



Interagency Top Lines
Rollout of the Executive Order Blocking Property of Certain Persons Associated with the ICC
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- President Trump has no higher priority than protecting the American people.
- President Trump took action to authorize sanctions against persons directly engaged with any effort by the International Criminal Court (ICC) to investigate U.S. personnel without U.S. consent.
- The United States is not a party to the Rome Statute and has repeatedly rejected the ICC's assertions of jurisdiction over U.S. personnel. The ICC claims it has the jurisdiction to prosecute individuals even if their own governments have not recognized, signed, or ratified the treaty.
- The ICC's actions are an attack on the constitutional rights of the American people and a violation of our national sovereignty.
- The ICC was established to provide accountability for war crimes, provide justice to victims, and deter future abuses.
- But in practice, the court has been unaccountable, ineffective, and serves as an out of control international bureaucracy that threatens our American service members and our allies and partners.
- Despite repeated calls by the United States and our allies to reform, the ICC has taken no action at all and continues to pursue politically-motivated investigations.
- We believe the ICC investigation is being pushed forward by an organization of dubious integrity and may be the target of corrupting malign influence by our adversaries.
- We have reason to believe there is corruption and misconduct at the highest levels of the ICC Office of the Prosecutor, calling into question the integrity of the investigation into American personnel.
- We are concerned that our adversaries are manipulating the ICC by encouraging these allegations against U.S. personnel, which represents a blatant attempt to subvert the mission and purpose of the ICC.
- As the President's Executive Order makes clear, the United States will continue to use any means necessary to protect our citizens and those of our allies from unjust prosecution by the ICC and tactics involving the use of misinformation to thwart and influence international accountability.