

Trump speaks his mind

Hours before he left Washington for the G-20 Summit in Osaka, US President Donald Trump lashed out at allies and leaders he was due to meet and took potshots at domestic political foes during a TV interview and on Twitter.



On the military alliance with Japan

"If Japan is attacked, we will fight World War III... But if we're attacked, Japan doesn't have to help us at all. They should watch it on a Sony television, the attack."

On who is bearing the brunt of the US trade tariffs on China

"Don't let anyone tell you that China's not paying for it. China's paying for it... We're not paying for any of it."

On trade with Vietnam

"A lot of companies are moving to Vietnam, but Vietnam takes advantage of us even worse than China... It's almost the single worst abuser of everybody."

On European Union Competition Commissioner Margrethe Vestager and EU suing US tech firms

"She hates the United States perhaps worse than any person I've ever met... She's suing all our companies. We should be suing Google and Facebook, and all that, which perhaps we will."

On whether a war is brewing with Iran

"I'm not talking boots on the ground... I'm just saying if something would happen, it wouldn't last very long."

On India's decision to increase tariffs on US imports

"This is unacceptable and the tariffs must be withdrawn."

On Republican senators, including apparently the late John McCain, who voted against him on repealing the Affordable Care Act in 2017

"We had a little hard time with a couple of them, right? Fortunately, they're gone now."

On US soccer midfielder Megan Rapinoe's refusal to visit the White House

"Megan should win first before she talks! Finish the job! We haven't yet invited Megan or the team, but I am now inviting the team, win or lose."