOOK READS

**PHOTO DU JOUR:** President Donald Trump hugs Senate candidate Luther Strange during a campaign rally in Huntsville, Ala., on Sept. 22. | Evan Vucci/AP Photo

**BILL SCHER: "Joe Biden's Platform for 2020: Anti-Populism":** "On Monday, former Vice President Joe Biden wrote a blog post that proves two things: Blogging