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# Trump calls out political scientist for fake quote

**Professor attributes made-up tweet to president, who sees it, calls for new libel laws**

By **Eli Rosenberg**  
The Washington Post

President Donald Trump again called for libel laws to be changed after a prominent political scientist and think tank leader made up a quote and attributed it to Trump.

Ian Bremmer, the president of the Eurasia Group and a professor at NYU's Stern School of Business, tweeted a quote he attributed to Trump on Sunday afternoon. "President Trump in Tokyo: 'Kim Jong Un is smarter and would make a better President than Sleepy Joe Biden,'" Bremmer tweeted.

The tweet, styled as a direct quote, was shared by some people who did not check if the quote was verified. Rep. Ted Lieu, D-Calif., and CNN contributor Ana Navarro-Cárdenas both

shared it, according to the Washington Examiner.

"People think they can say anything and get away with it," Trump tweeted Monday morning. "Really, the libel laws should be changed to hold Fake News Media accountable!"

Trump made waves at a news conference in Tokyo after he sided with North Korea in a war of words with Democratic presidential contender and former Vice President Joe Biden.

"Well, [North Korean dictator] Kim Jong Un made a statement that Joe Biden is a low IQ individual," Trump told reporters. "I think I agree with him on that."

Bremmer initially defended the tweet, writing that he believed it was both obviously ludicrous "and yet kinda plausible."

"Especially on twitter, where people automatically support whatever political position they have. That's the point," he wrote.

But he apologized

Monday as media coverage grew.

"My tweet yesterday about Trump preferring Kim Jong Un to Biden as President was meant in jest," he wrote. "I should have been clearer. My apologies."

The ease with which misinformation spreads on social media remains a pressing problem. Last week, Facebook, Twitter, YouTube and other social media companies allowed a video that was doctored to make House Speaker Nancy Pelosi, D-Calif., appear drunk to be uploaded and viewed millions of times.

Trump, who has made more than 10,000 false or misleading claims while in office according to The Washington Post's Fact Checker, has long said that he would like to change U.S. libel laws, which shield defendants from guilt unless they are proved to have made false and defamatory statements against public officials with malicious intent.



**President Donald Trump and Prime Minister Shinzo Abe talk before their summit meeting at the State Guest House in Tokyo on Monday.** [THE JAPAN NEWS-YOMIURI]

## TRUMP

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Trump also downplayed U.S. tensions with Iran and distanced himself from the more bellicose views of some of his advisers, saying the U.S. is "not looking for regime change" in Iran.

Tensions in the Middle East have ratcheted up in recent weeks, as the administration dispatched an aircraft carrier to the waters near Iran, ordered 1,500 additional troops to the Middle East and tightened economic sanctions, prompting many Democrats — as well as U.S. allies in Europe and Asia — to fear that the two nations are heading toward combat.

Trump, however, took a more conciliatory tone at Monday's news conference.

"These are great people — has a chance to be a great country with the same leadership," he said of Iran. "We're not looking for regime change. I just want to make that clear. We're looking for no nuclear weapons."

That's a considerably more modest goal than top administration officials, in particular national security adviser John Bolton, have suggested.

The president has periodically pushed back against his aides' sabre rattling toward Iran. Whether his comments reflect a true difference in views or just one of rhetorical emphasis has been the subject of intense speculation in Washington and elsewhere.

Trump also backed Abe's efforts to mediate between the United States and Iran, with the

Japanese prime minister reported to be planning a visit there next month.

"I do believe Iran would like to talk, and if they'd like to talk, we'd like to talk also," Trump said. "I know for a fact that the prime minister is very close with the leadership of Iran, and we'll see what happens ... Nobody wants to see terrible things happen, especially me."

### North Korea

Trump also contradicted Bolton on the topic of North Korea, arguing that Pyongyang had not launched ballistic missiles this month nor violated U.N. Security Council resolutions.

"My people think it could have been a violation," Trump said. "I view it differently."

Referring to the missile tests and North Korean leader Kim Jong Un, Trump said: "I view it as a man — perhaps he wants to get attention, and perhaps not, who knows. It doesn't matter. All I know is that there have been no nuclear tests. There have been no ballistic missiles going out. There have been no long-range missiles going out."

Japan's Abe has been keen to play down his differences with Trump over North Korea and stressed that the two countries' positions were "the same." He said Trump had "broken the shell of mistrust" with Kim, and shared his vision of a bright future.

But Abe did not agree with Trump when it came to the missile launches.

"On May 9th, North Korea launched short-range ballistic missiles, and that's a violation of the U.N. Security Council's resolution, so, as I have been saying, this is quite a regrettable act," he said.

### State visit

The joint news conference wrapped up a program tailor-made for the president that included a visit with the new Japanese emperor, a round of golf and prime seats at a sumo tournament where Trump got to present a "President's Cup" to the winner.

The visit with Japanese Emperor Naruhito and Empress Masako at the Imperial Palace made Trump the first foreign leader to be welcomed there since Naruhito ascended the Chrysanthemum Throne at the beginning of May. First lady Melania Trump was also welcomed to the palace.

In the evening, the Trumps were back at the palace for a six-course, black-tie banquet. Trump said he was "profoundly honored" to have been the first state guest of the new imperial era — known as the "Reiwa" era — invoked ancient Japanese texts, and thanked the people of Japan "for their incredible hospitality and warm welcome in this majestic place."

Talking to the media before his summit discussions with the Japanese leader, Trump described Abe as a "truly amazing prime minister" and Japan as a "really interesting and fabulous place."

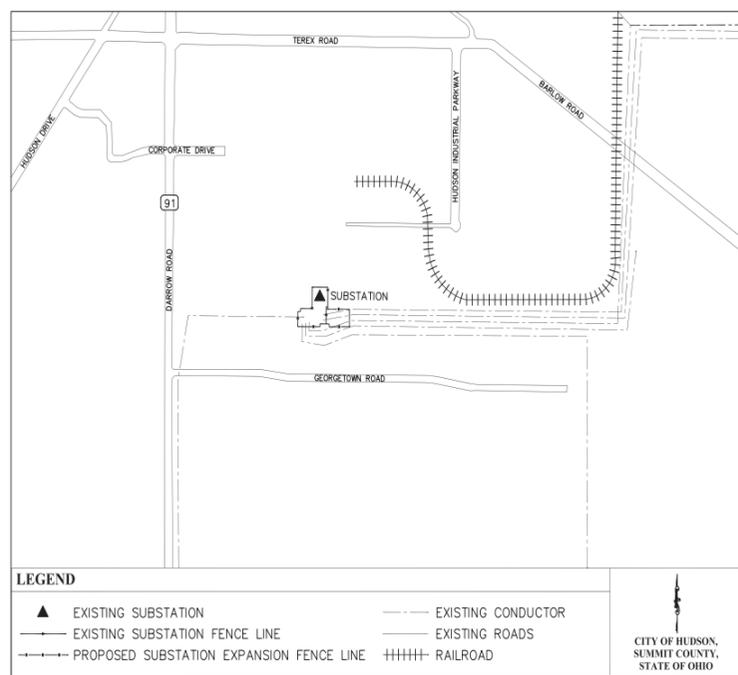
"We understand each other very well, we're very committed to each other as nations, so we have a situation where we have the best relationship that we've ever had with Japan, and we're going to keep it that way," he said.

*The Los Angeles Times, Washington Post and Associated Press contributed to this report.*

# NOTICE OF PROPOSED MAJOR UTILITY FACILITY

American Transmission Systems, Incorporated ("ATSI"), a FirstEnergy company, is proposing in a Letter of Notification application for a Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need from the Ohio Power Siting Board ("OPSB") to expand the Darrow 138 kV Substation from a four (4) to six (6) breaker ring bus configuration and to provide for a future 138 kV transmission line exit. The Project, if approved, will result in the expansion of the substation by approximately 53,100 square feet, to approximately 139,000 square feet. This Project has been assigned Case No. 19-0585-EL-BLN.

The Project is located on property owned by ATSI, in the City of Hudson, Summit County, Ohio.



The following public officials and agencies have been served with copies of the application as required by the OPSB regulations:

- The Honorable Ilene Shapiro, Summit County Executive
- Mr. Ron Koehler, President of Council, Summit County
- Mr. John N. Schmidt, Vice-President of Council, Summit County
- Mr. Alan Brubaker, P.E., P.S., Summit County Engineer
- Ms. Kristen Scalise, CPA, CFE, Fiscal Officer, Summit County
- The Honorable David A. Basil, Mayor, City of Hudson
- Mr. Hal DeSaussure, Council President, City of Hudson
- Mr. Thomas Sheridan, P.E., P.S., City Engineer, City of Hudson
- Mr. Brad Kosco, P.E., P.S., City Engineer, City of Hudson
- Ms. Jane Howington, City Manager, City of Hudson

A copy of the application is available for public inspection at the offices of the Ohio Power Siting Board, c/o Public Utilities Commission of Ohio, Utilities Department, 12th Floor, Borden Building, 180 East Broad Street, Columbus, Ohio 43215-3793, [www.opsb.ohio.gov](http://www.opsb.ohio.gov). A copy of the application has also been sent to the following library:

Hudson Library & Historical Society, 96 Library Street, Hudson, OH 44236

A copy of the application and information on how to request a hard copy of the application can also be found on [www.firstenergycorp.com/about/transmission\\_project/ohio.html](http://www.firstenergycorp.com/about/transmission_project/ohio.html).

A Letter of Notification application for a certificate to construct, operate, and maintain the above-named electric transmission line facility is now pending before the Board. The Project application has been assigned Docket No. 19-0585-EL-BLN, and this docket number should be referenced in all communications about this proceeding.

In accordance with Ohio Administrative Code ("OAC") Rule 4906-6-08(A)(6), please be advised that interested persons may file motions to intervene and/or comments with the Board within ten days of the date of publication of this notice, in accordance with OAC Rule 4906-2-12, or later if good cause is shown. Petitions to intervene and comments should be addressed to the Ohio Power Siting Board, 180 East Broad Street, Columbus, Ohio 43215-3793 and cite the above-listed case number (Docket No. 19-0585-EL-BLN).

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