



## TALKING POINTS ON THE HOUSE JUDICIARY COMMITTEE IMMIGRATION HEARING

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**Key Point:** The Republicans on the House Judiciary Committee are planning on using Wednesday's immigration hearing to lay out the groundwork for a bogus impeachment of Secretary of Homeland Security Alejandro Mayorkas. This hearing is a political payment to extreme MAGA Republicans following the bipartisan debt ceiling bill where President Biden kept the economy from collapsing. Many House Republicans were upset with the deal and Republican leadership used this hearing and possible impeachment proceedings against Secretary Mayorkas to get the support of hardliners like Marjorie Taylor Greene. They are once again rolling out a clown car of witnesses for this hearing including Trump's former acting Homeland Security Secretary Chad Wolf and a Heritage Foundation fellow who published a case for impeaching current Homeland Security Secretary Alejandro Mayorkas.

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- **House Republicans are trying to set up Secretary Mayorkas for a bogus impeachment hearing.** This hearing comes shortly after Kevin McCarthy made a deal with Marjorie Taylor Greene and other hardliners to give them concessions like impeachment proceedings against Secretary Mayorkas in exchange for their votes on the debt ceiling bill. Greene [said](#) the debt ceiling deal that she voted for was a "shit sandwich" but impeachment was her "dessert" that made it worth voting for the bill. One of their witnesses, Steven Bradbury, wrote a case for impeaching Secretary Mayorkas in February.
- **The timing of this hearing makes it clear that this is a political payment to MAGA Republicans.** Despite Republican fear mongering, border crossings have gone down after Title 42 expired and the chaos they claimed would happen did not. Border Patrol encounters [dropped](#) 70% in the days following the end of Title 42. If this was actually about concerns over the situation on the border, they would not be holding this hearing now as things are improving.

- **House Republicans refused to provide oversight into Trump's failed border policies.** One of the Republican witnesses for the hearing, Chad Wolf, was the former Acting Secretary of Homeland Security under Trump. House Republicans refused to provide oversight into Trump's failed border policies, opposing bipartisan efforts to investigate the policy of forced child separation along the southern border. Jim Jordan even claimed Trump bore no responsibility for unrest at the border during his presidency. How can he claim to have any authority to investigate the Biden administration's border policies now that he's in charge?
- **House Republicans have no credibility to claim they care about real solutions to fix our immigration system or the border.** They have repeatedly shown that they care more about partisan political stunts than actually solving immigration or fixing the border. With Democrats in control of the Senate and White House, bipartisan compromises are the only way to get things done, but MAGA Republicans have made clear they don't actually care about governing. Republicans have refused to work with the Biden administration or even the Senate on immigration reform or border policy.

#### **KEY WORDS:**

MAGA Republicans  
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Hypocrites

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