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IN THE UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT, NORTHERN DISTRICT OF GEORGIA, ATLANTA DIVISION
In re: LAVIE CARE CENTERS, LLC, et al.,¹ Chapter 11, Case No. 24-55507 (PMB)
Debtors, (Jointly Administered) **Related to Docket No. 896**

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Trump slams Fed chair after inflation warning

Zac Anderson USA TODAY

President Donald Trump slammed Federal Reserve Chair Jerome Powell, saying his “termination cannot come fast enough!” a day after Powell warned about the impact of Trump’s tariffs – and pledged to resist pressure as the Fed grapples with an outlook complicated by Trump’s own policies.

Trump lashed out on April 17 with a social media post, saying Powell “should have lowered Interest Rates ... long ago, but he should certainly lower them now.”

The Fed’s benchmark interest rate is currently 4.25% to 4.5%, where it has been since December following several rate cuts late in 2024.

The president praised the European Central Bank, which cut its key rate a quarter of a point April 17 in response to a growth outlook that had “deteriorated owing to trade tensions” in the wake of Trump’s efforts to raise U.S. import taxes.

In January, Trump said he knows interest rates better than the Fed.

It was unclear from Trump’s language whether he is resigned to waiting until Powell’s term expires in May 2026 or hoping for a Supreme Court decision that lets him remove Powell sooner.

The chair was asked after the November 7, 2024, Fed meeting about whether Trump has the power to fire him. “Not permitted under the law,” he responded.

Powell said April 16 to the Economic Club of Chicago that the Fed’s “independence is very widely understood and supported in Washington and in Congress where it really matters,” drawing applause from the high-level business executives for a pledge to set interest rates independent of political pressure or partisan considerations. In general, the Fed cuts interest rates to stimulate a flagging economy and job market. It increases interest rates to lower inflation or prevent a spike in prices.

“People can say whatever they want,” Powell said. “That’s not a problem. But we will do what we do strictly without consideration of political or any other extraneous factors.”

Economists polled by Reuters put recession odds at



Federal Reserve Chair Jerome Powell spoke at the Economic Club of Chicago on April 16, where he pledged to set interest rates independent of political pressure or partisan considerations.
KAMIL KRZACZYNSKI/AFP VIA GETTY IMAGES

45%. The trade war has also raised the prospect of higher inflation that policymakers said they are guarding against.

Powell said the Fed was “well positioned to wait for greater clarity,” indicating the central bank was not prepared to move policy in any direction or at any pace until Trump’s tariff plans – rolled out in dramatic announcements but often delayed and still unclear in key respects – are finalized and the impact on the economy more obvious.

“Unemployment is likely to go up as the economy slows, in all likelihood, and inflation is likely to go up as tariffs find their way and some part of those tariffs come to be paid by the public,” Powell said.

During Trump’s first term, he frequently dialed up the pressure on the Fed. Powell was confirmed as Trump’s nominee for board chair in February 2018, and was reappointed to a second four-year term in May 2022.

Contributing: Reuters

EU, Ukraine meet with U.S. delegation

Elizabeth Pineau and Michel Rose REUTERS

PARIS – European and Ukrainian officials kicked off a day of talks in Paris on April 17 to plead Kyiv’s case to Secretary of State Marco Rubio and President Donald Trump’s envoy Steve Witkoff.

The high level diplomacy reflects Europe’s mounting concern over the Trump administration’s overtures toward Moscow, after the failure so far of Trump’s efforts to arrange a ceasefire in the 3-year-old Russia-Ukraine war. The officials were also due to discuss nuclear talks with Iran.

Trump has indicated he is frustrated with both Moscow and Kyiv, even as his administration has shifted American rhetoric toward accommodating the Russian account of the conflict. Ukraine agreed to a Trump proposal last month for a ceasefire which Russia rejected. The sides have agreed only to curbs on attacks against energy targets and at sea, which both accuse each other of violating.

Kyiv and its European allies say Moscow is to blame for rejecting Trump’s proposal of a ceasefire last month, and are hoping to persuade Washington to take a tougher line. They have pressed the case since a Russian attack that killed civilians including Ukrainian Christian worshipers in the city of Sumy on April 13.

“I’m just trying to get it stopped so that we can save a lot of lives,” Trump said of the war on April 13.

French President Emmanuel Macron’s foreign policy adviser Emmanuel Bonne hugged Witkoff as he arrived at the French presidency’s Elysee Palace for talks, before a lunch between Macron, Witkoff and Rubio. Before that, Bonne and his British and German counterparts met Andriy Yermak, the chief of staff of Ukrainian President Volodymyr Zelenskyy. According to the French agenda for the day, Yermak was due to take part in a meeting with Rubio, Witkoff and the European envoys later on April 17.

The arrival of a Ukrainian delegation in Paris was not previously announced ahead of what Washington had described as planned talks between Rubio, Witkoff and French officials.

Ukrainian Foreign Minister Andrii Sybiha said: “The parties will discuss ways to achieve a complete ceasefire, the involvement of a multinational military contingent to guarantee sustainable peace, further development of Ukraine’s security architecture and ensuring the security of our country.”

The Kremlin described the Paris meetings as a chance for Witkoff, who met President Vladimir Putin for five hours on April 11, to inform Europeans of the status of talks about the search for a peace settlement in Ukraine.

Trump predicts trade deals with EU, China

Francesca Chambers USA TODAY

WASHINGTON – President Donald Trump says he expects to reach trade agreements with China and the European Union, with the latter one coming before the end of a 90-day pause on tit-for-tat tariffs between the trading partners.

“There will be a trade deal 100%,” Trump said ahead of an April 17 luncheon at the White House with Italian Prime Minister Giorgia Meloni. “They want to make one very, very much. And we’re going to make a trade deal. I fully expect it. But it will be a fair deal.”

As to whether the EU is a priority for the administration, Trump said, “Everybody’s on my priority list.”

Trump also said he was not worried that U.S. allies were growing closer with China as a result of tariffs and predicted the United States would also make a “very good” trade deal with Beijing.

“Nobody can compete with us. Nobody,” Trump said.

The luncheon came a day after California officials filed suit in U.S. District Court for the Northern District of California, requesting the court immediately halt the sweeping tariffs imposed by Trump against nations around the world, saying he lacks the authority to impose them through the International Economic Emergency Powers Act unilaterally.

The filing appears to set the stage for a showdown before the U.S. Supreme Court if necessary. The lawsuit will invoke what’s known as the Supreme Court’s major questions doctrine. That means “in matters of vast economic and political significance, federal agencies and the executive branch must have clear and specific authorization from Congress.”

Since the president announced his reciprocal tariff plan in early April, Trump’s administration has said that more than 75 nations have sought to make new trade agreements with the United States.

At least 15 have submitted proposals, the White House has said.

Meloni is the first European leader to meet with

Trump since he imposed a blanket tariff on most nations. He put a further reciprocal tariff on the EU that is currently paused for 90 days while trade negotiations take place. The EU temporarily halted planned retaliatory tariffs in response.

At the White House, Meloni said she had confidence that a trade deal could be reached. “I’m sure we can make a deal, and I’m here to help with that,” she said.

“I cannot deal in the name of the European Union,” Meloni added. “My goal would be invite President Trump to pay an official visit to Italy and to understand if there’s a possibility when he comes to organize also such a meeting with Europe.”

“We’re going to have very little problem making a deal with Europe or anybody else, because we have something that everybody wants,” Trump responded.

The Italian prime minister, who belongs to the conservative Brothers of Italy party, said she considers the United States to be a reliable trading partner.

Meloni said she was at the White House to “make the West stronger” and support Western unity.

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The Cost of Waiting

Having celebrated our 17th anniversary as a business last month, I have gained some perspective on consumer confidence – or lack thereof. We opened in early 2008 with a quick buildup, only to see the great recession begin by year end. We’ve seen three government shutdowns due to budget battles. We experienced the COVID shutdown, then the huge Work-From-Home demand spike that happened during the COVID lockdown, and finally we felt the malaise that inflation brought with it the past few years.

Each of these periods, and the rebounds that follow them, are marked by ebbs and flows in consumer confidence. When people are watching their retirement next egg shrink, they become more conservative in their spending habits. Similarly, when consumers are worried about job security, or their personal financial situation, they spend less – or nothing at all.


While it certainly makes sense to reign in discretionary spending during tough times, I must ask if taking care of your home – for many, their single biggest investment – is really a discretionary expenditure? The nature of the work comes into play here, home upgrades vs. maintenance or repair, and I’m really talking about the latter.

If your bathroom is 40 years old, fully functional but sorely dated, then waiting to understand the impact of a possible global trade war certainly makes sense. We all hope the ‘worst case’ scenario doesn’t become reality. If your roof is leaking, however, and with every spring rain shower the damage inside the home gets worse, then this requires attention. Waiting for the economic picture to stabilize is further damaging your home.

I often see homeowners that wait a bit (or a lot) longer than they should on the repair side. Like interest, damage can compound. There are a lot of homes built with plywood siding in NE Florida. First the paint peels, then the wood blisters and starts to delaminate, then the wood gets soft, and dampness fully permeates the wood. Insulation in the walls gets damp, creating ideal conditions for mold and damp wood termites.

This is not hypothetical; we see this damage all the time. We completed one such project in March and have another underway as I write this in early April. Both projects are significant in scope, and costly to resolve.

Some homeowners are natural procrastinators, others are uncomfortable with the economic outlook and are motivated to put off expenses, and maybe others are simply too busy to pay attention to the exterior of their home. Whatever the reasons, delays in acting compounded their issues and costs skyrocket. This is the cost of waiting – it is very real – and it gets expensive.



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