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SUNDAY SHOWS: MOST TRANSPARENT ADMINISTRATION IN HISTORY

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This morning, the Trump Administration was out in force across the TV networks to update Americans on the progress made in the historic first month of President Trump's second term.

Here's what you missed:

Special Envoy Steve Witkoff on State of the Union

- On negotiations to end the war in Ukraine: “Deals only work, Jake, when they’re good for all the parties — and that’s the pathway we’re on here.”
- On securing a rare earth minerals agreement with Ukraine: “I expect to see a deal signed this week.”
- On bringing peace to Europe: “The only way you’re going to end the carnage is if you have a relationship with the leaders of both countries that are involved.”

Secretary of the Treasury Scott Bessent on Sunday Morning Futures

- On mortgage rates: “Interest rates are down five weeks in a row on the 10-year since President Trump took office — and mortgage rates are down.”
- On reciprocal tariffs: “We’re just doing what they’re doing and then adding in these other factors. If they remediate those ... the tariffs could drop. If they want to continue these unfair trade practices, then the tariff will go up until they are willing to negotiate.”
- On negotiations around a minerals deal with Ukraine: “This deal is part of President Trump’s long-arc negotiating strategy for peace between Ukraine and Russia ... A partnership between Ukraine and the U.S. ... It is a win-win.”

Secretary of Defense Pete Hegseth on Fox News Sunday

- On restoring the Pentagon’s mission: “President Trump has given another set of lawful orders, and they will be followed ... If they’re not followed, then those officers will find the door ... We feel really good about the direction the Pentagon is headed under President Trump.”
- On ending the war in Ukraine: “America more than any other country in the world has invested in helping Ukraine defend itself. Now, it’s time for peace.”

EPA Administrator Lee Zeldin on Sunday Morning Futures

- On getting back to the agency’s core focus: “It’s time to go back to the basics to ensure we are delivering clean air, land, and water, and we are

also unleashing energy dominance ... That's the priority at the EPA under President Trump."

Special Envoy Steve Witkoff on Face the Nation

- On President Trump's plan for peace and stability in Gaza: "He understands that it makes no sense to endorse old policy prescriptions that have not worked."

National Security Advisor Mike Waltz on Sunday Morning Futures

- On President Trump's first month: "What you're seeing under President Trump's leadership, in just under a month, is bringing multiple wars to an end. He is a president of peace."

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