

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: 15 June 2018 16:19
To: [REDACTED]
Subject: FW: FW: Application for protest activity in Parliament Square, Friday 13th July 11am-2pm: TRUMP BABY

From: Trafalgar Square
Sent: 27 April 2018 16:11
To: 'Trump Baby' <trumpbabyuk@gmail.com>
Subject: RE: FW: Application for protest activity in Parliament Square, Friday 13th July 11am-2pm: TRUMP BABY

Leo

In the first instance no inflatables of any description or kind would be permitted in Parliament Square as stated below at any time. To clarify we are potentially dealing with tens of thousands of people in the area and Whitehall on either 13th or 14th July.

Therefore to be clear we cannot consider the inflatable request below and the decision is final.

Best Wishes

[REDACTED]

From: Trump Baby [<mailto:trumpbabyuk@gmail.com>]
Sent: 27 April 2018 14:58
To: Trafalgar Square <TrafalgarSquare@london.gov.uk>
Subject: Re: FW: Application for protest activity in Parliament Square, Friday 13th July 11am-2pm: TRUMP BABY

Dear events team,

Many thanks for the swift response. We will of course be happy to work closely with you to successfully resolve any public safety concerns your team may have around our proposals. There would be no need to close off the square; we are advised that a roughly 5x5m area is required to safely inflate the blimp and accommodate the ground handling crew, so we would only need to cordon off a small area to conduct the protest. Please do let me know if you have any further specific questions or concerns which our plan could be adapted to address.

Very best,
Leo

On 27 April 2018 at 14:15, Trafalgar Square <TrafalgarSquare@london.gov.uk> wrote:

Hi Leo

Thank you for the information below and the attached application.

Firstly, we would not close off Parliament Square as it is a public space, and we would not allow inflatables.

With the announcement yesterday that President Trump is to visit the UK after the Nato Summit (which finishes in Brussels on the 12th July) it is likely that there will be a large number of known and unknown groups protesting in central London after this date.

In circumstances such as this the Greater London Authority has to consider the issues presented by multiple protests with no single organiser at both Trafalgar Square and Parliament Square and any considerations for public safety.

The Greater London Authority will note your application but will need to assess all expected requests along with the police and other London planning agencies and we will be in touch regarding your proposal for Parliament Square.

Best Wishes

Events and Lettings Team | Facilities Management | Greater London Authority |

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From: Trump Baby [mailto:trumpbabyuk@gmail.com]

Sent: 27 April 2018 14:08

To: Trafalgar Square <TrafalgarSquare@london.gov.uk>

Subject: Application for protest activity in Parliament Square, Friday 13th July 11am-2pm: TRUMP BABY

Dear GLA,

Please find attached:

1. our completed application form
2. a scan of the signed declaration sheet
3. a copy of Imagine Inflatables Ltd public liability insurance
4. a letter from their insurers confirming increase of cover to £5m

Please do let me know when you have received this application, and I hope to hear from you soon with respect to the consent sought.

Many thanks in advance,

Leo Murray

Trump Baby UK

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www.trumpbaby.uk

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Application for public meetings, demonstrations and rallies in Parliament Square Garden

This document is an application form and does not confer permission. Advertising or promotion of activity in any form is not permissible until approval has been given. Permission is granted at the discretion of the Greater London Authority.

Applications cannot be made more than 6 months in advance; organisers may not have any more than one application, for Parliament Square Gardens or Trafalgar Square, pending in the same period. Applications operate on a first come, first served basis and should be submitted at least 7 days before the activity but please note that the GLA may take up to 21 days from receipt to determine an application. Final approval will only be granted once full details requested by the GLA are provided. Please note that only one public meeting will be allowed per day and Trafalgar Square and Parliament Square Gardens cannot be booked for the same organisation on the same day.

Name of organiser		Tel No. (required) [REDACTED]
Name of organisation		[REDACTED]
Address: [REDACTED]		Email (required) Fax No.
Company reg. Number		Name of on-site contact (required) Mobile No (required) [REDACTED]
If you are a registered Charity please provide the charity number		
PO Number (required for invoice purposes)		
Invoice address (if different) Please note a P.O. Box address is not valid for invoice purposes.		

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Date of activity:	
Timings including set-up and De-rig <i>The activity must not last longer than 3 hours and must be during daylight hours.</i>	
How many people do you expect to attend?	
Please provide details of stewarding arrangements. Please continue on a separate page if necessary.	
Do you wish to end a march at the Square or will your event be confined to the Square?	<input type="checkbox"/> <i>March</i> <input type="checkbox"/> <i>No march</i>
If a march please confirm route. Please also provide details of police contact	

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Amplified noise equipment

The Police Reform and Social Responsibility Act 2011 provides that permission must be sought from the GLA for operation of amplified noise equipment in Parliament Square Garden. Please set out details below of any amplified noise equipment, such as loudspeakers or loudhailers, that you propose to use in Parliament Square including:

- **Type of amplified noise equipment**
- **Noise level**
- **Duration**

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Detailed description of activity

Please give a full description with as much detail as you have. You **MUST** include the following details or reason(s) as to why they are not available or your application will be rejected and you will be instructed to reapply:

- **Purpose of the activity proposed**
- **Any equipment to be used**
- **Details of any potential celebrity/ VIP attendance**
- **Description of any activities where children may be performing**
- **Annotated site plan on next page**
- **Management plan**

Activities requiring a licence under the Licensing Act 2003 will not be permitted in Parliament Square Garden. The GLA reserves the right to amend or refuse certain activities within your event.

Activities that could impact on the general maintenance of the Venue may require a specific assessment prior to approval being granted.

Please use additional sheets where needed.

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Please tick below which equipment you will be bringing onto the Venue:

☐ Billboards/placards *Details of any proposed banners to be attached to any part of the venue must be agreed before your activity.*

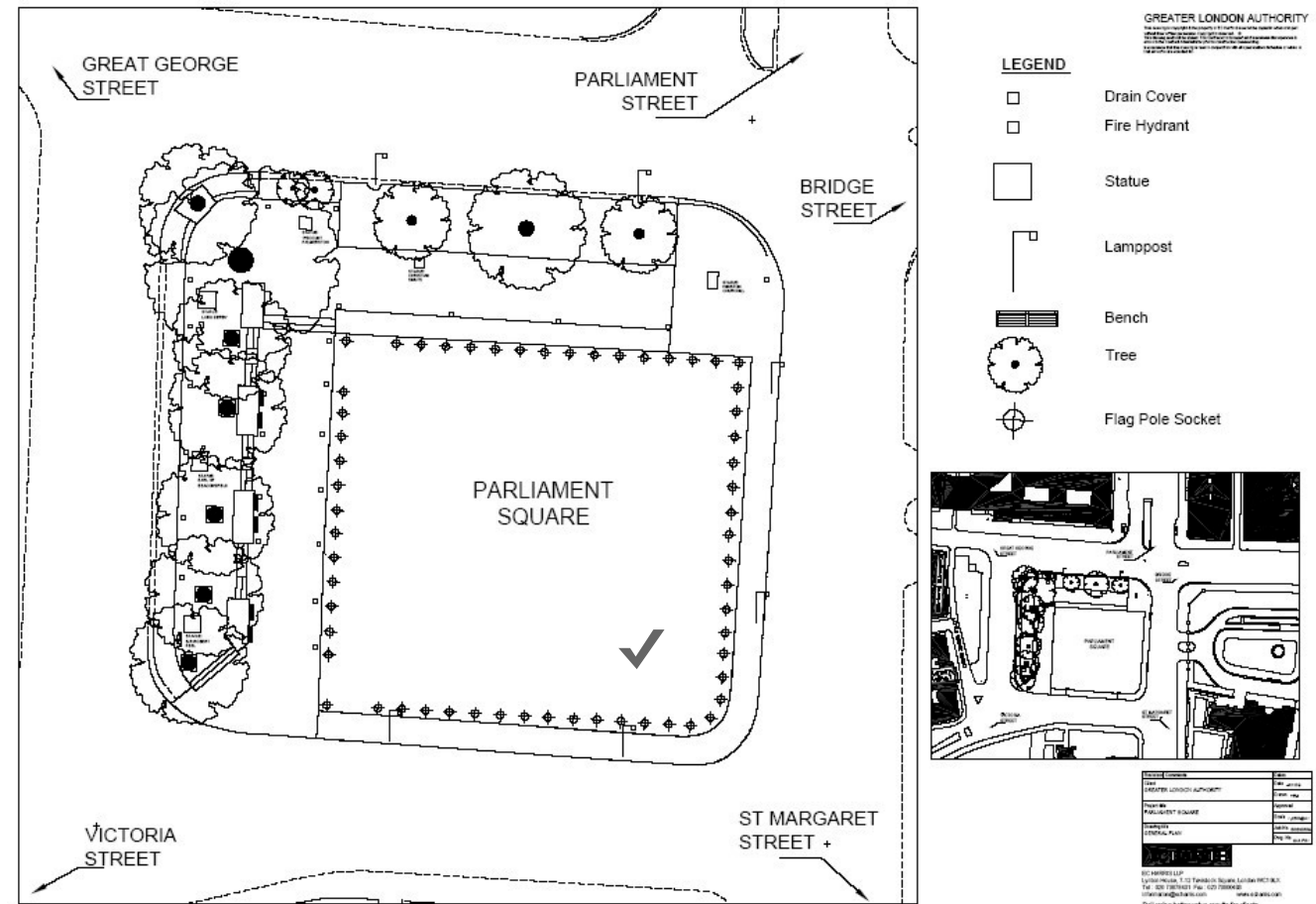
☐ Barriers

☐ Lights *Due to roads around Parliament Square Gardens no light sources may be directed into traffic. Any lighting source must be approved by GLA.*

Other:

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Please mark on the below plan the area(s) of Parliament Square Garden you wish to use:



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Before sending the application form please complete the following checklist and provide the information requested in order for your application to be considered:

Required information for the GLA

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|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> You will need to possess Public Liability Insurance to hold your activity
GLA requires a minimum of £5 million. Please attach a copy of it valid for the date of your activity |
| <input type="checkbox"/> All sections of the form completed with full details of activity and organisation |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Application signed – unsigned applications will be returned and will delay the application process |

Please note if any of the above requirements are not fulfilled and your application is incomplete then it cannot be fully processed by the GLA until all information has been provided.

I have completed this application form correctly and to the best of my knowledge and I have understood the byelaws and all terms and conditions (set out below) and agree to abide by them. Failure to abide with the byelaws and terms and conditions may mean that the activity is not permitted to proceed:

Signed: _____ Name (Print): _____

Date: _____ Organisation: _____

We endeavour to confirm receipt of applications within 5 days. Once all requested information on the activity has been received we will confirm decisions within 21 days.

ALL APPLICATIONS WILL BE CONSIDERED IN LINE WITH THE GLA'S RESPONSIBILITY OF PROTECTING THE SQUARE'S FABRIC AND ASSETS AS WELL AS ITS HERITAGE VALUE.

[Pages 8+ guidance available at; https://www.london.gov.uk/sites/default/files/public_meetings_demonstrations_rallies_application_form_-_trafalgar_square.pdf]

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: 18 June 2018 08:54
To: [REDACTED]
Cc: Community Desk
Subject: RE: NEWS: Guardian - Come on, Sadiq Khan, let our Trump Baby blimp fly above London
Attachments: RE: NEWS: Guardian - Come on, Sadiq Khan, let our Trump Baby blimp fly above London

See attached. [REDACTED] emailed [REDACTED] with attached email correspondence so far and I understand [REDACTED] spoke to [REDACTED] over the weekend. If you need a press line let me know but wasn't sure if [REDACTED] has been in touch.

Best Wishes

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: 18 June 2018 06:55
To: [REDACTED] <[REDACTED]@london.gov.uk>
Cc: Community Desk <communitydesk@london.gov.uk>; [REDACTED] <[REDACTED]@london.gov.uk>
Subject: RE: NEWS: Guardian - Come on, Sadiq Khan, let our Trump Baby blimp fly above London

Morning, [REDACTED]

This has not come across my desk yet?

Regards

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Subject: FW: NEWS: Guardian - Come on, Sadiq Khan, let our Trump Baby blimp fly above London

Hi both – see below – we will need to sort a reactive line but do know anything about it please?

Thanks

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From:
Sent: 15 June 2018 15:57
To: Media Summaries <MediaSummaries@london.gov.uk>
Subject: NEWS: Guardian - Come on, Sadiq Khan, let our Trump Baby blimp fly above London

Come on, Sadiq Khan, let our Trump Baby blimp fly above London

A group of activists have commissioned a six-metre-high inflatable of the US president to fly over Westminster when he visits – but the mayor's office aren't so keen

Leo Murray

Fri 15 Jun 2018 15.40 BST

On the morning Donald Trump was elected, I cried on the tube. I'm a lifelong Londoner, so this was not normal for me. But it was not a normal situation. Since then, almost everything we feared about Trump as president has come true. In her infinite wisdom, our prime minister has invited Trump here on 13 July, when he will probably gloat and smirk over our Brexit misfortune, and hope to bully us into subjugation. To do justice to the enormity of the occasion, a group of activist friends and I have had a six-metre-high blimp made of Trump as a giant orange baby, with a mobile phone clutched in his tiny hands. Trump Baby is the kind of protest that would be impossible to ignore during the presidential visit. Trump Baby is precisely what this situation calls for.

Imagine our dismay to find that the mayor of London, Sadiq Khan, disagrees. In order to secure consent to protest in Parliament Square Gardens, you have to apply via the events team at City Hall. We're not planning to do anything that contravenes any bylaws for this space, which include using amplified music or anything you could sleep inside. We already have the public liability insurance required. Khan's officials, however, have insisted that Trump Baby blimp "is not a protest". "A protest is a gathering of people with banners and placards," they say. Apparently, Trump Baby is merely "art" and therefore not a legitimate applicant to protest outside the seat of our democracy.

Taking the piss is one of the few areas where Britain still leads the world, so the refusal from the mayor's office to let Trump Baby fly over Parliament feels somehow unpatriotic. It's embarrassing, too, that the London mayor has talked a good Twitter fight on Trump, but seems reluctant to follow through on his words. Filling a balloon this size with helium costs about £800, so we have been fundraising to cover the costs of this, as well as for 1,000 mini Trump Baby balloons, which we plan to give out to well-wishers on the day. We've also started a petition, asking Khan's team to reconsider.

Picture the scene. As Trump Baby swells and begins to ascend to the sky above Westminster, our spirits would be lifted; what could have been a day of infamy for Britain instead becomes a day of national pride and unity. If launched, Trump Baby will spread cheer and goodwill, putting smiles on the faces of millions of people here and around the globe as we remember our common humanity, and laugh together at the idiot president. Come on Sadiq, what's not to like? Let Trump Baby fly!

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: 25 June 2018 17:05
To: Media Summaries
Subject: NEWS: Standard: Protesters pledge £8,000 to fly inflatable 'Trump baby' over Parliament during US President's UK visit

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<https://www.standard.co.uk/news/uk/protesters-pledge-8000-to-fly-inflatable-trump-baby-over-parliament-during-us-presidents-uk-visit-a3871351.html>



Thousands of protesters have called for a giant helium balloon shaped like Donald Trump as a baby to be flown over the capital during the President's visit to the UK.

The six metre tall balloon has been crowdfunded by members of the public and is expected to be a focal point during protests against the trip.

Mr Trump will make a three-day visit to the UK that will begin on July 13.

Around 53,000 people are planning to attend the official protest against Mr Trump's visit to the UK.



Among them will be the organisers behind the giant inflatable balloon Trump Baby.

Almost £8,000 has been raised to fly the balloon over the protests in Parliament Square.

The organisers wrote on their crowdfunding page: "A group of us have chipped in and raised enough money to have a 6 meter high blimp made by a professional inflatables company, to be flown in the skies over Parliament Square during Trump's visit."

Mr Trump's visit is expected to be a 'best of British' tour. During his trip he will meet with Theresa May at Chequers before joining the Queen at Windsor Castle.

He is then expected to visit Turnberry golf course in Scotland before jetting back to the US.

Scotland Yard said: "We are preparing for a multi-faceted [REDACTED] and security operation, involving the protection and movement of the president.

"The requirements of this complex operation need to be balanced with the right of individuals to a freedom of speech."

[REDACTED]

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: 27 June 2018 18:29
To: [REDACTED] Nick Bowes
Cc: Leah Kreitzman; Patrick Hennessy; [REDACTED] Jack Stenner; Emma Strain; Samantha Hart
Subject: RE: NEWS: Guardian - Come on, Sadiq Khan, let our Trump Baby blimp fly above London

Thanks all – I'll get that over to the Standard.

Thanks

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Good for me (I'm on sign off)

Thanks

[REDACTED]

On 27 Jun 2018, at 18:04, Nick Bowes <[REDACTED]@london.gov.uk> wrote:

I'm happy with that

Sent from my iPhone

On 27 Jun 2018, at 17:56, Leah Kreitzman <[REDACTED]@london.gov.uk> wrote:

Too much detail in that.

Suggested edits below.

Paddy - what do you think?

Thanks

L

Sent from my iPhone

On 27 Jun 2018, at 17:47, [REDACTED] <[REDACTED][london.gov.uk](mailto:[REDACTED]@london.gov.uk)> wrote:

Now with some tweaks suggested by [REDACTED]

Thanks

[REDACTED]

A spokesperson for the Mayor of London said:

“The Mayor supports the right to peaceful protest and understands that this can take many different forms. His city operations team have met with the creators of the blimp to discuss their proposal and what would be required for this protest to go ahead safely. Sadiq’s main priority is the safety of all Londoners and visitors to our city, and as always we are working in very close coordination with the Metropolitan Police and other key agencies to ensure all protests are carried out safely and securely.”

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Understood – how about an updated line as below?

Thanks

[REDACTED]

A spokesperson for the Mayor of London said: “The Mayor supports the right to peaceful protest and understands that this can take many different forms. A member of his city operations team has met with the creators of the blimp to discuss their proposal and explain the conditions that they would need to meet for this to go

ahead safely, particularly given we are aware that a number of large demonstrations are likely to take place at that time.

“Sadiq’s main priority is the safety of all Londoners and visitors to our city, and as always we are working in very close coordination with the Metropolitan Police and other key agencies to ensure all protests are carried out safely and securely. We hope that a final decision on whether this particular proposal is able to go ahead will be made very soon.”

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I think we might need to lean into it a bit more now [REDACTED] Can you please draft something along the lines of us looking at how we can make it happen.

Thanks

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From: [REDACTED]
Sent: 27 June 2018 17:19
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All – just a note to flag there has been more interest in this today. The line is already with NBC, BuzzFeed and several others but today we’ve had Newsweek and the Standard following up too.

I will give them our cleared holding line. [REDACTED] has flagged that we might be in a position to make a decision towards the end of this week.

Thanks

[REDACTED]

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Cc: [REDACTED] <[REDACTED]@london.gov.uk>; [REDACTED] <[REDACTED]@london.gov.uk>; Jack Stenner <[REDACTED]@london.gov.uk>; Emma Strain <[REDACTED]@london.gov.uk>; Samantha Hart <[REDACTED]@london.gov.uk>
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Thanks all – [REDACTED] has said this is good for him too – will go back to NBC.

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Subject: RE: NEWS: Guardian - Come on, Sadiq Khan, let our Trump Baby blimp fly above London

Good for me

From: Patrick Hennessy
Sent: 22 June 2018 11:53
To: Leah Kreitzman <[REDACTED]@london.gov.uk>; [REDACTED]
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Cc: [REDACTED] <[REDACTED]@london.gov.uk>; [REDACTED]
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Subject: RE: NEWS: Guardian - Come on, Sadiq Khan, let our Trump
Baby blimp fly above London

Cheers [REDACTED]
Think this is about the best we can do.

From: Leah Kreitzman
Sent: 22 June 2018 11:53
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Baby blimp fly above London

Fine for me. Thanks

Sent from my iPhone

On 22 Jun 2018, at 11:35, [REDACTED]
<[REDACTED]@london.gov.uk> wrote:

Apologies all – NBC have just come back to ask if we
have an update on this one.

Draft comment below – please let me know
whether any amends or if clear for use.

Thanks

[REDACTED]

A spokesperson for the Mayor of London said: “A
member of the Mayor’s city operations team met
with the creators of the blimp this week to discuss
their proposal, and particularly the operational
aspect of their application given we are aware that
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safety of all Londoners and visitors to our city, so we are working in very close coordination with the Metropolitan Police and other key agencies to ensure all protests are carried out in a safe and secure way. A decision on whether this proposal can go ahead will be made in due course.”

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As just discussed with [REDACTED] – a possible line for issue post-meeting tomorrow is as below.

Thanks

[REDACTED]

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NBC News have just been in touch to ask if the Mayor will permit the use of Parliament Square for a tethered inflatable baby Donald Trump, as requested by campaigners, during the president's working visit to the UK in July.

He says he understands some officials from city hall are meeting the blimp's creators tomorrow; and that it could be that a definitive answer might not come until after that meeting, in which case he says it would be great if they could get some guidance at the appropriate time.

In which case I think we ought to respond post [REDACTED] meeting but let me know if you agree.

Thanks

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
Deputy Head of Media
Mayor of London's Press Office
0207 983 [REDACTED]
07825 [REDACTED]

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From: Leah Kreitzman
Sent: 15 June 2018 17:59
To: [REDACTED] <[REDACTED]@london.gov.uk>

Cc: Patrick Hennessy

<[REDACTED]@london.gov.uk>; [REDACTED]
<[REDACTED]@london.gov.uk>; [REDACTED]
<[REDACTED]@london.gov.uk>; Nick
Bowes <[REDACTED]@london.gov.uk>; Jack Stenner
<[REDACTED]@london.gov.uk>; Emma Strain
<[REDACTED]@london.gov.uk>; [REDACTED]
<[REDACTED]@london.gov.uk>

Subject: Re: NEWS: Guardian - Come on, Sadiq Khan, let our Trump Baby blimp fly above London

Thanks - small tweaks and have added a line.

Paddy [REDACTED] - please have a look as we should assume this could be public.

L

Sent from my iPhone

On 15 Jun 2018, at 17:52, [REDACTED] <[REDACTED]@london.gov.uk> wrote:

DRAFT EMAIL for comment

Dear Leo

Further to your correspondence with the GLA's Facilities Management Team with regards to your application for the use of Parliament Square Garden, I'd like to apologise as I was unaware of your application to use the square. Your application should have been flagged to me at the time of submission as I am the person coordinating the use of GLA land during the Guest of Government Visit by the President of The United States.

As I am sure you are aware, there are a number of large protests planned for the 13 and 14 July and we have received a number of applications for some significantly large demonstrations.

Had I been aware of your application I would have offered to meet, an offer we have made to all those applying to use one of our squares. I would like to extend that offer now and if you are in agreement we can meet next week

to discuss your proposal in a bit more detail.

The Mayor supports the right to peaceful protests and understands that this can take many different forms. Our main priority is the safety of all Londoners and visitors to our city, so we are working in very close coordination with the Metropolitan Police to ensure all protests are done in a safe and secure way.

Kind Regards...

From: Patrick Hennessy
Sent: 15 June 2018 17:25
To: [REDACTED] <[REDACTED]@london.gov.uk>
Cc: Leah Kreitzman <[REDACTED]@london.gov.uk>; [REDACTED] <[REDACTED]@london.gov.uk>; [REDACTED] <[REDACTED]@london.gov.uk>; Nick Bowes <[REDACTED]@london.gov.uk>; Jack Stenner <[REDACTED]@london.gov.uk>; Emma Strain <[REDACTED]@london.gov.uk>; [REDACTED] <[REDACTED]@london.gov.uk>
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I'm fine with that course of action

Sent from my iPhone

On 15 Jun 2018, at 17:15, [REDACTED]
<[REDACTED]>
[REDACTED] [london.gov.uk](mailto:[REDACTED]@london.gov.uk)>
wrote:

I'm absolutely
happy to discuss
with Leo my only
concern is that we
have now told
[REDACTED] on
London they can
use Parliament Sq
on 13th and there
is a Free Tommy
Robinson protest in
Whitehall on the
14th.

I could go back,
offer a meeting, get
an understanding
of size, logistics for
inflating etc.
explain who is using
the squares on the
13th and link him
up with the MPS.

On 15 Jun 2018, at
17:08, Leah
Kreitzman
<[REDACTED]!
[london.gov.uk](mailto:[REDACTED]@london.gov.uk)>
wrote:

There's an option
for [REDACTED] to go back to
Leo, on the email
thread, essentially
with this line –
saying this wasn't
flagged with him at
the time, but he'll
now take it through
the proper process
in the same way we
have done with the
other Trump
protest requests.
Could draw more
attention, but could
get us ahead of it.

From: Patrick
Hennessy
Sent: 15 June 2018
16:51
To: Leah Kreitzman
<[REDACTED]!
[\[REDACTED\]@london.gov.uk](mailto:[REDACTED]@london.gov.uk)>;
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I agree with
this...that's about
as good as we can
say.
Of course we
haven't had any
actual inquiries
about this...yet...

From: Leah
Kreitzman
Sent: 15 June 2018
16:50
To: [REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
<[REDACTED]

@london.gov.uk>;
Patrick Hennessy
<[REDACTED]
@london.gov.uk>;
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Stenner
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don.gov.uk)>
Cc: Emma Strain
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Unless Emma or [REDACTED]
have unearthed
more, I suggest we
respond as spokes
along the lines of:

“Unfortunately
proper procedure
was not followed
by City Hall officials
when this request
was submitted. It is
now being
reviewed. They
Mayor supports the
right to peaceful
protests and
understands that
this can take many
different forms”.

Not ideal – but not
sure what else we
can say?

From: Leah Kreitzman
Sent: 15 June 2018 16:32
To: [REDACTED]
<[REDACTED]
[\[REDACTED\]@london.gov.uk](mailto:[REDACTED]@london.gov.uk)>;
Patrick Hennessy
<[REDACTED]
[\[REDACTED\]@london.gov.uk](mailto:[REDACTED]@london.gov.uk)>;
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[\[REDACTED\]@london.gov.uk](mailto:[REDACTED]@london.gov.uk)>
Subject: RE: NEWS: Guardian - Come on, Sadiq Khan, let our Trump Baby blimp fly above London

Copying [REDACTED] and Emma who I've already flagged this with.

Thanks

L

From: [REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
Sent: 15 June 2018 16:20
To: Patrick Hennessy
<[REDACTED]
[\[REDACTED\]@london.gov.uk](mailto:[REDACTED]@london.gov.uk)>;
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[\[REDACTED\]@london.gov.uk](mailto:[REDACTED]@london.gov.uk)>; Nick Bowes

<[REDACTED]@london.gov.uk>; Jack
Stenner
<[REDACTED]@london.gov.uk>; Leah
Kreitzman
<[REDACTED]@london.gov.uk>

Subject: FW:
NEWS: Guardian -
Come on, Sadiq
Khan, let our Trump
Baby blimp fly
above London

We're finding out
the background on
this one.

Thanks

[REDACTED]

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From: [REDACTED]
Sent: 15 June 2018
15:57
To: Media
Summaries
<MediaSummaries@london.gov.uk>
Subject: NEWS:
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our Trump Baby
blimp fly above
London

**Come
on,
Sadiq**

[article on P12]

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: 28 June 2018 08:37
To: Simon Grinter
Subject: FW: Trump Baby

FYI

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: 28 June 2018 08:18
To: [REDACTED] <[REDACTED]@london.gov.uk>; [REDACTED] <[REDACTED]@london.gov.uk>
Subject: Trump Baby

Dear [REDACTED] and [REDACTED]

Following the article in the Guardian by Leo Murray about Trump Baby and the subsequent significant press and public interest I was asked to meet with Leo to discuss his proposal for his protest.

Having met with Leo and had conversations with the MPS and WCC we are minded to grant permission to Leo Murray to use Parliament Square Garden for the Trump Baby protest.

Following a site visit the organiser has been asked to put together a plan outlining their methodology on inflation and deflation, their stewarding and media management. It has been agreed with the MPS and the organiser that the flight time should avoid [REDACTED] On London and be between 09:30 and 11:30. There has been a request to bring a small van onto the square to unload the blimp and helium.

I am in and out of the office all day today dealing with a COBR exercise but it would be good to get an outline on the next steps so we can approve this sooner rather than later.

Many thanks

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] | City Operations Lead | Mayor of London's Office
Direct: 020 7983 [REDACTED] | Mobile: 07946 [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

From: Simon Grinter
Sent: 28 June 2018 12:40
To: [REDACTED]
Cc: [REDACTED]
Subject: Trump Baby

Hello [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] is on holiday at present so I have picked up her email on the above.

The immediate next step is to get a detailed Risk Assessment from the organiser. As you will be aware, there have been several inflatable related fatalities leading to custodial sentences and many local Authorities do not allow inflatables as a consequence.

The GLA's retained H&S advisors have experience in this field and I would like them to be involved in evaluating the assessments and monitoring the construction and derig.

Do you wish to advise the organiser of this or shall I ask my team to speak to them. As we are two weeks away this is quite urgent.

I look forward to hearing from you.

Simon

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Greater London Authority

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From: Simon Grinter
Sent: 28 June 2018 14:41
To: [REDACTED]
Cc: [REDACTED]
Subject: FW: Trump Baby: method statement
Attachments: METHOD STATEMENT PROJECT TRUMP BABY AT PSG 13 07 18.xlsx

[REDACTED]

This has just come through. To save time would you mind contacting Trump Baby direct and advising the extra information that is required to turn this into a proper set of RAMS?

NB. You will need to advise that you are a consultant advising the GLA on H&S and that you are not part of the authorising process.

Many thanks
Simon

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Sent: 28 June 2018 14:26
To: Simon Grinter <[REDACTED]@london.gov.uk>
Cc: [REDACTED] <[REDACTED]@london.gov.uk>; [REDACTED] <[REDACTED]@london.gov.uk>
Subject: FW: Trump Baby: method statement

[REDACTED] | City Operations Lead | Mayor of London's Office
Direct: 020 7983 [REDACTED] | Mobile: 07946 [REDACTED]

From: Trump Baby [<mailto:trumpbabyuk@gmail.com>]
Sent: 28 June 2018 14:01
To: [REDACTED] <[REDACTED]@london.gov.uk>
Subject: Trump Baby: method statement

Dear [REDACTED]

Please find attached our method statement for managing the event as discussed. Please note that the vehicle access to site remains TBD following further instruction from you / MPS.

Regarding media access, I have outlined a period from between 8:45am, when Trump Baby will start to be filled, and 10:30am, by which point we should have managed to handle all the media requests for interviews etc. I'm happy to put a time window on the press release to make it clear that we will only be conducting interviews during this

period. Film and photography will want to capture the inflation and ascent process, hence the early start. I hope this sounds acceptable? As you will know, if we do not provide adequate time to engage with the media they will simply impinge on our time anyway.

Regarding numbers, I'm afraid this is difficult to predict. As this is largely a media opportunity, we certainly would not want to be deterring anyone from coming, and in any event we would not be heeded if we were to try. Given that we had six TV crews filming Tuesday's practice run in an adventure playground, I anticipate a great deal of media interest on the day. I therefore agree it is sensible to conduct this event early in the day, before the main protests get underway.

We will have one or two personnel simply wrangling press, and two to four conducting interviews throughout this period.

I'm sending this through to the MPS now too for review; they came back to me with some questions around the technical logistics of the plan, but certainly no showstoppers, so I'm feeling hopeful on that score.

Please let me know if there is anything else you would like me to change or add to this once you've had a chance to review?

Thanks again for all your help, we are all terribly grateful for the constructive approach you're taking to this proposal, ■■■

Very best,
Leo

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

From: [REDACTED] <[REDACTED]@wyg.com>
Sent: 03 July 2018 17:31
To: [REDACTED]
Cc: Simon Grinter; [REDACTED]
Subject: Re: Trump Baby: method statement

Hi

[REDACTED] has been in contact with organisers and should be able to provide update in morning. Documentation provided is broadly ok but just requires some additional consideration.

[REDACTED] is travelling at moment but I have copied him

Regards,

[REDACTED]

Sent from my iPhone

> On 3 Jul 2018, at 17:22, [REDACTED] <[REDACTED]@london.gov.uk> wrote:
>
> Simon / [REDACTED]
>
> Do we have any update on below comments. [REDACTED] from Mayor's Office has been to my desk for an update so that he can update police.
>
> Best Wishes
>
> [REDACTED]
>
> -----Original Message-----
> From: Simon Grinter
> Sent: 29 June 2018 16:39
> To: [REDACTED] <[REDACTED]@wyg.com>
> Cc: [REDACTED] <[REDACTED]@london.gov.uk>
> Subject: RE: Trump Baby: method statement
>
> Have a good weekend.
>
> Simon
>
> -----Original Message-----
> From: [REDACTED] [mailto:[REDACTED]@wyg.com]
> Sent: 29 June 2018 16:38
> To: Simon Grinter <[REDACTED]@london.gov.uk>
> Cc: [REDACTED] <[REDACTED]@london.gov.uk>
> Subject: Re: Trump Baby: method statement
>
> Thanks Simon
>
> I'll look at first thing Monday with [REDACTED] [REDACTED]
>
> Sent from my iPhone

>
> On 29 Jun 2018, at 16:35, Simon Grinter <[REDACTED]@london.gov.uk<mailto:[REDACTED]@london.gov.uk>>
wrote:
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> If needed, see mobile number below for Trump Baby.
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> Simon
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> From: [REDACTED]
> Sent: 29 June 2018 16:15
> To: Simon Grinter
> <[REDACTED]@london.gov.uk<mailto:[REDACTED]@london.gov.uk>>
> Subject: RE: Trump Baby: method statement
>
> Simon
>
> To expedite matters here is the mobile number for Leo Murray, the organiser of Trump Baby - 07834 [REDACTED]
>
> Thanks
> [REDACTED]
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>
> [REDACTED] | City Operations Lead | Mayor of London's Office
> Direct: 020 7983 [REDACTED] | Mobile: 07946 [REDACTED]
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> Unit Greater London Authority

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> [REDACTED] | City Operations Lead | Mayor of London's Office
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> Very best,

> Leo

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From: 
Sent: 04 July 2018 12:50
To: Simon Ginter
Subject: Draft Trump authorisations attached
Attachments: DRAFT PSG Authorisation Notice - Trump Baby Rally.doc

Dear Simon

Revised draft attached with permitted area.

Best Wishes



Leo Murray
Trump Baby UK

Department: Facilities Management

Date: 4th July 2018

Dear Mr Murray,

Authorisation Notice for use of Parliament Square Garden ("PSG")

The Greater London Authority ("GLA") has agreed to grant the following authorisation ("the Authorisation Notice") for the purposes of byelaw 5 of the Parliament Square Garden Byelaws 2012, made under the Greater London Authority Act 1999 and part 3 of the Police Reform and Social Responsibility Act 2011:

Authorised person: Leo Murray on behalf of Trump Baby UK ("the Authorised Person")
Activity: Trump Baby inflatable ("the Activity")
Date and times: Friday 13th July 2018, 0845-1030hrs ("the Agreed Period")
Insurance amount: £5 million Public Liability Insurance ("the Insured Amount")
Number of attendees: 20 – 30 ("the Maximum Audience")
Permitted Area: The central grassed area of Parliament Square ("the Permitted Area")

You will not be charged for the use of Parliament Square; however, you must fully compensate the GLA for any costs incurred in respect of cleaning and or damage and because of your non-compliance with any of the terms of this Authorisation Notice. Any costs incurred will be confirmed after the event.

Please note the attached term and condition 8 with regards to charges applicable to the cancellation of the Activity.

This Authorisation Notice is granted subject to the attached terms and conditions and the following special terms and conditions:

1. The GLA recognises that the required level of £5 million Public Liability Insurance has been provided in the name of Imagine Inflatables Limited, by the organiser of the event, Leo Murray. The event title is recognised as Trump Baby UK.
2. All authorisations being provided the Greater London Authority are subject to police comment and approval.
3. Wind speeds will be measured using an anemometer throughout the build, flight and de-rig. The inflatable should not be used in above any wind speeds or at a height determined to be unsafe by the operator. Wind speeds must be monitored on site with an anemometer at all times. If conditions are determined to be unsafe, the production team will secure the inflatable at ground level immediately.

4. It has been noted that the inflatable weighs 15kg with nylon tether lines attached at multiple tether points include main harness, four anchor points on front and back of inflatable plus final safety attached to head. It will be secured with 20 x 25kg ballast bags, 500kg in total. Driving any tether poles into the ground is strictly prohibited.
5. Any use of helium must comply with UK Safety regulations and monitored throughout the activity in a safe and secure location.
6. All defined areas for the inflatable and helium cannisters must be stewarded or crewed at all times for public safety.
7. The named and responsible person on Parliament Square Garden at all times is **Dave Fuller** [REDACTED] who must ensure that they liaise with Heritage Wardens (07920 [REDACTED]) on site upon arrival. This 'authorised person' is required to be on site throughout the agreed period.
8. All relevant authorities including the police and Civil Aviation Authority must be notified of the proposed activity in advance and if an issue occurs during the activity.
9. All instructions from Heritage Wardens and/or Greater London Authority Officers or Police must be complied with at all times. The organiser and/or 'authorised person' is responsible for ensuring that all volunteers and participants are aware of all Terms and Conditions before coming to Parliament Square Garden.
10. A representative from the GLA Health and Safety advisor White Young Green will be on site throughout the activity and any instructions regarding the safety of the inflatable and its deflation must be considered and complied with at all times.
11. The organiser and/or 'authorised person' must make every reasonable attempt to ensure that the 'permitted area' is kept clear of obstructions to allow safe movement, entry and egress.
12. The organisers must ensure that adequate stewarding of the GLA managed area is provided to ensure the protection of the fabric, including statues and flowerbeds. Any damage incurred because of your event will be charged to the organiser.
13. No vehicles are permitted onto Parliament Square Garden at any time.
14. Additional infrastructure (including stalls, tents or any other form of infrastructure) is not permitted on any part of the GLA managed area of the square including the grassed area. Police instruction must also be considered if there are any safety issues on the day.
15. There is a defined maximum capacity of 5,000 people on the GLA managed area. Any attendance above 5,000 people would mean attendees are in the roadway.
16. Any set up on the roadside with vehicles must have consultation with Westminster, police and Transport for London prior to the activity as part of road closure planning.
17. Placards/display boards should be free standing; nothing should be attached to the fabric of Parliament Square. You must ensure that any leaflet, picture or placard content is suitable for all users of the Square. Any content deemed upsetting or offensive must be removed immediately as per instructions from Heritage Wardens or GLA officers.

18. Placards, substantial waste and other debris must be removed from the Square at the end of your activity. Extra cleaning or waste removal required because of your event or build will be charged to the organiser.

19. If you cancel the Activity with less than 48 hours' notice, the GLA may charge you for any potential contractor costs which have resulted from requests by the organiser.

This Authorisation Notice (or a copy of it) must be produced on request to the GLA's Heritage Wardens or the police.

Kindly acknowledge your acceptance of this Authorisation Notice and the attached terms and conditions by signing the Authorisation Notice and returning one copy to parliament.square@london.gov.uk. Failure to abide with the terms and conditions of this Authorisation Notice may result in the Authorisation Notice being revoked and your event not being permitted to proceed. The signed Authorisation Notice should be received by the GLA **no later than 1600hrs on Friday 6 July 2018.**

Yours sincerely,

[Redacted Signature]

[Redacted Name]

Events and Lettings Officer

020 7084 [Redacted]

[Redacted] london.gov.uk

For and on behalf of the GLA

I hereby accept the terms and conditions of this Authorisation Notice for use of PSG.

Signed:

Name:

Position:

Organisation:

Date:

cc GLA's Heritage Wardens

[Rest of document is terms and conditions available at https://www.london.gov.uk/sites/default/files/public_meetings_demonstrations_rallies_application_form_-_trafalgar_square.pdf]

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From: [REDACTED]
Sent: 05 July 2018 11:18
To: Patrick Hennessy; Leah Kreitzman; [REDACTED] london.gov.uk; [REDACTED] Emma Strain; Samantha Hart
Cc: [REDACTED]
Subject: RE: Lines for clearance on Trump blimp

Superb, will go back to [REDACTED] now.

Thanks

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Mayor of London's Press Office
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From: Patrick Hennessy
Sent: 05 July 2018 11:17
To: [REDACTED] <[REDACTED] london.gov.uk>; Leah Kreitzman <[REDACTED] london.gov.uk>; [REDACTED] london.gov.uk; [REDACTED] <[REDACTED] london.gov.uk>; Emma Strain <[REDACTED] london.gov.uk>; Samantha Hart <[REDACTED] london.gov.uk>
Cc: [REDACTED] <[REDACTED] london.gov.uk>
Subject: RE: Lines for clearance on Trump blimp

I think this is fine post-Leah, many thanks

Not in the quote, but needs to be clear in briefing that 'Parliament Square Garden' means the grass bit in the middle of Parl Sq!

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: 05 July 2018 11:15
To: Leah Kreitzman <[REDACTED] london.gov.uk>; [REDACTED] london.gov.uk; [REDACTED] <[REDACTED] london.gov.uk>; Emma Strain <[REDACTED] london.gov.uk>; Samantha Hart <[REDACTED] london.gov.uk>
Cc: [REDACTED] <[REDACTED] london.gov.uk>
Subject: RE: Lines for clearance on Trump blimp

Thanks Leah – now as below.

Paddy/[REDACTED] if you are happy with this too I will then go back to Sky as below and others who ask.

Thanks

[REDACTED]

DRAFT COMMENT

A spokesperson for the Mayor of London said: "The Mayor supports the right to peaceful protest and understands that this can take many different forms. His city operations team have met with the organisers and have given them permission to use Parliament Square Garden as a grounding point for the blimp. However the organisers will also need to receive the necessary approvals from the Metropolitan Police and National Air Traffic Service in order for it to fly.

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From: Leah Kreitzman

Sent: 05 July 2018 11:13

To: [REDACTED] <[REDACTED]@london.gov.uk>; [REDACTED]@london.gov.uk; [REDACTED] <[REDACTED]@london.gov.uk>; Emma Strain <[REDACTED]@london.gov.uk>; Samantha Hart <[REDACTED]@london.gov.uk>

Cc: [REDACTED] <[REDACTED]@london.gov.uk>

Subject: RE: Lines for clearance on Trump blimp

I've just edited this [REDACTED] – to make it a bit more plain English.

From: [REDACTED]

Sent: 05 July 2018 11:12

To: [REDACTED]@london.gov.uk; [REDACTED] <[REDACTED]@london.gov.uk>; Emma Strain <[REDACTED]@london.gov.uk>; Samantha Hart <[REDACTED]@london.gov.uk>

Cc: [REDACTED] <[REDACTED]@london.gov.uk>

Subject: RE: Lines for clearance on Trump blimp

Now with tweak that improves this from [REDACTED]

Thanks

[REDACTED]

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From: [REDACTED]
Sent: 05 July 2018 10:52
To: [REDACTED] <[REDACTED]@london.gov.uk>; [REDACTED] <[REDACTED]@london.gov.uk>; Emma Strain <[REDACTED]@london.gov.uk>; Samantha Hart <[REDACTED]@london.gov.uk>
Cc: [REDACTED] <[REDACTED]@london.gov.uk>
Subject: Lines for clearance on Trump blimp

All,

We've just had our first enquiry re permission for Trump blimp – from Sky News.

A draft comment below – please let me know whether any amends or if this is clear for use.

Thanks

[REDACTED]

DRAFT COMMENT

A spokesperson for the Mayor of London said: "The Mayor supports the right to peaceful protest and understands that this can take many different forms. His city operations team have met with the organisers and now provided permission for the use of Parliament Square Garden. However the organisers will also need to advise us that they have received the necessary approvals from the Metropolitan Police and National Air Traffic Service.

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From: [REDACTED]
Sent: 05 July 2018 12:40
To: Media Summaries
Subject: NEWS - Sky News: Trump 'angry baby' blimp gets green light to fly over London during president's visit

Sky News: Trump 'angry baby' blimp gets green light to fly over London during president's visit

The six-metre balloon depicting Mr Trump as a nappy-clad orange baby will take flight from Parliament Square Gardens on 13 July.

By Bethany Minelle, news reporter

A giant balloon dubbed "Trump baby" has been given the green light to fly near parliament during the president's UK visit.

London mayor Sadiq Khan's Greater London Authority has approved a request for the flight after thousands signed a petition and a crowdfunding campaign raised more than £16,000 to get the six-metre inflatable off the ground.

Strict rules are in place for the flight from Parliament Square Gardens, with the balloon being tethered to the ground and restricted from floating higher than 30m (98ft).

It will fly between 9.30am and 11.30am on Friday 13 July - coinciding with the president's visit to the UK and a "Stop Trump" march in central London.

A spokesperson for the Mayor of London said: "The Mayor supports the right to peaceful protest and understands that this can take many different forms.

"His city operations team have met with the organisers and have given them permission to use Parliament Square Garden as a grounding point for the blimp."

Campaigners say the Met Police are in charge of local airspace on the day, have seen their plans and are currently happy for the flight to go ahead - but maintain a right of veto on the day.

The group behind the stunt - who call themselves anti-fascist "art activists" - are now liaising with the Met and the Civil Aviation Authority to ensure airspace over London is managed safely on the day.

Activist Leo Murray told Sky News: "We didn't get off to the best start with the Mayor's office over this, who originally told us that they didn't recognise Trump Baby as legitimate protest.

"But following a huge groundswell of public support for our plan, it looks like City Hall has rediscovered its sense of humour. Trump Baby will fly!"

Mr Murray has described the balloon as an "obscene mutant clone of the president" and says it will "hold up a huge mirror of truth" to the world.

Describing Mr Trump as a "dangerous excuse for a president", the group's spokesperson, Nona Hurkmans, said: "We are just a small group of friends who set out to show that fascists are not welcome in the UK.

"We have been genuinely overwhelmed and touched by the incredible levels of support we have received for our project."

More than 10,000 people signed a petition calling on the mayor to "let Trump Baby fly", and the group has so far raised over £16,000 to cover the costs of the protest - more than three times its original target.

Activists also hope to take "Trump Baby" on a world tour following the president's visit.

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[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: 05 July 2018 13:49
To: [REDACTED] Simon Grinter
Subject: Trump Baby counter-request

[REDACTED]
Just so you're aware I've just received a call from a gentleman asking to install a counter blimp after reading about the Trump Baby story. I've advised the person that there is an application process and pointed them towards our website and asked them to email. From there we would follow normal application / assessment process.

We haven't seen a signed letter from Leo yet and as soon as anything arrives we will forward if you're not copied.

Best Wishes

[REDACTED]
-----Original Message-----

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: 05 July 2018 11:45
To: [REDACTED] <[REDACTED]@london.gov.uk>; [REDACTED] <[REDACTED]@london.gov.uk>; Simon Grinter <[REDACTED]@london.gov.uk>; <[REDACTED]@london.gov.uk>
Subject: RE: Press enquiry: Trump Baby authorisation from Sky News

FYI - This is the line we've used.

A spokesperson for the Mayor of London said: "The Mayor supports the right to peaceful protest and understands that this can take many different forms. His city operations team have met with the organisers and have given them permission to use Parliament Square Garden as a grounding point for the blimp. However the organisers will also need to receive the necessary approvals from the Metropolitan Police and National Air Traffic Service in order for it to fly.

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From: [REDACTED]
Sent: 05 July 2018 11:44

To: [REDACTED] [REDACTED] <[REDACTED]@london.gov.uk>; [REDACTED] [REDACTED] <[REDACTED]@london.gov.uk>
Cc: Simon Grinter <[REDACTED]@london.gov.uk>; [REDACTED] <[REDACTED]@london.gov.uk>
Subject: RE: Press enquiry: Trump Baby authorisation from Sky News

Hi all - I've had [REDACTED] touch too and have gone back to her.

Send anyone my way.

Cheers

[REDACTED]

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Deputy Head of Media
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From: [REDACTED] [REDACTED]
Sent: 05 July 2018 11:44
To: [REDACTED] [REDACTED] <[REDACTED]@london.gov.uk>
Cc: Simon Grinter <[REDACTED]@london.gov.uk>; [REDACTED] <[REDACTED]@london.gov.uk>; [REDACTED] <[REDACTED]@london.gov.uk>
Subject: Re: Press enquiry: Trump Baby authorisation from Sky News

[REDACTED]

I'm copying in [REDACTED] from the Mayor's press office who is leading on media enquiries for this.

Kind regards

[REDACTED]

On 5 Jul 2018, at 11:33, [REDACTED] [REDACTED] <[REDACTED]@london.gov.uk> wrote:

Dear Simon and [REDACTED]

I have received a voicemail from [REDACTED]

She said that she had been given my number as a contact to confirm if City Hall has approved Trump Baby on Parliament Square.

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

It appears that she was given my number by organisers, as it was at the signature of the authorisation email.

I have not spoken to her or returned her call.

Many thanks,

██████████ | Events & Lettings Officer | Facilities Management
Telephone: 020 7084 ██████████

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From: 2070323000 [mailto:CLID_2070323000@gla.london.gov.uk]

Sent: 05 July 2018 11:21

To: ██████████ <██████████@london.gov.uk>

Subject: Voice message from 2070323000

Caller ID: 2070323000

Message length: 45 sec. (188 kb.)

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From: [REDACTED]
Sent: 05 July 2018 23:15
To: Media Summaries
Subject: NEWS: BBC online - Giant 'Trump Baby' could fly over London for president's visit

Giant 'Trump Baby' could fly over London for president's visit

Campaigners tried out the inflatable baby at Martin Luther King adventure playground in Islington
Plans to fly a giant inflatable figure depicting Donald Trump as a baby over London during the US president's visit have been approved.

Mr Trump is due to meet Theresa May at 10 Downing Street on 13 July.

Campaigners raised almost £18,000 for the helium-filled six-metre high figure, which they said reflects Mr Trump's character as an "angry baby with a fragile ego and tiny hands".

London Mayor Sadiq Khan gave permission for the balloon to fly.

The White House has been approached for comment.

On Twitter former UKIP leader Nigel Farage said the plan was "the biggest insult to a sitting US President ever".

The inflatable Trump Baby is six metres tall
Trump Baby over London Jason Hawkes
Campaigners claim the figure reflects Mr Trump's character as an "angry baby"
Under the plans the inflatable will be allowed to fly for two hours on the morning of Friday 13 July.

Leo Murray, who is behind the crowdfunded idea, said: "[Mr Trump] really seems to hate it when people make fun of him.

"So when he visits the UK on Friday, we want to make sure he knows that all of Britain is looking down on him and laughing at him.

"That's why a group of us have chipped in and raised enough money to have a six-metre high blimp made by a professional inflatables company, to be flown in the skies over Parliament Square during Trump's visit."

Mr Murray said organisers initially "didn't get off to the best start with the mayor's office over this, who originally told us that they didn't recognise Trump Baby as legitimate protest".

However, he said City Hall had "rediscovered its sense of humour - Trump Baby will fly".

A statement on behalf of the London mayor said he "supports the right to peaceful protest and understands that this can take many different forms".

Mr Khan's city operations team met organisers and gave them permission to "use Parliament Square Garden as a grounding point for the blimp".

Trump Baby over Parliament Jason Hawkes

The plan is for the Trump Baby to take off from Parliament Square
More than 10,000 people signed a petition calling for the inflatable to be given permission to fly, activists said.

Mr Khan and Mr Trump have repeatedly clashed on Twitter, including in the aftermath of the London Bridge attack.

Before the figure can take off, campaigners will also need permission from the National Air Traffic Service (NATS) as the project constitutes a "non-standard flight in controlled airspace", a spokesperson said.

Because Parliament Square sits within restricted airspace, additional approvals are also needed from the Metropolitan Police.

Where will the US president go and what might greet him?

Max Wakefield, who is one of the people working on the project, said the group is "confident it will obtain all necessary permits".

He said the initial crowdfunding target was just £1,000, but this was reached within 24 hours.

The extra cash will now be used to send the balloon on a "world tour" and "haunt" Mr Trump wherever he goes, he added.

The Met has been approached for a comment.

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: 06 July 2018 13:42
To: Media Summaries
Subject: NEWS: BBC London lunchtime summary - Friday 6th July

1.
Met police figures says abuse against LGBT+ people has doubled over the last 4 years. There's also been a spike in incidents in June and July, which is Pride-season. It comes as police appeal for information after two members of staff at a LGBT+ venue in Vauxhall have been injured, one suffering a fractured skull, after people thrown out of the venue for homophobic abuse returned to attack it. A recent YouGov poll says half of LGBT+ have been victim of homophobic abuse.

Chief Superintendent Dave Stringer, Met's Head of Community Engagement – We have proactive patrols, specially trained officers, our main objective to increase reporting from LGBT+ community.

2.
A survivor from the July 7th bombing says children who aren't old enough to remember it need to learn about what happened. He's been sharing his story with sixth form students in east London.

3.
Tens of thousands of passengers faced a second day of rail disruption at London Victoria this morning.

4.
A 'baby Trump' blimp has been given permission to fly near the Houses of Parliament during Trump's UK visit next week. Campaigners say they chose a big baby because they feel it reflects Trump's character. The President will meet with the Prime Minister when he visits next week.

5.
Fighter planes are being showcased in central London this weekend to celebrate the centenary of the RAF.

[REDACTED] | **Mayor of London's Press Office**
020 7983 [REDACTED] | 07788 [REDACTED]

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: 06 July 2018 14:48
To: Media Summaries
Subject: NEWS - STANDARD (p12): We're just having fun, says designer behind president baby blimp

We're just having fun, says designer behind president baby blimp

Kate Proctor

THE designer of a giant Donald Trump baby blimp due to fly above London during the US president's visit today defended the stunt, saying: "We're just poking fun".

Environmental campaigner Leo Murray, from Archway, who co-created the 20ft-high balloon with Matt Bonner to show the president in a nappy, said: "We do hope Trump sees it. The response to Trump baby is a window into our national character — a lot of people are ambivalent about protesting but we do like poking fun where we can."

Mayor Sadiq Khan, who clashed with Mr Trump over Islamophobia and terrorism, has faced criticism for allowing protesters to raise the balloon above Parliament Square gardens next Friday.

City Hall said there were no grounds to ban it, but the Met and the air traffic controllers still have power to stop it on air space safety grounds. David Smith, who plans a pro-Trump rally, called the stunt "childish"

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: 06 July 2018 15:19
To: Emma Strain
Subject: RE: Blimp Q&A

Thank you!

From: Emma Strain
Sent: 06 July 2018 15:19
To: [REDACTED] <[REDACTED]@london.gov.uk>
Subject: FW: Blimp Q&A

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: 06 July 2018 12:45
To: Emma Strain <[REDACTED]@london.gov.uk>
Subject: Fwd: Blimp Q&A

For info

Sent from my iPhone

Begin forwarded message:

From: [REDACTED] <[REDACTED]@london.gov.uk>
Date: 6 July 2018 at 12:31:11 BST
To: "[REDACTED]@london.gov.uk" <[REDACTED]@london.gov.uk>, [REDACTED] <[REDACTED]>
[REDACTED]@london.gov.uk>, [REDACTED] <[REDACTED]@london.gov.uk>
Cc: Community Desk <communitydesk@london.gov.uk>
Subject: Blimp Q&A

Hi all,

Suggested extended blimp Q&A below.

Thanks,

[REDACTED]

Blimp – top lines

I support the right to peaceful protest and understand that this can take many different forms.

The city operations team at the GLA have met with the organisers and have given them permission to use Parliament Square Garden as a grounding point for the blimp.

However, the organisers will also need to receive the necessary approvals from the Metropolitan Police and National Air Traffic Service in order for it to fly.

My main priority is the safety of all Londoners and visitors to our city, and as always I am working in very close coordination with the Metropolitan Police and other key agencies to ensure all protests are carried out safely and securely.

Q: Who approved the application?

The city operations team at the GLA have met with the organisers and have given them permission to use Parliament Square Garden as a grounding point for the blimp

However, the organisers will also need to receive the necessary approvals from the Metropolitan Police and National Air Traffic Service in order for it to fly.

Q: Did you make this decision?

I was not involved in the decision at all. It was made by the city operations team at the GLA

Q: What was your role in the decision?

I did not have a role in this decision. It was a decision for the city operations team at the GLA

Q: Do you support their decision?

I support the right to peaceful protest and understand that this can take many different forms.

This was a decision made by the city operations team at the GLA who met with the organisers and have given them permission to use Parliament Square Garden as a grounding point for the blimp.

Q: What is the process these applications have to go through?

To use the Parliament Square Garden a group must apply to the GLA.

The city operations team at the GLA have the power to approve use of the gardens as long as a number of criteria are met, such as liability insurance alongside a full health and safety risk assessment by the GLA's independent consultants.

However to fly a blimp, organisers will also need to receive the necessary approvals from the Metropolitan Police and National Air Traffic Service

Q: Have you had other blimp applications?

We have only received one application for a static demonstration that included an inflatable balloon at the core of the demonstration.

Q: If someone applies for a pro-Trump blimp, will you turn it down?

Any application for a pro-Trump blimp would be a matter for the city operations team at the GLA.

They would have to decide if it met the necessary criteria. It wouldn't be involved in the decision.

Q: Do you think a pro-Trump blimp should be allowed?

I support the right of Londoners to have their say.

If there was an application, the city operations team at the GLA would assess it to see if it met the necessary criteria are met, such as liability insurance alongside a full health and safety risk assessment by the GLA's independent consultants

Every activity is assessed on a case-by-case basis

Q: Is it a matter of taste and decency?

Applications are assessed on a case-by-case basis by the city operations team at the GLA

There is a range of necessary criteria to be met, such as liability insurance alongside a full health and safety risk assessment by the GLA's independent consultants

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: 06 July 2018 16:02
To: Media Summaries
Subject: NEWS: PA - TRUMP'S SCHEDULE KEEPS HIM OUT OF LONDON FOR MOST OF FOUR-DAY TRIP TO UK

TRUMP'S SCHEDULE KEEPS HIM OUT OF LONDON FOR MOST OF FOUR-DAY TRIP TO UK

PA
POLITICS Trump
06-Jul-2018 16:00:00
By Andrew Woodcock, Press Association Political Editor
Advisory: First issued under embargo

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Donald Trump will be kept well outside London for the bulk of his first visit to the UK as US President, avoiding protesters who are expected to gather in the capital.

Instead the president will be whisked off for a tour of some of England's most impressive historic buildings before departing for Scotland for a relaxing weekend, part of which is expected to be spent on the golf course.

The visit takes in a lavish black-tie dinner at Blenheim Palace, a working lunch with Theresa May at her country residence Chequers and a meeting with the Queen at Windsor Castle, but only a brief overnight stay in London.

It seems unlikely that the President will come close enough to Westminster to see a "Trump baby" blimp which protesters plan to fly over the Houses of Parliament, after receiving permission for the stunt from London Mayor Sadiq Khan.

Asked whether the President's schedule was designed to keep him away from possible protests, a Downing Street spokeswoman said: "Prime ministers frequently make use of Chequers for meetings with foreign leaders. It offers a more informal setting for important bilateral discussions."

Previous presidents Richard Nixon, George Bush Senior and George Bush Junior have all visited the 16th-century country Buckinghamshire manor house for meetings with former PMs.

"We're looking forward to making sure the president has a chance to see and experience the UK beyond London and the South-East," said the Number 10 spokeswoman.

She added: "As with any protest, we are a free and open democracy and we believe in the right to peaceful protest. But I would also say that I think the majority of British people understand the importance of the UK-US alliance.

"The presidential visit is an important moment to recognise our close and special relationship and to have good and frank discussions on the key issues."

Mr Trump arrives in the UK on board Air Force One next Thursday afternoon, straight from the Nato summit in Brussels where he is expected to confront European allies over levels of defence spending.

The president and his wife Melania will then be guests of honour at a dinner for around 100 guests in the spectacular setting of Blenheim Palace in Oxfordshire.

The monumental 18th-century country house, built for the first Duke of Marlborough as a reward for his military victories, was the birthplace of Sir Winston Churchill, a personal hero of the president.

The event will begin with a military ceremony in the Great Court of the Palace, where the bands of the Scots, Irish and Welsh Guards will play the Liberty Fanfare, Amazing Grace, and the National Emblem.

Hosted by the Prime Minister, guests at the dinner will include leaders of UK business sectors including financial services, travel, creative industries, food and drink, engineering, tech, infrastructure, pharmaceuticals and defence.

Downing Street said the dinner was intended to "celebrate the strong business links between our two countries" at a time when the UK is hoping to strike a free trade deal with the US following Brexit.

During dinner, the Countess of Wessex's Orchestra will perform a series of classic British and American music hits. And on his departure, Mr Trump will be "piped out" by the Royal Regiment of Scotland.

The President and his wife will spend Friday night at the US Ambassador's London residence Winfield House, in Regent's Park.

The 1930s mansion is set within a large garden - second only to Buckingham Palace in the capital - with tight security to keep any protesters at bay.

But it is possible that the President may be able to hear not only noise from any demonstrations on the streets outside, but also the call to prayer from the Central Mosque next door and the growls of lions and tigers at nearby London Zoo.

On Saturday, Mrs May and Mr Trump will visit an unnamed defence site to view a demonstration of UK military capabilities, with a strong stress on integrated UK-US military training.

The Downing Street spokeswoman said: "In every aspect of our relationship, we are seeking to deepen our special relationship and defence is one of those, and security.

"Our armed forces have fought together for over a century and no two countries work closer together in defence co-operation and that element of the visit is a reflection of that."

They will move on to Chequers for a working lunch and bilateral talks on a range of international issues, followed by a press conference.

Mr Trump will then rejoin Melania, who is being hosted by Mrs May's husband Philip on a separate schedule that morning, for their visit to meet the Queen at Windsor.

The president and first lady will fly on Friday evening to Scotland.

Further details on their schedule north of the border are not yet available, but it is understood that there will be limited Government involvement in what was being described as a private element of the official visit.

Mrs May is not believed to have any plans for travel to Scotland.

On Sunday, Mr Trump is expected to move on to Finland ahead of his keenly-awaited summit with Russian President Vladimir Putin in Helsinki on July 16.

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1

The Met will pay out £1m in damages to three men who were charged with murdering private investigator Daniel Morgan with an axe in south east London more than 30 years ago. The case eventually collapsed. A court ruled a detective relentlessly pursued the trio. The case is thought to have cost around £100m. The family still don't know who is responsible for the murder.

2

The itinerary for Donald Trump's UK visit has been released. He will likely only spend one night in the capital – possibly because of the scale of the planned protests, including the blimp depicting Trump as a baby which the Mayor has said can fly during the visit.

3

The evacuation of Grenfell Tower would have been a huge catastrophe after the fire spread so quickly, the inquiry into the blaze has heard.

4

Nearly a 1,000 people have signed a petition to remove the trust running a primary school over concerns about treatment of staff. Parents argue the high turnover of staff is harming their children's education and an independent report has suggested poor financial management.

5

The widows of two of the London Bridge attackers have requested anonymity over fears of revenge attacks at an hearing this morning.

6

It'll be hot this weekend. You should be careful. Dehydrated badgers are receiving treatment.

7

Interview with Vanessa Kingori, the first female publishing director of Vogue.

8

Lots of Swedish Londoners preparing for tomorrow's world cup quarter-final against England.

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Pride in London this weekend – around 500 LGBT groups due to take part. The weekend kicked off with the Attitude awards this afternoon – interview with some of the winners.

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To whom it may concern,

I wish to make a complaint about the license to approve a giant trump baby balloon flying over the city of London during trumps visit. This is not only childish behaviour by the mayor but it sets a precedent that has never been set before. Would the people be expected to suffer the personal protests of every mayor? The state visit shouldn't be overshadowed by the personal issues of Kahn, when his views do not represent me, or the majority of the UK. In the current climate (leaving EU) it would be beneficial to take advantage of Trump, not ostrisize him. If he is as stupid as everyone makes out he is, it should be easy to take advantage of America for the good of the UK.

Also let's not forget about Russia, we need more friends then enemy's right now.

Please can you tell me about the codes of conduct for the city of London in regards to state visits as im sure this balloon cannot be allowed. It is an absolute disccrace. I wish to know if this blimp violates codes of conduct or the law in any way.

For a complaints process that has the below on their own website, I would expect more from the mayor of London:

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1, It's all kicked off as former the mayor of London has quit government over Brexit. Was only a matter of time, but how will PM cope losing her top two? What will Boris do next? Simon Harris reports – today Boris avoided cameras. Clip of Jenny Jones 'he hasn't been asset to this government'. Boris was a mayor who could turn PR disasters into success. But away from City Hall he seemed less stable. His record as foreign sec wasn't unblemished – mention of Zaghari Ratcliffe mistake, then there was Heathrow airport row. Emily Thornberry said "this isn't about Brexit is it? we've been waiting for him to resign for a long time." Today the PM tried to say something nice – "he demonstrated a global Britain to the world" – cue howls of laughter in the Commons. Simon H in studio - we haven't seen crucial letters between PM and Boris – the question is – is he planning to try and stand as PM? All up in air at the moment

2, What a time for the US President to visit – met police are meant to be mobilising numbers unseen since the riots. Commentary in studio about potential protests with journo Beth Gardiner who mentions Trump tweeting about Sadiq and being critical and unreasonable. Londoners will barely get a glimpse of Trump. Image of Trump blimp shown – Trump may not react well to this – there may be more angry tweets.

3, Football is coming to Hyde Park. ITV looks back to footage at weekend and the capital jumping for joy after the win – small group jumped on ambulance, leaving it smashed and in need of repair. Fund raiser to repair the ambulance has topped its target. But where will you watch? Giant screen accommodating 30,000 fans will be in Hyde Park. Rags Martell reports – ever since England won place everyone is wondering where to watch. This may be the best slot, exclusively I can tell you there will be a band playing, the lighting seeds will be performing including three lions song. Ticket website for event did crash but now it's OK. So keep trying to get tickets.

4, Item on Gareth Southgate and his former coach

5, 100th anniversary of the RAF marked – large item on Spitfires

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By Aine Fox, Press Association

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The decision to approve the flying of a giant blimp depicting Donald Trump as an angry, orange baby near Parliament has been defended by London Mayor Sadiq Khan.

The 20ft (6m) high inflatable, dubbed "Trump Baby", has been granted permission to rise above Parliament Square Gardens for two hours on Friday morning.

Mr Khan said he supported the decision taken by the Greater London Authority, adding that it was not for him to be a "censor".

In a frank exchange with Piers Morgan on Good Morning Britain, Mr Khan said: "My views are irrelevant. The issue is 'Do they have freedom to protest, freedom to assemble and should they be allowed to do so?'

"If it's peaceful and it's safe they should, Piers."

Morgan asked the mayor if he would have endorsed a giant black baby blimp of Barack Obama in protest during his presidency, or an image depicting Mr Khan as a pig despite that being offensive to Muslims.

Mr Khan said: "If it's peaceful and if it's safe. Look, I can't be the censor. It's not for me to decide what's in good taste or bad taste."

Mr Trump's schedule will largely keep him out of central London and it seems unlikely that the US president will come close enough to Westminster to see the blimp.

He will arrive in the UK on board Air Force One on Thursday afternoon, straight from the Nato summit in Brussels, and will carry out a series of engagements on Friday before heading to Scotland for the weekend.

Mr Khan and the American leader have engaged in a long-running war of words over issues like crime and terrorism.

Morgan said it was "utterly ironic and weird" that there could be bigger protests around Mr Trump's visit than during trips to the UK by the leaders of countries with questionable human rights records including Saudi Arabia and Turkey.

But Mr Khan said it was important that the UK could be "candid" with the US as a close ally, saying "that's how special relationships work".

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Subject: NEWS: SK interview in GMB knife crime and Trump

Susanna: Tackling knife crime and making the city safer were key campaign pledges when he was elected mayor of London, but well stabbings in the capital are now at the highest level in six years, and during feb to march this year the city had a higher murder rate than New York

Piers: the London mayor has also been making headlines for a totally different reason after approving a request for a giant balloon of president trump as an angry baby to fly over our parliament during the president's visit this week. and the mayor of London Sadiq Khan joins us - thanks for popping in Mr mayor - how are you?

SK - good

PM: stabbing are rocketing in this city since you became mayor, moped crime is up 50 pc robberies are up gun crime is up, everything is up. you vowed to reduce crime and you've had the complete opposite effect during your tenure as mayor, why has that happened and what do you intend to do about it?

SK: well look, the security and the safety of Londoners is my key priority. since 2014 it is a fact that crime has been going up in London, and across England and Wales. it is not consolation if you are the victims of crime or if you're a bereaved family, the fact that crime is going up less in London than the rest of the country. it is no consolation if you've been the victim of a moped crime that in fact in England and Wales, violent crime went up

PM: let's talk about London - you're the London mayor, you're not responsible for the rest of the country

SK: putting it in context matter Piers

PM: context does matter - I'm a Londoner, I live in London the studio is in London, it is the biggest city in the country, it is the capital, you're the mayor of London, there have been to the end of April 1296 stabbing in the city that you are in charge of. nearly 50 people have been killed with knives. I've got three sons who go out in London and I'm worried about them getting stabbed, one of my sons was done over by one of these mopped stealers, look, they called the police and they couldn't do anything, it was terrifying for him, people are worried about the fact they feel, that you as mayor, have lost control of their safety in their city, so let's talk about London.

SK: let me answer you second question, and the first question if we have time - so it is personal to me as well. like you have teenage children, I have met too many bereaved families and attended too many funerals. including one of a young lad who was killed a stone's throw from my home. so it is person to me as well, but I'm not going to apologise for pointing out that over the last seven - eight years, we have lost in London 10,000 police personnel, more than 3,000 uniformed officers, more than 3,000 community support officers, more than 3,000 police staff. on top of that we've had to sell off police stations to pay for police officers. so that's the context, what we are doing in London to address the very serious issue of violent crime I've increased council tax to the maximum I'm allowed to do, to pay for police officers. plus for the first time ever, diverting business rates away from infrastructure and business things to policing. so in the last two years Piers I have spent on policing £140 million. compare and contrast to £700 million in cuts from central government - not enough to fill the hole we're left with Piers that is why you're getting examples of people ringing the police and the police not responding quick enough. they are over stretched and under resourced.

PM: but it sounds like, with respect to you, that you are passing the buck, right, you knew when you took the job as mayor, when you campaigned as mayor, you knew of the issues about the lack of police, you knew there had been cuts, you campaigned saying all this, you didn't take the job with your eyes shut, right so my point is, you came in knowing the situation, knowing the cuts, and you made a guarantee, a pledge that you were going to tackle this and the reality Sadiq Khan, is that in your tenure these numbers haven't just edged up, they have rocketed up. and

people are now waking up every day thing is my child going to get stabbed in the street - I don't have comforting answer for them, as the stats the moment - yeah, actually there is a chance they will - it feels like London is a little out of control

SK: these fears that us parents have are the safe fears that parents have around the country that's why it is really important to talk about the things that we are doing in London. so for example one of the things we've been able to pay for as a consequence of the additional funding is the violent crime taskforce - this is 150 officers, going around London targeting young criminals, working in high knife crime areas, and just in one week, to give you an idea of the number of arrests made -

SR: is that including stop and search? they have increased powers?

SK: yes, well stop and search for weapons related issues has come up by 24 pc, leading to arrests being made, charges being made - in one week alone -

SR: and convictions?

SK: yes - in one week alone, we've taken off 135 knives, six fire arms, 630 knife sweeps, that shows a difference with the things we have paid for from city hall. but the responsibility that I share with the government - round this table we should also have the home secretary here -

PM: Theresa May was the Home Sec as these cuts got made, and I would be critical of her, in fact more so as she was the person who took away all the policing

SK: Can I make this point Piers - which is the police by themselves, the 200,000 police officers we have can't solve this problem by themselves. they need us to be the eyes and ears, to provide the intelligence, to provide the information, because when it comes to prosecutions, Susanna's right, there's not point the police arresting somebody, if when they are charged there is no conviction because witness don't come forward.

PM: but my issue is in Feb March this year, we had a worse murder rate than New York - I lived in New York for a few years - I never thought the day would come. we've had Rudi Giuliani who is the former mayor of New York who had a zero tolerance policy to violent crime, and reduced violent crime in New York, and was deemed a massive success in that area - you wouldn't dispute that. but he was critical of you about the Trump balloon yesterday - but he also made the point that look when crime is going up, you as London Mayor are failing your job and failing Londoners, and when I see that kind of stat, I'm like really, what is happening, come on you were the guy that when you go appointed you were going to sort this, and it seems to be getting worse. when you make more promises now, why should I believe you.

SK: lets deal with April, May, June - you mentioned Feb and March, and they were horrible months and I attended some of the funerals of the young people who lost their lives. but we're seeing some of the differences that the additional investment that I've put into the police, is making. it is really important that we invest in police, but when people see more police officers on the street - they are not new police officers, it takes nine months to recruit - they are officers cancelling rest days, cancelling holiday and working over time - and they are working incredibly hard. but they need parents, big brothers, big sister, faith communities - all of us to play a role as well. and the good news is we're starting to see the hard work with the police paying off - as I mentioned to Susanna - arrests are going up, targeted use of stop and search going up -

PM: what about these moped thugs? acting with complete impunity, nicking the bike to start with, so they can't be traced, they have helmets so they can't be identified by CCTV, my son got raided by these thugs at a petrol station and when he asked for the CCTV they weren't able to give it to him. there seems to be a complete breakdown here -

SK: let me deal with moped enabled crime -

PM: what are you specifically going to do - in Manchester - we had one of their police chiefs on, he is now endorsing the police going after them, chasing and apprehending them

SK and I am really pleased Greater Manchester are following what the Met Police are doing - which is this: the specialist team of officer on motor bikes are chasing - it is not true that we don't chase those moped, there are special scrambler bikes to go down alley ways and thin roads, the police now have forensic spray so they will spray it on you - you don't know it is on you - so if you are wearing helmet, and we've caught people using the forensic spray, there are spikes that the police can use, we are using air support to keep an eye on them. and just so you know, in the last few months, not only has moped crime stabilised, it has gone down by 50 pc. no consolation if you are the victim - we saw the video in Richmond recently

PM: moped crime has gone up year on year by 50 pc - you don't dispute that right?

SK: I do - it has gone down in the last period by 50 pc

PM: what period

SK: over the last year - compared to the year, it has gone down

PM: So you think you've cracked it do you?

SK: no, no, I didn't say that - the work the police are doing is starting to have a difference. but also that means manufacturers, motor cycle companies have to do much more to keep mopeds safe - you and I remember when people would smash a window and nick a car stereo 20 years ago - what manufacturers did was made it not worth your while. similarly motorcycle manufacturers can make it not worth your while, with immobilisers, making sure the steering lock can't be broken as easily, making sure you can't break parts and sell them as easily as you can

SR: that just means everyone needs a new moped

SK: no, no, we can have safe places to lock them up - so I'm saying to developers - when you're giving planning permission for homes, make sure there is somewhere safe if someone has a moped to lock up their bike.

PM: let me ask you this - I want to clarify the numbers - in the 12 months to May 2018 there were 22,025 moped related crimes. 423 on average per week - this is just in London. in the previous 12 months there were 14,699. 282 on average per week, this is to May 2018 year on year - so where are you getting this comparison from?

SK: we can throw figures around, and I'm happy to - when I leave here I will

PM: are you contesting that figure?

SK: I am saying moped enabled crime

PM: is that figure wrong?

SK: I'm not sure what your source is - but let me tell you mine

PM: the source is the Met Police

SK: let me tell you my source which is the official Met Police figures

PM: these are the Met Police figures - are you disputing that in the 12 months to 2018 there were 22,000 and in the previous 12 months 14,000 - because that looks to me like a 50 pc rise

SK: I am saying moped enabled crime went up, it stabilised and now it is going down.

PM: but what are you basing your 50 pc year on year, on?

SK: the figures we have from the police and the ONS

PM: so these figures can't be right then because that is only to the end of May, we are in July, so how can it suddenly plummet to 50 pc

SK: so the year on year figures - I'll tweet the figures if it makes it easier for you

PM: make it very simple for me

SK: for the last year moped enabled crime has gone down by 50 pc

SR: are you both talking about different crimes?

SK: well maybe, so there are mopeds being stolen, and there's moped enabled crime - and what i can tell you is, moped enabled crime - this is if you've pinched a moped and then then you mug somebody, you commit criminality - is could be acid spray - that is moped enabled crime. there is moped thefts. what I am telling you is moped enabled crime is not gone, there is still victims, but the good news is that it has reduced over the last period by 50 pc and I am happy to make publicly available the source of my figures

PM: well I'd love to see those numbers

SK: Piers this doesn't take away from the distress that it causes a victim, so what I'm saying to you, is that even if it is stabilised or gone down - that is not good enough

PM: OK, let's just ask you about the Donald Trump blimp. Did you personally approve this blimp of the president of the united states topless in a nappy, to fly at Parliament, did you personally approve it?

SK: no, but I suppose the GLA decision - the GLA, we're a corporate body

PM: is it your responsibility - we want to clarify if it is you that has personally sanctioned this - for someone to fly a mocking humiliating blimp, people can have their own views - my issue is allowing it to fly at parliament, so that the emblem of this state visit around the world, endorsed by you, the London mayor, is the leader of our greatest ally being publicly humiliated, and you've publicly endorsed it

SK: firstly it is not a state visit

PM: it is effectively a state visit - he is saying the Queen at Windsor castle, he is seeing the PM for a state dinner

SK: far be it for me to talk about the facts, it is not a state visit

PM: what would you call it?

SK: it is a working visit - but let's look at the issues here - there are two issues: one is the freedom to protest and the right of free speech, and the second issue is our views on president trump. let's park that issue for a second. are you honestly saying that the right to protest, the right to assemble, the right to free speech, is limited by the ridicule it might cause somebody else.

PM: let me test that theory

SK: look you an I grew up with spitting image, now each week, they ridiculed British politicians, I remember president Reagan without a brain - president being ridiculed

PM: that is a satirical television programme

SR: it is a satirical balloon

SK: but let me deal with the facts - Margret Thatcher had argument with president Reagan about the Falklands, yet they had a good working relationship, and my point is that whether it is Trump or anybody else, is just because they might find it objectionable to be ridiculed we can't curtail our right to protest

PM: my point is you've endorsed this to fly at parliament, so that the images that will go round the world for trumps visit - which is very important for this country as we come through Brexit, we are going to need a good trade deal with America, he has signalled he is prepared to give us one and we know the images that will go round the world will be of him in a nappy as a baby - let me ask you a question, if this president was Barak Obama and someone came to you with a crowdfunded plan - and they didn't agree with his drone policy, perfectly legitimate way to criticise him - and they wanted to fly a 20 ft., black baby of Obama, topless in a nappy, would you have endorsed that?

SK: let answer that very clearly - is it peaceful, and is it safe? it is not for me to be the censor, is it peaceful and is it safe

PM: so you would have endorsed a giant black baby of Obama

SK: it is a hypothetical case

PM: yes or no

SK: if it is peaceful, if it is safe, yes

PM: would you have endorsed an image of you - depicting you - for arguments sake as a pig, which would be very offensive to Muslims, would you have endorsed that?

SK: is it peaceful and safe, yes

PM: so you wouldn't mind if there was a giant 20 ft. caricature of you as a pig flying over the houses of parliament, the centre of our democratic power in this country

SK: if it is peaceful, and if it is safe - look I can't be the censor - it is not for me to decide what is in good taste or bad taste - and the issue is, do we believe, and by the way the founding fathers Jefferson, Franklin, you know the constitution of the USA - the idea that the USA would ban protest because of politicians -

PM: do you think the USA

SK: let's not pretend you're with trump

PM: my point is this - Theresa May went to see Trump in Washington and was visiting congress, and the mayor endorsed a balloon of her in a nappy, we would be very angry at the humiliation of our leader, and they wouldn't allow it to happen, they would accept that it is openly disrespectful

SK: are you saying there is a limit on the US constitution on free speech because offends - come on - you are better than that

PM: what I am saying is

SK: you are a journalist for goodness sake, you used to be an editor, can you image

PM: I think there is hypocrisy here, because I don't think you would allow in a million years a topless blimp of Hilary Clinton in a nappy to be flown at Parliament, I don't think you'd allow a balloon of Obama in a baby nappy, to be flown, so I charge you with hypocrisy

SK: please give me time to respond to your question - so this weekend there are two big protests taking place in our city. on Saturday there is an extreme far-right, free Tommy [REDACTED] protest - you know my views on that, the same

as yours by the way - and also a separate pro-Trump rally. On Friday there is an anti-Donald Trump protest. Now my views are irrelevant. do they have freedom to protest, freedom to assemble, and should they be able to do so - if it is peaceful, if it is safe, they should Piers. And you may not like -

PM: you've been remarkably quiet, and you've been very vocal about Trump right, but you were quiet about the Crown Prince of Saudi, you were quiet about the president of Turkey, to many others these are far worse -

SR: we have different standards for our friends

PM: but why were you not as vocal about them?

SK: there were protests - but look, I'm not going to give a running commentary on every visitor

PM: you give a running commentary on Trump

SK: no, we can count the number of tweets I've done

PM: why not about President Erdogan - who locks up protesters, who is anti-gay, anti-women

SK: let me answer the question - you talk all the time – I'm the guy who as a human rights lawyer went to south east Turkey, observed human rights trials and speaking out against the Turkish government. I'm the Shadow Justice Secretary who said the Government shouldn't be doing deals with the Saudi Government, but Susanna's right, with our best friends, with those we have a special relationship with, the expectations are different. and I am not sure why you are putting aside your long held views on freedom of speech, freedom of expression because the guy happens to be your best mate - it is a slippery slope

PM: my issue is with you - the most senior politician in the capital city of this country, treating Trump's visit as an excuse to mock and humiliate him with this balloon at Parliament. If we were doing it on Brighton beach I wouldn't give a monkeys

SR: how high is it? I understood it was only a third of the height of big ben and it will be on parliament square

SK: my understanding is that it is six ft. high - sorry 20ft - sorry getting metric and imperial mixed up - and the key thing is the Met police and the Civil Aviation Authority need to make sure it is safe, so it won't be up during the protest, as it need to be tied to ropes, so up before to the protest beings, and then taken down so the protest can take place peacefully and safely. and by the way the protest on Saturday - many of us would disagree with the views of the far-right, the extreme far-right, but living in a civilised democracy -

PM: it does strike me as ironic and weird that we will have massively bigger protests for the president of the united states than we have for the crown prince of Saudi Arabia, or the President or Turkey, or than we ever had for Putin - at what point do we say this is ridiculous

SK: look you must have best friends, and your expectation for them are different - that is how special relationships work, that is why you have got to be candid with your closest ally

SR: we are out of time I'm afraid

PM: it is good to have you on

SK: I can be here until 9 if you want me to

PM: OK stay here -

break and headlines

chats about Peter Shilton and being in goal

PM: you'll be pleased to know that the reaction to our exchange so far is that we both completely owned each other - so we can't work out who did the owning, but it was a good debate, and good to have you here

break

group talks about the football

SR: we had Tom Watson on earlier who seemed to re-define Labour policy while on air - do you support a second referendum?

SK: well I think that if the deal the PM comes back with in Oct is rejected by parliament then everything is on the table, including another vote.

PM: well Jeremy Corbyn has made it absolutely clear there is not going to be a second vote

SK: we are talking in hypotheticals, let's wait and see what happens with the deal the PM comes back with. If it is so bad the parliament rejects it, there are two options - a general election or a referendum

PM: you're saying that, Tom Watson is saying that, but Jeremy Corbyn could not have been clearer, as far as he is concerned there won't be a second vote

SK: to be fair to Jeremy, which is what I'd like to do, he is talking about now - he is not in favour of a second referendum now. after the PM returns

SR: that has always been the case, that the deal might get rejected, so home come Jeremy Corbyn is not seeing from the same sheet

SK: well because Jeremy wants, not unreasonably, wants a general election, he wants the British public to vote on who should be in government.

SR: are you arguing for a second referendum?

SK: no my point is Theresa May is in self-preservation mode, and choosing the least worse option - the worst of all worlds is no deal. No deal would be catastrophic for our economy, for job,

SR: no deal is better than a bad deal

PM: let me bring this back to the world cup for a moment - if we were to win - are we going to get a month off in London...Britain will go nuts

SK: you must see the feel-good factor, putting aside the shops doing well - when you walk around are city

SR: this is how our city celebrate *clip of fan zones* ... conversation about ambulance in Borough and Millwall fundraising, SK's support for Liverpool

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Subject: Mayor's Question Time - Thurs 19th July, Initial allocation
Importance: High

Good morning

Attached please find MQs allocations for July 2018

Please can you arrange for a draft response for these to be signed off by Emma.

The deadline for approved written answers is **midday Wednesday 18th July**

Regards

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From: [REDACTED]
Sent: 10 July 2018 14:13
To: Media Summaries
Subject: NEWS: ITV London lunchtime News – 10th July 2018

ITV London lunchtime News – 10th July 2018

An insurer has said it will foot the bill for new cladding at a large apartment block in Greenwich. Tenants were facing bills of £40K to replace the cladding.

A cyclist who was hit by a lorry in Battersea has died.

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Sadiq Khan has defended his decision to let a giant blimp depicting Donald Trump as a baby to fly over Parliament during his visit to the UK. The capital's Mayor has been criticised for approving the inflatable. The Mayor has said it's not for him to judge what is in good or bad taste.

SK (on GMB) – "My views are irrelevant. The issue is do they have freedom to protest, freedom to assemble, and should they be allowed to do so? If it's peaceful and safe then they should. The key thing is, the Met and the Civil Aviation need to make sure it's safe. And it won't be up during the protest, it will be up before the protest begins, and then be taken down, so the protest can take place peacefully and safely."

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South Western Railway says it's disappointed over a decision to postpone a timetable change in December. The company had been planning to introduce extra trains out of Waterloo later in the year, but that has been on hold by the Rail Delivery Group.

Thames Water is asking Londoners to take shorter showers and not wash their cars during the hot weather.

Justin Timberlake has used a gig at the O2 to endorse the message that football is indeed coming home.

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Senior Press Officer
Mayor of London's Press Office
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From: Emma Strain
Sent: 10 July 2018 14:45
To: [REDACTED]
Cc: plu managers
Subject: RE: Urgent- Blimp response

Fine by me

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: 10 July 2018 14:03
To: Emma Strain <[REDACTED]@london.gov.uk>
Cc: plu managers <plu.managers@london.gov.uk>
Subject: Urgent- Blimp response

Hi Emma
Can you approve this before I send it to MPO for approval:
473 email complaints received. I used the FAQ's from press.
Thanks

Hello,

Thank you for contacting the Mayor of London about the blimp at Parliament Square Garden.

The city operations team at the Greater London Authority (GLA) have met with the organisers and have given them permission to use Parliament Square Garden as a grounding point for the blimp.

However, the organisers will also need to receive the necessary approvals from the Metropolitan Police and National Air Traffic Service in order for it to fly.

The Mayor, and Greater London Authority, support the right to peaceful protests and understand that this can take many different forms.

It is important to realise it is not the GLA's role to act as a censor, or the arbiter of what is or isn't a good protest, it is the GLA's job to assess whether it can be done safely and peacefully.

The city operations team at the GLA have the power to approve use of the gardens as long as a number of criteria are met, such as liability insurance alongside a full health and safety risk assessment by the GLA's independent consultants.

Applications are assessed on a case-by-case basis by the city operations team at the GLA.

Thank you again for writing to us.

Yours sincerely,

[REDACTED]
Public Liaison Manager

[REDACTED] [REDACTED]

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: 10 July 2018 16:18
To: [REDACTED] london.gov.uk; [REDACTED]
Cc: [REDACTED] Weisgard; Emma Strain; [REDACTED]
Subject: SK blimp

Hiya

The Mail has asked if we have received the application for the SK blimp yet.

We are going to respond with the below – signed off by Leah, Paddy and [REDACTED]

Thanks, [REDACTED]

On background:

We have received initial correspondence from the organisers, and are awaiting further information from them so our city operations team at the GLA can assess the request - as they would with any other application. The organisers will also need to receive the necessary safety approvals from the Metropolitan Police and National Air Traffic Service in order for it to fly.

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: 11 July 2018 13:16
To: Media Summaries
Subject: NEWS: Evening Standard - Donald Trump UK visit: US envoy plays down Theresa May 'turmoil' and says: I'm fine with blimp

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The Trump blimp is inflated ahead of the protests on Friday (AP)

ES News Email

Donald Trump's ambassador to London today struggled to defend the US president's claim that Britain is "in turmoil".

Asked if he agreed with the assessment, Woody Johnson said: "Well, there's always turmoil in every country but no, no, I think the UK is proceeding the way it always does. It is a very confident country, a very capable country. We are extremely confident in the ability of the UK to plough through this issue with Brexit and move on."

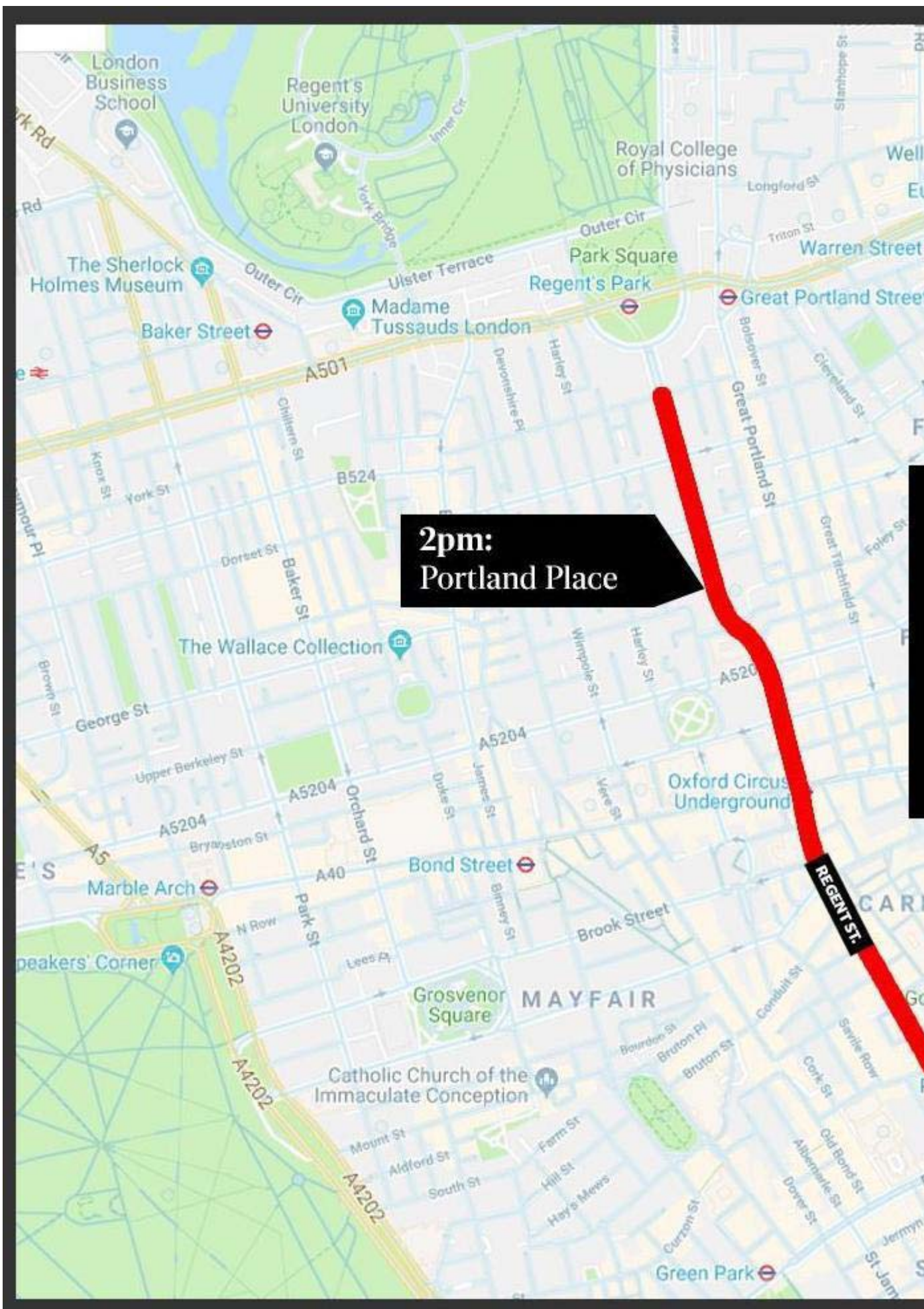
Mr Johnson said Mr Trump would not be upset by the plan to fly a blimp near Parliament depicting him as a screaming baby with orange skin.

He added: "I think the president really appreciates free speech and one of the things that's unique about both the UK and the USA is free speech.

A giant 'Trump baby' balloon will greet Trump in London

He will be moving on, he has a very busy schedule here." Asked if he was bothered that Mayor Sadiq Khan had approved the blimp, Mr Johnson said: "No, it's really irrelevant to what we are trying to do and it certainly doesn't express the opinion of the British people I've met."

He said a meeting between Mr Trump and Boris Johnson was "not on the schedule" but would not rule it out.





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The route map for huge London protest against Donald Trump UK visit

Buckingham Palace today said that the Queen will meet the US president and First Lady Melania Trump at the dais in the Quadrangle of Windsor Castle on Friday. A Guard of Honour, formed of the Coldstream Guards, will give a Royal Salute and the US national anthem will be played. The Queen and Mr Trump will inspect the Guard of Honour before watching the military march past. The Trumps will also join her for tea at the Castle.

The Queen received Barack Obama at Windsor Castle in 2016, George W Bush in 2008 and Ronald Reagan in 1982.


Senior Press Officer
Mayor of London's Press Office


From: [redacted]
Sent: 12 July 2018 10:41
To: Kim Hobbs; [redacted] Emma Strain
Cc: [redacted]
Subject: Re: Mayor's Question Time - Thurs 19th July, Priority Order (Oral Questions)

Hi all

Please find below the latest Q&A and top lines on Trump and the blimp.

Please use this script for your Oral answers and Q&A

Due with me by 5pm today

Thanks

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Blimp – top lines

- I support the right to peaceful protest and understand that this can take many different forms.
- The city operations team at the GLA have met with the organisers and have given them permission to use Parliament Square Garden as a grounding point for the blimp.
- The organisers also needed to receive the necessary approvals from the Metropolitan Police and National Air Traffic Service in order for it to fly.
- My main priority is the safety of all Londoners and visitors to our city, and as always I am working in very close coordination with the Metropolitan Police and other key agencies to ensure all protests are carried out safely and securely.

What was your role in the decision?

I did not have a role in this decision. It was a decision for the city operations team at the GLA.

Do you support their decision?

I support the right to peaceful protest and understand that this can take many different forms.

This was a decision made by the city operations team at the GLA who met with the organisers and have given them permission to use Parliament Square as a grounding point for the blimp.

It is important to realise it is not the GLA's role to act as a censor, or the arbiter of what is or isn't a good protest, it is the GLA's job to assess whether it can be done safely and peacefully.

What is the process these applications have to go through?

To use the Parliament Square Garden a group must apply to the GLA.

The city operations team at the GLA have the power to approve use of the gardens as long as a number of criteria are met, such as liability insurance alongside a full health and safety risk assessment by the GLA's independent consultants.

However to fly a blimp, organisers will also need to receive the necessary approvals from the Metropolitan Police and National Air Traffic Service

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If someone applies for a pro-Trump blimp, will you turn it down?

Any application for a pro-Trump blimp would be a matter for the city operations team at the GLA.

They would have to decide if it met the necessary criteria. I wouldn't be involved in the decision.

It is important to realise it is not the GLA's role to act as a censor, or the arbiter of what is or isn't a good protest, it is the GLA's job to assess whether it can be done safely and peacefully.

Do you think a pro-Trump blimp should be allowed?

I support the right of Londoners to have their say.

If there was an application, the city operations team at the GLA would assess it to see if it met the necessary criteria are met, such as liability insurance alongside a full health and safety risk assessment by the GLA's independent consultants

Every activity is assessed on a case-by-case basis. It is important to realise it is not the GLA's role to act as a censor, or the arbiter of what is or isn't a good protest, it is the GLA'S job to assess whether it can be done safely and peacefully.

Is it a matter of taste and decency?

Applications are assessed on a case-by-case basis by the city operations team at the GLA

There is a range of necessary criteria to be met, such as liability insurance alongside a full health and safety risk assessment by the GLA's independent consultants

It is important to realise it is not the GLA's role to act as a censor, or the arbiter of what is or isn't a good protest, it is our job to assess whether it can be done safely and peacefully.

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From: [REDACTED]
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Subject: NEWS: Evening Standard - Sadiq Khan - Londoners have a right to speak out against Donald Trump's visit, writes Sadiq Khan

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Controversial: the bright orange blimp of President Trump set to fly over London (PA)

Londoners have always chosen hope over fear, unity over division, and have approached challenges with optimism rather than despair. We should be immensely proud of our values: our respect for everyone, regardless of who they are or where they come from, our celebration of **diversity, our commitment to fairness and equality, and our openness and positivity about the future.**

The **peaceful protests that will take place tomorrow against President Trump** are not anti-American — far from it. The vast majority of those **marching on Friday** love the United States, just as I do. I love the people, the culture, the history and the values of the US, and I cherish the “special relationship” for its enormously positive impact on our society, economy and security. I have family and friends who live in America, and I will

never forget the excitement of my first trip to Boston and New York at the age of 20 — a feeling I still get every time I am fortunate enough to visit.

As **Mayor of London** I value enormously the relationships I have struck up with fellow mayors and people across the US. I also know how many Americans contribute to the vibrancy and success of our own city.

Of course, having a special relationship means standing resolutely by the US in times of adversity, as we have time and time again. But the very specialness of our relationship means that we expect the highest standards from each other, and it also means speaking out when we think one side is not living up to the values we hold dear. Like many Londoners I feel that now is one of those occasions.



Around the world, the far-Right and nationalist populism are on the rise. Politics, ideas and views that we thought were rejected and defeated after the Second World War — in large part due to the leadership and sacrifices of the US — have resurfaced and are creeping back into the political mainstream. This includes hatred of those who are different and the deliberate stoking of people's basest fears and insecurities, instead of trying to address them; a constant focus on that which divides us, rather than that which unites us; and the awful scapegoating of some of the most vulnerable people in our societies. This offends many Londoners.

You can see the consequences in the separation of children from their parents on the US-Mexico border and their **detention in cages**, the amplification of Twitter messages from the British far-Right by President Trump and the so-called "Muslim ban". You can see it in the harrowing census of Roma people that has been proposed in Italy by its new far-Right interior minister, and in the rise of anti-Semitism and censorship of the press in Hungary.

The growing misogyny and homophobia across the world, which risks rolling back hard-won rights we thought were safe, are further symptoms. We also saw it in the thousands of far-Right extremists who marched in London four weeks ago and attacked the police — the biggest **far-Right demonstration** in our city for years.

I know Londoners are resolutely opposed to the politics of despair. Time and again our city has chosen hope over fear and unity over division. So now more than ever we have a responsibility to stand up for our values and ensure our voice is heard around the world. We want and need the US to stand by our side as a beacon of tolerance, openness and respect — as it always has before. That is why many will march in London tomorrow.

"The planned protests are not anti-American but to show that we support hope, unity, tolerance and equality"

I fully respect the right to protest peacefully, and I understand that this can take different forms, from street protests to flying blimps. My message to those travelling to march in London is this: you are welcome to come to our capital, but this must be a peaceful and good-spirited demonstration. It must be the embodiment of our values, not the values of those we oppose. There should be a family-friendly, carnival

atmosphere. To those intent on causing trouble or breaking the law, I simply say: you are not welcome.

Most people don't realise the vast scale of organisation required for a presidential visit. While in the UK Mr Trump will hold meetings at the residence of the US Ambassador. He **will meet the Queen and the Prime Minister** and will visit his golf course in Scotland. Every step requires a massive joint effort by the UK and US security services to keep him safe, make sure everything goes smoothly, and ensure any protests are safe. I have had a number of meetings with Cressida Dick, the Metropolitan Police Commissioner, and the Transport Commissioner, Mike Brown, to discuss the planning for the visit. There will be **thousands of police officers on the streets of central London** throughout the day. I know I speak on behalf of the city when I say how grateful we are to all the police officers who will be on the streets during this period.

London is a national and international capital city. We have big sporting events, concerts, visits and protests. Yet we receive only half the funds that the Home Office has accepted we need. On top of this we are having to deal with **£1 billion of cuts**. This is not sustainable. The Government has agreed fully to compensate Scotland for the cost of President Trump's visit. What about London? Our police service is already stretched too thin as a result of years of government cuts and rising crime across the UK. The Government must properly fund our police.

The eyes of the world will be on London this week. It's an opportunity for our city to show our values, twinned with our world-renowned sense of humour, once again to demonstrate that we will always proudly and peacefully stand up for hope, unity, tolerance, optimism and equality. And also to show the world that London is a beacon — the greatest city in the world.


Senior Press Officer
Mayor of London's Press Office


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From: [REDACTED]
Sent: 12 July 2018 14:47
To: Gold Cell
Subject: POTUS/Demonstrations Update
Attachments: Guest of Government Visit - POTUS.docx

Please see attached.

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Guest of Government Visit
By the President of the United States

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Friday 13 July

- Trump Baby – 09:30 to 11:30 Parliament Square. All permissions from the GLA, NATS and MPS have been issued.
- The GLA Squares Team have received an enquiry for a counter blimp protest and are awaiting additional information before they can consider the application. The counter blimp has raised £38k.

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From: Kim Hobbs
Sent: 12 July 2018 16:46
To: Emma Strain
Subject: FW: Oral MQ - Trump Blimp
Attachments: ORAL - 2018-2038 - Trump visit.docx

Hi Emma – and this is the Trump one... again, [REDACTED] sorting comments/approval as per below...

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Subject: RE: Oral MQ - Trump Blimp

Thanks Kim

Yes this is circulated to the MDs and goes through quite a few revisions with the Mayor too.

Best

[REDACTED]
Briefing and Assembly Liaison – Mayor's Office

DL: 020 7983 [REDACTED]

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Subject: Oral MQ - Trump Blimp
Importance: High

Hi [REDACTED] – attached is the daft Oral MQ on the Trump Blimp – again, this is using the press Q&A that was produced. Will you be passing round Mayoral directors for comment/approval?

[REDACTED] – shout if there is anything else to add?

Cheers
K

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From: [REDACTED]
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Cc: MOPAC Senior Leadership Team
Subject: NEWS: PA - BABY BLIMP TO TAKE OFF AS MAY RATTLED BY TRUMP'S LATEST BREXIT SWIPE

> BABY BLIMP TO TAKE OFF AS MAY RATTLED BY TRUMP'S LATEST BREXIT SWIPE

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> A huge baby blimp depicting US president Donald Trump is set to be

> flown at Parliament Square - as protests against the presidential

> visit continue.

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> The six-metre high blow-up caricature depicting Mr Trump as a baby

> wearing a nappy and clutching a mobile phone was given the green light

> by the Greater London Authority to fly near Parliament.

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> The group that crowd-sourced the inflatable said, while Mr Trump will

> not see the blimp in person as his visit does not take in the historic

> Palace of Westminster, they hoped it would come to the Twitter-loving

> president's attention online.

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> In an interview with The Sun, Mr Trump referenced the inflatable as

> part of the reason he does not feel wanted in the capital, saying: "I

> guess when they put out blimps to make me feel unwelcome, no reason

> for me to go to London."

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> Several anti-Trump protest groups are expected to meet at Portland

> Place on Friday as the president has a working lunch with Theresa May

> at her country residence Chequers.

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> Lucy D'Orsi, who is in charge of the policing operation for the visit,

> said she had seen discussion about police "restricting the right to

> protest", and added the force was aiming to strike a balance between

> that and public safety.

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> One group - Together Against Trump - wanted to use a double-decker bus

> as a platform for speeches but were refused.

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> "We made a decision that by allowing this vehicle into such a heavily

> congested space was unsafe, and would have posed an unnecessary risk

> to the large crowd that is expected," deputy assistant commissioner

> D'Orsi said.

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> She added: "Central London will be very busy and congested (on Friday)

> based on figures the organisers have shared with us, there will be a
> lot of people coming to protest, which is their right and this
> principle remains at the heart of our policing operation."
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> With Mr Trump set to travel to Scotland on Friday evening after
> meeting the Queen at Windsor Castle, a rally is planned for Glasgow's
> George Square.
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From: [REDACTED]
Sent: 13 July 2018 08:52
To: Media Summaries
Subject: NEWS: BBC Radio 4 Today programme - SK interview on Trump

M – In his Sun interview [Trump] has lashed out at the London Mayor who allowed the blimp to go ahead, the president says Sadiq has not been very hospitable to a Government that is very important. Donald Trump also accused the mayor of doing a very bad job on terrorism and crime. Sadiq Khan joins us now, good morning SK - good morning –

M – why did you allow the blimp to go ahead>

SK: well look the UK, like in fact the USA, has a long and rich history of the rights and the freedoms to protest, the freedom of speech, the freedom to assemble. Indeed, the US Ambassador a couple of days ago commented a few days ago that one of the things the US and UK have in common is the freedom of speech, rich histories. The idea that we restrict the freedom of speech, the right to protest, the right to assemble, because somebody made be offended is a slippery slope. And over the course on the next 48 hours – today there will be protests against the president and what he stand for, but tomorrow there will be protests in London from the far right and pro-trump supporters, look it is not for me to pick and choose the things that I approve or disapprove of, but

M - but there is a tradition to in this country of being hospitable to world leaders, people who it may be in Britain's interest to at least make feel comfortable. And trump says when they put out the blimps to make me feel unwelcome why would stay there

SK – well can you image if we limited free speech of freedom of expression because somebody feelings may be hurt. We have a rich history in this country of having a sense of humour as well, and my point todays protests is that they should be peaceful and good spirited and what's important is that we recognise that there are some seek to divide London and divide communities, but I hope today isn't about that it about peaceful protest and it is good spirited.

M – limiting protest is one thing, but you did have the power to say no to the blimp, you could have come up with all sorts of reasons about why it wasn't a good idea and why did you allow it to go ahead,

SK – because the criteria we should use when it comes to determining these things is not whether the mayor wants to censor some of these views, but whether it's safe, whether its peaceful, I shouldn't be the arbiter as a politician, what is in good taste, what is important is for it to be peaceful and for it to be safe. But it is for the police and others to look at issues of legality, and frankly speaking the idea that we limit the rights to protest and the rights to free speech because it may cause offense to a foreign leader is a vey very slippery slope. And we should think about the consequences of that

M – doesn't; this go further though that the principle of the freedom of speech? Couldn't it be seen as being politically motivated, you are opposed to Donald trump, you've written and article in the evening standard in London where in effect you compare trump's views to those of the Nazis, you said ideas we thought defeated after the end of the world war have resurfaced

SK – to be far, that's not what I said, what I said was, we've got to be careful about the rise of narrow populist movements around the world not just Europe but around the world. Look what is happening in hungry, look what is happening in Italy, and look at some of the views espoused by the current president of the USA

M – that was a quote from you

SK – one of the great things about the special relationship is the history of not just government to government ties but people to people times, and I am really proud that here in London very have got examples of American contributing our city economically, socially and culturally, some of the people spoken to over the last few days, Londoners – and they call themselves Londoners – are Americas who'll join the protests today. that's one of the wonderful things about living in a democracy and I am really proud to be a mayor of a city that cherishes that.

M – president trump himself says that not being hospital to a government that is very important, now he might not like the current president. But I represent the united states,

SK – absolutely and it is really important that we distinguish the views that individuals may have on the protest about the current president of the USA, and Americans and America. Like many other Londoners I love America and love Americans, and the love and support and solidarity that Americans showed to us when we suffered terror attacks last year was very comforting for Londoners and that is the rich history we have of showing solidarity of being fraternal of standing shoulder to shoulder in times of adversity

M – but doesn't it seem like you're insulting the US as a whole because you're insulting their head of state and we depend on the economically, in terms of defence and security. You are offending the office

SK – well the idea that the country that has a written constitution that actually enshrines the freedom of speech and the freedom to assemble, if you read some of Jefferson's speeches and some of Franklin's speech and they talk about this all the time, the idea that anybody who understands American history would be offended by her closest ally actually practising the principles of the US constitution. We indeed ourselves have an unwritten constitution – common law – and also other parts of our constitution where it talks about the freedom of speech, the idea that we would park our rights and privileges and freedoms because it may offend to a US president I think people in London and the UK would find objectionable/ and you'll know that in America in current times, over the last two years, there have been lots of protests lots of demonstrations against this president and indeed the previous president too

M – ok but there will be people whatever your own views you should be putting the interests of the city of London first and trying to forge a close relationship to the most powerful man in the world.

SK – and indeed I am really proud, just yesterday morning I was at conference at an American company whose HQ are in London, and I spend a lot of my time encouraging Americans to invest in London, to come here as tourists to study here, and I am really proud that we are able to do so, and there is tomorrow I understand a big demonstration taking place of the extreme far-right and as you can imagine I disagree with their views as well, but the idea that we allow them to protest shouldn't mean I endorse their views, but it is an example of living in a democracy. I understand there will also be a separate pro Trump demonstration. It is really important that we don't replace my views with the principles and the rights we have in London, and the right to protests, assemble and free speech

M – and a point that you have made clearly but there is bad blood between you the two of you personally and he is very critical of your record on terrorism and indeed on crime.

SK – well let me deal with that, because I woke up this morning to see his comments about terrorism what is remarkable is you know last year we lost 14 people in our city and London like other cities around the world is grappling with the evil of terrorism, Manchester lost 22 people, including young people, Berlin lost 12, Nice, 24 people died in Nice, in Brussels, 32 people died, in Paris 130 people died in the concert and in the aftermath of the concert and what was wonderful was the response of our friends around the world. All of us are under attack, because so called Daesh and ISIS and IS hate what we stand for pluralism, democracy, respecting each other, and what is interesting is President Trump isn't criticising the mayors of those cities, or the views of those cities, he is criticising me

M – terrorism is certainly a global threat but what about knife crime though, that seems to be particular problem for London. rising by – at least 51 people have been fatally stabbed since the beginning of the year – a big rise.

SK – well you know I think you've got to accurately reflect what President Trump said in his interview. And he said crime brought in – and I have seen now evidence that the reason for the increase in violence crime across England and Wales – it's gone up by the way 61 per cent in South Yorkshire, 60 pc in Manchester

M – yes but you are the mayor of London and it's gone up on your watch

SK – well hold on a sec, let me finish my point, it has gone up by more than 21 pc in England and Wales and by 4 pc in London, and I've seen no evidence that this crime has been brought in by immigration from Africa or from other parts of the world to Europe. What is important is we tackle this issue of the rise in violence crime and we deal with the causes which is why I'm investing in prevention and diversion, but also enforcement. But the context is, at a time when we've lost more than £700m from our budget in London, and I've invested £140m over the last two years, and we've got to deal with causes of knife crime as well as dealing with knife crime. But the idea that we could blame this on immigration from Africa is I think preposterous, and we should call him out when he does so

M - Sadiq Khan, London mayor thank you for talk to us

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BBC Breakfast interview with Naga Munchetty

NM: His comments about you – what's your reaction?

SK: I'm not going to get involved in a ding dong with President Trump about his views of me, what I will say is that today in London and tomorrow in London there are protests taking place. Today there are protests against President Trump and his politics and his policies and what he stands for. Tomorrow there will be protests from extreme far right groups but also pro-Trump supporters. The key thing is, these protestors are allowed, they must take place in a peaceful manner and I hope they are good spirited. That's really important, we realise we have the freedom of speech, freedom of expression, freedom to protest and those are the rights that we share with the US and one of the reasons we have a special relationship with the US is some of the things we have in common and those values include freedom of protest and freedom of speech.

NM: You've spoken about the protest, what about what he's said about you. This spat has been going on for quite a while on social media. For the benefit of readers here's some of his interview in the Sun

DT: You have a mayor who has done a terrible job in London, done a terrible job.

TND: Why, if you don't mind me asking?

DT: Take a look at the terrorism that is taking place, look at what's going on in London, I think he's done a terrible job. I think that all of this immigration has really changed the fabric of Europe. I speak as an outsider when I say that, but I speak as someone who loves Europe and I think it's too bad. I think he's done a very bad job on terrorism, I think he's done a bad job on crime. Take a look at your hospitals in London you know what I'm talking about. All of the horrible things going on there with all of the crime. I think he's not been hospitable to a government that is a very important government. he may not like the current President, but again it's for me – I represent the US. I also represent a lot of people in Europe because a lot of people from Europe are in the US

NM: I'd like to talk to you about his comments on how London is run, the other part is this is now personal between you two. He has said you have done a terrible job, he doesn't like you

SK: I'm not going to lose any sleep that DT doesn't like me, the key thing is that actually London like other cities across Europe and around the world are grappling with the evil of terrorism, we unfortunately last year lost 14 people because of these terrorists, Manchester lost 22, cities across Europe – from Nice to Paris to Berlin to Brussels - have lost many, many more people because of the acts of terrorists and we stand united against them. It's for President Trump to explain why he has singled me out being responsible for these acts of terrorism and no other mayor or no other leader. I'm also quite clear that although there has been an increase in violent crime across England and Wales, including London, over the last four years I don't think the rising crime is because of immigration from north Africa or anywhere else, that's for President Trump to explain why he thinks immigration to Europe and the rising crime to our country and other parts of Europe. I'm quite clear though, immigration has brought huge benefits to our city and our country, economically, socially and culturally, and it's really important that we stand up to those values we hold dear.

NM: He doesn't like you and the problem is, you are the mayor of our capital – a massive part of GDP to the UK, you represent the capital, a decent trading relationship is important with our biggest trading partner, you are not helping that relationship

SK: Our biggest trading partner is the EU, but you're right America is a very important trading partner. One of the contributions made by Americans to our city is in relation to the jobs they create and the wealth they create. Over the last two years I've been really proud to work with American companies – Apple, Google, Facebook, Snapchat and others as they have expanded their operations in London and created jobs in London. What's really important is that we distinguish the views of the protestors today against President Trump and what he stands for and America and Americans. I like many Londoners, love America and Americans, and in fact over the last few days I have spoken to many Londoners, some of those who are Americans, who will be joining the protests today. One of the things that Americans love about our city are the rights we have here, the right to protest, the right to have free speech, the right to freedom of assembly, and the idea that we would curtail those rights because it may cause offence to President Trump or somebody else, I think Americans would find objectionable. Why? Because their own constitution has enshrined in it the rights to freedom of speech, the right to protest, freedom to assemble. In fact the founding fathers, you read some of the speeches from Franklin to Jefferson, talk about the importance of free speech and freedom to protest. And you know what, our own unwritten constitution – look at common law – has these rights enshrined as well. It's not for me to be the arbiter of good taste, to be the censor. What's important is that I try to make sure the protests today and tomorrow are peaceful and safe.

NM: It comes down to diplomacy doesn't it. you're the Mayor of London, he's the President of the United States. Someone's got to be the bigger person and take the higher ground, you're letting this balloon that depicts him as a baby fly over the capital when he's visiting. You've had this spat on social media for a couple of years now, isn't it time to say ok I'll be the bigger person and take the higher ground?

SK: Well actually you raise a good point. I'd like you in your views to compare and contrast the tweets the President has said against me and what I've said in response. And similarly you've asked me three, four, five questions to respond to President Trump and I've not been disrespectful to him as the office holder of the President. The idea that I would stop a blimp or a balloon flying over London because it may cause offence and thereby curtail the rights that people have to protest when it's not unsafe and not unpeaceful, I think people would find a bit astonishing. You've got to remember that I grew up like you did in the 1980s watching Spitting Image where every week you'd have Ronald Regan as a puppet without a brain, I didn't see President Regan complaining or being thin-skinned about it. Indeed, President Regan and Margaret Thatcher had a really good relationship, indeed they disagreed on policies from the Falkland Islands to the invasion of Grenada. My point to viewers is one of the strengths we should realise we have about having a close mate like America is that of course we should stand shoulder to shoulder with them in terms of adversity, and it was really comforting when Americans sent messages of support when we suffered terror attacks last year, but when we think they are wrong, we should say we think you are wrong and that is what a special relationship is about and today there will be Londoners and others coming to London to protest and express a view about President Trump and his policies and we should cherish the fact that they have the right to do so.

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Trump in the UK: The rules around aerial protests

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By Reality Check team
BBC News

There has been much discussion about whether protesters should be allowed to fly an inflatable depicting Donald Trump as a baby, over Parliament Square.

Some people say it is a legitimate protest against a US President with controversial policies, while others argue it is disrespectful to a democratically-elected ally of the UK with whom the government hopes to agree a free-trade deal.

Last week, London Mayor Sadiq Khan gave permission for the helium-filled six-metre (19.7ft) high balloon to fly, tethered in Parliament Square Gardens.

The group needed permission from the mayor because Parliament Square Gardens is controlled by the Greater London Authority (GLA). You need permission to do a whole range of things there, including holding a public gathering or standing on your own with a placard.

Applications are considered by the city operations team at the GLA. Applicants have to show that they have sufficient insurance and there has to be a full risk assessment.

The GLA told Reality Check that it's not its role to act as a censor, or decide what is or isn't a good protest.

But it says it does work with the Metropolitan Police to reject anything containing illegal content, such as anything racist or homophobic.

The Civil Aviation Authority (CAA) does not need to give its permission because the inflatable would be flying below 60 metres.

But a CAA spokesperson said: "Anyone flying a tethered balloon below 60m may however still require permission from air traffic control if operated within 'controlled airspace', such as over Central London."

The air traffic control provider NATS confirmed that the balloon would count as a non-standard flight in controlled airspace.

Various parts of the country such as the area around airports and the centre of London count as controlled airspace and permission is required if you want to do things like release balloons or lanterns, tether a balloon or fly a drone.

NATS ruled on Wednesday that the blimp would have no impact on normal air traffic operations. It told Reality Check that it receives many applications to tether balloons or tow banners behind light aircraft over London every year, most of which attract almost no attention from the public.

It stressed that the shape of the balloon or content of the banner was not its responsibility.

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Mayor of London on Sky News re: Donald Trump visit and protests

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Sadiq Khan – Well it's for the President to explain that and those who are his allies to explain that. I'm quite clear though, that one of the great things about London and our country is the rights we have – freedom of speech, freedom to protest and freedom to assemble. In fact, the UK and the US uniquely have these rights enshrined, in America in their constitution and we of course have them in common law and our unwritten constitution. And it's important that the protests taking place in London are peaceful and good-spirited. There'll be protests tomorrow, by the way, from the extreme far-right and from pro-trump supporters, and it's important those too are peaceful. It's not for me to censor or to decide what is it in good taste or in bad taste, but to realise that actually here in London there are many things we should celebrate and one of those is free speech.

Interviewer – But he has specifically blamed you for the rise in crime in the capital and of your handling of terrorism.

SK – Let me deal with this: we as a city are grappling with the evils of terrorism. Like other cities we suffered the terror attacks last year, we unfortunately lost 14 people, they're still in our thoughts and our prayers. Manchester also suffered a terror attack, lost 22 people – including young people. Paris, Nice, Brussels, Berlin, cities in America also suffered terror attacks and it's for President Trump to explain why he's singled me as the Mayor of London out and not the mayors of other cities and leaders of other cities. But also he's linking immigration in Europe with the rise in crime in England and Wales – crime in England and Wales has been going up for the last four years, including in London. South Yorkshire has seen a rise in crime of 61 per cent over the last three, four years; Manchester more than 60 per cent. It's for President Trump to explain why he thinks this is linked with immigration, but also why he thinks I'm responsible for immigration to Europe or indeed to the UK, I've got no power over these things.

Interviewer – There is a bit of bad blood between the two of you, isn't there, a bit of history? A Twitter spat in the past. Do you think that's perhaps why the President has pinpointed you for particular criticism?

SK – well the history is, President Trump has done lots of tweets about and I've done very few in response. And President Trump has done many, many interviews about me and when I'm asked questions about President Trump I try not to respond, I try to be the bigger man. But what's clear about what he's said and some of his policies is many people in our city and our country find them objectionable. Many people who love America, love Americans – me included – don't necessarily agree with some of the policies of this president. And I, over the last few days, have spoken to many Londoners - and they call themselves Londoners, by the way – who are Americans who will be protesting today as well. And we've got to distinguish our views on America and Americans – we love Americans and America – and our views on President Trump. And I think it's right and proper in a democracy you can articulate your views and your concerns. That's one of the great things about living in a democracy. What's important though is any protest is peaceful and good-spirited. It's really important we realise that one of the things about a special relationship is, of course, we stand together at times of adversity, shoulder to shoulder, but when we think our best friend is being wrong or not meeting our high standards from them, we call them out. And that's what I think you'll see in London today – Londoners who love America, Americans who love America, being disappointed about some of the views expressed by President Trump and calling him out, because we see them as our best friends. And they shouldn't be worried about that, that demonstrates the strength of our relationships, that we've got confidence to do so.

Interviewer – Do you think that Theresa May should have invited him in the first place? Should he even be here at all?

SK – It's really important we distinguish two things: one, a state visit where the carpet is rolled out, many, many days of events, state banquets and all the rest of it, and two, an official working visit...

Interviewer – ...this isn't a state visit...

SK – ...quite, quite. And so I think what I'd be against is a premature state visit, I think it was wrong for Prime Minister May to invite President Trump on a state visit. I think having a good working relationship is important for the USA, they are the leaders of the free world, they are our closest ally. It's important to have cordial relations, on issues from North Korea to Russia, but also climate change, fighting terrorism, these are really important issues we've got to discuss with our closest ally, and there should be a good healthy working relationship. I also, by the way, think that means that should include Prime Minister May speaking to President Trump on where she thinks he's wrong, and explaining to President Trump where she thinks he's wrong in relation to a whole host of issues, and I hope she'll do that.

Interviewer – But was she right to invite him on what has turned out to be a working visit, though?

SK – No I think it's important for Prime Minister May to meet President Trump face-to-face, where it's here or in America, whether it's in Brussels or elsewhere, that's important. But I don't think that should be turned into a state visit, I think it's really important. I think we iron out the differences we have with America. We're not going to agree on everything, of course we're not. Look at Margaret Thatcher and President Reagan – they disagreed hugely about the Falklands War, they disagreed about the invasion of Grenada, but they worked together on those issues.

Interviewer – But there wasn't a massive blimp of Reagan in the form of a baby wearing a nappy over Westminster, was there?

SK – Well, let me deal with that because it's really important we realise protest and marches and demonstrations in London are not new. Nor is it new to protest and march against a US president. In 2003, of course, there were big, big demonstrations against President Bush. Now the reality is, it's not for me to decide what is or isn't in good taste, what's important for me as the Mayor of London is to ensure protests – which can take many, many forms – are peaceful and are safe. I realise it may cause offence to some people but that's not a good reason to curtail the hard fought-for rights of free speech and freedom of expression. And by the way, when you speak to Americans who understand their constitution and about their history, they agree with us.

Interviewer – Is there a difference between ridicule and protest? Many would say it's really churlish.

SK – Well I grew up watching Spitting Image in the 1980s and Spitting Image had puppets of President Reagan without a brain. He wasn't offended, it didn't mean the special relationship between Margaret Thatcher and President Reagan waned, because they are politicians understood in a democracy we have pluralism.

Interviewer – But that was a television programme, though.

SK – Well if you read some of the banners that protesters used in 2003 when President Bush was here, if you read some of the banners that are held up in America when people utilise their rights of freedom of protests and freedom of speech, I think we'll all agree one of the joys of living in a democracy – whether it's London in the UK, whether it's New York, Chicago, Washington in America – is uniquely we have these great rights. And by the way, our ambassador to the UK from the US, Ambassador Willy Johnson, said one of the unique things that the UK and the US share is freedom of speech, and we shouldn't be scared of that.

Interviewer – Finally, the President has had much to say about you this morning, is there any message you'd like to convey to him?

SK – I hope during the course of his visit to London and the UK he recognises that we are a diverse city, a diverse country. Diversity is a strength, it's one of the reasons why we are a fantastic city and a fantastic country. Immigration has brought huge benefits – economically, socially, culturally – to our city and our country. And I hope he realises these are things to cherish and not to be scared of.

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- Speaking on eve of his visit to Britain, president said Khan was doing 'terrible job'
- Trump said: 'Take a look at the terrorism. Look at what is going on in London'
- The president also accused Khan of failing to show respect for the United States

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Sadiq Khan hit back at Donald Trump today after the US president accused him of doing a 'very bad job' on terrorism and crime.

The London Mayor questioned why he was being 'singled out' after Mr Trump renewed their feud in bombshell comments during his UK visit.

The president said Mr Khan was failing to tackle extremism and crime in the city - blaming high levels of immigration.

But Mr Khan said other major cities had suffered terror attacks, and asked why Mr Trump was 'making it about me'.

'He criticised the mayor of London - me personally - for the terror attacks we had last year. But the evil of terrorism has been grappled with in Manchester, Berlin, Paris, Nice,' he told ITV's Good Morning Britain.

'Why has he singled me out?'

Mr Trump has clashed with the Labour mayor repeatedly in the past, including over his administration's visa policy and most recently over Khan's decision to allow a gigantic Trump blimp to fly over London.



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Speaking on the eve of his visit to Britain yesterday, the president (left with Melania in London) said Khan (right) was doing a 'terrible job' in the capital by allowing migrants to flock to the city



Protesters gathered at the security fence watch as US President Donald Trump and US First Lady Melania Trump leave in Marine One from the US ambassador's residence, Winfield House

Speaking to [The Sun](#), Trump said: 'Take a look at the terrorism that is taking place. Look at what is going on in London. I think he has done a very bad job on terrorism.'

He added: 'I think he has done a bad job on crime, if you look, all of the horrible things going on there, with all of the crime that is being brought in.'

London was devastated by four terror attacks last year - at Westminster, London Bridge, Parsons Green and Finsbury Park.

Trump also accused Mr Khan, who is muslim, of failing to show respect for the world's wealthiest and most powerful nation.



Trump also accused Khan of failing to show respect for the world's wealthiest and most powerful nation. Pictured: Trump being greeted at Blenheim Palace yesterday



US President Donald Trump and First Lady Melania Trump are welcomed at Blenheim Palace by Britain Prime Minister Theresa May and her husband Philip May

'I think he has not been hospitable to a government that is very important,' he said. 'Now he might not like the current president, but I represent the United States.'

'I also represent a lot of people in Europe because a lot of people from Europe are in the United States.'

A source close to Khan told The Sun that it is the responsibility of the Home Office to determine London's migration policy, as well as that of the UK as a whole.

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Lift-off for Trump baby blimp as Sadiq Khan defends decision to let it fly

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The balloon is taking flight above Parliament square now (Source: Getty)

The 6-metre tall balloon in the shape of [Donald Trump](#) as a baby is taking flight over London this morning, despite the President saying it made him feel "unwelcome".

It will fly between 9.30am and 11.30am today. However strict rules mean that the balloon will be tethered to the ground throughout, and restricted from floating higher than 30m (98ft).

Speaking to The Sun yesterday, Donald Trump said that protest, including the giant baby blimp, make him feel "unwelcome" in London.

“I guess when they put out blimps to make me feel unwelcome, no reason for me to go to London,” Trump said.



But [Sadiq Khan](#) defended the decision to allow the blimp to fly over London this morning, telling the [BBC](#) that preventing it from flying would curtail the rights of Londoners to protest.

"Today there will be Londoners and others coming to London to protest and express their view about President Trump and his policies and we should cherish the fact that they have got the rights to do so."

You can follow Trump Baby on [Twitter](#) to see it in action as it floats above Parliament Square.



Trump Baby @TrumpBabyUK

The Crooked Rigged System threw everything it could at Me. But I am the most successful baby at everything I do (unparalleled) - I told you I would fly and here I am! !!

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Protests are taking place in London today, encouraging anti-Trump campaigners to get creative. One brewery has made its own [Trump protest beers \(with extra orange\)](#).

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Sadiq Khan explains why he let the Trump baby blimp fly over London

Harley Tamplin

It could prove to be the defining image of Donald Trump's first visit to Britain as the sitting US president.

And the blimp depicting the leader as a giant baby has fanned the flames of controversy ahead of its flight above Westminster. But Sadiq Khan has defended the decision to grant permission for it to be flown as part of mass protests against Mr Trump.

Speaking on BBC Radio Four's Today Programme, the London Mayor elaborated on why the protest should be allowed to take place.

He said: 'I shouldn't be the arbiter, as a politician, of what's in good taste or bad taste, what's important is it to be peaceful, and for it to be safe. Lift-off for Donald Trump baby blimp as London launches protests against the US president 'And, frankly speaking, the idea that we limit the rights to protest, we limit the rights to free speech because it may cause offence to a foreign leader is a very, very slippery slope.'

The 20ft blimp was described as the 'biggest ever insult to a sitting president' by former Ukip leader Nigel Farage. But Mr Khan said: 'The UK like in fact the US has a long and rich history of the rights and the freedoms to protest, the freedom of speech, the freedom to assemble.'

'Can you imagine if we limited freedom of speech because somebody's feelings might be hurt?'

Its flight, which kicks off a day of protests, was approved by the Greater London Authority.

The main Stop Trump rally is expected to attract some 70,000 people on the streets of the capital. Organisers behind the blimp stunt have said it highlights the president's 'infantile' approach to politics.

Speaking to Metro.co.uk, Matthew Butcher said: 'People see it and they know what it's getting at. It's bringing to light his infantile way of doing politics and the dangers behind his politics.'

'There's a toddler-in-chief in charge at the White House and the real life effects of those politics is pretty devastating.' He added: 'People are pleased to see some humour. We're just one small part of one big movement in the UK.'

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Vanessa Feltz – Well you will of course be aware of the headlines today, Mayor Khan doesn't like me but I say to him you've done a terrible job on terror. I mean he really has criticised you very personally Mayor Khan, what's your response to the President?

SK - I'm not going to respond to every single point President Trump makes, I think I'm going to be bigger than that. I think what's important today and tomorrow is we're going to see over the next two days protests today, two protests against President Trump against some of his policies and what he stands for. Tomorrow there'll be protests from extreme far-right groups including pro-Trump supports and the key thing over the course of the next two days is for those protests to be peaceful and good spirited. Now he objects to people protesting against him today but I'd remind your listeners that one of the great things about our two countries is not simply the special relationship but the rich history enshrined in our respective constitutions, freedom to protest, freedom to assemble and freedom of speech and we should cherish that.

VF – You say you're going to be bigger than responding but surely you would want to respond to something that is so intensely personal as being told you've done a terrible job? People all over the world are going to hear President Trump's verdict on your mayoralty. A terrible job, he says you've done a terrible job in terms of terrorism, saying it's all your fault, you letting migrants into the country and also a terrible job in terms of crime in London. Surely you must want to response because you are big enough to and you really ought to, shouldn't you?

SK – Well in relation to terrorism Vanessa, we as a city suffered these terrible attacks last year. 14 people lost their lives and they're still in our thoughts and prayers. Manchester also suffered horrible terrible attack, 22 people died there, and Berlin 12 died, Nice also suffered a terror attack, 84 people died, Brussels 32 people, innocent people lost their lives as well, Paris 130 people. It's for President Trump to explain why he singles out the Mayor of London being responsible for the attacks in London and not any other mayor or any other Leader. I'm quite clear in my mind, I was really comforted, as indeed Londoners were, when we had messages of support, solidarity and love from around the world, including from America and Americans. And people will see this for what it is.

VF – When you say why does he single out the Mayor of London, I mean you leave the question unanswered so I'm going to give you some words and see if you agree with them or not? Do you think he chooses you, Mayor Sadiq Khan to criticise in this personal and vehement and very trenchant way in a way that most professional such as yourself would find wildly offensive, does he criticise you because you're Muslim? Is this Islamophobic and he's singling you out for that reason?

SK – It's not for me to analyse or give a motive to what he says. It's for others to do that and for President Trump to be asked this question. I'm sure our Prime Minister when she meets with him today will point to the President and say hold on we suffered attacks in Manchester as well and I'm sure she'll say to him why've you singled out the Mayor of London not for example, and he's an excellent Mayor by the way, the Mayor of Manchester, and that's what you'd hope a Leader who's got confidence in herself and in her country would do with the Leader of a country with whom we have a special relationship.

VF – Have you had any kind of communication with the Prime Minister? Have you said to her I would like you to raise this, or are you going to raise this or are you going to defend the Mayor of London when you speak to the President today?

SK – No I don't need to. She's an intelligent woman, she reads newspapers, she'll have read the Sun interview. I know that she shares many pf the values that I do and you do and your listeners do and I don't need to. These sort

of points are so blindingly obvious that you'd hope that the PM would have the intelligence and confidence to raise these herself.

VF – You see it's interesting that you should say that because I've had on the programme this morning Emily Thornberry the shadow foreign secretary and she doesn't seem confident that the PM is going to woman up and say any of those things and in fact on the show she gave a whole list of things she's like her to say including I don't trust you, including butt out, including how dare you arrive in our country and criticise us in this kind of way. And Emily Thornberry much more singing from the same hymn sheet as you in general.

SK – The thing is, the reason why Emily feels that way is that we expect more from our closest ally. Frankly speaking, we expect higher standards from our best friends than we do from friends and acquaintance. And this is one of the reasons that people are upset about President Trump and what he has said and some of his policies. So across London today you'll see the vast, vast, vast majority of those protesting love America, love Americans. Over the last few days I've met a lot of Londoners, and they call themselves Londoners by the way, who are Americans, who'll be protesting to so President Trump expresses hurt feelings that there's protests taking place today but our two countries have a rich history of protest and it should be good spirited and peaceful.

VF – On the other hand the police are predicting 50,000 protesters. We live in a country of 65m people, leave alone the American tourists here so yes they're going to be protests and yes there're going to be well attended but quite frankly only fraction of London and Londoners and the entire country's population are bother to turn out today to protest against Trump.

SK – Sure listen this demonstration/protest is taking place on a working day. Many people will be at work, schools or colleges and so I don't think we should measure the views that Londoners and others have on President Trump on his policies by how many turn up. But it will be interesting to see how many turn up on a working day, Friday. How many people turned up on previous marches and protests taking place on a working day. I'm quite clear though it's not for me to be the censor by what's good taste or bad taste today or tomorrow. Tomorrow by the way as I've said there'll be far right groups from pro Trump supporters. My key message to anybody turning up today or tomorrow is if you're turning up to protest peacefully, you're welcome. But if you're turning up to cause trouble or be a nuisance, you're not welcome.

VF – Now you've talked about not being a censor, not being your job to make judgements of taste or decency or anything else as Mayor of London. We know that what you're saying pertains to this Trump baby blimp which is now aloft over Parliament Square. And you said you would only come on the programme at 9.45am, I'm always so sorry that you don't come in in person and see me because my listeners would love to talk to you voice to voice but nevertheless, you've timed your appearance on the programme to coincide with the blimp flying aloft. This is going to be, isn't it, the visual image that symbolises this entire visit, isn't it? There's no question it's going to be beamed all over the world and everybody's going to looking at this flying over Parliament Square. You said okay to it, you could have said no to it, why did you say it was alright?

SK – You raised a number of points there. Firstly I came on your programme now because I've been doing interviews since I think 7.50 and it's the one chance we can get when you're on and I wanted to get on before you go off air. Secondly, I think this is the 11th time I've spoken to you since I become Mayor which must be some sort of record. But thirdly look it's not for me to decide what's in good taste or bad taste. People protest in many different forms, it could be going on a march, it could be with a banner, it could be with a tshirt and in 2018 people are finding innovative ways to protest but the idea that we would curtail the rights and privileges that people have in relation to protesting because it would be deemed to be offensive or may hurt the feelings of somebody you've got to be very, very careful about because it's a slippery slope. And by the way, as somebody who has studied the US constitution and US presidents you study the US constitution and enshrined in the US constitution is free speech. The founding fathers talk about the freedom to protest. And one of the things I welcome is US ambassador Woody Johnson two days ago saying he's got not problems at all with the protest which is taking place, actually what's unique about the US and the UK is our free speech rules. And can you imagine the Americans stopping a protest or a form of protest because it hurt the feelings of their President or a foreign visitor?

VF – And Donald Trump now says I don't want to spend a night in London because it's inhospitable to me, they've made me feel unwelcome. He's levying that criticism at you. Do you feel glad that you've made him feel so unwelcome that he doesn't want to come back? Do you think that's a victory?

SK – Well no, one of the things I've said when I've been asked previously about President Trump is I would like to meet him when he comes to London. And the point I've said in response previously is and I'll say it again today to you is actually you know what, one of things people whose views whose are, and I say this in a neutral way, ignorant, is that you've got to educate them. And if it's the case that President Trump thinks diversity is a weakness, if it's the case that President Trump thinks it's not possible to be a Westerner and a Muslim and that somehow being different, being in a pluralistic society is something to scared of, actually him going around London, some of the most diverse parts of London, seeing Hindus, Muslims, Jews, Sikhs, Buddhists, those who are very comfortable with their faith and being a Londoner and being a Brit. The LGBT+ community, women, would be a way to – and I think again, in a neutral way I say this, educate him about diversity being a strength not a weakness.

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'Preposterous': Khan hits back at Trump over crime and terrorism

US president criticised the London mayor after he refused to block Trump baby inflatable

Sarah Marsh

Sadiq Khan has hit back at “preposterous” claims by [Donald Trump](#) after the US president criticised the London mayor for doing a “a bad job” on terrorism and crime in the capital.

In an interview in the Sun, Trump lashed out at Khan, who has allowed a [Trump protest balloon](#) to float above Westminster during his visit.

The US president reignited his feud with Khan, who criticised the US president as “ill-informed” [over a tweet](#) following the London Bridge attack in June 2017.

“I think allowing millions and millions of people to come into Europe is very, very sad ... You have a mayor who has done a terrible job in [London](#),” Trump said.

“He has done a terrible job. Take a look at the terrorism that is taking place. Look at what is going on in London. I think he has done a very bad job on terrorism.

“I think he has done a bad job on crime, if you look, all of the horrible things going on there, with all of the crime that is being brought in.”

Khan responded on Friday morning, saying terrorism was a global problem, with people dying all over Europe. “What is interesting is Trump is not criticising mayors of those cities, but he is criticising me,” he said in an interview on the BBC’s Today programme.

Trump’s comments blaming immigration for crime in England were “preposterous”, he added.

“There has been an increase in violent crime across England and Wales ... it’s gone up by more than 20% ... and by 4% in London ... We must deal with the causes, but also enforcement and where we have lost £7m in our budget in London I have invested £4m ... [but] the idea to blame immigration from Africa is preposterous, and we should call him out when does,” Khan said.

Trump’s verbal attack on Khan came after the London mayor refused to block a plan to fly a giant inflatable “Trump baby” near parliament to coincide with the president’s visit to the UK. The 20ft-high blimp depicts the US leader as an angry infant wearing a nappy and clutching a mobile phone.

Khan defended the decision, saying to have blocked the inflatable would have been to inhibit freedom of speech.

“The UK, like the USA, has a long and rich history of rights and the freedom to protest and freedom of speech. The US ambassador himself commented that one thing [the] USA and the UK have in common is freedom of speech, and the idea of restricting that and [the] right to assemble because someone is offended by something is [a] slippery slope,” he said.

“When determining these things [it should be about] ... whether it is safe and peaceful. As a politician I should not be the arbiter of what is good or bad taste.”

Khan said there would be far-right and pro-Trump demonstrations taking place on Saturday. “I disagree with their views as well, but letting them protest should not mean endorsing their views ... I am not banning the pro-Trump demo either,” he added.

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Donald Trump visit: Sadiq Khan refuses to 'rise to beastly comments'



Sadiq Khan, Mayor of London: "It's not for me to be the censor"

The Mayor of London says he will not rise to Donald Trump's "beastly" accusation that he did "a terrible job" after 2017's terror attacks.

The US President used an interview ahead of his UK visit to attack Sadiq Khan over the wave of terror attacks in the capital.

He also blamed the mayor for the rise in immigration and crime, saying "look at all the crime brought in".

Mr Khan questioned why he was singled out as being responsible for terrorism.

The mayor was speaking as Labour MP David Lammy accused Mr Trump of being a "racist" who "hates that London chose a Muslim mayor".



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I will call it like it is. The real reason Trump blames my friend @SadiqKhan for the terror attacks last year is simple. He hates that London chose a Muslim mayor. The President is racist. He does not deserve to meet our Queen today #StopTrump
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"It's for President Trump to explain why he has singled me out for being responsible for these acts of terrorism, and no other mayor or no other leader", Mr Khan said.

"I'm also quite clear that although there has been an increase in violent crime across England and Wales, including London, over the last four years, I don't think the rise in crime is because of immigration.

"It's for Trump to explain why he thinks there is a link between immigration into Europe and the rise in crime."



feud A broke out between Mr Khan and Mr Trump over a plan to fly a giant inflatable "Trump baby" near Parliament to coincide with Mr Trump's UK visit

'Very bad job'

In an interview with the Sun, the US president hit out at immigration into Europe, describing the movement of "millions of people" as "very sad."

"Take a look at the terrorism that is taking place. Look at what is going on in London. I think he [Mr Khan] has done a very bad job on terrorism", Mr Trump said.

"I think he has done a bad job on crime, if you look, all of the horrible things going on there, with all of the crime that is being brought in."



The 20-foot high blimp depicts President Trump as an angry infant wearing a nappy and clutching a mobile phone

The verbal attack came after Mr Khan permitted a plan to fly a giant inflatable **"Trump baby" near Parliament to coincide with Mr Trump's UK visit.**

The 20-foot high blimp depicts the US leader as an angry infant wearing a nappy and clutching a mobile phone.

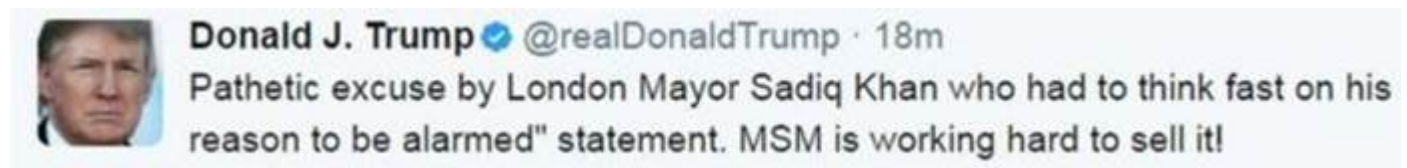
Its appearance in central London was approved by the Greater London Authority, and Mr Khan has defended the decision, saying it was not for him to be a censor or to decide what is in good or bad taste.



London's Trump supporters and protesters

The pair have been feuding after Mr Khan criticised the US president as "ill-informed" over a tweet following the London Bridge attack in June 2017.

Following the attack, Mr Khan said people should not be alarmed by visibly increased security on the streets of the capital



Mr Trump sparked a backlash when he tweeted: "At least 7 dead and 48 wounded in terror attack and Mayor of London says there is "no reason to be alarmed!"

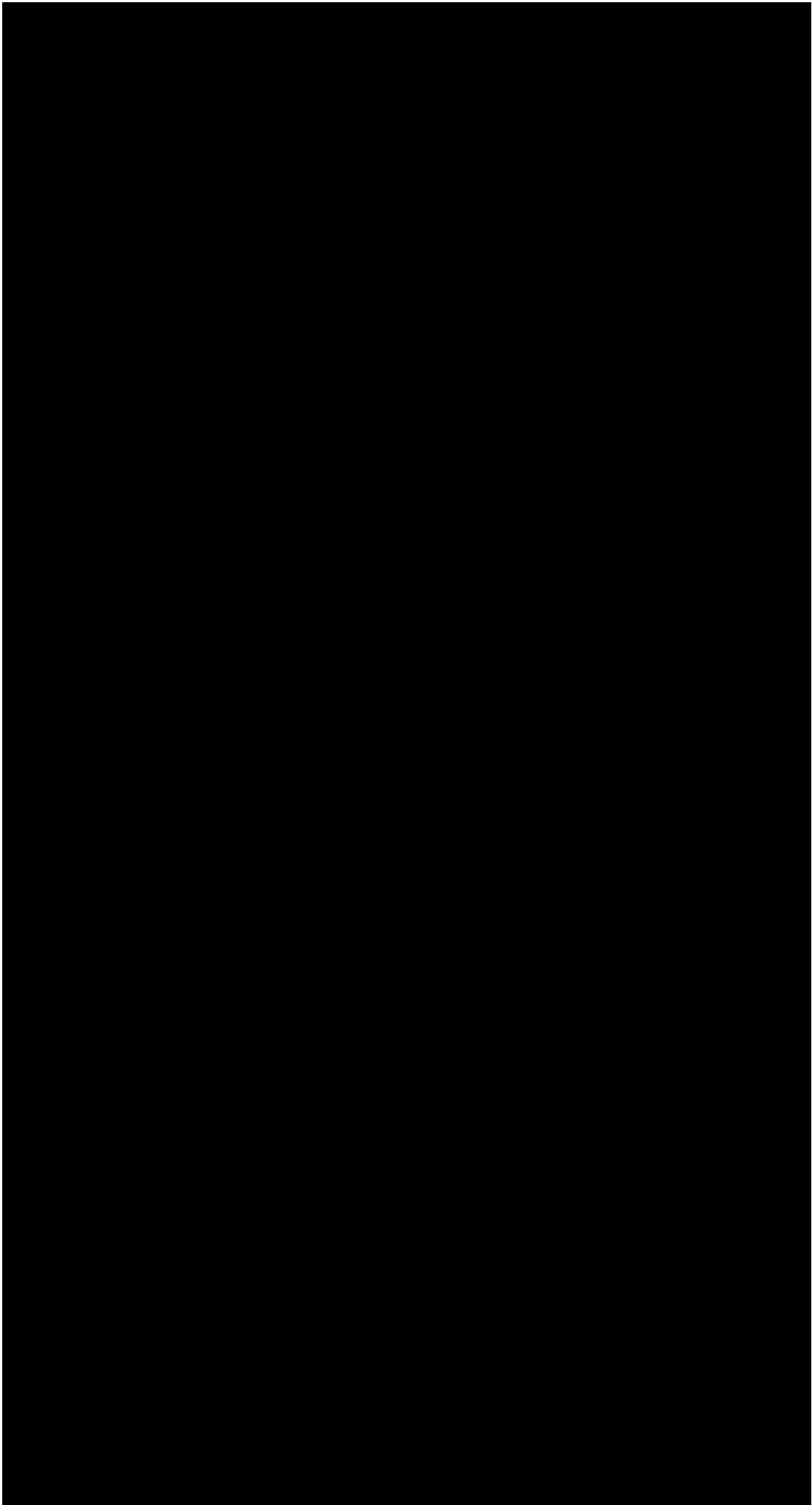
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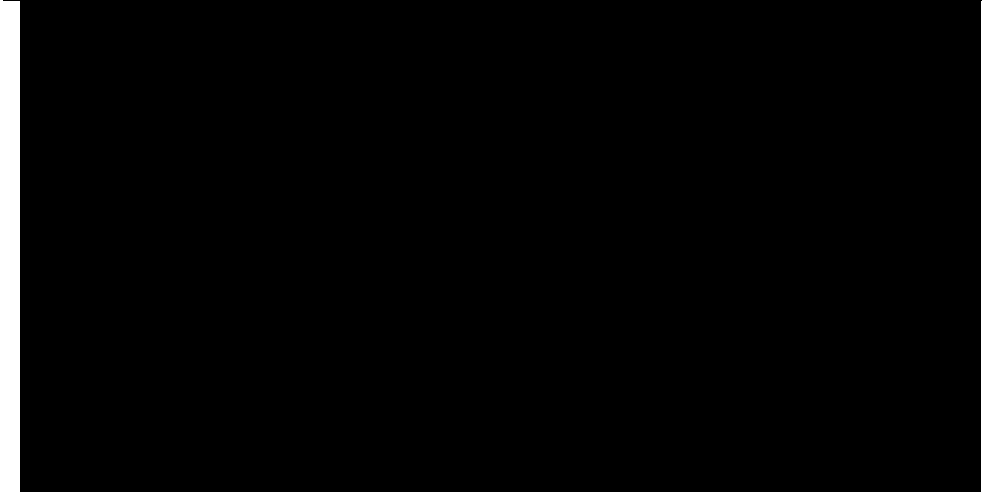
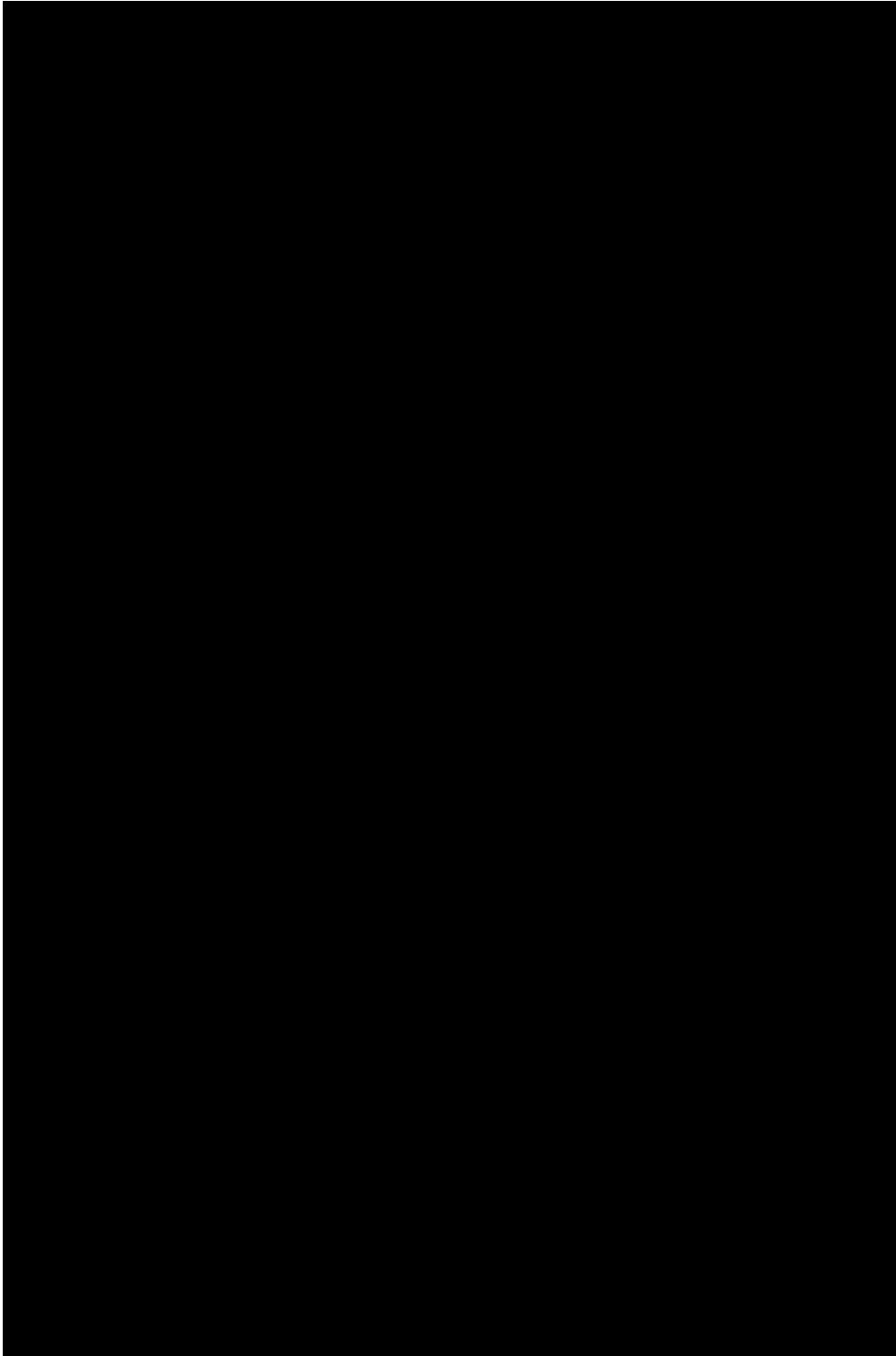
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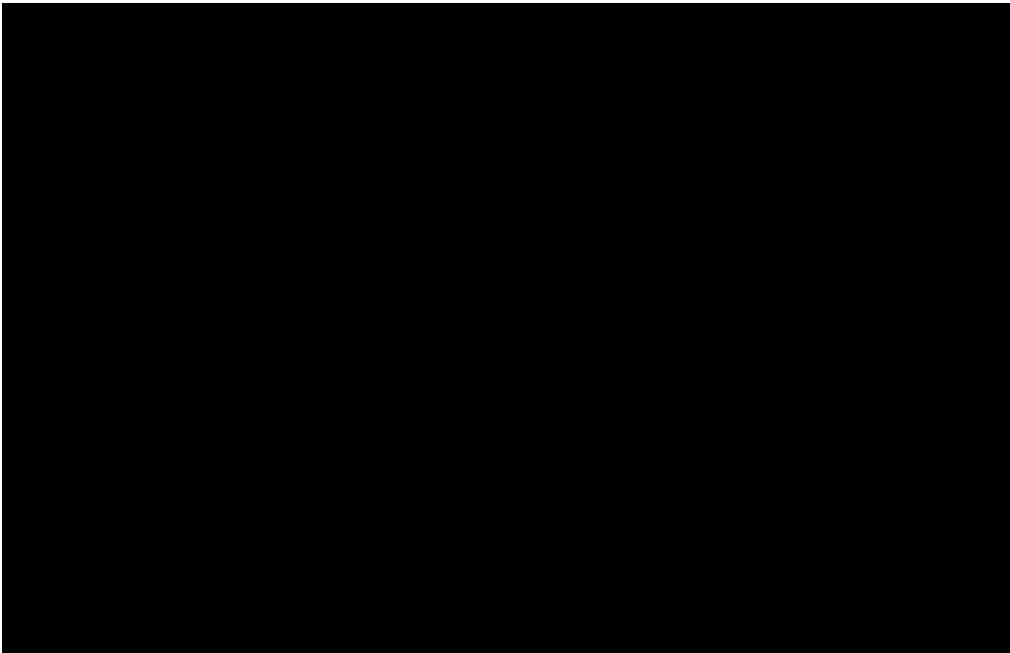
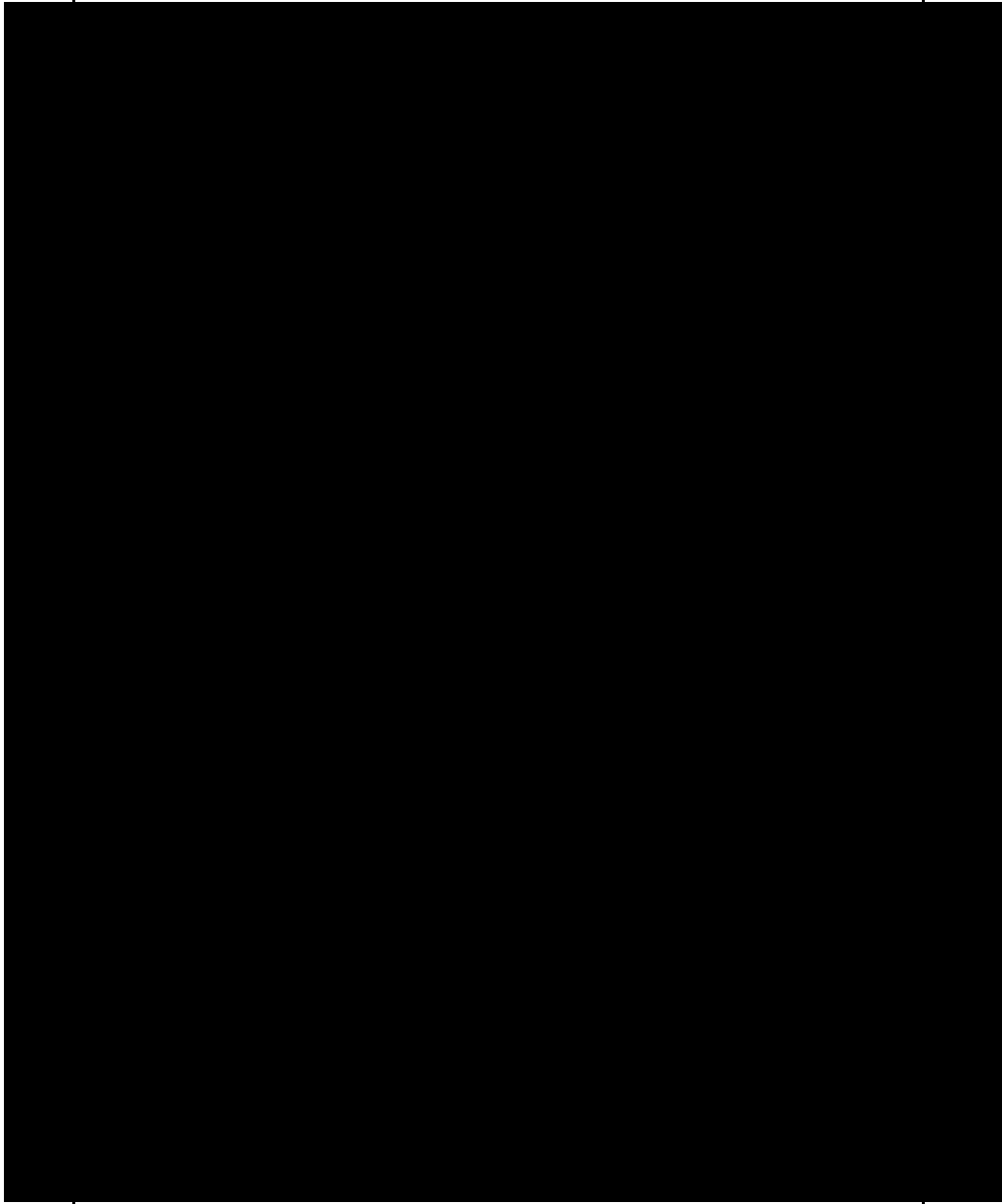
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This morning, a blimp is anchored at Parliament Square, as part of the protest against President Trump. It is currently in the air and due to be removed from 11:30.



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A blimp depicting Donald Trump as a whingeing nappy-clad baby clutching a mobile phone was successfully launched in Parliament Square as protests against the US President's visit mounted.

Cheers greeted the 20ft (6m) high inflatable caricature's take-off in central London at around 9.30am on Friday, ahead of rallies across the capital.

Mr Trump will not personally witness the blimp's flight, which received support from his nemesis, London Mayor Sadiq Khan, but the Republican said it had made him "feel unwelcome" in London.

Critics gathering in the square opposite the Palace of Westminster did not deny that that was their intention.

Mexican [REDACTED] Fonseca, 23, who is living in Camden, north London, said:
"I think it's hilarious. It's an accurate representation of his politics which are so immature. He never enters into adult discussion."

Jason Caines, 50, from Pimlico, central London, said: "It's good. It needs to be done because he's a bigot and a racist. He shouldn't be president."

Several anti-Trump protest groups were to meet in Portland Place on Friday as the president has a working lunch with Prime Minister Theresa May at her country residence, Chequers.

In an interview with The Sun, Mr Trump said: "I guess when they put out blimps to make me feel unwelcome, no reason for me to go to London."

The inflatable's flight was approved by the Greater London Authority, with Mr Khan defending the decision.

The Metropolitan Police's Lucy D'Orsi, who is in charge of the policing operation for the visit, said she had seen discussion about police "restricting the right to protest", and added that the force was aiming to strike a balance between that and public safety.

With Mr Trump set to travel to Scotland on Friday evening after meeting the Queen at Windsor Castle, a rally is planned for Glasgow's George Square.

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JO - We concern ourselves today chiefly with two questions. Why don't people mind being lied to? When it becomes impossible to deny being lied to why do admirers of Donald Trump on both sides of the Atlantic remain unconcerned? And secondly how does the media now address the fact that the leader of the free world, the most powerful man on the planet now lies and lies and lies again. Because the way it gets reported is; "Trump says" not "Trump lies" and I want your help in unpicking that. Before all that though, one man very close to the centre of these stories is the Mayor of London Sadiq Khan who joins me on the line now. Mayor Khan, what precisely do you think Donald Trump has accused you of this morning?

SK – Morning James, I woke up this morning to read the Sun newspaper and I think the two central points President Trump says in relation to myself as the Mayor of London are my blame slash responsibility for the terror attacks in London and secondly my responsibility for the rise in immigration to Europe and the link that has with crime in London. So those are the two things I took away from the interview he gave to the Sun today.

JO – So immigration from outside the European Union into the European Union is your fault?

SK – Yeah quite. Can I deal with both those points, if that's ok? Last year we spoke about this, we suffered horrific terrorist attacks in our city. 14 people lost their lives and they're still in our thoughts and prayers. One of the most comforting things in the days afterwards was the and the support and solidarity we received from around the world including from America and Americans. You know, in Manchester 22 people died, in Berlin 12, in Nice 84 at the hands of terrorists, in Brussels 32, in Paris 130 and this is an evil we're all grappling with and the questions for Donald Trump which I'm unclear of is why he's singling me out as the Mayor of London and not other Mayors or other leaders of other countries. Your point about immigration is this: look, crime has gone up in London. It's gone up over the last year – violent crime – by 4%, in England and Wales it's gone up by 21%, in South Yorkshire and Manchester it's gone up by 61% and 60% and I've seen no evidence of immigration from Europe being the reason for that. And secondly, I'm not responsible for immigration to London let alone to the UK or to Europe. And again, why criticise the Mayor of London for immigration to our continent? And, by the way, I disagree with that substantive point he makes on that. The EU 27, Prime Minister May, Boris Johnson and on and on and on.

JO – You're being a little disingenuous. You must have at least a theory why Donald Trump would seek to blame a Muslim Mayor of London for Islamist terrorist attacks but not, for example, to dream of trying to blame Ken Livingstone for the July 7th terror attacks. It hinges surely upon a rather obvious difference in background between you and Ken Livingstone but you seem a little reluctant to say so out loud.

SK – I think that's a question that should be posed to President Trump and his allies and y the way, can I say this James and Londoners need to know this, I also reached out to Mayors in the USA from Orlando, to New York and other cities, Boston, when they suffered attacks as well and that's what we do. That's one of the things we share in common with the USA and other cities around the world, other countries around the world is our determination to unite to defeat terrorism. And I ask the question, you know, all those allies you mention of President Trump, it's a question for them to answer, with respect, it's not for me to explain the motivations of President Trump, what's on his mind when he says what he says.

JO – No but when someone's swinging at you, it's perfectly natural to wonder why.

SK – My concern is not about me. Mine's a bigger point. I made this point in relation to the retweet President Trump did of Britain First. He retweeted two tweets sent by Britain First, an extreme far-right group, banned from Facebook. The leader and the deputy leader banned from Twitter which amplified a message of division and hate. One of the concerns that I have is the legitimisation or normalisation of views and prejudices that used to be the purdie of the far-right and they're seized upon by the far-right and it empowers the far-right and that's why those of

us who are progressives should call out. And I suspect there are Londoners today and people from around the country who will be coming to London today to protest not just against President Trump but his views and his policies, who feel quite upset that our closest ally, their leader, has these views. And by the way, over the last few days I've spoken to many Londoners and they call themselves Londoners by the way who are Americans who will be protesting today as well against their President.

JO – Do you wish you could burst that balloon?

SK - *laughs* No, let me tell you why. Let me tell you why, and this is a really important point which gets lost in sort of hurt feelings about President Trump in relation to the balloon. One of the things that the Ambassador from the USA said two days ago which was fascinating and I agree with him one hundred percent is Ambassador Johnson said; "Uniquely the US and the UK have this freedom of speech" and he was implying that actually he had no problems with protest and how we protest. And it's really important that we don't allow my personal views about a protest to colour whether permission is granted. So, for example today there are protests taking place against President Trump and they take many different forms. Blimps, balloons, banners you know, pots and pans etc. but tomorrow in our city there will be a protest demonstration march from the extreme far-right and pro-Trump supporters. Now, you can imagine what my views are in relation to those groups but the idea that the Mayor of London would stop those protests taking place simply because I'm offended by some of the views I think is wrong. As long as it's peaceful, as long as it's safe, as long as the police are happy I think we should celebrate the fact that we can agree to disagree and I think that's a strength.

JO – Did it cross your desk? Was there a moment where you could have run a line through it, through the application?

SK – Well yes and no. The way it works is, this office out of the GLA who make the decision but I support the decision by the way. I support, I stand by our officers who work incredibly hard and they use an objective criteria to decide whether permission is granted. They have two criteria basically, is it safe? Is it peaceful? Then it goes to the Met Police Service and the National Air Traffic Services because obviously it's going to be in the air, we've got to make sure it's not a danger to those in normal aviation and stuff so there are processes in place, I've got to put aside my own views, I can't be the censor here.

JO – Have you ever? Have similar applications ever been turned down? Anything comparable that hasn't received permission?

SK – My understanding is no balloons or blimp but there have been many occasions where protests have either had conditions imposed on them upon them and, by the way, some of the protests this weekend today and tomorrow have some conditions imposed upon them by the police and that's nothing to do with the merits or demerits of the substance behind the protest is it safe, is it peaceful? Incitement, public disorder, and those sorts of issues are police issues taken on a routine basis. And by the way, one of the things about London is not only do we have protests, we have major visitors, we have sporting events, we have concerts and we have expertise to make these sorts of decisions on a regular basis.

JO – And finally, from the question on knife crime and I accept that your answer would involve, ordinarily pointing out that other parts of the country have similar problems and the cuts imposed on the Met by central government so we'll take those two answers as a given. You suggested this morning on the Breakfast show that you could tap into Metropolitan police reserves as a sort of short-term way to address some of the problems that the police service is currently having in London, why haven't you done that?

SK – So our general reserves are, roughly speaking, 2% which is the recommendation of any organisation that 2% general reserve. Our earmarked reserves are, roughly speaking, 6% and they've gone down from 14% and earmarked reserves are for things that are earmarked to buy so, for example we've got to transform our IT, we've got to transform the fabric of the buildings buy equipment's, tasers, guns etc so they're earmarked for things so it's not true to suggest that we've got millions of pounds sitting in a bank account accruing interest. We are spending what we've got and by the way, this year and last year we've invested from City Hall £140m in two years. In the previous 8 years City Hall didn't invest those sorts of money, they invested, roughly speaking net £24m and so, I'm using all the levers at my disposal to invest in the police but you're right, the context is they've deducted £720m

over the past 7 or 8 years, I'm putting back £140m over the next 3 years by the way, I've got to find £320m worth of more savings because of cuts that are planned for the next 3 years from central government.

JO – Did you see Michael Fabricant's retweet about you?

SK – I've not seen it but I was told about it today

JO – For the benefit of my listeners, it's a kind of mocked-up image of a balloon in which Sadiq Khan is being mounted by a pig.

SK – I mean, Michael Fabricant is an MP, who was an MP when I was an MP and he's never expressed views to me that I would find objectionable and I'm surprised.

JO – Is that as far as you're going to go? "Surprised?"

SK – Well I, you'd expect, I would expect, a member of a mainstream party who is a member of parliament to have tweeted what he appears to have tweeted – I've not seen the tweet so that's a disclaimer – for his party to take action against him. I would certainly if it was a member of my party having those views I would take it up with the leadership. In the past by the way, when there's been allegations of anti-Semitism in my party from members I've raised those with my party and spoken out against them so I've been consistent here. And you know the allegations made against the Conservative party not just during my campaign but since then from senior people including former chairs of that party. The Conservative Forum for Muslims, the Muslim Council of Britain mainstream newspapers you know, I've got confidence, I say, holding my breath, that the Conservative party will take the relevant action against Michael Fabricant.

JO – Mayor Sadiq Khan, many thanks indeed.

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In Fiery Interview With British Tabloid, Trump Criticizes Prime Minister, London Mayor

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U.S. first lady Melania Trump, President Trump, British Prime Minister Theresa May and her husband Philip May watch a live military performance ahead of a dinner in Oxfordshire, U.K., on Thursday.

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President Trump, in [a wide-ranging interview with The Sun](#), said British Prime Minister Theresa May ignored his advice on Brexit, a move he said threatens to scuttle a trade deal with the U.S.

Fresh from a contentious meeting with NATO leaders in Brussels in which he demanded member nations contribute more for their collective defense, Trump made a number of incendiary remarks to the British tabloid that are sure to provide fodder for his critics in the U.K. and Europe.

In the interview, which took place at the U.S. Embassy in Brussels, the president also lashed out at the Muslim mayor of London, saying he had done "a terrible job." Trump also said that immigrants were destroying European culture and that

he planned to maintain good relations with Russian President Vladimir Putin despite [nerve agent attacks on U.K. soil that have been blamed on the Kremlin](#).

Concerning Brexit, Trump said, "I would have done it much differently. I actually told Theresa May how to do it but she didn't agree, she didn't listen to me." Instead, he said, May went "the opposite way," and the results have been "very unfortunate."

Trump also said the deal that May's government has proposed would "probably kill" any trade agreement with the U.S. because Washington "would be dealing with the European Union" instead of with the U.K.

Britain's exit from the European Union, which was approved in a 2016 referendum, has been a complicated divorce and the U.K. has opted for a "soft Brexit" that includes maintaining some ties to the EU. However, that has angered hardliners in May's Cabinet and prompted high-level resignations in the past week, including the departure of Foreign Secretary Boris Johnson, who Trump called "a very talented guy."

The president told *The Sun* that while he is in the U.K., he would like to see Johnson, who, "obviously likes me, and says very good things about me."

"I was very saddened to see he was leaving government and I hope he goes back in at some point. I think he is a great representative for your country," Trump told the newspaper.

On immigration, Trump said, "Allowing the immigration to take place in Europe is a shame."

"I think it changed the fabric of Europe and, unless you act very quickly, it's never going to be what it was and I don't mean that in a positive way," the president said.

"So I think allowing millions and millions of people to come into Europe is very, very sad," he said. "I think you are losing your culture. Look around. You go through certain areas that didn't exist ten or 15 years ago."



Mayor of London Sadiq Khan during London Tech Week in London, on Monday.

Robert Stevens/AP

The president slammed Sadiq Khan, the mayor of London, a city that has been the target of several terrorist attacks in recent years: "I look at cities in Europe, and I can be specific if you'd like. You have a mayor who has done a terrible job in London."

"Take a look at the terrorism that is taking place. Look at what is going on in London. I think he has done a very bad job on terrorism," he said. "I think he has done a bad job on crime, if you look, all of the horrible things going on there, with all of the crime that is being brought in."

According to statistics out earlier this year, London's homicide rate now rivals New York's. In one month, February 2018, there were 15 murders in London compared to 14 in New York, according to data gathered by London's Metropolitan Police Service and the New York Police Department, respectively, [as reported by The Times of London](#).

However, as [the BBC noted](#), the previous month showed eight murders in London against 18 in New York. Further, for all of 2017, the homicide rate per 100,000 population was 1.2 for London, compared to 3.4 for New York.

"The idea that you can blame this on immigration from Africa is I think preposterous and we should call him out when he does so," Khan told BBC radio on Friday.



A 20-foot-high cartoon baby blimp of President Trump is flown as a protest against his visit, in Parliament Square in London, England, on Friday.

Matt Dunham/AP

The president suggested that his dispute with Khan might be partly personal, with the mayor having shown disrespect to him by allowing a 20-foot ["Trump Baby" balloon](#) — an orange likeness of Trump wearing a diaper — to fly over London protests during the president's visit.

"I used to love London as a city," Trump said.

"I haven't been there in a long time. But when they make you feel unwelcome, why would I stay there?" he said. "I guess when they put out blimps to make me feel unwelcome, no reason for me to go to London."

Khan, in an interview with NPR's *Morning Edition*, says Trump is "entitled to have his views."

"I'm not going to rise to the individual things President Trump says," Khan tells host Mary Louise Kelly in London.

"I hope during the course of his visit, he sees a city and a country very comfortable with ourselves, very comfortable with our diversity, seeing it as something we should celebrate and not be scared of."

Responding specifically to the protest blimp, Khan says, "One thing we should be really proud of, both Americans and Brits, is the rights to protest and express our views. And the key thing is it should be done in a peaceful manner, it should be good-spirited."

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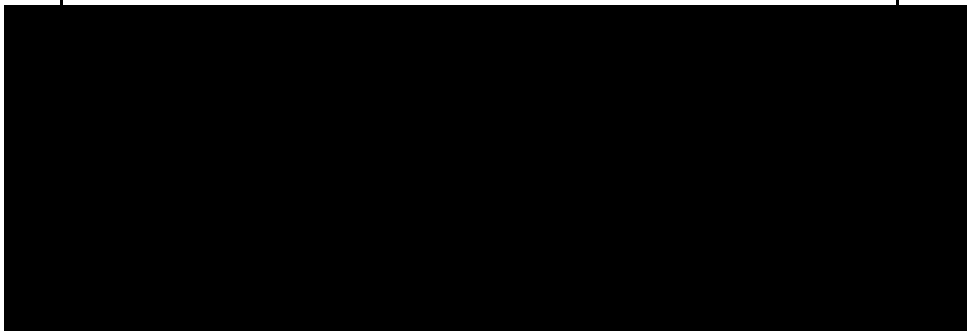
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There are two planned protests against President Trump

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Sadiq Khan: I Want To Meet Donald Trump To Hear Why He Blames Me For Terror Attacks

Trump says Khan has 'done a very bad job on terrorism.'

By Owen Bennett

Sadiq Khan wants a showdown meeting with Donald Trump to hear why the President singles him out for criticism over tackling terrorism.

Speaking to HuffPost UK from City Hall, Khan said he wanted to “hear him out” after Trump launched another attack on the London Mayor as he visits the UK.

In an interview with The Sun, carried out on Wednesday but published today, Trump claimed Khan “has done a very bad job on terrorism”, his latest attack on the Labour politician.

Khan said he is “trying to rise above” the jibe, but when asked if the door of City Hall would be open to Trump if he wanted a face-to-face meeting, the Mayor said: “I’m happy to meet President Trump and to explain to him, in a respectful, courteous manner where I think he’s wrong on a number of issues, to hear him out, see what his explanation is for holding me responsible for the attacks we saw in London last year.”

Khan said that while 14 people died during terrorist attacks in London last year, cities across the world – including Nice, Manchester, Paris and Berlin – were also targeted.

“This is an evil we’re all grappling with, and it’s for President Trump to explain why he’s singled me out and not mayors of other cities, leaders of other cities, but also, you know, why he thinks immigration from Europe is the reason for the increase in crime across our country over the last four years - and over the course of a meeting, should it ever occur, of course I’d be looking forward to his explanation of those things.”

Trump’s latest attack on Khan came during his explosive interview with The Sun, in which he claimed a UK/US trade deal would be killed by May’s Brexit plan.

It’s for President Trump to explain why he’s singled me out and not mayors of other cities

Sadiq Khan

When asked about Khan, Trump hit out at how the London Mayor has treated him, including by supporting the flying by protestors of a giant balloon depicting the US President as a baby

Trump said: “I think he has not been hospitable to a government that is very important. Now he might not like the current President, but I represent the United States.

“I also represent a lot of people in Europe because a lot of people from Europe are in the United States.”

He went on: “You have a mayor who has done a terrible job in London. He has done a terrible job.

“Take a look at the terrorism that is taking place. Look at what is going on in London. I think he has done a very bad job on terrorism.

“I think he has done a bad job on crime, if you look, all of the horrible things going on there, with all of the crime that is being brought in.”



The 'Baby Trump' balloon takes off in Parliament Square

When asked about the comments, Khan said: "Firstly it's not for me to respond to every tweet or interview President Trump gives about me.

"I'm trying to rise above this, but secondly I've said I would warmly welcome President Trump seeing some of the joys of London, seeing the benefits of diversity, seeing the examples of Londoners who are proud Londoners, but also maybe of Islamic faith, of Asian origin, maybe LGBTQ+, and for him to realise that diversity is something to cherish, not to be scared of.

"I'm looking forward to today and tomorrow to there being protests that are peaceful and are good spirited.

"Today, of course, protests against President Trump, against some of his policies, some of the things he's said and stands for.

"Tomorrow there'll be protests in London from extreme far right groups, including pro-Trump supporters, the key thing is for those to be peaceful, and I hope, good spirited."

Trump and Khan have in the past clashed over the US President's travel ban against predominantly-Muslim countries, and their feud flared up again in the wake of the Westminster terror attack in March 2017.

"We need to be smart, vigilant and tough," Trump tweeted. "We need the courts to give us back our rights. We need the Travel Ban as an extra level of safety!"

In the following weeks, Khan responded:



Sadiq Khan

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If he comes to London, President Trump will experience an open and diverse city that has always chosen unity over division and hope over fear. He will also no doubt see that Londoners hold their liberal values of freedom of speech very dear.

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Then came the London Bridge attack, when Islamist terrorists killed eight people and injured dozens more. Trump responded by lashing out the mayor for trying to be “politically correct” rather than taking firm action. Tensions flared again between Trump and many high-profile UK politicians, when Trump shared three anti-Muslim videos from extremist group Britain First. Khan responded on Twitter:

MAYOR OF LONDON

“President Trump yesterday used Twitter to promote a vile, extremist group that exists solely to sow division and hatred in our country.

"Many Brits who love America and Americans will see this as a betrayal of the special relationship between our two countries. It beggars belief that the President of our closest ally doesn't see that his support of this extremist group actively undermines the values of tolerance and diversity that makes Britain so great.

“As the Mayor of this great diverse city, I have previously called on Theresa May to cancel her ill-judged offer of a state visit to President Trump. After this latest incident, it is increasingly clear that any official visit at all from President Trump to Britain would not be welcomed.

“The Prime Minister of our country should be using any influence she and her government claim to have with the President and his administration to ask him to delete these tweets and to apologise to the British people.”

SADIQ KHAN
MAYOR OF LONDON



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Mayor of London on NPR's Morning Edition on Trump visit and protests

David Greene – Front page of the British tabloid newspaper the Sun – world exclusive interview this morning, the interviewee: President Donald Trump, who is in the UK right now. And Trump was not mincing his words in this interview. He said that Britain's Prime Minister Theresa May had wrecked the UK's exit from the European Union. He also praised one of the Prime Minister's political rivals and he slammed the Mayor of London, who he's had a long-running war of words with.

[clip of The Sun's Trump interview]

Donald Trump – you've got a Mayor who's done a terrible job in London, he's done a terrible job...umm...and the terrorism that's taking place, what's going on in London, I think he's done a terrible job. But what all of this immigration has done is change the fabric of Europe.

DG – And here's Mary Louise Kelly, who hosts All Things Considered and is covering the President's visit to London and just sat down with the Mayor of London, Sadiq Khan. Mary Louise, good morning.

Mary Louise Kelly – Good morning from London, David.

DG – So where exactly are you?

MLK – So I just did an interview with Mayor Khan here at City Hall, at his office. I'm speaking to you now from up by the roof of City Hall, looking down over the Thames river, boats crawling up and down, the Tower of London is in the background, it is quite a day in London, glorious weather too which will be working favour of the protestors who are expected later today.

DG – And they sound like there are going to be pretty sizable protests greeting President Trump on this trip.

MLK – They are expecting thousands and thousands of protestors, starting at about 2 o'clock in the afternoon here, they're going to walk down one of the main streets of London and end up at Trafalgar Square, which is about as close as London gets to having a central square. And so you never know but there a tremendous buzz about it and a lot of groups, a lot of people out to protest everything they do not like about President Trump. So that's all coming up this afternoon.

DG – I want to get to exactly what the Mayor told you but just first can you step back and tell me how people in general are reacting to the President of the United States arriving for a pretty formal visit, meeting the Prime Minister, meeting and having tea with the Queen, and then doing this interview where he really didn't mince his words at all?

MLK – He certainly did not, and it is what everyone here is talking about. I woke up, turned on the BBC Breakfast news and the anchor of that programme opened the show, of course, with this interview and said 'it's hard to know where to start', with the sense that 'how could it be any worse?', from the point of view of Prime Minister May, who is hosting Donald Trump, who had what appears to be a lovely dinner from the outside – we don't quite if she knew last night that this interview was about to break, if she knew it was coming or what exactly had been said – and now aides on both sides, both the British delegation and the American delegations trying to figure out how the heck you go forward with the day's meetings and this working lunch that's been planned, when President Trump has put a wrecking ball, if you'll pardon the metaphor, into what they were supposed to be negotiating over.

DG – OK, in addition to that wrecking ball or whatever you’re going to call it in terms of the meetings with the Prime Minister, President Trump also harsh attacks on the Mayor of London. Tell us about what those attacks were and then, of course, what he had to tell you in this interview.

MLK – Well as you heard President Trump there saying Mayor Khan has done a terrible job keeping the city safe. There have of course been a number of recent attacks in the last year or so, so I asked Mayor Khan about this and more broadly about the whole Sun interview, attacking Theresa May and others, and here’s what Mayor Khan told me.

[clip of SK interview]

Sadiq Khan – Well he’s entitled to his views, I’m not going to rise to the individual things President Trump says. I hope during the course of his visit he sees and a country very comfortable in ourselves, very comfortable in our diversity, seeing it as something we should celebrate, no be scared of.

MLK – So you hear Mayor Khan basically adopting the Michelle Obama mantra – ‘when they go low, we go high’. He’s refusing to slam back against the words President Trump came out with, but clearly taking exception to just about everything President Trump said in this interview.

DG – Reminds he a little bit of Emmanuel Macron, the President of France, too after he met President Trump recently, and Trump left those meetings in Canada – ‘I’m saying France is a proud country, we’re comfortable in ourselves, we don’t need to engage in this kind of stuff’. Let me just ask you, there’s been all these stories about this blimp of a baby Donald Trump that protesters have up. Did they need to get permission from the Mayor to have this and did the Mayor talk about this?

MLK – They did, the blimp is up, he did sign off on it, which is controversial, and I asked the Mayor about that, to defend why this is a good idea. And here’s what he told me on the blimp.

[clip]

SK – Can you imagine what your listeners would think if there were politicians curtailing free speech, the right to protest, because somebody’s offended? What’s next? We should be really proud of, both Americans and Brits, is the rights we have to protest, to express our views. And the key thing is it should be done in a peaceful manner, it should be good-spirited.

DG – Alright. Have you seen the blimp?

MLK – It is up and we’re on our way there next.

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BBC National lunchtime news (top story)

After publicly attacking Theresa May's Brexit strategy, Donald Trump says the relationship with the UK is very, very strong.

It comes after his interview with The Sun newspaper where he claimed the plans could kill any hopes of a trade deal

However, this morning he was in a more conciliatory mood, saying he and Mrs May had probably never developed a better relationship.

There was a polite handshake outside Chequers this morning in front of the cameras ahead of formal talks this afternoon.

DT - "The relationship is very, very strong. We really have a very good relationship"

The elephant in the room was the remarkable interview in the Sun. The comments on Brexit have landed with a thud. He said if the Government stuck to its current plan there would be no trade deal with the US.

Last night the PM was apparently told about his remarks as she waited at Blenheim Palace. Apparently at dinner she talked up future trade links

Philip Hammond MP – she's looking forward to the opportunity to discuss with the President how we can take forward opportunities for increasing trade and investment

Nigel Evans MP – He's saying it as he sees it. If the white paper is a problem with the US then we need to tear it up and start again

Just days ago, Boris Johnson quit but the President praised him. The current London Mayor though was criticised.

DT - He's done a terrible job. I think he's done a very bad job on terrorism, I think he's done a bad job on crime. Take a look at your hospitals in London you know what I'm talking about.

SK – I'm trying to be a bigger person, I don't want to respond to every single tweet he sends. What's really important though is that I stand up for the values we hold dear. And one of the values we hold dear is diversity being a strength.

Sarah Wollaston MP – I do think many people will be cheering if she tells him very firmly where to stick his dog whistle

Emily Thornberry MP – He has insulted us. It is none of his business what deal we do with the rest of Europe

All eyes now on the press conference this afternoon.

Norman Smith, live – I suspect it'll be a lovey-dovey display, stressing friendship and mutual respect. The very fact that they have to put on that display shows how damaging that interview was. His remarks also show a disregard to Theresa May's authority standing on the world stage. The danger is in private he has a dismissive approach to Theresa May and her approach to Brexit.

Alan Duncan, Foreign Office Minister – It's not unexpected to have colourful comments from him. Today we will have the two sitting down together to discuss the detail of what we want to see.

At Chequers the President seemed put out when a journalist tried to ask if he regretted his interview

There are demonstrations being held right across the UK including the Trump blimp. The President says he's keeping away from the capital as he's been made to feel so unwelcome. The blimp was launched this morning as the start of a day of protests around the country.

In central London women gathered for the first protest march. More than 60,000 have signed up for the protest marches today. In a recent opinion poll here, 77pc of people don't like Donald Trump.

BBC London TV lunchtime bulletin

1)

SK has responded to criticisms from Donald Trump who said he had done a terrible job in London. He made the comments in an interview with the Sun.

The Mayor has questioned the motives behind his comments and hit back at the suggestion the rise is related to immigration.

It comes as tens of thousands are marching through London at protest to the visit.

Catherine Carpenter – it's billed as a day of joyful noise and action. There is a large police presence. It's being called the [REDACTED] but it's a collation of groups all with their own concerns about Trump. Many of the protestors have also been talking about the comments in the Sun newspaper saying that SK was doing a bad job and that he felt unwelcome

Vox pops - I'm incredibly offended that the President of my former country would come here and say such disgusting comments about him / As I tell my kids, if you come to our party you have to play by our rules / It's like having a bad guest in your country, insulting your host and guests

Other demonstrations supporting the President are expected, but there was little love for him.

Speaking to the BBC earlier, SK said leaders of other cities hadn't faced the criticism from the president.

SK – It's for President Trump to explain why he has singled me out being responsible for these acts of terrorism and no other mayor or no other leader. I'm also quite clear that although there has been an increase in violent crime across England and Wales, including London, over the last four years I don't think the rising crime is because of immigration

2)

Wandsworth prison is one of the most overcrowded prisons in the country. Many men have drug or mental health problems but are receiving poor education or training. The chief inspector did note the real determination of staff to make positive progress.

Prisoners are locked up for too long due to staff shortages. More than half of prisoners said it was easy to get hold of drugs. Weapons and mobile phones have also been found in high numbers. Inspectors also found a long-standing culture of not analysing data to help improve things.

Inspectors also couldn't get a good answer why an x-ray scanner had fallen into disuse.

The report did find that an influx of new staff and the refurbishment is having a positive effect.

3)

A scheme which banned cars from three Croydon Primary Schools during the school run is to be made permanent and could be rolled out over the borough. Parents and residents had raised concerns about the number of cars on the roads.

4)

Chelsea FC have sacked Antonio Conte

5)

The Royal Albert Hall was lit up last night as a curtain raiser to the BBC Proms season

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London mayor calls for Conservatives to take action over Michael Fabricant tweet

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The Conservative MP Michael Fabricant has apologised for tweeting a cartoon image of [Sadiq Khan](#) being mounted by an inflatable pig, after he was accused of Islamophobia.

Khan, the mayor of London, called on the Tories to take action against the backbencher, and the Labour MP Wes Streeting said he had written to the Conservative chief whip, [REDACTED] Smith, asking what would be done.

Lady Sayeeda Warsi, a [Conservatives](#) former chair, said Fabricant's actions showed the extent of Islamophobia within the party.

The tweet, quickly deleted by Fabricant, referred to the "Trump baby" protest balloon being flown over Westminster, which Khan authorised and the Lichfield MP has criticised.

The images showed a grinning Donald Trump, and in the background a balloon pig mounting a balloon with Khan's face on it, with the words: "Breaking news: Trump defeats Sadiq Khan in balloon wars".

In a letter to Smith, [Streeting said](#) the use of a pig in connection with Khan, who is Muslim, was "grossly offensive, highly inappropriate and racist", saying it echoed the anti-Islam mayoral campaign fought by the Tory candidate Zac Goldsmith.

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Khan [told LBC](#): "I would expect that if a member of a mainstream party who is an MP to have tweeted what he tweeted, his party would take action against him."

Warsi said there should be an inquiry into Islamophobia within the Conservatives: "The problem in my party is too widespread for there not to be."

In a [tweeted apology](#) Fabricant said he "accidentally tweeted a vile picture" sent to him by someone he had trusted. "Because I was distracted in a meeting and saw it on a small iPhone, I didn't spot what it really was," he said.

"When I saw the picture, I thought it was just a funny cartoon of a flying pig doing something to the baby Trump blimp. This followed on from my remarks on TV about the hypocrisy of the anti-Trump demos and the ridiculous blimp.

“Instead, it was something quite different and very nasty. Once I realised what it was, I deleted it. All within a couple of minutes or so.”

Fabricant said he found it “particularly galling as I am a socially liberal Conservative”.

Separately, Channel 4’s FactCheck [has asked Fabricant](#) why he apparently had the flag of apartheid South Africa on the mantelpiece of his office. It appeared in the background when he was [interviewed by Channel 4 News this week](#).

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Sadiq Khan asks 'Why has Donald Trump singled me out on terror?' as MP calls US president a racist

NICHOLAS CECIL, KATE PROCTOR, JOHN DUNNE AND JUSTIN DAVENPORT

Sadiq Khan today suggested Donald Trump had singled him out for criticism because he is a Muslim as the personal clash between the pair escalated.

The Mayor questioned why the president had lashed out at him, rather than other mayors, after terror attacks in several capitals and other major cities.

“London, like other cities across Europe and around the world, is grappling with the evil of terrorism,” Mr Khan told BBC Breakfast.

“We unfortunately last year lost 14 people because of these terrorists. Manchester lost 22, cities across Europe from Nice to Paris to Berlin to Brussels have lost many, many more people because of the acts of terrorists — we stand united against them. It’s for President Trump to explain why he has singled me out for being responsible for these acts of terrorism and no other mayor or no other leader.”

David Lammy, Labour MP for Tottenham, was more blunt, tweeting: “I will call it like it is. The real reason Trump blames my friend @SadiqKhan for the terror attacks last year is simple. He hates that London chose a Muslim mayor. The President is racist. He does not deserve to meet our Queen today.”

It came as a giant gas-filled blimp of a nappy-wearing Donald Trump rose above Parliament Square to launch a day of protests against his visit.

A crowd was massing in the West End for the first of two marches expected to draw tens of thousands of protesters. Thousands of police were deployed in the biggest

operation since the 2011 London riots. Firearms officers were on patrol amid fears the event could be targeted by terrorists.

The president had used an interview with The Sun to attack Mr Khan, who he claimed had done a “terrible job”. He hit out at immigration, saying: “I think allowing millions and millions of people to come into Europe is very, very sad.

“I look at cities in Europe, and I can be specific if you’d like. You have a mayor who has done a terrible job in London.

“Take a look at the terrorism that is taking place.... I think he has done a very bad job on terrorism. I think he has done a bad job on crime, if you look, all of the horrible things going on there, with all of the crime that is being brought in.”

Mr Khan rejected the president’s suggestion that immigration was linked to stabbings, saying: “I have seen no evidence that this crime has been brought in by immigration from Africa or other parts of the world to Europe.” London suffered four terror attacks last year, at Westminster, London Bridge, on a Tube at Parsons Green, and outside Finsbury Park mosque where a Right-wing extremist drove a van into a crowd of Muslim worshippers.

After the London Bridge atrocity, Mr Khan had sought to reassure Londoners but Mr Trump tweeted: “At least 7 dead and 48 wounded in terror attack and Mayor of London says there is ‘no reason to be alarmed!’”

More than 60,000 people have registered on Facebook for the Together Against Trump event, which will also see marchers walk from Portland Place to Parliament Square.

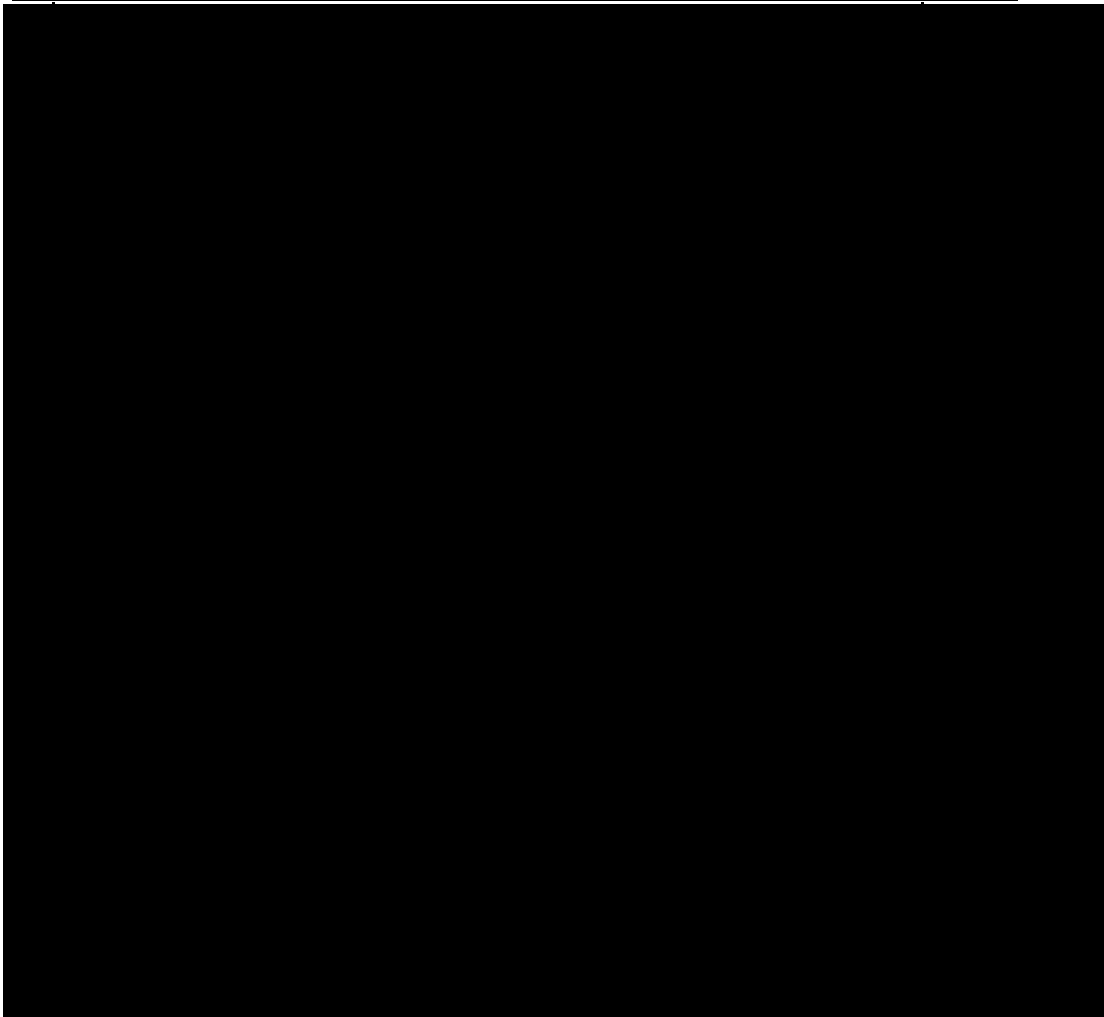
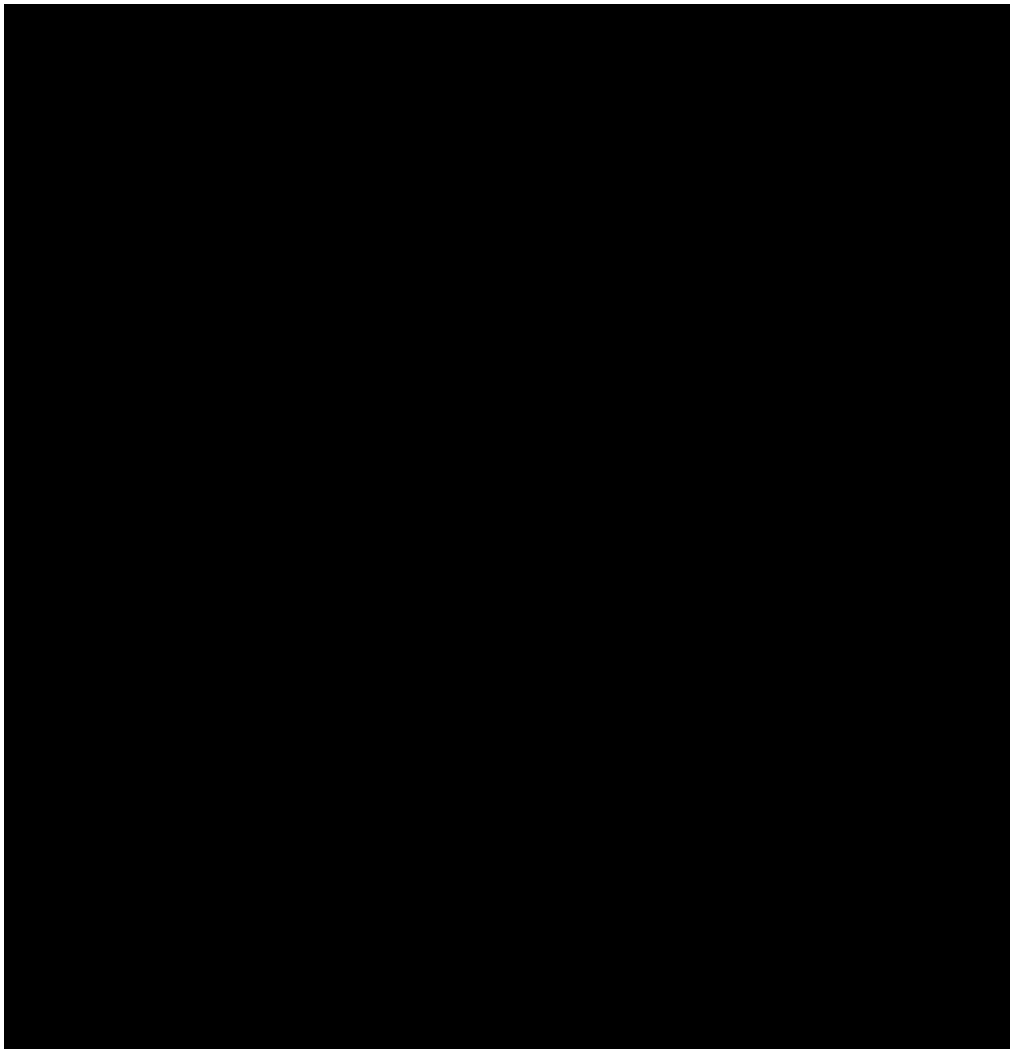
Mr Trump will be spending most of his trip outside the city centre. “I used to love London as a city,” said the president. “I haven’t been there for a long time. But when they make you feel unwelcome, why would I stay there? I guess when they put out blimps to make me feel unwelcome, no reason for me to go to London.”

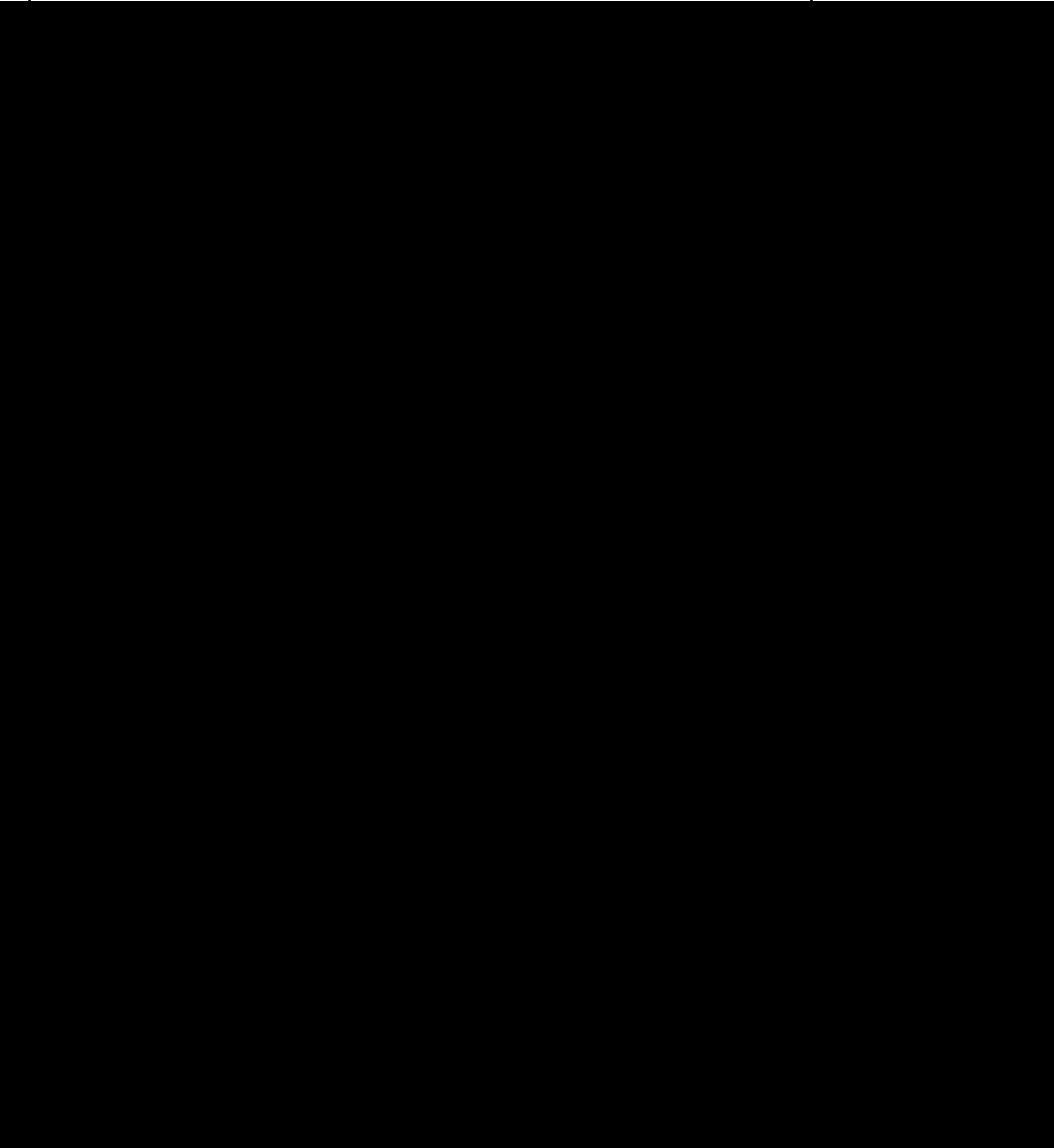
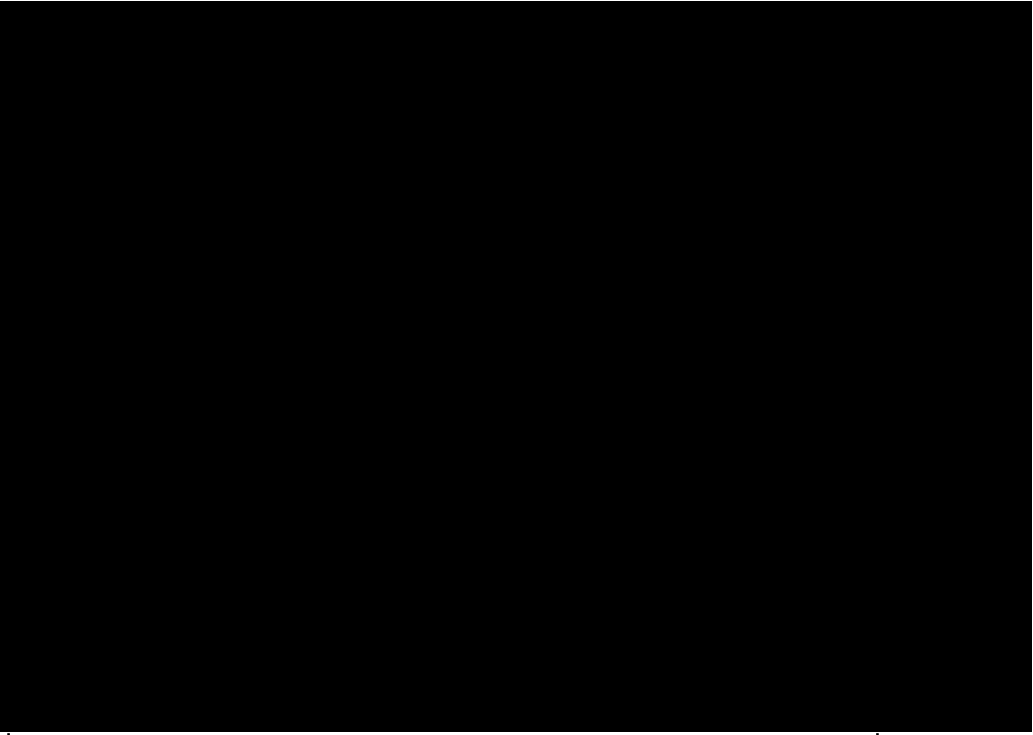
The blimp stunt was given the go-ahead by the Greater London Authority. Hundreds of commuters and passers-by stopped to watch, taking pictures and selfies of the 20ft high balloon, depicting the leader of the free world as a baby clutching a mobile phone. Two American Osprey military aircraft, of the type used to escort the president’s helicopter flights, patrolled above.

Mr Khan said: “The idea that we limit the rights to protest, we limit the rights to free speech because it may cause offence to a foreign leader is a very, very slippery slope.” Matt Bonner, who created the balloon with Leo Murray, said Mr Trump “has got an ego but a thin skin like our inflatable counterpart. We are just using a language he understands.”

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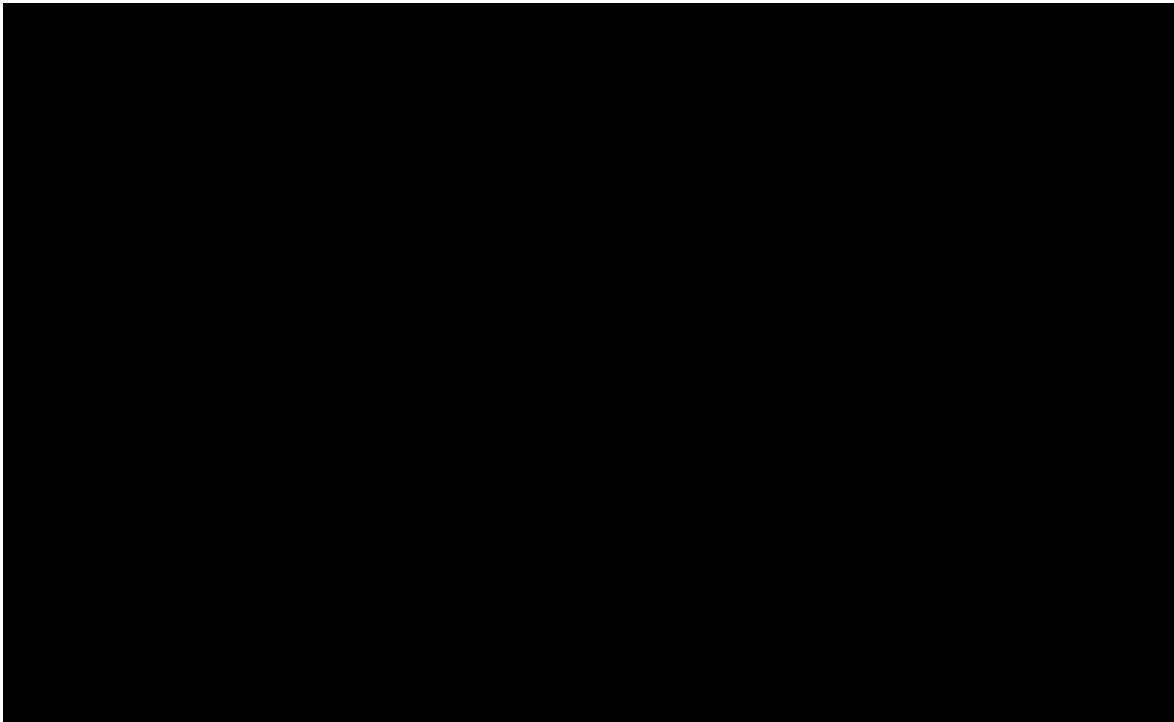
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Donald Trump criticised the Mayor of London for doing a 'terrible' job and Sadiq Khan has hit back.

[Katharine Carpenter reporting]

Protestors promised a wall of noise and a carnival atmosphere – protestors united in opposing Donald Trump.

[vox with protesters on why they oppose him and his policies]

Many protestors also talking about Trump's comments in the Sun on Sadiq Khan doing a bad job as Mayor, and that he felt unwelcome in London because of protests. Appears Trump baby blimp has caught his attention as well, as he mentioned it in the interview.

Leo Murray [Trump Baby] – he's completely ignorant of London and he's on record as chucking his toys out the pram about it.

In Windsor people welcomed him.

[clip of Trump interview] – you have a Mayor whose done a terrible job in London, he's done a terrible job. Take a look at the terrorism that's taking place, look at what's going on in London, I think he's done a terrible job.

Trump and Sadiq Khan have history, often played out on social media. Today the Mayor questioned why he's singled out for so much criticism.

[SK clip] – Nice, Berlin, Paris, Brussels suffered horrific terrorist attacks too, dozens and dozens died there too. It's for President Trump to explain why he's singling out the Mayor of London, me, and not the other mayors and other leaders of countries where there are terror attacks. And this is an evil we've all got to grapple with, working together, not allowing terrorists to divide us. And it's for President Trump to explain why he has the views he holds.

[more protesters, defending the Mayor in light Trump's comments]

US media is certainly watching [clips of US media coverage of the trip] and there will be more protests tomorrow.

[Asad Ahmed live in Trafalgar Square] thousands of protestors on the streets this evening and many have made their way to Trafalgar Square.

AA – you're a democratically-elected MP, why are you demonstrating against a democratically-elected leader?
Rushanara Ali MP – in a democracy we have to respect freedom of speech and we should be standing up for our values, freedom of expression, human rights, protecting minorities, protecting women. Donald Trump has been standing against all those groups, he's a racist, he's a misogynist, he's anti-Muslim, the list goes on.

AA – this is your view; your leader was here earlier, what kind of message goes that send to America that the prospective next government could be anti-America?

RA – that's not true: we have no quarrel with the American people, that is different from our response and our feelings about Donald Trump, who has come to our country and attacked what we are trying to achieve, which is getting through a very difficult Brexit process, he's undermined the process and the Prime Minister. Frankly the Prime Minister shouldn't have rolled out the red carpet to him. Jeremy Corbyn and the Labour party have shown courage standing up against Donald Trump and all he's done.

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Pro-Trump event.

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New figures show the scale of fly-tipping in London – more than 350,000 incident last year. One in five Londoners admit having fly-tipped.

[reporter following enforcement officer in Ealing trying to identify who is responsible for instances of fly-tipping] London Councils says this isn't down to tips being shut but because people don't understand the rules.

[clip of Cllr [REDACTED] Bell] – sometimes councils immediately clear these fly-tips and that encourages that behaviour. We need to educate people but also fine them if we get the evidence.

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A HM Inspectorate of Prisons report on Wandsworth Prison says it is riddled with drugs, overcrowded and prisoners are confined for far too long, among other failings. The Ministry of Justice called its findings 'disappointing'.

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England manager Gareth Southgate has rejected the idea of a parade for the team on returning home. We understand some plans were drawn up for an open-topped bus tour and parade into Trafalgar Square if they won the tournament. Some fans were hopeful the plans would go ahead, but the England manager said he didn't want his team to be treated as heroes. In 1990 England lost in the semi-final to West Germany and 200,000 fans turned up to a parade in Luton. Belgium play England in the third/fourth-place play-off tomorrow and will have an open-top bus parade when they return to Brussels

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Guards on Southwestern railways are to strike for six days over the summer in a dispute over changes to their roles. RMT wants to introduce driver-only operation. First strike is on July 26.

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Govia Thameslink has announced details of compensation for ticket-holders following disruption during the new timetable debacle. Another timetable is being introduced on Sunday.

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Exterior of the Royal Albert Hall lit up for the first night of the Proms for the first time.

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Back to Trafalgar Square – still thousands of people, can hardly see the concrete on the floor. People speaking on stage, earlier included Jeremy Corbyn, feminist groups, pro-disability groups, green groups. Everyone here make it clear – this is not an anti-American protest, this is against Donald Trump, Americans will always be welcome in London.

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ITV London evening bulletin

1.

Nina Hossain live in Trafalgar Square - For the next hour Trump is still in town and so are those who didn't want to see him here in the first place. They have travelled from across the country to voice their concerns about his personality, and his policies, as you can hear in Trafalgar Square tonight. He knows he's not welcome by everyone but that hasn't stopped the President once again attacking the capital's mayor, blaming Sadiq Khan for last year's terror attacks.

There was no such animosity earlier when he went to meet the Prime Minister and, for the first time, met the Queen.

Simon Harris - A weekday in the West End and Regent Street was engulfed by a sea of people and protest banners. The march stretched as far as the eye could see as tens of thousands of demonstrators expressed their disgust and anger at the President's visit. It's hardly surprising that President Trump said he felt unwelcome in London and by the time the march had set off he was long gone, helicoptered out of town to meet the Prime Minister in the tranquillity of the Buckinghamshire countryside.

And it wasn't just the march he missed but also the inflatable nappy wearing caricature floating above Parliament Square. The activists responsible for the balloon meant it as an insult.

Protestor Max Wakefield – An unmistakable signal to Donald Trump and how this country sees him as a petulant, vicious, self-obsessed, ego-driven child.

Simon Harris - The so-called baby blimp was sanctioned by London's Mayor. Little wonder then, that hostilities between the two men resumed.

DT clip from Sun interview – You have a Mayor who I think has done terrible job in London. I think he's done a very bad job on terrorism. I think he's done a bad job on crime. He might not like the current president but I represent the US.

Simon Harris - At City Hall, Sadiq Khan was reluctant to discuss their row.

SK – I don't want to talk about President Trump, what I want to talk about is the protests taking place today.

Simon Harris - But none of this is doing any good to London's reputation, and you promote London.

SK - What's really important is that we don't wrongly characterise today's protests as being against America.

SH - But because of your relationship with President Trump, because of this war of words we've got global headlines that the president of the US is talking down London. Surely you regret that?

SK - Well what I'm really proud of is that across the world, people are seeing London as a beacon, a beacon for freedom to protest, a beacon for freedom of speech.

Simon Harris - PM and President were on first name terms at the press conference earlier
The President didn't talk about his spat with Mr Khan but he did talk about a previous London Mayor, Boris Johnson.

DT clip - He'll be a great PM, he's been very nice to me, he's been saying very good things about me as president. I think he thinks that I'm doing a great job. I am doing a great job, I can tell you, in case you hadn't noticed. But Boris Johnson would be a great PM.

Coverage of Donald Trump meeting the Queen.

Ronke Phillips out and about with protestors from Walthamstow at the Stop Trump protest.
Vox pops with other protestors and a Trump impersonator.

Toby Sadler in Windsor talking about Trump's meeting with the Queen.

Ria Chatterjee live with Trump supporters at a bar in Tottenham Court Road where there's a celebration of Trump's visit.

Nina H joined by NY Times correspondent Peter Goodman who talked about how the visit will be viewed by Americans.

Nina H – Let's focus on the President and Sadiq Khan because nothing's changed, it's actually worsened hasn't it, the relationship between the two of them?

Peter Goodman - Well there's no question that this a strange moment for this so-called special relationship in that Trump is essentially unilateral. I mean he's against Europe, he's against dealing with political alliances as such, he thinks it should be negotiated and the US is the largest economy in the world and should be able to dictate the terms of trade, security

Nina H - But what's he got against London's Mayor and London itself?

Peter Goodman - Well I mean London's mayor and London itself represent values that are an anathema to Trump. This is the most multicultural city in the world, it's a place that's done extremely well by having people on the move, people coming from other places. It's extremely culturally diverse, it's economically diverse, I mean it's really thrived and Trump's message is we should fear brown people, we should fear Muslim people, we should fear non-white people and we should go back to this sort of mythical time when everything was wonderful and safe.

Nina H - I must just ask you about baby Trump. We know he's relaxed about these scenes of protest but we know he's got an ego. Will he at all be affected by that image of him shone around the world today?

Peter Goodman - Affected? I mean he doesn't like it, he said as much in the Sun. He doesn't want to come to London because he feels like Sadiq Khan is out to get him and this proves it, that there's this image of him throwing a tantrum as a baby. On the other hand, he's someone who does seem to take a sense of vindication from disrupting, upsetting – he goes on the attack. I mean he is, at heart, a reality TV star.

Melania toured a hospital and a school with Phillip May.
Sally Williams – vox pops with Chelsea pensioners and schoolchildren

Nina H joined by Simon Harris in Trafalgar Square
Nina H - What do you make of what we've seen in the capital?

Simon H – Well I think it's fair to say that the President made a very good fist of offending his hosts, mostly in that newspaper interview in the Sun this morning. He attacked the Mayor of London, perhaps that's not surprising considering their history, but he seemed to cast doubt on London's hospitals, he linked immigration with last year's terror attacks in London and then he publicly trashed the PM's Brexit strategy. Then of course there's the impact of his visit in London. This protest has caused huge disruption in the West End this afternoon and cost an absolute fortune to police.

2.
An Isis supporter who called for terrorists to target Prince George's school in Battersea has been jailed for life.

3.
Man arrested on suspicion of murder after a 17-year-old was stabbed to death in Camberwell yesterday afternoon. It's believed that the victim and the suspect knew each other.
4.
Some GVT passengers who have suffered delays and cancellations are to be offered refunds. Season ticket holders will be entitled to compensation
5.
England's world cup squad will be heading home on Sunday but there will be no open top parade in Trafalgar Square.
6.
Chelsea have confirmed the departure of Antonio Conte
7.
Londoners are being warned to use less water as demand is starting to outstrip supply.

ITV national news

Trump visit as above (Sun interview, Chequers press conference, Queen meet, protest vox pops, Melania visit) including:

Charlene White – He took aim at London's Mayor Sadiq Khan, blaming him for a series of terror attacks on London and that's divided many MPs.

Carl Dinnen – Even before Trump stepped off Air Force One he divided British politics like no one else. His performance whilst here and the PM's welcome have confirmed his position as the leader most likely to truly annoy just about everyone on the left of politics.

[Emily Thornberry clip]

Tory Brexiteers have welcomed news that May's deal could be off the table.

Carl Dinnen - The decision to allow the Trump baby blimp to float around London has given the President an excuse to continue his attacks on the London mayor.

Sadiq Khan – It's not about me or my views about what President Trump thinks about me, the important thing is today and tomorrow there'll be Londoners and others protesting in London. Today there'll be Londoners and others protesting against President Trump, some of his policies, what he stands for, tomorrow there'll be protests in London from extreme far right groups and also pro-Trump supporters.

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100,000 join baby blimp for peaceful carnival of protest

Henry Zeffman, John Simpson

More than 100,000 people protested yesterday against President Trump's visit in what organisers called a "carnival of resistance".

The vast majority of demonstrators were in two marches that flooded through central London and ended in rallies at Parliament Square and Trafalgar Square. Hundreds more took part in marches organised in Birmingham, Glasgow, Leeds, Bristol and Manchester and gatherings in Oxford and Cambridge.

As the street protests painted a picture of opposition to the US president and Jeremy Corbyn spoke at the main rally, a snap poll by Sky News appeared to show support for his visit. It indicated that 60 per cent of the UK public supported the Queen meeting Mr Trump, and just over half of the 1,399 polled thought he was right to make his views on Brexit known, though 51 per cent said that he should not be trusted in trade negotiations.

Drag queens, punks, a Boris Johnson lookalike and other protesters in fancy dress, plus the former mayor of London Ken Livingstone, were among the crowds that marched peacefully through the West End of London.

Mr Johnson's nephew and niece joined the protest against the president's visit, The Times understands. The two teenage children of Jo Johnson, a junior transport minister and Mr Johnson's younger brother, attended a protest. Mr Johnson did not comment. Four arrests had been made by 6pm, with suspects in custody for assault, assault on a police officer, being drunk and disorderly and recall to prison.

Chris O'Dowd, the Hollywood actor, was in the crowd and told The Times: "I think it's great to see so many people out here, that in the rise of fascism we're not asleep to it."

The blimp in the form of an angry baby Trump that became the emblem of the protest was raised briefly at the rally after the [REDACTED] but flew for only two hours outside the Houses of Parliament before being taken down. It was later reinflated and travelled up Whitehall to Trafalgar Square, where it hovered above one of the lion statues.

Derogatory effigies of the president included a gorilla in a cage, orange balloons in wigs and a baby in a nappy made from a US flag.

Mr Corbyn, speaking shortly after 5pm, told the crowds at Trafalgar Square: "The message we give to the world today is that we are united in our hope for a world of justice, not division.

"We are asserting our right to demonstrate and our rights to free speech and our rights to want a world that is not divided by misogyny, racism and hate." He called for Londoners to unite behind Sadiq Khan, the London mayor, in his war of words "I'm not going to lose any sleep if President Trump doesn't like me," Mr Khan told the BBC yesterday.

At Parliament Square earlier, protesters chanted "Lock him up" and "No Trump, no KKK, no fascist USA!". Signs were held aloft with the words "What's it like to bow to a woman", "Big ego, big problem, tiny little hands" and "Lock him in the Tower".

Dominic Collard 42, with his two young sons, said he was "feeling very energised, very hopeful, but sad that we need a day like this to draw attention". He added that the boys "wanted to come as much as we did, and I think it's important for them to be engaged".

Anyssa Newmann, 34, said: "I'm an American, I've lived in the UK for eight years, so I'm making sure that I'm getting my voice heard. I think it's ridiculous that the State Department told Americans to keep a low profile today — that's just fear-mongering."

On the edge of the protest, a man in his sixties in denim cut-off shorts and cowboy boots waved a sign that read: "Trump is great again."

A Trump supporter from Manchester in a full Make America Great Again outfit, who gave his name as Saul, 30, said: "I've mostly just had boos and middle fingers from people, but a surprising amount of thumbs up, and 'you go man'. There's a lot more of us around here than you think" More protests are due this afternoon, with pro-Trump demonstrations expected to draw counter-protests. Police placed restrictions on the Welcome Trump procession and a "Free Tommy [REDACTED] rally organised in favour of the former leader of the far-right English Defence League. They will both gather close to the US ambassador's residence in Regent's Park.

Protesters in George Square, Glasgow, oppose President Trump's visit. An inflatable showing him as an angry baby was flown yesterday in Parliament Square, London

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Tory says sorry for 'very nasty' Khan cartoon

Henry Zeffman

A Conservative MP has apologised after tweeting a cartoon of Sadiq Khan's head superimposed onto a balloon engaging in a sex act with an inflatable pig above parliament.

Michael Fabricant said he would also apologise directly to the mayor of London. He posted the image on Thursday night after Mr Khan decided to allow a "baby Donald Trump" blimp to fly in Parliament Square in protest at the president's visit to the UK. Mr Fabricant, 68, had previously criticised Mr Khan, a practising Muslim, for not banning the blimp.

In a statement, he said: "Because I was distracted in a meeting and saw it on a tiny iPhone screen, I didn't spot what it really was. When I saw the picture I thought it was just a funny cartoon of a flying pig doing something to the baby Trump blimp." He then realised it was "something quite different and very nasty" and deleted it.

He added: "I would never deliberately put up a racist or Islamophobic tweet to offend people. It's not my style nor do I think that way. I really apologise to people I offended by my lack of attention to that picture. I will apologise to Sadiq too."

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London defies 'the man who offends everyone'

Joe Shute

Special Report

A lightning rod was planted firmly in Trafalgar Square yesterday evening in the hulking form of Donald J Trump.

The US president himself may have hardly set foot in London as he was whisked via helicopter between Chequers and tea with the Queen at Windsor Castle.

But that did not stop protesters, numbering in their hundreds of thousands, joining the Together Against Trump mass demonstration.

Aside from a separate Women Against Trump march (which started earlier in the day and merged with the later protest), some of those attending were climate activists against Trump, socialists against Trump, pacifists against Trump, LGBT rights campaigners against Trump, Yemenis against Trump, Remainers against Trump, Palestinians against Trump, Canadians against Trump, Germans against Trump, Americans against Trump and a group banging kettle drums called the London Latinos.

"We are here not just because of Trump but because of a world order that is putting our community at risk," a woman from the group told The Daily Telegraph.

No wonder Mr Trump admitted yesterday that he feels "unwelcome" in London and would be giving the city a wide berth. Daniel Glover even carried a sign reading "You're the reason we lost the World Cup".

The 39-year-old from Brighton, who works in advertising, said: "He just manages to offend so many different types of people. At least by turning out to protest it lets him know that it is not OK to speak the way he does."

The seasoned protesters aside, those on the streets resembled a loose coalition of baby boomers, office workers, students, parents and children, with many attending their first rally. Politicians including Sir Nick Clegg, the former deputy prime minister, and Jeremy Corbyn, the Labour leader, took part, with the latter addressing the Trafalgar Square crowd yesterday evening, saying: "Human rights belong to all of us."

They were joined on the march by Laura Carmichael - Lady Edith Crawley in Downton Abbey - holding a banner that read "End Violence Against Women".

After amassing at lunchtime outside the BBC building at Portland Place, the rally marched down Regent Street before packing out Trafalgar Square and the surrounding streets for the evening rally. The atmosphere was good-natured, with many taking the day off work to join the rally.

Among them was Sam Bayes, his partner Sophie Tanner and their two-year-old son Hector. "I feel Trump represents quite a lot of negativity and hate, which is having a big impact on the rest of the world," said Sophie, a charity worker.

Karla Richards, 46, a Californian who has lived in for more than a decade, came banner reading "Horrorified She said: 'I have been worried politics and political leaders this is different. I have never scared before.'"

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Earlier in the day, campaigners were in Parliament Square, "Trump baby" blimp with canisters of helium gas.

The blimp was released cheers from the crowd and maximum altitude of 100ft over the bronze statues of including Churchill, Gandhi and Mandela that surround the square.

The 20ft inflatable, which depicts the president as a nappy-clad baby holding a mobile phone, cost £5,000 to make and was created by Matt Bonner, 36, a London graphic designer. "Our motivation is quite clearly mockery," he said. "It is the only language Trump understands."

Despite a warning issued in recent days by the US embassy in London advising its citizens to keep a low profile during the president's visit for fear of reprisals, many were present in the Parliament Square crowd - among several Trump supporters.

Mayor of London to be flown two hours, but campaigners been refused permission to the inflatable to a protest the Scottish parliament Still, they insisted they received requests from as away as Australia to fly the at future presidential visits.

Further north, the protests well into the evening. Last protester flew a paraglider Trump's Turnberry golf South Ayrshire, Scotland, minutes after the American arrived at the luxury resort London. Carrying a banner the words "Trump well below par #resist" and the Greenpeace logo, the demonstrator overflowed the property, where Mr Trump is staying for the weekend, despite heavy security.

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Trump protests: tens of thousands take to streets across UK

[REDACTED] Topping, Libby Brooks, Damien Gayle, Robert Booth

Baby blimp flies high as Jeremy Corbyn and Nick Clegg join those opposing president's trip

Tens of thousands of people poured through the centres of London, Manchester, Glasgow and Belfast on Friday, united in their rejection of the visit to Britain of the US president, Donald Trump, who admitted the protests had made him feel unwelcome.

There was a carnival atmosphere with music, dancing, the bashing of pots and pans and a forest of often witty, sometimes crude placards. The tone was set in London by a four-metre-high orange Trump baby blimp that was floated above Parliament Square, and placards with slogans such as "No Fan of Fake Tan Man", "How Dare You Combover here" and "Free Melania". But there was anger too at what many perceived as Trump's racism, misogyny and climate change policy.

The former deputy prime minister, Nick Clegg, and the current and former Labour leaders Jeremy Corbyn and Ed Miliband joined the protesters in the capital who numbered more than 100,000, according to the organisers of two marches that converged on Trafalgar Square.

Corbyn attacked the US president for his comments on Thursday that Boris Johnson would "make a great prime minister", saying it was "not his business who the British prime minister is".

Addressing a packed square, Corbyn said: "We are asserting our rights to democracy, our rights to freedom of speech and our rights to want a world that is not divided by misogyny, racism and hate."

Miliband tweeted a suggested response for Theresa May to use in her press conference with Trump:

Suggested press conference words "He and I do disagree on some things: his tearing of babies from their parents, his racist attacks on the London mayor, his lies, his admiration for dictators, and I tend to think his combover is an absurdity."— Ed Miliband (@Ed_Miliband) July 12, 2018

Among the Americans who turned out was Michael Avenatti, the lawyer for the US adult film star Stormy Daniels, who alleges she had an affair with Trump. Avenatti said he was there to send a message to "our brothers and sisters here in the UK and around the world that... there's millions of Americans that are outraged by his conduct and by his behaviour."

In Soho in London, a group of house music DJs including A Guy Called Gerald performed on a giant sound system under the banner "No to Brexit, no to Trump, no to Theresa May". The actor Laura Carmichael, who played Lady Edith Crawley in Downton Abbey, held an "End Violence Against Women" banner.

Hundreds of protesters gathered outside City Hall in Belfast and thousands gathered at George Square in Glasgow.

Among them were Roberta Logan, 32, and her sons Magnus, six, and Aidan, three. "It felt important to bring them today to teach them to stand up against things that are wrong," Logan said.

There were tiny pockets of support. One man in a Trump 2020 T-shirt held a "Welcome President Trump" placard close to Parliament Square in London, and there were some Trump supporters in Windsor. A pro-Trump march in

central London is planned for Saturday, which will join a rally in support of Tommy [REDACTED] the former leader of the far-right English Defence League, who is in jail for contempt of court. Scotland Yard is prepared for counter demonstrations. At the last such event, five police officers were injured when bottles and metal barriers were thrown at them.

Trump did not come close to the protests himself, as he had a working lunch at Chequers with Theresa May and tea with the Queen at Windsor Castle, before a weekend of golf at two courses he owns in Scotland. Ahead of the UK visit, he said: "I guess when they put out blimps to make me feel unwelcome, no reason for me to go to London".

Several protesters seemed worried about the Queen's safety with the US president in Windsor, holding placards urging Trump not to grope her. Another implored her to "feed him to the corgis".

"KEEP YOUR TINY HANDS OFF OUR QUEEN" #TrumpBabyBlimp #TrumpUKVisit pic.twitter.com/SMPEdHvKpN — [REDACTED] Topping (@LexyTopping) July 13, 2018

Emily Darnell, 40, an executive assistant from Haywards Heath in West Sussex, made a banner that tipped its hat to Mary Poppins, reading: "Super Callous Fragile Racist Sexist Nazi Potus."

"Trump is just a vile, vile man so I felt really motivated to come here," she said. "I think it is really important that so many people are here so that he knows how Britain feels and how women feel about him. He is such a loser."

At Oxford Circus in London, James O'Brien from Ireland was selling Donald Trump toilet paper, calling out: "The most satisfaction you can have in a toilet, kids."

Anne Howard said she thought protester numbers had been bolstered by Trump's "insulting behaviour" to Theresa May in his interview with the Sun published on Friday.

"To come to someone else's country and be so unbelievably rude is unacceptable," she said. "He was so patronising – 'I told her how to do Brexit but she didn't listen' – like she is some little woman and not the prime minister. It sounds like so many men I've met in my life."

Sam and Jemima Queen were marching with their seven-month-old son, Sidney. "We are marching for our children's future and for the children Trump is separating from their parents," said Jemima.

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Isabella Fish

The much-touted baby Trump balloon stunt fell flat yesterday as it struggled to get off the ground and critics condemned it as an 'absolute disgrace'.

The 20ft high inflatable, depicting the President in a nappy and holding a mobile phone, formed the centrepiece of early protests in Parliament Square.

Graphic mock-ups of what the caricature would look like had showed it soaring high above the Houses of Parliament. But in reality it was barely airborne as a team of ten 'Trump babysitters' fought to untangle it from its ropes.

As the inflatable Trump prepared for lift-off, two passing American planes were greeted by crude hand gestures and swearing from the boisterous crowd.

Many had turned up wearing 'Trump is a ****' T-shirts, while others were handing out stickers that read 'B****cks to Brexit, B****cks to Trump' to passers-by.

Placards demanding the president's impeachment for various 'crimes' were mixed with anti-Brexit posters. They called for Mr Trump, Theresa May, Jacob Rees-Mogg and other Conservative Party members to be imprisoned for 'conning' the British people.

Around 20 volunteers formed a protective ring around the balloon, but supporters were outnumbered by journalists and bemused tourists.

Wendy Angel, 49, travelled from Newcastle for a small but vocal counter-protest. She said she was furious, adding: 'I think it's an absolute disgrace and embarrassment to our country.'

Labour London Mayor Sadiq Khan's decision to allow the balloon to fly over Parliament Square sparked huge controversy. Hours after Mr Trump landed for his four-day tour, he said the blimp and other protests may put him off from returning to London.

His lawyer Rudy Giuliani said: 'Sadiq Khan should be ashamed of himself. He's so busy attacking President Trump's visit and, in the meantime, crime is spiralling in London. Maybe he should just do his job instead of attacking a world leader.'

Mr Khan took to the airwaves to defend his decision. He said: 'The idea that we restrict freedom of speech, the right to assemble, the right to protest because somebody might be offended is a slippery slope. We have a rich history in this country of having a sense of humour as well.'

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ITV National news

1. Thousands of people demonstrated against Donald Trump in Edinburgh and on the outskirts of the Turnberry golf course where the President played today.

Trump didn't meet Nicola Sturgeon. Clip from her saying she hopes he has a good visit but hopes he also listens to the views of protestors too.

The Donald Trump blimp was up in Edinburgh.

Police are investigating how a Greenpeace activist managed to use a paraglider to fly a banner which read 'Trump: well below par' outside Trump's hotel and resort.

2. Scuffles and violence when supporters of Tommy [REDACTED] and Trump met anti-facist groups in central London today. Two arrests were made.

3. Back to Turnberry - Trump will spend the night in Scotland before heading to Helsinki tomorrow ahead of talks with Putin

4. Sin Feinn has condemned an attack on former leader Gerry Adam's home last night which damaged his car.

5. England lost to Belgium 2-0.

6. Djokovic beat Nadal at Wimbledon

7. Serena Williams lost in the women's singles final to Angelique Kerber.

ITV London news

1. Clashes as protestors supporting Trump and Tommy [REDACTED] met anti-facist groups in central London today. Two people were arrested.

2. A youth group led a 1,000-strong march against knife crime in Finsbury Park today.

3. A man from Dagenham has been charged with the murder of his two-year-old daughter. She died of a head injury in Euston two years ago.

4. A 21-year-old man has been charged with manslaughter after a 17-year-old girl was found dead in Camberwell [on Thursday night](#). He was known to the victim.

5. Jack Draper is through to the Wimbledon boys' final tomorrow.

6. Maurizio Sarri has signed as the new Chelsea manager.

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Mayor of London on BBC Andrew Marr

Andrew Marr – My next guest had the honour of being described by Donald Trump as doing a ‘terrible’ job – he is of course the Mayor of London, Sadiq Khan. We must start by talking about that balloon flying over Parliament Square – lots of people thought it was a very witty protest, other people thought it was downright childish and dangerous.

Sadiq Khan – Well it wasn’t my blimp or my balloon -

AM – But you were responsible for it being up there?

SK – We have in our city and our country, as indeed does the USA, a rich history of the right to protest, the right of free speech and the right to express our views. And the idea that we would curtail these rights because it would cause offence – and, by the way, can you imagine the founding fathers of the USA or a US jurist saying ‘we’re going to curtail our rights of free speech in America, we’re going to curtail the first amendment, because somebody may be offended’? And actually, what you say on Friday was peaceful protest, done in a safe way.

AM – But here is somebody who is coming here as a guest, he is going to be very, very important not just to the UK but specifically to London, how he treats us – he now says he feels unwelcome in London. It was designed to hurt him, it certainly did hurt him. Is that really wise politics at the moment?

SK – It’s not my job as the Mayor to censor the views of Londoners and others, by the way, who want to express their views not just about President Trump but some of his policies and some of his views. And here’s the point: we have a special relationship with the USA, it’s like having a best friend. The expectations we have from the USA are far higher than we would of another country or another leader. And, basically, Londoners and others are disappointed that the US President hasn’t met those high standards. And we should celebrate the fact we’ve got these rights and privileges, some would say, in our city and our country. And so does the USA – the US Ambassador himself, Ambassador Woody Johnson, made the point that the USA and the UK have a unique and rich history of freedom of speech, and he doesn’t have a problem with that.

AM – So if someone were to create a rude balloon about Sadiq Khan or ‘Free Tommy [REDACTED]’ that would be allowed to fly over Westminster Square as well, would they?

SK – If they are peaceful and they are safe and the police approve, then yes. Yesterday, by the way, there were people in London, in our city people who wanted to protest and did protest – members of the extreme far-right, Pro-Trump protesters. Unfortunately, there was some violence and we saw some arrests being made. But one of the great things about pluralism, about living in a democracy, is people get to enjoy the rights and freedoms that have been fought over for many, many decades. And long may that continue.

AM – You’ve had a really personal run-in with Trump. He clearly can’t stand you and you clearly can’t stand him. And it’s been going to and forth. Is this, do you think, because you’re Muslim?

SK – Look that’s for President Trump, and your next guest will maybe have an answer as she’s so close to him. Look, I didn’t start this feud, it takes two to tango...

AM – ...you did a bit...

SK – ...hold on a sec, he is the President who tweets about me voluntarily, he is the person who in an interview voluntarily talks about me as the Mayor of London. And I make this point, which is very important, there are two

points he makes in this interview this week myself as the Mayor of London: one, I'm somehow responsible for the immigration to Europe, which he thinks has led to an increase in crime – I've got no powers over immigration in London in the UK, let alone Europe – but secondly, somehow I'm responsible for terrorism. And, look we suffered horrific terror attacks last year in our great city. Fourteen people lost their lives. In Manchester, 22 people lost their lives, in Paris, in Nice, in Brussels, in Berlin, in Barcelona, in Orlando in the USA. And one of the comforting things for us were the words of love and support from those in America. I'm not sure why President Trump has singled me out as the Mayor of London. Maybe Prime Minister May raised this with him when she met him this week, and I'm sure she did.

AM – You've been very diplomatic – here is your friend David Lammy being slightly less diplomatic: "the real reason Trump blames my friend Sadiq Khan for the terror attacks last year is simple – he hates that London chose a Muslim Mayor. The President is racist". Do you think he's racist?

SK – It's not for me to say if he's racist or not.

AM – Do you think he's racist?

SK – I don't think he's racist but when you amplify the tweets of British First, not once but twice – Britain First have been banned from Facebook, the leader and deputy leader have been banned from Twitter – when you amplify messages of hate, when you use the language that President Trump does in relation to immigrants, 'infestation' is I think the word he used, then you can understand when draw the conclusion that he's racist.

AM – He might have been right on one thing – he said you've done a bad job on crime. When you were elected a Mayor you said you were going to bring down violent crimes. Since then violent crime and stabbing has soared and you've had all sorts of actions plans and so on. When are they going to start to come down again?

SK – Well first when we talk about violent crime we should remember the victims, and it's a tragedy when anyone loses their lives because of serious crime.

AM – Absolutely but I'm asking you about your record.

SK – Well let me talk about my record, which is over the last two years – over the last four years, crime has been going up across London and across the country. In the last year in London violent crime has gone up by four per cent, I'm not happy with that. It's gone up in the country by 21 per cent in the last four years, in Hampshire, in Derbyshire, in Essex, Norfolk...

AM - ...but in London, where you're responsible for, stabbings have gone up 23 per cent.

SK – That's not good enough, we've got to make sure we take action. But let me tell you this, what doesn't help is over the last eight years we've lost more than £700 million, police officer numbers have gone down. We need the government to help us in this regards because I've been doing my bit in London...

AM - ...are you doing your bit?

SK – I'll tell you what we've done, if you'll give me the chance. What we've done in the last two years – we've invested, from City Hall, £147 million in policing, a new violent crime taskforce is getting knives off our streets, is making sure we arrest those carrying knives. The context is though, £147 million versus £1 billion worth of government cuts. And Police and Crime Commissioners and Chief Constables and Home Office civil servants all accept there is a link between cutting police resources and an increase in crime. I'm not excusing criminality but we need the government to step up and help us.

AM – One other suggestion – Cressida Dick, who's head of the Met, said there needs to be harsher punishment, "harsher" was her word, for young people using knives or blades. More imprisonment Do you agree with that?

SK – Absolutely right. We can't have a situation where we have a revolving door, where people go into prison and leave prison and then reoffend within a year. Something like 60 per cent reoffend. We need to invest in young

people, though. We need to invest in prevention and diversion as well as enforcement. And we've found over the last seven or eight years, you can't run away from this – massive cuts in youth services, massive cuts in after-school facilities, massive cuts in our health services, massive cuts in our policing. And the point the Commissioner also said was that it would be naïve to suggest there isn't a link between an increase in crime and the cut in police resources.

AM – OK let's turn to another subject I'm going to be talking to Theresa May about in particular, which is Brexit. And in this case, 'no deal'. What plans have you made as Mayor of London for a no deal.

SK – I'm talking to businesses every day, and let me be frank – the independent analysis which has been done from Cambridge Econometrics and others show it would be catastrophic for our city.

AM – If it's catastrophic you need to do more than talk, don't you?

SK – Well we are talking to businesses trying persuade them of the strengths of our city. London still have many underlying strengths that will still be there: our ecosystem, our talent pool, the fact that we have in London not just financial services – really important, 92 per cent of our economy is financial services – but legal services and accountancy. And need to make sure the government has a plan for how we protect those services but the reality is...

AM - ...if there is no deal, if at the very most dramatic moment of that the planes stop coming in, because apparently that's one of the first things that might happen, and you've also got the Port of London which is the second largest port in the country, 14 million tonnes of cargo come through that every year – food, medicines, clothing, all sorts of things that people in London are relying on all the time – if that stops, what plans do you have?

SK – I'm not sure if you're suggesting we unilaterally declare independence...

AM - ...I'm suggesting maybe you start to buy up warehousing space and stockpiling...

SK - ...we're part and parcel of a country and I believe in the nation-state and that's why it's really important why I have regular meetings with members of the government. I did with David Davis credit, and I want to give David Davis credit, he would meet me regularly. He would listen to my concerns and he would address them partially, and he has addressed them partially over the last couple of years, huge progress made by these conversations. We have a transitional deal now which we didn't have before. The government recognises the importance of customs union. My big concern with London is the importance of the services sector.

AM – I can see that going forward that is very important but I'm coming to the actual moment when there might be a complete breakdown in relations, which is possible. No-one wants it to happen but it's perfectly possible. In those circumstances – I mean Simon Stephens, the head of the NHS, is stockpiling medicines now. What I'm asking you is what Sadiq Khan, Mayor of London, doing now?

SK – Let's not alarm people in relation to stockpiling medicines, we don't want to alarm people...

AM – ...that's what he told me...

SK – ...up until October the government's got to conclude negotiations with the European Union. We have an agreement now on our transitional period up until 2020. What's important is by October we get a good deal with the European Union. In the meantime, I'm quite clear that as far as London is concerned, 92 per cent of our economy is the service sector. We need to make sure not simply there is a deal in relation to goods during and post-transition, we need a backstop in relation to services. And by the way, it's not just London, you speak to those in Birmingham where it's more than 80 per cent, Leeds, Manchester, Edinburgh – the services sector is crucial for our economy. And that's why it's really important for the white paper you'll be discussing with the Prime Minister, there's no mention of what her plans are to protect that very important sector.

AM – Absolutely. Now, of course it hasn't happened yet and there is a big and growing movement in the country which wants a second vote, a 'people's vote', a second referendum, whatever you want to call it, on the final deal. Have you finally made up your mind to say if you think this is the right thing to do?

SK – No, I'm quite clear that if it's the case that parliament, our sovereign parliament, rejects the deal Prime Minister May does with the European Union this autumn, then there are two main options: one, a general election, or the second option is a referendum for people to have a say on what the government has done in relation to our deal with the European Union. I'm not sure what other options the government has.

AM – It would be a big moment for the people's vote movement is Sadiq Khan said 'yes, do you know what, overall I back what you're doing'.

SK – I may be unhappy with the result of the referendum, and I'm proud London voted to remain, but I accept the verdict. What I'm saying is if government can't do a deal which is satisfactory to parliament...

AM - ...why can't you say that you'd like to see a second referendum?

SK – Because what I'd like to see is our government do a good deal with the European Union, I'd like to see us being a member of the customs union, I'd like to see us being a member of the single market, I want a cast-iron guarantee for EU citizens but also those Brits who are in the European Union, I want a good transitional period. If the government can secure that then they've managed to get Brexit but on a deal that's not too damaging to our country.

AM – From what you have seen, what would be the actual physical effects on London, of a breakdown?

SK – Well, forget my opinion, the independent experts we hired did a number of scenarios, and the worst scenario for London was an extreme hard Brexit. It would lead to us not securing the jobs, growth, prosperity that we would do otherwise. It would lead to businesses leaving London, not simply going to other European cities but, I'm afraid, going to Singapore, New York and Hong Kong. It would start incrementally, and already there are businesses in London I speak to who have moved two, three, four, five, six, ten per cent of their operation outside London to other European capitals and I'm afraid that would be the start of a slippery slope, which none of us want to see.

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Elizabeth Arnold

Sadiq Khan has warned of the effects on jobs and businesses of an "extreme hard Brexit", arguing it would be the "start of a slippery slope which none of us want to see".

The London Mayor also defended the flying of a blimp of Donald Trump over the capital during the US president's UK visit, saying that "it's not my job as the mayor to censor the views of Londoners and others".

Mr Khan spoke of his "big concern" over the capital's services sector, warning independent analysis showed that a Brexit no deal would be "catastrophic for our city".

Speaking on BBC One's The Andrew Marr Show, he said: "We need to make sure the Government has a plan [on] how we protect those services."

He added: "92% of our economy is the services sector, we need to make sure not simply is there a deal in relation to goods during post transition, we need a back stop in relation to services..."

"The services sector is crucial for our economy and that's why it's really important that, the white paper... has no mention of what the Government's plans are to protect that very important sector."

Asked about a people's vote, he said: "I may be unhappy with the results of the referendum and I'm proud London voted to remain, but I accept the verdict... What I'd like see is [the] Government do a good deal with the EU."

Mr Khan refused to block a plan to fly a giant inflatable "Trump baby" near Parliament to coincide with mass protests surrounding the president's trip to Britain.

He said: "Well it wasn't my blimp or my balloon, but we have in our city and our country, as indeed does the USA, a rich history of the right to protest, the right of free speech and the right to express our views and the idea that we would curtail these rights because it may cause offence... actually what you saw on Friday was peaceful protest and done in a safe way."

Mr Khan added: "We have a special relationship with the USA, it's like having a best friend. The expectations we have from the USA are far higher than we would have of another country or another leader and basically Londoners and others are disappointed that the US president

hasn't met those high standards."

Mr Trump used an interview ahead of his UK visit to renew his personal feud with the London Mayor, attacking him over the wave of terror atrocities and accusing him of doing "a terrible job".

Asked whether the run-in was because Mr Khan was Muslim, he said: "That's for President Trump... I didn't start this feud, it takes two to tango. He is the president who tweets about me voluntarily."

Speaking about the horrific terror attacks in London and Manchester, he said: "One of the comforting things for us were the words of love and support from those in America and I'm not sure why President Trump has singled me out as the Mayor of London."

He added: "When you amplify messages of hate, when you use the language that President Trump does in relation to immigrants, infestation is I think the word he used, [you] can understand why people draw the conclusion that he's racist."

Speaking about the capital's violent crime and stabbings he said chief constables all accepted there was a link between a cut in police resources and an increase in crime, adding: "I'm not excusing criminality, but we need the Government to step up and help us."

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National section

Brexit - clips of Theresa May's interview on Marr earlier: says she's focussed on getting a deal which works best for the country and allows us to get good trade deals with countries around the world. Admits the 'tough suggestion' Donald Trump made during their meeting last week was that she should sue the EU, instead of negotiate with them.

Interview with Jacob Rees-Mogg - disagrees with Theresa May's Brexit plan; PM's 'red lines' have gone; objects to continuing influence of the European Court of Justice; bad thing that govt think Brexit is a bad thing and needs to be tempered with not-Brexit; PM can still change her policy.

Report from somewhere in Kent where they all voted for Brexit but they don't think they'll get the Brexit they voted for when they voted for Brexit.

Interview with Brexit Minister Robert Walker - most of people want us to get on with it and to deliver on what they voted for in the referendum, to leave the EU. Lot of work being done to ensure Brexit deal works for UK and economy.

Interview with Shadow Chief Sec to the Treasury Peter Dowd - Brexit white paper is a mess, too little too late and govt is in disarray, Labour not responsible for govt dragging its feet for 18 months, any deal needs to meet our six tests laid out last year.

London section

[Rushanara Ali and Bob Neil in the studio]

Donald Trump's visit and ongoing spat with Mayor Sadiq Khan

[Bhavani Vadde report] ongoing war or words between President and Mayor; latest attack in interview with the Sun on eve of visit to the UK, saying the Mayor was doing a 'terrible' job of crime and terror.

[clip of SK from Friday] Nice, Berlin, Paris, Brussels suffered horrific terrorist attacks too, dozens and dozens and dozens died there. It's for President Trump to explain why he's signing out the Mayor of London, me, and not the other mayors and other leaders of countries where there were other terrorist attacks.

Trump's criticisms come after City Hall gave permission for a giant inflatable Trump baby to fly over Parliament Sq. Thousands of Londoners and people around the country protested against the President's presence in the UK and his policies. He also told Sun he felt unwelcome in London as a result. How does this affect London's image on the global stage?

[vox with protestors saying the protest shows London in a good light, as united against bigotry]

Gareth Bacon AM - US is our chief ally, Trump is the elected leader. Open spat between Mayor of London and US President isn't in London's best interest. Why wasn't he doing the same thing during visits from other heads of state from countries with gross human rights abuses which dwarf anything we could lay against Donald Trump? He's doing it to play to the gallery.

Mayor claims he's voicing values of many Londoners. But does his highly-publicised row help advance London's fortunes?

[studio]

Why didn't people protest in the streets during visits from other world leaders with questionable human rights records?

RA - there are often protests against world leaders, saw it during the Chinese's leader visit, people have the right to protest. With Trump - he's singled out Sadiq Khan and has a visceral hatred towards Muslims and minorities and immigrants and women. He's decided he can't stand SK because we dared to vote in London for a Muslim man.

Trump doesn't like Sadiq Khan because he's Muslim? So he's a racist?

RA - He is, absolutely. It's well-known he's a racist. He's more comfortable with the far-right. He supported far-right groups, retweeted Britain First. He has a problem with our Muslim mayor. As Sadiq has pointed out: terror elsewhere in Europe, gun violence in US, but he's singled out Sadiq. Have to ask why.

Is Trump racist? Is he singling out Sadiq Khan because he's a Muslim?

BN - I think it's better that neither Mayors nor Presidents get into commenting on politics of other countries. Trump has been at fault in his inappropriate and unnecessary comments about PM's negotiation, thanks God she took no notice, and about Brexit. Re: racial matters and Sadiq Khan - plenty I disagree with Mayor Khan about but a fair observation is he doesn't seem to have made these personal attacks on other mayors and I don't think US is in to best position about violent crime.

Sadiq has hardly been silent in these matters - tweeted he hoped Trump didn't win. Two-way street?

BN - best for restraint on both sides, which is what Gareth Bacon said. Not going to absolve Trump - lot of things I find deeply distasteful. But he's the president of our major ally, have to have a relationship.

He is the president - yet London mayor sanctioned blimp of him in a navy. Would you be happy with SK in a nappy?

RA - we live in a democracy, believe in freedom of speech, should be careful not to make special allowances for narcissistic people like Trump because they take offence at humour. British tradition to be satirical, if we stop we damage British values.

But when you have President saying he feels unwelcome in one of US's closest allies - is that appropriate?

RA - would have been a public outcry if SK had denied permission, would have been accused of being authoritarian and sucking up to US President. People who stood up to Trump should be applauded. Certain wings of the Conservative party have been apologists for Trump

BN - I think that's wrong, I think the PM delay with piece of inappropriate behaviour by Trump with dignity, he backed off.

Should she have taken a stronger approach and really stood up to him publicly?

BN - have to sensible relationship and best way is not to say everything in public. He clearly backtracked so clearly much was said in ornate.

RA - he said Boris would be great PM in front of her and talked about fake news.

BN - don't be taken in by her nonsense.

Trump wants a trade deal, if conditions are met. Jeremy Corbyn spoke at these protest rallies - what if he gets elected and has to deal with President Trump?

RA - the PM could have had an official visit, she decided to have a state visit by the back door. We will have to have dialogue with US govt and President. No quarrel with American people, do have a special relationship.

[report on challenges facing new Deputy Mayor for Transport, Heidi Alexander]

Top of agenda - failing Govia Thameslink rail franchise, backed by govt despite years of disruption and strikes. First major speech, she demanded govt brought rail under control of TfL. But would it work?

Christian Wolmar - makes lot of sense for TfL to run suburban services inside London, don't really good job improving services on London Overground, stations are staffed.

Gareth Bacon AM - most passengers would agree that something needs to change, miserable experience, and govt agrees. Whether or not TfL running services is the answer I don't think the case has been made.

She also needs to address a black ole in TfL finances, blamed in part on declining passenger numbers - last year, rail journeys down 5 per cent, bus passengers down 6 per cent in 3 years, 13 million fewer tube journeys in 2017 than 2016. Also, Mayoral electoral pledge for partial fares freeze costing £640m over 4 years and removal of govt operating grant of £700m a year.

GB AM - she'll have to fix the financial problems, including £1 billion loss coming its way as well as maintaining infrastructure upgrades, it'll be a tall order.

CW - suspect that Sadiq Khan is regretting his promise for fares freeze, maybe should have said a year or two.

Also has to implement City Hall's ambition to increase trips on foot, by cycle or public transport to 80 per cent by 2041 - all while working for a Labour mayor with a Tory govt and many vested interest groups

[interview with Heidi Alexander in studio]

Govia Thameslink is a nightmare - how would TfL taking over make any difference?

Heidi Alexander - what we've seen already with London Overground and TfL Rail is improved performance and reliability. London Overground, wee frozen fares, one of the only railways in London where passenger numbers are actually increasing. TfL has really good record. Recent Gibb report said services which are part of the GTR franchise out of Moorgate and suburban services from Victoria could be transfer to TfL. GTR is just too big and unworkable. Got to have a greater focus on suburban services don't have just lives blighted like they are now.

Have you spoke to Chris Grayling about this?

HA - TfL wants to sit down and talk to DfT official, I'm due to meet Jo Johnson to discuss this in the next couple of weeks. TfL is ready for discussions in taking control of these lines.

Talking 2020 or sooner?

HA - we'd be ready for 2020, the remapping exercise to split up lines into parcels is taking place in the next couple of years. Thinking 2021 for next franchise, but we'd be ready earlier than just to make a difference to people's lives.

2020 at the earliest is still a wait, people having to put jo with this in the meantime.

HA - two years away, hundreds of thousands of journeys Londoners are making on the overland mainline network. While we have a plan for the GTR franchise what we'd also like to look at is he Southern franchise and ultimately the Southeastern, because I think that could bring real difference to people who are reliant on trains but are suffering from the disruption.

Problem is TfL has financial issues of its own - talking about it expanding and taking on new contracts, but an estimated £1 billion black hole in its budget.

HA - what we've seen already over the last five years is move from a £2 billion operating subsidy from govt...

...but you knew that was being phased out and had time to plan, but TfL didn't.

HA - taking £700 million a year from any public body will be a challenge. What we've seen in the last two years at TfL is making savings - over £600 million since 2016, the first time in the org's history its cut its day-to-day operating costs. And we're on course to move into surplus in the life of this business plan.

Was Sadiq Khan's fares freeze a mistake?

HA - No, I don't believe it was at all. I don't think anyone should apologise for freezing fares. Under previous Mayor fares went up by 42 per cent, it had got to the point where it was ridiculous for Londoners. Freezing fares was a sensible thing to do, it's about a fifth of the overall impact the cut of govt subsidy has.

This pledge for 80 walking and cycling by 2040 - that will take huge investment, is that realistic?

HA - At the moment, 63 per cent of journeys are made by walking, cycling or public transport so it's a big jump to 80 per cent. Need to invest in cycle routes, plans to advance cycle superhighways...

...but that's all money, money, money when there's a black hole.

HA - when you actually look at the amount of spending on cycling infrastructure it's at record levels, averaging at £169 million over next five years, while that substantial it is completely doable within a day-to-day operating budget of £6 billion a year. Though I think we have to prioritise our spending to make street environment safer, more attractive, improving public realm around stations so people are encouraged.

Bob, was the cut in govt grant the right thing to do?

BN - I think it's reasonable to expect a transfer of resource with devolution to the mayor. Very much agree with the long-term objective of bringing London's suburban train services into unified transport system. My constituents don't have the tube, entirely dependent on trains, regret those metro services weren't brought in. But to do that Mayor has responsibility for budget and he needs to get it in order. With his fares freeze and spending commitments he doesn't have financial credibility.

Rushanara, extending the franchise that much takes it way beyond London.

RA - govt needs to stop being hypocritical - wants to devolve but not devolve the budgets, keeps doing this - tying mayors' hands behind their backs and then blaming them when things go wrong. Need the budget and powers with it. Govt has failed, Mayor wants to make sure he can step in and address this issue and he should be allowed to do it.

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An American activist says he wants to emulate Londoners by inflating a giant 'Baby Trump' blimp in the US.

He says he to fly the blimp in Bedminster, New Jersey, where US President Donald Trump often golfs.

And to fly the 'Baby Trump' balloon, activist Didier Jimenez-Castro has set up a GoFundMe page to fund the project.

So far the page has exceeded its target goal of \$4,500 and, as of Tuesday, the page reached over \$14,000.

The 20ft inflatable depicting Mr Trump as a nappy-clad baby holding a mobile phone was flown above Parliament Square in London last Friday during a large anti-Trump protest in central London

It prompted Mr Trump to say it made him “feel unwelcome” in the city, on his second day of a four-day UK visit.

The huge balloon was then transported to Scotland, where it was flown in Edinburgh as part of a protest.

According to NJ.com, there are hopes to fly the balloon in New Jersey after Mr Jimenez-Castro teamed up with the People’s Motorcade, a local group that often holds protests in Mr Trump’s golf club, to buy it.

However, it is unclear from the GoFundMe page whether or not the activist wants to fly the blimp used in the UK over to America or wants to pay someone to recreate it.

Mr Jimenez-Castro wrote on the GoFundMe page: “My name is Jim and I am an activist from Hillsborough New Jersey.

“While watching the news I made the amazing discovery of Baby Trump blimp at the London protests. I got together with local organizers of the People's Motorcade and we agreed we need to bring Baby Trump to Bedminster where he plays golf during the summer.

"With your generous donations we have exceeded our goal to purchase our Baby Trump from the UK. Unfortunately the US company we reached out to would not make it. Remember the wedding cake? All of the funds collected are being deposited in a dedicated account to cover future shipping fees while on tour, publicity, gear and other Baby Trump stuff.

He added: “All of the funds collected are being deposited in a dedicated account to cover future shipping fees while on tour, publicity, gear and other Baby Trump stuff.”

He told NJ Advance Media why he thinks it is important to fly the balloon to the US.

He said: “The baby Trump is not just a piece of humour, but it is also a symbol of the administration.

"It's symbolic of the children that are in cages, it's a symbol of racism, and we know that he hates to be ridiculed."

It is hoped a balloon could be in the US by August.

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It was the undisputed star of Donald Trump's recent visit to the UK, and now it seems like the Trump Baby Blimp could be here to stay.

The British Museum and the Museum of London have both reportedly expressed an interest in obtaining the massive inflatable likeness of the US President, for use either as part of specific exhibitions or within its permanent collection.

Kevin Smith, one of the project's "Baby Sitters", told the Standard that they were in discussion with the British Museum about linking the blimp to an exhibition about political satire curated by Private Eye editor Ian Hislop.

"It's great that many different museums recognise the cultural significance of the Trump Baby and have been speculating about where its eventual home might be," said Smith.

A spokesperson for the British Museum confirmed talks were in progress, telling the Standard, "We have had a conversation with the makers of the Trump blimp about potentially displaying it on site to link to this show, but not as part of the exhibition. It is a tentative idea at this stage with no firm plans in place."

The blimp, which is shaped like a giant orange blonde-haired baby clutching a mobile phone, is also reported to have caught the eye of the Museum of London.

The Trump Baby team are currently focused on devising a travelling itinerary for the blimp in order to haunt the US President throughout his planned international excursions.

"Our priority is to send the Trump Baby off on his global tour of trolling Trump in various parts of the world, and once that's underway we can start thinking of what his long term future might be," said Smith.