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# NEWS

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## THE 45TH PRESIDENT

# Trump Aides Spoke to Russian Intelligence

### Intercepted Calls Show Contact During 2016, Officials Say

By MICHAEL S. SCHMIDT, MARK MAZZETTI and MATT APUZZO

• Trump aides and associates made repeated contact with senior Russian officials during the 2016 campaign, current and former U.S. officials told The Times.

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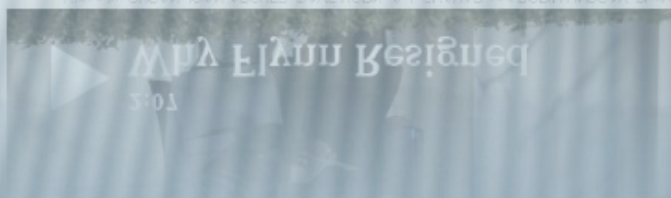
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If President Trump thinks Michael Flynn's departure will end the controversy over Russia, he's mistaken.



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## Trump faces Kremlin links investigation after Flynn quits

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CAROLYN KASTER/AP

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# Damning reports emerge of Trump campaign's frequent talks with Russian intelligence

Campaign aides said to have been in regular contact, despite repeated insistence there had been no pre-election talks between Trump team and Russia



**i** Donald Trump speaks with Russian president Vladimir Putin in the Oval Office on 28 January. Photograph: UPI / Barcroft Images

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# Intercepted calls show Trump campaign had repeated contact with Russians: U.S. officials

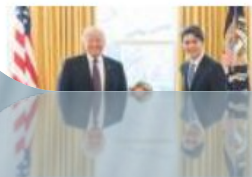


Officials say the intercepted communications included other associates of Trump, while on the Russian side, the contacts also included members of the Russian government

White House was warned that Michael Flynn potentially vulnerable to Russian blackmail, officials say

U.S. national security adviser Michael Flynn resigns after reports he lied about contacts with Russia

## Ivanka Trump doesn't know her place: it's not in the president's chair, or subbing for Melania



Michelle Hauser: It only contributes to the worrisome atmosphere of worrisome atmosphere of contributes to the Michelle Hauser: It only

chair, or subbing for Melania place: it's not in the president's Ivanka Trump doesn't know her

## Toronto hospital fires 31 employees after audit finds \$200,000 in irregular health benefits claims



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**Penguin protector Oddball dies**  
ODDBALL — the canine that inspired a movie after proving Maremma Sheepdogs could be used to protect a Victorian penguin colony from foxes — has died.

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- 9:35PM **Kremlin denies it violated missile treaty**
- 9:23PM **Malaysia detains woman over Kim death**
- 9:16PM **Kremlin dismisses Trump contacts report**
- 8:34PM **Hobart bushfire under control**
- 8:37PM **Turkey told to 'change course' on rights**
- 9:28PM **Day 15 of the WA election campaign**
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the day of love? These last-minute ideas might help keep you out of the doghouse.




**Murder victim families slam government**  
EXCLUSIVE: FAMILIES of victims of horrific crimes committed by killers and sex offenders free on parole say the Andrews Government has turned its back on them.

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**Frankston line could get sky rail**  
THE Frankston line could be next to get sky rail with Premier Daniel Andrews not ruling out building elevated rail to remove level crossings.

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**Melbourne's weird attractions**  
LOOKING for something a little different to do in Melbourne? From



## DON THE HOTLINE Donald Trump's aides 'were in constant communication with Russian spies before the election, explosive phone records show'



Donald Trump, pictured with his senior White House team including the now former national security adviser Michael Flynn, far right, talked with Russian President Vladimir Putin on 28 January

# NEWS

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**The main function of news items is to inform the reader.**





News articles are characterized by a **matter-of-fact** approach.

They focus only on the facts.

They do not contain the author's opinion.

They provide facts without giving explicit comments, without interpretation and analysis, and even if there is evaluation it is mostly implicit and as a rule unemotional.



News articles **can** include accounts of witnesses to the happening event. They **can** contain photographs, accounts, statistics, graphs, recollections, interviews, polls, debates on the topic, etc. confirming the factuality of the writer's information and the reliability of his source.

# THE STRUCTURE OF A NEWS ARTICLE

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Headline

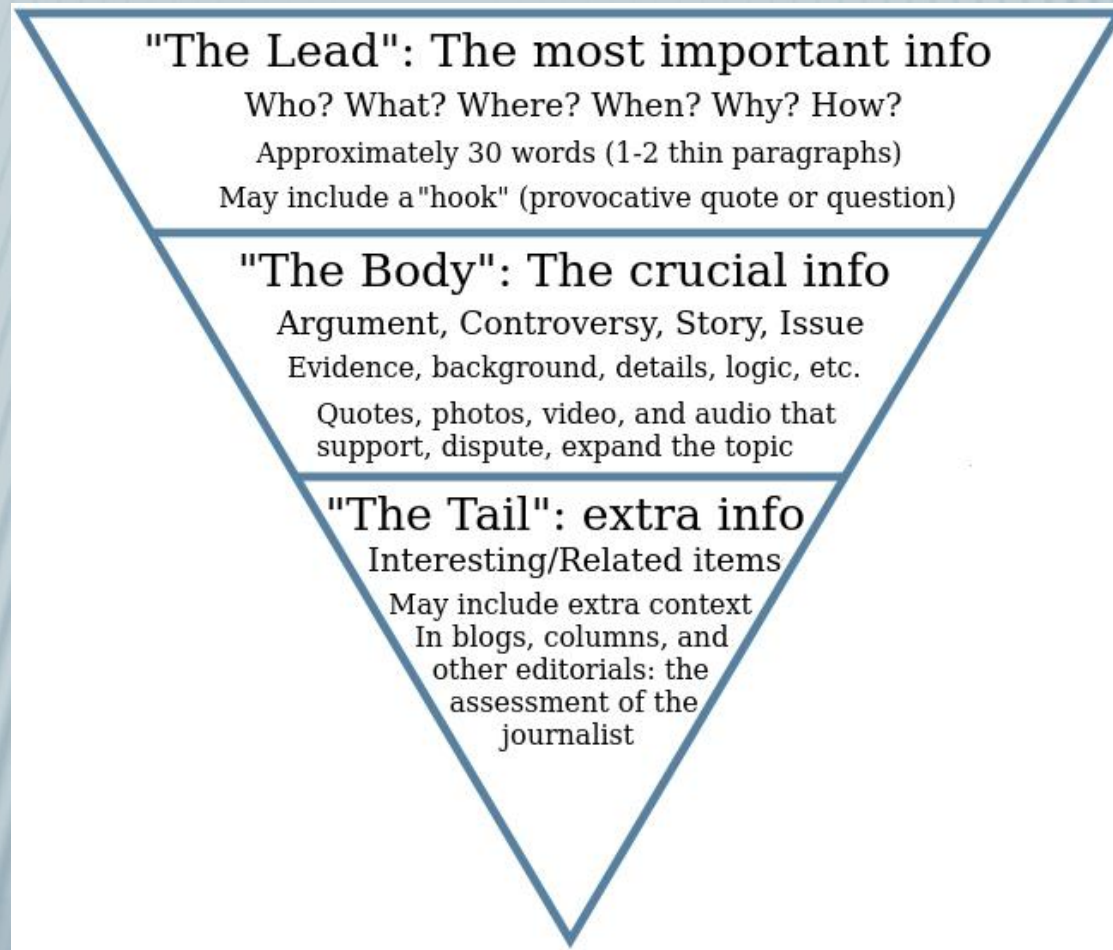
Byline

Lead paragraph

Body

Conclusion\*

# INVERTED PYRAMID OF AN ARTICLE



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The inverted pyramid principle is used with most news stories. The most important and most interesting elements of a story are put at the beginning, and the supporting, minor information follows in order of diminishing importance.

# HEADLINE AND BYLINE

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A **headline** is the title of the article which indicates the nature of the article below it and relates to the topic. A headline serves the purpose of attracting the reader's attention.

The **byline** usually follows the headline and states the author's full name. In some cases the byline can occur at the end of the article.

# LEAD PARAGRAPH

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The lead paragraph is the first one in a news story. The lead summarizes the facts of the news story and captures the reader's attention. Usually it is one sentence long. But it can be longer (1-2 thin paragraphs, no more than 30 words). This introductory paragraph establishes the subject, sets the tone, and guides the reader into the article.

The lead accentuates the most important facts and answers the questions: *who*, *what*, *where*, *when*, *why*, and *how*. Depending on the elements of news value, the lead emphasizes and includes some or all of these components.

**Who** names the subject(s) of the story. The “who”, a noun, can refer to a person, a group, a building, an institution, a concept -- anything that serves the subject of the story.

**What** is the action taking place which is expressed by a verb.

**When** and **Where** indicate the time and the place of the action happening.

**Why** explains the action in the lead and **How** describes the manner in which the action occurs.



**Narrative hook** is a literary technique in the opening of an article that "hooks" the reader's attention so that he or she will keep on reading.

# *BODY OF THE ARTICLE*

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Following the lead paragraph comes the explanation, amplification and verification. The body deals with illuminating details. Photos, quotes, research data, graphs etc. can be used.

# CONCLUSION

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Most often news items have no conclusions.

Most **hard news** have no conclusion. The article is considered concluded when all the facts are presented.

**Soft news** may have some generalizing statement at the end.

In some newspapers there are two, three or four headlines preceding an article

**BRITAIN ALMOST "CUT IN HALF"**  
**Many Vehicles Marooned in Blizzard**  
(The Guardian)

**FIRE FORCES AIRLINER TO TURN BACK**  
**Cabin Filled With Smoke**  
**Safe Landing For 97 Passengers**  
**Atlantic Drama In Super VC 10**  
(The Times)

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Articles

HARD NEWS

SOFT NEWS

## HARD NEWS

- up-to-the-minute news and events that are reported immediately
- factual straightforward approach
- shorter
- politics, war, economics, crime

## SOFT NEWS

- background information or human-interest stories
- a wider perspective on the facts and insightful observations
- longer, more detailed
- arts, entertainment, health, environment, lifestyles, women's issues

## NEWS ARTICLES

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In today's media the differences between hard and soft news are often blurred and the same subject or event can be turned into a hard or soft news article. The difference will be the tone of presentation and the aspects the article focuses on.

# two dead in killer storm

[Bank of England Combats Euro 'Black Cloud' as Officials Await Greek Ballot](#)

**Food Robots Rising! Pizza Vending and the Inari-zushi-bot**

[So many designers are inspired by Mom. This one took his fashion cues from Dad.](#)

**Brad and Angelina hope to secure double date with William and Kate**

**Obama and Romney Campaigns Face Off in Ohio**

**Scientists Looking at Ways to Trap Greenhouse Gases  
Arizona Study Aims to Ease Global Warming**

**At least 16 dead in China bus crash**

**Photo booth murder suspect arrested**



President Trump criticized the intelligence community and the media for the news reports that ultimately led to national security adviser Michael Flynn's sudden resignation.

The Washington  
Post

A large research synthesis, published in one of the world's most influential scientific journals, has detected a decline in the amount of dissolved oxygen in oceans around the world — a long-predicted result of climate change that could have severe consequences for marine organisms if it continues.

The Washington  
Post

It comes as new pictures of a woman alleged to have been linked to the assassination team that killed the older brother of North Korean dictator Kim Jong-un in Kuala Lumpur have been released by Malaysian media.

[Kim Jong-nam](#), 45, died on Monday after collapsing at Kuala Lumpur International Airport while waiting to board a flight back to Macau, where he was living in exile.

*The  
Telegraph*

More than 90 percent of British universities have been involved in restricting free speech on campus this year, a new survey claims.

In the last year alone, 21 universities have banned high profile speakers from attending lectures, debates or speeches because of their views, including Oxford, King's College London and University College London.

A blind man has successfully traveled around Austin — unaccompanied — in a car without a steering wheel or floor pedals, Google announced Tuesday.

After years of testing by Google engineers and employees, the company's new level of confidence in its fully autonomous technology was described as a milestone.

The Washington  
Post