

House GOP Immigration Plan Rejected

WASHINGTON (AP) — House Republicans took a tentative step toward offering citizenship to some unauthorized immigrants Tuesday, but hit an immediate wall of resistance from the White House on down as Democrats said it wasn't enough.

The dismissive reaction to the GOP proposal to offer eventual citizenship to some immigrants brought illegally to the U.S. as children underscored the difficulties of finding any compromise in the Republican-led House on the politically explosive issue of immigration.

That left prospects cloudy for one of President Barack Obama's top second-term priorities. Congress is preparing to break for a monthlong summer recess at the end of next week without action in the full House on any immigration legislation, even after the Senate passed a sweeping bipartisan bill last month to secure the borders and create a path to citizenship for the 11 million immigrants already in the country illegally.

At a hearing of the House Judiciary immigration subcommittee Tuesday on how to deal with immigrants brought here illegally as children, Judiciary Chairman Bob Goodlatte, R-Va., suggested that "we as a nation should allow this group of young people to stay in the U.S. legally." House Republican leaders have embraced offering citizenship to such immigrants, and Goodlatte is working on a bill with Majority Leader Eric Cantor toward the goal.

It is something of a turnaround for Republicans, many of whom in the past have opposed legalizing immigrants brought here as kids. And some Democrats and immigration advocates said it was a welcome development showing the GOP has moved forward since nominating a presidential candidate last year, Mitt Romney, who suggested that people here illegally should "self-deport."

Brazilian Police Rate Security 'Positive'

RIO DE JANEIRO (AP) — Even though Pope Francis' motorcade ended up stalled on a traffic-choked street and swarmed by thousands of faithful, Brazilian officials said Tuesday they evaluated security for the pontiff's arrival in Rio as "positive."

The frenzied crowd surrounded the motorcade Monday afternoon as people reached inside to touch Francis, snap photos with their phones or hand him babies to kiss — scenes that alarmed some onlookers, although the pope himself seemed overjoyed with the raucous welcome and kept his car window down. Francis later moved through the masses in an open-air vehicle.

Early Tuesday, Brazilian security forces blamed each other for the lapse, and no one took responsibility for the traffic fiasco, which began when the driver of the pope's car made a wrong turn.

Later though, federal police, who are in charge of most of Francis' security, took an upbeat tone.

The agency said a meeting was held with officials from a federal agency overseeing megaevents that Brazil is hosting over the next few years, the highway police who played a role in the motorcade's planning and the Rio mayor's office to evaluate the security provided.

Lawmakers Divided On Foreign Policy

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Barack Obama's limited attempt to end more than two years of bloodshed in Syria and his insistence on U.S. assistance to a strife-riven Egypt have exposed deep divisions in Congress, with pockets of grudging support countered by fierce opposition toward greater American military and financial involvement among Democrats and Republicans alike.

The uneven reaction is partly a reflection of the Obama administration's own uncertain foreign policy path as it sorts out America's role in an increasing sectarian conflict in Syria that threatens the entire Middle East. The ouster of Mohammed Morsi, Egypt's first freely elected president, also created a web of considerations related to advocating democracy or U.S. national security goals. Lawmakers too are grappling with these questions.

Options for the U.S. military in Syria, from arming groups opposed to Syrian President Bashar Assad to establishing a no-fly zone, carry risks and billion-dollar price tags, Gen. Martin Dempsey, the chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, said in a sober assessment this week that gave some lawmakers pause.

And such guidance has created an unusual crisscrossing of positions among liberals and conservatives in Congress and fiscal hawks and military hawks. The tea party's libertarian leanings have split the once firmly internationalist Republicans; some Democrats formerly averse to intervention are more amenable to forceful action under Obama.

Congressional efforts to cut off funds for Syria and Egypt were expected to be put to a vote on Wednesday as the House debates a \$598.3 billion defense spending bill for the fiscal year beginning Oct. 1. On Tuesday, a Senate panel approved aid for Egypt, with conditions.

Ohio Authorities ID 2nd Slaying Victim

EAST CLEVELAND, Ohio (AP) — Authorities on Tuesday identified a second of three female victims whose bodies were found last week wrapped in trash bags, saying the description of her tattoos helped them figure out who she is.

The body of Shetisha Sheeley, 28, of Cleveland, was found in a field on Saturday, said East Cleveland Mayor Gary Norton.

The identification was made through fingerprints and information from the tattoos, which "permitted the comparison" that led to her identification, said Thomas Gilson, Cuyahoga County's medical examiner.

Gilson said his office is actively working to identify the third victim and he hoped to release information on how the women died within a few days.

The victim's mother, Kim Sheeley, asked for prayers and told WEWS-TV that her daughter's death "has been really, really" hard on her.

Donor Center Of Rabies Transplant Case

WASHINGTON (AP) — An Air Force recruit whose organs were donated to four patients including a kidney recipient who died of rabies had at least two untreated raccoon bites several months before he became sick, and tests confirm his rabies-infected kidney caused the recipient's disease, according to a medical journal report.

Doctors initially attributed the donor's death to other causes. But during an investigation prompted by the kidney recipient's death in February, lab testing found evidence of rabies in the donor's brain tissue and also detected encephalitis, a brain inflammation that can be caused by rabies.

The virus was consistent with raccoon rabies and was nearly identical to a virus found in the transplanted kidney and other tissue from the recipient, an Army veteran from Maryland, said the report, compiled by researchers from the federal Centers for Disease Control and Prevention and others and published Tuesday in the Journal of the American Medical Association.

Investigators don't know if organs given to three other patients — the North Carolina donor's heart, liver and second kidney—were infected with the rabies virus, but all three were considered at risk. Their recipients received anti-rabies treatment "and to date remain well," said CDC researcher Dr. Neil Vora, the lead author.

While the case is rare, it underscores the need to improve screening for would-be organ donors with suspected encephalitis, the report's authors say. They say a uniform donor questionnaire could help better identify risk factors for the virus and that rabies should be considered in donors with unexplained encephalitis.

NYC Mayoral Race

Weiner Not Dropping Out Amidst Scandal

BY JONATHAN LEMIRE
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NEW YORK — Anthony Weiner found himself caught in another sexting scandal Tuesday like the one that destroyed his congressional career, but stood side-to-side with his wife to say that he won't drop out of the race for mayor of New York.

"This is entirely behind me," Weiner said at an evening news conference, hours after the gossip website The Dirty posted X-rated text messages and a crotch photo that it said the former congressman exchanged with a woman.

Weiner confirmed sending sexually explicit photos and messages to a woman online and acknowledged some of the activity took place as recently last summer, more than a year after he resigned from the House in disgrace for the same sort of behavior with at least a half-dozen women.

"I want to bring my vision to the peo-

ple of the city of New York," Weiner said, his wife smiling faintly and shyly by his side. "I hope they are willing to still continue to give me a second chance."

Weiner then turned the microphone over to his wife, Huma Abedin, who did not appear with him at the June 2011 news conference when he stepped down from Congress. This time, she reaffirmed her support for her husband and said the matter is "between us."

"I love him, I have forgiven him, I believe in him, and as we have said from the beginning, we are moving forward," said Abedin, a longtime adviser to former Secretary of State Hillary Rodham Clinton.

Abedin said her husband had made some "horrible mistakes both before he resigned from Congress and after" but insisted she and her husband discussed "all of this" before he jumped into the mayor's race in May.

The latest disclosures could severely test voters' willingness to forgive Weiner,

who has said he spent the two years since the scandal trying to make things right with his wife and earn redemption. Three of his rivals for mayor immediately called on him to drop out of the race.

The 48-year-old Democrat has been near the top of most mayoral polls since his late entry into the race.

"I said that other texts and photos were likely to come out and today they have," said Weiner, who added that he was surprised that more had not previously surfaced. "It's in our rear-view mirror, but it's not far."

After the news conference, Weiner attended a mayoral forum on gay men's issues and was warmly received.

The woman with whom he exchanged the messages was not identified by The Dirty. She told the website that she was 22 when she began chatting with Weiner on the social networking site Formspring. She said their online relationship began in July 2012 and lasted for six months.

Baby Fever Caps Image Turnaround For UK Royals

BY JILL LAWLESS
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LONDON — A crowd cheered, hundreds of cameras clicked and an image of familial perfection was beamed around the world.

Prince William, his wife Kate and their infant son, the Prince of Cambridge, emerged Tuesday from London's St. Mary's Hospital to start a new chapter in their lives — capping a remarkable turnaround for a monarchy that had ended the 20th century at a low point of popularity.

The outpouring of public and official enthusiasm — including artillery salutes, marching bands and landmarks illuminated blue for the royal baby boy — showed that Britain's royal family is back in its subjects' affections, especially now that it has an adorable infant heir, third in line to the throne, who could be king into the 22nd century.

"It's had its ups and down in public opinion," said veteran royal commentator Dickie Arbiter. "But in the last 20 years it has had more ups than downs."

Pictures of William, Kate and their baby, whose given names have yet to be announced, echoed a similar image taken 31 years ago, when Prince Charles and Princess Diana left the same hospital with baby William in their arms.

William and Kate looked much more relaxed than the awkward Charles and Diana,



STEPHEN LOCK/I-IMAGES/ZUMA PRESS/MCT
The Duke and Duchess of Cambridge with their new baby boy stand outside the Lindo Wing of St Mary's Hospital in London, England, on Tuesday.

and within a few years the older couple's image of regal domestic bliss had been comprehensively trashed.

By the late 1980s and early 90s, the royal family was making headlines for all the wrong reasons. More often than not the stories were about marital troubles among the children of Queen Elizabeth II, especially for Charles and his unhappy wife Diana.

The divorce or separation of three of the monarch's four children in 1992, along with a damaging fire at Windsor Castle, led the queen — in a rare admission of private feeling — to dub it a horrible year, her "annus horribilis."

Then in 1997 came Diana's death in a car crash — a personal tragedy that also became a crisis for the monarchy. Warm, glam-

orous and unhappy in her royal marriage, Diana had — in the eyes of many — been badly treated by the royal "Firm." The queen and other senior royals, caught by surprise by an outpouring of public grief at her death, appeared cold and remote.

But that image has since been transformed, partly because of the dignified endurance of Queen Elizabeth II, now in her 62nd year on the throne. At 87, she is the only monarch most Britons have ever known, a reassuring presence at the heart of national life who has in recent years given public hints of her private sense of humor — even agreeing to appear alongside Daniel Craig's James Bond in a short film for the 2012 Olympics opening ceremony.

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