



TAKE 5

So much is happening that sometimes it makes your head want to spin! Take 5 is a look at 5 news stories that maybe you saw OR maybe you missed in the flurry of coverage over a week's time. 4/7/2025. This week we have 5 things to call or write your congressman about.

1

Only 14 Senators Join Sanders Bid to Block Arms to Israel as Gaza Deaths Top 50K: The Senate's opposition to the resolutions comes as Israel has maintained a total humanitarian aid blockade on Gaza for over a month. See full article [HERE](#) to view all the senators who were in favor of the resolution.

2

Cory Booker's Historic 25 Hour Speech: This one is a mixed bag. Cory Booker talked about moral courage and resisting fascism. He said "I've been hearing from people all over my state and indeed all over the nation calling upon folks in Congress to do more, to do things that recognize the urgency, the crisis of the moment." [Call him to thank him.](#) On the flip side, after giving this speech, he voted against Sander's resolution to block arms to Israel. The funding would provide almost \$8.8 billion more in heavy bombs and other munitions to Netanyahu, including more than 35,000 massive 2,000-pound bombs. [Call him to let him know your displeasure](#) in that vote.

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Maryland Father Deported to El Salvador Prison in Error: As more stories emerge of the migrants deported from the United States to El Salvador, the "administrative error" that put Kilmar Armando Abrego Garcia, a Maryland father said to have legal status, on one of the planes has caused outrage among many Americans who see the deportation flights as a flagrant miscarriage of due process. If you haven't heard it yet, see full story [HERE](#)

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Trump Admin Cuts Tens of Millions from Planned Parenthood: Nine Planned Parenthood state affiliates that receive federal money from the 55-year-old Title X family planning program got notices Monday informing them that their funding is being "temporarily withheld." The notice pointed to "possible violations" of federal civil rights law and President Donald Trump's executive orders — including prohibitions on promotion of diversity, equity and inclusion and "taxpayer subsidization of open borders." The letter to Planned Parenthood chapters, many of them in GOP-controlled states, cites the clinics' mission statements and other public documents that stress a "commitment to black communities" as evidence of their noncompliance. This is an attack on poor people and an attempt to dismantle public health.

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Not a new item. but something of interest: Sen. Bernie Sanders will be doing a CNN Town Hall, hosted by Anderson Cooper this Wednesday at 9:00 pm (EST)

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