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## ICYMI: Donalds Joins Jesse Watters Primetime

WASHINGTON – Congressman Byron Donalds (R-FL) joined *Jesse Watters Primetime* on Fox News Channel to discuss the horrific shooting of two National Guard members in Washington, D.C. carried out by an Afghan National.

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**"When the president was running for office, he said that he was going to make the nation's capital safe again. He deployed the National Guard, crime plummeted in Washington, D.C. It has been working":**

"It's not an overstatement. We had a hearing in the Oversight Committee a couple of months ago, and the mayor of Washington, D.C., said on the record that since the National Guard was deployed by President Trump, crime has dropped 40% in the nation's capital. 40%! Washington, D.C., has not been a safe city for quite some time. When the president was running for office, he said that he was going to make the nation's capital safe again. He deployed the National Guard, crime plummeted in Washington, D.C. It has been working. But in spite of that fact, you have Democrat officials who have been whining and crying on TV and any microphone open, saying that it was wrong to deploy the Guard. The president is well within his rights to deploy the National Guard because Washington, D.C., is a federal enclave. It is the purview of the federal government. Not just a city, not just some state. So the Guard was deployed, crime has come down drastically. They should be applauded for the work that they've been doing, and now we have two of our National Guardsmen in the hospital fighting for their lives. The Democrats need to do an about-face on this. They need to acknowledge the fact that Donald Trump was right, but bigger than that, that the National Guard has been a help to securing the nation's capital for everybody."

**"Wide open borders lead to our country being overwhelmed in every single aspect, including safety and security":**

"Well, we are doing it right now. Obviously, the deportations that President Trump has greenlighting is step one. Step two, obviously, was securing the country. Donald Trump has done that the second he came back into the White House. No illegal border crossings into the United States. That's a win for the American people. To my colleagues on Capitol Hill, it is time to reopen the investigations into the Afghanistan withdrawal, and the lack of vetting of who came into this country, and every one of those people needs to go somewhere. They don't need to be in the United States. If it's going back to Afghanistan, so be it. But now that we have two of our soldiers in the hospital fighting for their lives, I mean, enough is enough. And I know that there are some people in the United States saying, 'Oh, well, you know, we didn't want to really deport everybody.' The truth of the matter is, you cannot have wide-open borders. Wide open borders lead to our country being overwhelmed in every single aspect, including safety and security."

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