

FEDERAL LAW ENFORCEMENT TAKEOVER

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National Guard personnel keep watch Thursday as travelers arrive at the entrance to Union Station near the Capitol in Washington.

White House: 45 arrests Wednesday night amid crackdown



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Department of Homeland Security Investigations agents join Washington Metropolitan Police Department officers Wednesday at a checkpoint in northwest Washington.

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WASHINGTON — The D.C. police chief stepped up cooperation between her officers and federal immigration officials as President Donald Trump’s law enforcement takeover of the nation’s capital took root Thursday.

National Guard troops watched over some of the world’s most renowned landmarks and Humvees took up position in front of the busy main train station.

The police chief’s order establishes that Metropolitan Police Department officers can now share information with immigration agencies regarding people not in custody — such as someone involved in a traffic stop or checkpoint. MPD officers may also provide “transportation for federal immigration employees and detained subject,” the order states. The changes, which raise collaboration between the two forces in notable ways, erodes the district’s long-standing policy against cooperating with civil immigration enforcement. They are effective immediately.

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Wisconsin requests FEMA assistance after flooding

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Gov. Tony Evers is asking the Federal Emergency Management Agency for assistance in responding to widespread flooding in the Milwaukee area, where record rainfall filled basements and left cars stranded amid flash floods.

The governor announced the request Wednesday, the first step to getting federal aid. Before the state can receive any federal money, President Donald Trump must formally declare the state a disaster area.

It is “critical” that Wisconsin receive federal help to recover from the significant rainfalls and subsequent flooding, Evers said in a statement. Earlier this week, Evers declared a state of emergency across

the state and offered to make the National Guard available after preliminary assessments found last weekend’s rainfall qualified as a 1,000-year rain event.

“Disastrous storms and flash flooding across our state in recent days have displaced kids and families and damaged homes, businesses, community centers and so much more,” Evers’ said.

U.S. Rep. Scott Fitzgerald, R-Juneau, whose district includes parts of Milwaukee and Waukesha counties, has also asked FEMA to approve an emergency declaration for the counties affected.

Between Saturday and Sunday, parts of greater Milwaukee such as Butler,

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Mandaline Bergstrom works on cleaning out her basement Monday in Milwaukee after heavy rains caused flooding in the region.