



Need to Know

with Coulthart and Zabel

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we always like to do in our first segment some uh
updates and news and uh one of the ones i uh

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just wanted to touch on because it's just such an
incredible developing story is the uh the man who

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was going to take over as the inspector he's been
nominated by biden to be the inspector general for

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the defense department this is a man named robert
storch he was testifying at his hearing i just

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have to read this for people first she asked him
you know is it your position that as you know that

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you would be looking into this as we've directed
and he professed twice that he really didn't know

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much about uap and yeah he would he would get
around to it after he was confirmed all right

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she basically asked twice he basically said i'll
get around to it after i'm confirmed twice and she

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said well and this is a quote since you aren't
familiar can you please familiarize yourself

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with this issue and respond to these questions in
writing before your confirmation please i just my

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lord ladies and gentlemen the man had a two-word
answer it was kind of shocked and then he said

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00:01:15,120 --> 00:01:19,840
uh yes ma'am now via webex let me
recognize senator gillibrand please

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00:01:20,960 --> 00:01:26,960
thank you so much mr chairman and welcome to
all our nominees um uh first for mr storch

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mr storch in your current position as nsa
inspector general are you familiar with the

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dod's ig's ongoing assessment of the response from
dod components to the intrusions of unidentified

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aerial phenomenon into controlled dod airspace
as well as uap activity around naval and air

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operations further do you think the nsa has
been responsive to the dod's ig inquiries

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00:01:54,320 --> 00:01:59,360
uh thank you for the uh question senator
i'm afraid that's not an issue with which i

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00:01:59,360 --> 00:02:06,080
am currently familiar however if confirmed i
certainly am uh willing to look into that and to

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00:02:06,080 --> 00:02:12,400
um take any action that's appropriate well thank
you um and if confirmed can i have your commitment

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00:02:12,400 --> 00:02:16,800
to sustain this comprehensive assessment\h
until it reaches its appropriate conclusion\h\h

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including the possibility of follow-on actions\h
such as audits or investigations if the assessment\h\h

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00:02:22,000 --> 00:02:27,600
recommends as much well well again i honestly\h
am not familiar with that particular review but\h\h

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00:02:27,600 --> 00:02:32,400
as is typical i think across the ig community\h
when a new ig comes in if their pending matters\h\h

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those would continue in in the office and it\h
would be perfectly appropriate to examine them\h\h

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00:02:37,360 --> 00:02:42,160
um and if i am confirmed i can assure you that\h
anything that's pending went out in the office\h\h

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00:02:42,160 --> 00:02:46,960
i'll i'll give my best attention to and if there's\h
appropriate follow-up to be done we'll do it\h\h

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00:02:47,920 --> 00:02:52,800
okay so since you are familiar can you\h
please familiarize yourself with this issue\h\h

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00:02:52,800 --> 00:02:56,640
and respond to both of those questions in\h
writing before your confirmation please\h\h

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yes ma'am yes ma'am okay and i thought what a\h
great moment in history that is a top moment in\h\h

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00:03:04,960 --> 00:03:10,560
uap history for me well i mean i just think it's\h
i but frankly i'll say it i think it's appalling\h\h

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that somebody was coming in for a confirmation\h
hearing to be involved in such a crucial oversight\h\h

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role and they had no bloody idea that the biggest\h
story of all time has been unfolding inside the\h\h

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portfolio that they're administering so frankly\h
i think a lot of bureaucrats are going to have to\h\h