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Guests: Anthony Salvanto, CBS News executive director of elections and surveys (1); Alejandro Mayorkas, Secretary of the Department of Homeland Security, Biden administration (2); Representative Mike Turner (R-OH) (3); Imtiaz Tyab, CBS News foreign correspondent (4); Representative Ro Khanna (D-CA) (5); Senator Dan Sullivan (R-AK) (6); Steven Dettelbach, director, Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives (7)

- 1) a discussion of the latest CBS News/YouGov presidential poll: how perceptions of the economy are influencing poll numbers / concerns over protecting democracy and access to voting is not helping the Biden campaign bring in new voters / reproductive rights on the ballot / criticism of President Biden from Democratic voters / Biden campaign seeing a lack of motivation to vote
- 2) Topics include: polling on immigration; immigration funding without the immigration bill / the cost of possible executive actions / legal challenges to executive actions; the undocumented migrant accused of killing Georgia college student Laken Riley
- 3) Topics include: national security concerns around the border / funding concerns around the border; food aid to Gaza / Israel's part in delaying aid to Gaza; holding the Biden administration accountable for not dealing with Russia's anti-satellite weapons program; aid to Ukraine
- 4) a report from Tel Aviv, on the latest on the war in the Middle East and the growing urgency to get aid into Gaza
- 5) Topics include: should Israel be held accountable for halting humanitarian aid to Gaza / can President Biden hold Israel accountable in an election year; President Biden's error during aid announcement, calling Gaza 'Ukraine' twice; uncommitted votes in the primaries; question of the Biden administration halting weapon shipments to Israel; President Biden's issues with his base
- 6) Topics include: can Republicans deliver aid to Ukraine / Ukraine aid bill includes funding for weapons to be built in the United States and improvements to the US Navy / should former President Trump support Ukraine funding; Donald Trump's mental fitness / former members of the Trump administration coming out against his candidacy
- 7) Topics include: understaffing of the ATF / what can be done with the limited staffing / laws against a federal gun database impeding crime prevention; the Supreme Court case regarding bump stocks; children and gun violence

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Guests: Senator Bernie Sanders (I-VT) (1); Senator Marco Rubio (R-FL) (2); Senator Mark Warner (D-VA) (2); Representative Hakeem Jeffries, House Minority Leader (D-NY) (3); Gary Cohn, vice chairman, IBM, former top economic adviser, Trump administration (4)

- 1) Topics include: President Biden's comments on a hot mic about Israel / his position that Israel is in violation of the Foreign Assistance Act and possibly the Leahy Act / is a ceasefire possible with Hamas running Gaza / Israel's plan to launch an invasion into Rafah; "uncommitted" votes in Michigan and Minnesota because of the US policy in Israel / need to oppose Mr. Trump and reelect President Biden
- 2) Topics include: concerns about terrorism from the Middle East due to the US-Israel relationship / US troops remaining in Iraq / the US establishing a port in Gaza to bring in humanitarian aid / creating a distribution system ensuring aid goes to civilians and not Hamas / tunnel system in Gaza run by Hamas; security threat to the US through technology by China / China's technology lagging behind US / China ramping up their military capabilities / aid for Taiwan / border deal which includes helping Israel, Ukraine and Taiwan; bill to prevent any US President from withdrawing unilaterally from NATO; possible ban of TikTok; foreign interference in the 2024 election and policy debates
- 3) Topics include: latest CBS poll results regarding the presidential election / enthusiasm in the Black community for Biden / issue of the border in the election / should Democrats toughen their messaging on immigration; aid to Ukraine / possibly protecting Republican Speaker Mike Johnson should he face threats of an ouster from certain factions in the Republican Party over Ukraine
- 4) Topics include: current tax rates set to expire in 2025 / tax loopholes returning in 2026 / taxing income compared to taxing assets; why people are still feeling inflation even as it starts to come down; Mr. Trump's plans for tariffs against countries who impose tariffs on the U.S. / tariffs causing inflation for the consumer; the business community's support for Mr. Trump / need for outreach from the Biden administration to Wall Street to win back business leaders

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Guests: Mike Pence, former vice president, Trump administration (1); Chris Livesay, CBS News foreign correspondent (2); Senator Chris Van Hollen (D-MD) (3); Representative Mike Gallagher (R-WI) (4); Representative Raja Krishnamoorthi (D-IL) (4); Kara Swisher, tech journalist, author, "Burn Book: A Tech Love Story" (5); Catherine Russell, executive director, UNICEF (6)

- 1) Topics include: former President Trump's remarks, referring to prisoners facing charges for their role in January 6th, as "hostages" / should voters see the criminal charges against Mr. Trump before election day / his decision not to endorse the former President in 2024; Mr. Trump's remarks about a "bloodbath for the country"; his stand on abortion and protections for IVF / the Republican Party is the pro-life party
- 2) a report from Tel Aviv on the humanitarian crisis in Gaza
- 3) Topics include: his conversations with the families of Israeli hostages; funding for the U.N. agency UNRWA in the upcoming spending bill / why the Netanyahu government is against funding UNRWA; Israel's non-compliance with regulations for countries receiving U.S. offensive weapons / claim that Israel is targeting humanitarian aid workers
- 4) Topics include: what will happen in the Senate with the House-passed TikTok bill / Biden campaign's use of TikTok for his reelection / potential sale of TikTok before the 2024 election / how the government stops TikTok if it is not sold / lack of guardrails for social media companies / Mr. Trump's changing views on TikTok
- 5) Topics include: her belief that the Senate will water down the House's TikTok bill / her use of TikTok on a burner phone / TikTok's worth without the algorithm; Elon Musk's thoughts on censorship
- 6) Topics include: generational impact from what is happening on the children of Gaza / death of children in Gaza and Israel / children suffering malnutrition in Gaza / getting therapeutic feeding and medical supplies into Gaza; the ongoing crisis in Haiti / struggles getting humanitarian aid to Haitians

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Guests: Debora Patta, CBS News foreign news correspondent (1); Representative Michael McCaul, chair, House Foreign Affairs Committee (2); Kevin McCarthy, former speaker, House of Representatives (R-CA) (3); Robert Costa, CBS News chief election and campaign correspondent (4); Senator Reverend Raphael Warnock (D-GA) (5); Jason Owens, chief, U.S. Border Patrol (6); Samantha Vinograd, CBS News contributor, former counterterrorism official, Department of Homeland Security (DHS) (8)

Guest Reporter: Camilo Montoya-Galvez, CBS News immigration and politics reporter (6) (7)

- 1) a report on the ISIS-K attack in Moscow. Although ISIS claimed responsibility, Russian President Vladimir Putin has pointed a finger at Ukraine, a charge Ukraine flatly denies.
- 2) Topics include: ongoing threats posed by ISIS-K from Afghanistan / protecting Americans from ISIS-K and other terror threats across the world / impact of the troubled withdrawal from Afghanistan / rescuing the Afghan translators left behind; voting for the Ukraine funding bill; possible ouster of the Speaker of the House; concerns about humanitarian aid being held back by Israel
- 3) Topics include: chaos caused by departures in the House Republican caucus / challenge to the Speaker of the House keeping his position; Representative Matt Gaetz' issues with him over a House ethics investigation; lack of a timeline for votes funding Ukraine, Israel and the border; small Republican majority in the House / his future in the Republican Party
- 4) Topics include: former President Trump's ability to pay his bond in his fraud case / political ramifications for Mr. Trump's financial issues in the upcoming election
- 5) Topics include: Mr. Trump's lead in the Georgia polls / disconnect between politicians and voters on voting rights, police reform and defending democracy / lack of action on these issues; humanitarian crisis in Gaza being an issue with Black voters / military support for Israel in the future
- 6) an interview on the situation at the U.S. southern border with Mexico, including the impact of border security on national security
- 7) Topics include: humanitarian crisis at the southern border / national security risks of possible terrorists crossing the border / anticipated uptick in border crossings / video of confrontation between migrants and the Texas National Guard and the legal right they had to be processed
- 8) Topics include: no credible threat to the United States for a similar Moscow attack; ISIS' ability to conduct operations / DHS's work with allies to receive and analyze the best intelligence possible / stopping terrorist travel by vetting migrants / under-resources in the intelligence community for vetting teams / timetable for vetting migrants / impact of Texas' policy of arresting migrants on the DHS's ability to accurately assess them

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Guests: Pete Buttigieg, Secretary of Transportation (1); Brandon Scott, mayor (D - Baltimore, MD) (2); Representative Mike Turner (R-OH), chair, House Intelligence Committee (3); Bernardo Arevalo, president of Guatemala (4); Holly Williams, CBS News senior foreign correspondent (5); Cindy McCain, executive director, United Nations World Food Programme (6); Archbishop of Washington Wilton Cardinal Gregory (7); Episcopal Bishop of Washington, the Right Reverend Mariann Edgar Budde (7)

Guest Moderator: Ed O'Keefe, CBS News senior White House and political correspondent

- 1) Topics include: timeline to reopen the Port of Baltimore after the collapse of the Francis Scott Key Bridge / rebuilding the bridge timeline and costs / emergency funding for rebuilding the bridge and long-term repair costs; changes to the leadership at Boeing after several in-flight incidents / assuring passengers that flying is safe; his political future
- 2) Topics include: urgent needs for the city of Baltimore after bridge collapse / needs of families of the bridge workers who died in the collapse and needs for Port of Baltimore workers / direct outreach to Congress to bring in resources to the port / long-term impact of rebuilding the bridge; racist comments about him, including being the "DEI Mayor"
- 3) Topics include: possible upcoming vote for Ukraine funding / negotiations to get a bipartisan bill passed / will the bill pass before the next Congressional break in late April / damage done to Ukraine by delaying the vote / disagreement over types of arms sent to Ukraine / speed to get the vote done; Congressional retirements with five members leaving in the middle of their terms; is it appropriate for Mr. Trump to sell bibles
- 4) Topics include: Guatemalan citizens migrating to the United States, including two of the bridge workers on the Francis Scott Key Bridge / reasons why the United States should continue to send funds to Guatemala
- 5) a report from Jerusalem, during the Easter season at a time of war
- 6) Topics include: what needs to change to get humanitarian aid to the residents of Gaza / food needs in Gaza greater than aid being allowed in / negotiations with Israel to get food in; famine in Sudan, South Sudan and Chad; national security issues with famine victims migrating; Haiti's hunger crisis; the death of Senator Joe Lieberman
- 7) Topics include: counseling parishioners during tough times / hard for people to see the good in world / spiritual life four-years since the lockdown; role and level of Christianity in politics and the presidential election; conversations between the Pope and President Biden

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"Operation Lone Star" – an interview with Governor Greg Abbot (R-TX) from Eagle Pass, Texas. He discusses Operation Lone Star, the controversial program he launched three years ago which deployed the Texas National Guard and created barriers at the border to deter illegal immigration. Includes interviews with Christopher Olivarez, Texas Department of Public Safety Lieutenant; Raul Ortiz, former chief of the U.S. Border Patrol under President Biden and deputy chief under President Trump; and a number of migrants attempting to cross the border. (C: Cecilia Vega – P: Andy Court)

"97 Books" – a report on the banned book controversy. The highly opposed campaign to ban ninety-seven books from Beaufort, South Carolina's school system has been inspired by the Florida-based conservative group Moms for Liberty, which aims to censor literature they consider unfit for American children. Includes interviews with Dick Geier, vice chair of the Beaufort County school board and retired Army colonel; Karen Gareis, high school librarian and Navy veteran; Tiffany Justice and Tina Descovich, founders of Moms for Liberty; and Ruth-Naomi Jones, who volunteered to judge the proposed banned books, works for the schools, and has a 16-year-old student. (C: Scott Pelley – P: Henry Schuster, Sarah Turcotte)

"Artemis" – a report on NASA's Artemis program from Kennedy Space Center in Merritt Island, Florida. The ambitious lunar program aims to send people back to the moon, establish a South Pole outpost, and create a launching point for travel to Mars. Includes interviews with George Scott, NASA's acting inspector general; Jim Free, NASA's associate administrator who is directly in charge of Artemis; Bill Nelson, NASA administrator; and John Couluris, Senior Vice President of Lunar Permanence at Blue Origin. (See also: "Back to the Moon" OAD: 03/07/21) (C: Bill Whitaker – P: Rome Hartman)

The Last Minute – an update to "The Scrolls of Herculaneum", OAD: 04/01/18. (C: Cecilia Vega)

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- 03/10/24 **PREEMPTED** for 60 MINUTES SPECIAL EDITION
60 MINUTES SPECIAL EDITION (7:00 – 8:00p)
“**Rise**” – a report on the Russia-Ukraine war and how some Ukrainian families are coping with grief. Through a charity founded by an American marine, bereaved widows and children attempt to process trauma by embarking on treks through the Austrian Alps. Includes interviews with Natalia Zaremba, whose husband Mykhalio was shot down as a navy pilot; Nathan Schmidt, lieutenant colonel U.S. Marine Corps Reserve and CEO of the Mountain Seed Foundation charity; Myroslav Kupchenkov, whose father Oleksandr Kupchenkov who was killed by a Russian missile; Amit Oren, clinical psychologist and assistant professor at the Yale School of Medicine; Svitlana Melnyichuk, who lost her husband Yuriy in the invasion; and Dan Cnossen, a Navy SEAL and Paralympian. (C: Scott Pelley – P: Oriana Zill de Granados, Michael Rey) **DOUBLE LENGTH SEGMENT** (OAD: 11/26/23)
“**Jeff Koons**” – a profile of artist Jeff Koons. The polarizing artist discusses his sculptures and paintings, his New York studio, and pushing the boundaries of taste. Includes an excerpt from Morley Safer’s segment “Yes...But Is It Art?” (OAD: 9/19/93), criticizing Koons’ artwork. Includes interviews with Robert Storr, former curator at the Museum of Modern Art in New York; and Ayami Aoyama, who works for Koons. (C: Anderson Cooper – P: Nichole Marks) The 03/10/24 rebroadcast includes an update. (OAD: 05/21/23; Rebroadcast: 09/03/23)
The Last Minute – Clocks sprang forward Sunday as daylight saving began. Efforts are being made in Congress to update the rules around clock changes. (C: Anderson Cooper)
- 03/10/24 **60 MINUTES PRESENTS: “Take Me Away”** (8:00 – 9:00p)
“**An Island Off an Island**” – a report on Fogo Island, a small island off the coast of Newfoundland, Canada. After industrialized fishing nearly destroyed the local economy, significant efforts have been made to grow back the community. Includes interviews with Zita Cobb, eighth generation Fogo Islander; Dwight and Hayward Budden, farmers; Glen and Jerry Best, fishermen; and Jennifer Sexton, who moved to the island to open a coffee shop. (C: Jon Wertheim – P: Nathalie Sommer, Kaylee Tully) (OAD: 12/12/21; Rebroadcast: 08/07/22 – both on 60 MINUTES)
“**Caligula’s Gardens**” – a report on the discovery and excavation of the Roman Emperor Caligula’s gardens. Discoveries about Caligula’s life are allowing scholars to gain a new understanding of the storied Emperor. Includes interviews with Andrew Wallace-Hadrill, professor emeritus at the University of Cambridge; Mirella Serlorenzi, director of excavations for the Italian Ministry of Culture; and Paolo Carafa, Professor of Archaeology at Sapienza University of Rome. (C: Anderson Cooper – P: Andy Court) (OAD: 11/21/21; Rebroadcast: 05/29/22 – both on 60 MINUTES)
“**Return to Gorongosa**” – a report on Gorongosa National Park in Mozambique. After three decades of war, the country aims to restore the historic park’s wildlife and environment. Includes interviews with Greg Carr, American entrepreneur and philanthropist; Antonio Paolo, park veterinarian; Larissa Sousa, who runs the Girls Club; and Mercia Angela, veterinarian. (See also: “Gorongosa”, OAD: 10/26/08) (C: Scott Pelley – P: Henry Schuster, Sarah Turcotte) (OAD: 12/04/22; Rebroadcast: 05/28/23 – both on 60 MINUTES)
- 03/17/24 “**The Capital of Free Russia**” – a report on the political opponents of Russian President Vladimir Putin. With Russia’s 2024 presidential election to be held in March, many of those who have chosen to defy Putin have been forced into exile in Vilnius, Lithuania. Includes interviews with Mantas Adomenas, former deputy foreign minister of Lithuania; and Anastasia Shevchenko, Sergei Davidis, Aleksandr Plyushev, and Tatyana Felgenhauer, Russian dissidents living in Lithuania. (C: Scott Pelley – P: Henry Schuster)
“**Healing Justice**” – an interview with Jennifer Thompson, founder of Healing Justice. A victim of rape, she learned years later that the accused man was innocent and had been exonerated through DNA evidence. Since then, Thompson has created an organization which hosts exonerees, crime victims, and their family members for intensive retreats designed to foster healing. Includes interviews with Penny Beerntsen, Loretta Zilinger-White, and Tomeshia Carrington Artis, victims of rape who identified suspects shown to them by police, who were later exonerated; Gary Wells, professor at Iowa State University and pioneer in eyewitness memory research; Andrea Harrison and Dwayne Jones, whose mother/wife Jacqueline was raped and murdered sending a local man to jail who was exonerated years later; Raymond Towler, Chris Ochoa, and Howard Dudley, exonerees; and Lisa Pawlowski, whose brother was an exoneree. (See also: “Eyewitness”, OAD: 03/08/09. Rebroadcasts: 07/12/09; 09/26/10 – WEST COAST ONLY.) (C: Lesley Stahl – P: Shari Finkelstein) **DOUBLE LENGTH SEGMENT**
The Last Minute – an update to “Agency In Crisis”, OAD: 01/28/24. (C: Cecilia Vega)

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“The Right to be Wrong” – a report on efforts by social media companies to stop the spread of misinformation. While some claim this constitutes censorship, the Supreme Court is now deciding on whether social media platforms have the right to edit or remove misleading user posts. Includes interviews with Kate Starbird, professor at the University of Washington and leader of a misinformation research group created ahead of the 2020 election; Representative Jim Jordan (R-OH), chairman of the House Judiciary Committee; Katie Harbath, former Facebook employee; and Darrell West, senior fellow of technology innovation at the Brookings Institution. (C: Lesley Stahl – P: Ayesha Siddiqi)

“AMLO” – an interview with President of Mexico Andrés Manuel López Obrador from Mexico City. In the final stretch of his term, he discusses the fentanyl crisis in the U.S., Mexico’s economic growth, his ideas on immigration, and drug cartels. (C: Sharyn Alfonsi – P: Michael Karzis)

“Law Of The Sea” – a report on the race to extract minerals used in modern electronics from the seabed of the Eastern Pacific. While China is expected to lead the forefront, the United States is currently blocked by a group of Republican senators who refuse to ratify the UN’s Law of the Sea, asserting the proposed treaty dividing the international ocean floor would undermine American power. Includes interviews with John Bellinger, partner at the D.C. law firm Arnold & Porter; John Negroponce, one of a number of senior Republicans urging the Senate to reconsider and ratify the treaty; Steven Groves, senior policy analyst at the Heritage Foundation and special counsel in Donald Trump’s White House; and Thomas Shugart, former U.S. Navy submarine warfare officer and senior fellow at the Center for a New American Security. (See also: “Into The Deep”, OAD: 11/17/19) (C: Bill Whitaker – P: Heather Abbott)

The Last Minute – an update to “Operation Lone Star”, OAD: 03/03/24. (C: Cecilia Vega)

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“Targeting Americans” – a report on Havana Syndrome. The complex medical condition has been reported by North American government officials primarily overseas. After a five-year investigation into possible attacks on American government employees, an FBI official says she was targeted in the United States and may have potential evidence of Russian involvement. Includes interviews with Carrie, FBI agent working in counterintelligence who says she experienced Havana Syndrome; Dr. David Relman, microbiologist at the Stanford University School of Medicine; Christo Grozev, journalist known for unmasking Russian plots; Mark Zaid, Carrie’s attorney; Greg Edgreen, retired Army lieutenant colonel who led the Pentagon’s investigation into Havana Syndrome for the Defense Intelligence Agency; and the unnamed wife of a Justice Department official, a nurse with a Ph.D. in anesthesiology who says she experienced Havana Syndrome. (For other segments on Havana Syndrome, see also: “Targeting Americans”, OAD: 03/17/19, 1st Rebroadcast: 09/01/19, 2nd Rebroadcast: 06/27/21; and “Targeting Americans”, OAD: 02/20/22, Rebroadcast: 06/26/22) (C: Scott Pelley – Producers for Part I: Oriana Zill de Granados, Michael Rey. Producers for Part II: Michael Rey, Oriana Zill de Granados) **DOUBLE LENGTH SEGMENT**

“Indian Relay” – a report on Indian Relay. Held across North America by members of the Native American Horse Nations tribes, the growing bareback sport is highly dangerous and competitive, with roots dating back centuries to horse stealing raids. Includes interviews with Ken Real Bird, Crow horseman and elder statesman of Indian Relay; Calvin Ghost Bear, member of the Sioux tribe and president of the Horse Nations Indian Relay Council; Chazz Racine, rider and member of the Blackfoot tribe; Ervin Carlson, Chazz’s father; Tuesday and Zia Washakie, sisters, riders, and members of the Shoshone Tribe; Mason Red Wing, rider and member of the Crow Creek Sioux tribe; and Talliyah Timentwa, rider and member of the Colville tribe. (C: Bill Whitaker – P: Rome Hartman)

The Last Minute – The new St. Nicholas Greek Orthodox Church sits at the edge of the World Trade Center, resurrected and alive – after it was nearly destroyed under its rubble on September 11, 2001. (“The Resurrection of St. Nicholas”, OAD: 04/12/20; Rebroadcast 09/06/20 - includes an update.) (C: Scott Pelley)

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48 HOURS: “The Menendez Brothers’ Fight for Freedom” – a report on the case of Lyle and Erik Menendez, who have spent nearly 34 years in prison for killing their parents, Jose and Kitty Menendez—shot to death in their Beverly Hills mansion on August 20th, 1989. About six months after the murders, police received a tip from the girlfriend of a psychologist who Lyle and Erik had been talking to; the brothers confessed to the killings in therapy and there was an audiotaped recording of it. Lyle and Erik first went on trial in 1993 and claimed they killed in self-defense after a lifetime of physical, emotional and sexual abuse suffered at the hands of their parents; prosecutors pointed out that their confession did not mention abuse or self-defense. Although the brothers were first tried together, there were two separate juries. After weeks of deliberation, a mistrial was declared with both juries divided on whether Lyle and Erik should be convicted of murder or manslaughter. At the retrial in 1995, prosecutors argued the brothers were lying about being abused and convinced a judge to exclude some of the evidence of alleged abuse. There was only one jury and Lyle and Erik were convicted of first-degree murder and sentenced to life in prison. Currently, both are incarcerated at R.J. Donovan State Prison in San Diego, CA. There is renewed attention to their case and murder convictions due to the allegations of Roy Rossello, a former member of Menudo, a boy band that originated in Puerto Rico which was very popular in the late ’70s to mid ’80s. Roy, who first spoke publicly in a documentary, and then in a sworn affidavit filed in 2023, claims Jose Menendez, an executive at RCA, who signed the group to a recording contract, raped and sexually abused him on three occasions. Lyle and Erik’s attorney filed a habeas petition in May 2023, asking that their convictions be vacated; they are awaiting the judge’s decision on whether new evidence supports their claim that they killed their parents in self-defense and should have been convicted of manslaughter instead of murder. If that happens, it will be up to the Los Angeles County District Attorney’s Office whether to retry the case; in a statement, the district attorney’s office said it is investigating the claims made in the habeas petition. **On-screen text graphic:** It is unclear when a ruling will be made in the case. Interviewed: Lyle Menendez (telephone interview) (Erik Menendez chose not to speak with 48 HOURS for this broadcast); Jackie Lacey, former elected district attorney, Los Angeles County, CA; Milton Andersen, Kitty Menendez’s brother, does not believe his nephew’s claims of abuse; Cliff Gardner, attorney, represents the Menendez brothers; Alan Andersen, Erik and Lyle’s cousin, testified for the defense at both trials; and Dr. Judy Ho, neuropsychologist, specializes in childhood sex abuse trauma, 48 HOURS consultant, asked to review the case. (Contributor: Natalie Morales – Producers: Stephanie Slifer, Chuck Stevenson)

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48 HOURS: “The Monica Sementilli Affair” – an update to 48 HOURS: “Who Killed Fabio?”, a report on the January 23rd, 2017, murder of Fabio Sementilli, who was sitting by his swimming pool in Los Angeles, California, when he was stabbed to death. At first, police believed he was the victim of the “knock-knock” burglars, a ring targeting Los Angeles celebrities. Fabio, who grew up in Canada and was a celebrity hairdresser and beauty executive, moved to Los Angeles in 2008 with Monica Sementilli, his second wife. They appeared to live a charmed life, while they raised their two daughters. Although the Sementilli house had video surveillance, the digital video recorder was missing, but a neighbor’s security camera captured two figures in hoodies running close to the Sementilli home at the time of the murder. Investigators soon ruled out the “knock-knock” burglars—they had never killed anyone before, and Fabio’s \$8,000 Rolex watch was still on his wrist when his body was discovered by one of his daughters. DNA from blood left at the scene led to Robert Baker, a registered sex offender and leader of a racquetball league Monica belonged to. Clues led to the discovery that Monica and Robert were involved romantically and police believed both were responsible for Fabio’s murder, motivated by his life insurance policy. Both were arrested in June 2017 and charged with murder; both pleaded not guilty and are scheduled to be tried together. The accomplice seen in the neighbor’s security camera has never been identified. **03/09/24 UPDATE:** Legal delays and COVID delayed the trial. In July 2023, Robert Baker skipped trial altogether and pleaded no contest; he was sentenced to life in prison without the possibility of parole, plus one year. 48 HOURS visited him in jail; he claimed Monica had nothing to do with Fabio’s murder and was unaware that he was her husband’s killer. Monica’s defense team and the district attorney declined to be interviewed before trial. Gessica and Isabella, the daughters Monica shared with Fabio, are supporting their mother. **On-screen text graphic:** Monica Sementilli’s trial is scheduled to begin in April 2024. Interviewed for 48 HOURS: “The Monica Sementilli Affair”: Julie Rendelman, New York-based defense attorney, reviewed Monica’s defense team’s pre-trial motions for 48 HOURS; and Mary Fulginiti, former federal prosecutor, 48 HOURS consultant, reviewed the case against Monica. (Contains footage and interviews from the 2018 broadcasts of 48 HOURS: “Who Killed Fabio?”: Joe Mercurio, restaurateur, Fabio’s friend; Mirella Rota, Fabio’s sister; Pete Castellanos, Fabio’s colleague; Elyse Bleuel, Monica’s friend, member of Robert Baker’s racquetball league; Luigi Sementilli, Fabio’s son from an earlier marriage; Bill Dunn, Los Angeles Police Department detective at the time of the 2018 broadcast; and Mary Fulginiti, former federal prosecutor.) (See also: 48 HOURS: “Who Killed Fabio?”, OAD: 03/10/18; Rebroadcast: 09/08/18) (Contributor: Michelle Miller – Producer: Chuck Stevenson)

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48 HOURS: “Lamar Johnson: Standing in Truth” (10:30 – 11:30p) - a report on the case against Lamar Johnson of St. Louis, MO, who spent almost three decades in prison for the murder of his friend, Markus Boyd. In 1994, 20-year-old Lamar worked at Jiffy Lube and attended community college; he also sold small amounts of crack cocaine for extra cash. On October 30th, 1994, 25-year-old Markus, who worked at a printing company and sold drugs on the side, was shot to death by two masked gunmen on his St. Louis porch. Named as a possible suspect by Markus’ girlfriend and his photo selected by witness Greg Elking, who later chose Lamar in a police lineup, Lamar was arrested along with his friend Phillip Campbell, on November 3rd, 1994. Though he had an alibi – Lamar was miles away with his girlfriend and daughter – he went on trial in July 1995; it took the jury two hours to reach a guilty verdict, primarily based on Greg’s testimony. Between his trial and sentencing, Lamar exchanged letters with the other suspect, Phillip Campbell, who admitted Lamar was not involved and named the other shooter: James "B.A." Howard. In September 1995, Lamar was sentenced to life in prison without parole. The Midwest Innocence Project discovered that Greg later wrote a letter to a clergyman, admitting he had lied at Johnson's trial. In 2018, St. Louis Circuit Attorney Kimberly Gardner agreed to look at Lamar’s case. Convinced of his innocence, she attempted to get Lamar’s conviction overturned, but was denied by the Missouri courts. In 2021, the Missouri Legislature passed a law, giving prosecutors the power to bring cases of innocence to court. On December 12th, 2022, Lamar Johnson and his legal team gathered in a St. Louis courtroom for a week-long hearing; Greg Elking testified he felt pressured by lead investigator Joe Nickerson to choose Lamar in the lineups. In February 2023, Lamar’s murder conviction was overturned; the judge also found there was clear and convincing evidence of Johnson’s innocence. After more than 28 years behind bars, 49-year-old Lamar Johnson was finally exonerated. **On-screen text graphic:** Under current law, Johnson is not entitled to compensation from the state of Missouri. Interviewed: Lamar Johnson; Brittany Johnson, Lamar’s daughter; Kiera Barrow, Lamar and Erika’s daughter; Erika Barrow, Kiera’s mother, Lamar’s former girlfriend; Greg Elking, lone eyewitness to Markus Boyd’s murder; Ricky Kidd, Lamar’s friend, met while serving a life sentence for murder before Ricky was exonerated; Lindsay Runnels, Lamar’s attorney; Dwight Warren, original prosecutor; Kimberly Gardner, St. Louis circuit attorney; Robert Ogilvie, chief investigator, Circuit Attorney’s office; Jonathon Potts and Charlie Weiss, attorneys appointed by Kimberly Gardner to handle Lamar’s case; and Tony Messenger, columnist, St. Louis Post-Dispatch. (C: Erin Moriarty – P: Marcelena Spencer, Emily Wichick) (OAD: 04/29/23)

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48 HOURS: “Who Poisoned Angela Craig?” – a report on the March 18th, 2023, death of Angela Craig and the case against her husband, Dr. James (Jim) Craig. Angela, a wife and mother, was raising six children with James, a well-known dentist, in Aurora, Colorado. On March 6th, 2023, Angela reported feeling sick and James took her to the emergency room at Parker Adventist Hospital, where doctors were unable to determine why she was ill and sent her home. Within 24 hours, Angela’s symptoms came back and she returned to Parker Adventist Hospital, where she was admitted. Still unable to diagnose what was making Angela so sick, doctors sent her home on March 14th. Within a day, she started feeling sick again and was admitted to nearby University Hospital on March 15th. Through it all James was in constant contact with his wife and texted his business partner and fellow dentist, Dr. Ryan Redfearn and his wife Michelle, a nurse, for advice. While at University Hospital, Angela suffered a seizure and was put on life support. James reached out to Ryan again for support, unaware that he knew James had received a package at work, which contained Potassium Cyanide, a poison not needed in a dental practice. Ryan alerted a nurse, who called the Aurora police. Hours after Angela was taken off life support and died, Jim was arrested and charged with first-degree murder; he pleaded not guilty. Angela’s autopsy revealed she had been poisoned and died from lethal concentrations of cyanide and a lethal concentration of tetrahydrozoline, the chemical found in some eye drops; she also had toxic concentrations of arsenic in her blood, found in those two earlier hospital visits. Police claim the evidence pointed to her husband and allege he researched poisons online and laced Angela’s protein shakes. Investigators discovered Jim began an affair with Dr. Karin Cain, an orthodontist from Austin, TX, and that his dental practice was in debt in excess of \$2 million—Angela’s life insurance was valued at \$3.4 million. At a preliminary hearing in 2023, Jim’s attorney said his client has a history of depression, had sought counseling in the past and had plans to die by suicide. Three of Angela and Jim’s children live with his brother, the other three are now adults living on their own. **On-screen text graphic:** Jim Craig’s trial is scheduled to begin on August 8, 2024. Interviewed: Steffan Tubbs, podcast host, “Arsenic, DDS”, talk show host, Denver, CO; Dr. Jeff Lapoint, emergency physician, director, division of medical toxicology, Kaiser Permanente Hospital, San Diego, CA, reviewed the arrest warrant for 48 HOURS; Skye Lazaro, criminal defense lawyer, reviewed the case against Dr. James Craig for 48 HOURS; Chelsea Otoy, former employee, worked for Dr. Craig at Summerbrook Dental; and George Brauchler, former elected district attorney, Arapahoe County, CO, former morning host, Colorado talk radio. (Contributor: Natalie Morales – Producers: Jamie Stolz, Sarah Prior) (WEST COAST FEED ONLY)

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48 HOURS: “The Troubled Case Against Jane Dorotik” (10:00 – 11:00p) – an update to 48 HOURS MYSTERIES: “A Family Torn Apart”, a 2001 report on the case against Jane Dorotik, a California mother and wife convicted of murdering her husband, Bob Dorotik. On February 14th, 2000, the murdered body of Bob Dorotik, a 55-year-old engineer and father of three, was found bludgeoned and strangled by the side of a mountain road near their home in the foothills of San Diego, CA. Despite her denial of any involvement, Jane, Bob’s wife of 30 years, was arrested for the crime. In response to the prosecution’s damaging physical evidence, including blood spatter, Jane’s attorneys tried a risky and divisive strategy—trying to shift suspicion to Claire, the couple’s daughter whose relations with her father had been strained. In 2001, Jane Dorotik was tried for murder, found guilty and sentenced to 25 years to life. **03/30/24 UPDATE:** Jane has always maintained her innocence and from prison, spent years filing motions asking for new testing of evidence; a motion was eventually granted in 2015. A wrongful conviction group, Loyola Law School’s Project for the Innocent took over her case and the court allowed them to have new DNA testing done on several items; results indicated foreign male DNA was found on several items. The state stood by its original investigation and Jane’s appellate team maintained the bedroom did not resemble a crime scene and questioned the handling of evidence. In 2020, Jane was temporarily and conditionally released from prison due to COVID health concerns. During the summer of 2020, the state requested that her murder conviction be overturned and the judge agreed; three months later, the district attorney’s office decided to retry her. In May 2022, just as jury selection was about to begin, the prosecution requested that the court dismiss the charges; the case against Jane Dorotik was dismissed without prejudice, meaning if new evidence surfaces, charges could be brought again someday. Jane works with advocacy groups that assist incarcerated women. **On-screen text graphic:** Jane Dorotik has filed a civil suit against the County of San Diego. The suit also names several members of the San Diego County Sheriff’s Department and its Crime Laboratory. (This broadcast contains footage and interviews from 48 HOURS MYSTERIES: “A Family Torn Apart”: Jane Dorotik; James Blackmon, deputy, San Diego County Sheriff’s department; Rick Empson, detective, San Diego County Sheriff’s department; Claire Dorotik, Jane and Bob’s daughter; and Kerry Steigerwalt and Cole Casey, Jane Dorotik’s attorneys.) Interviewed for the 03/31/24 update: Jane Dorotik; Matthew Troiano, CBS News consultant, former prosecutor, current defense attorney, reviewed some of the court documents for 48 HOURS; and Nathan Lents, professor of biology and forensic science, John Jay College of Criminal Justice, reviewed court documents about new evidence for 48 HOURS. (See also: 48 HOURS MYSTERIES: “A Family Torn Apart”, OAD: 12/03/01; Rebroadcast: 06/17/02) (C: Erin Moriarty – P: Ruth Chenetz, Dena Goldstein)

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03/05/24 **CBS NEWS: AMERICA DECIDES: CAMPAIGN '24: SUPER TUESDAY** (10:00 – 11:00p) – live coverage of the results of the Democratic and Republican presidential primaries and caucuses. Democrats and Republicans held primaries in Alabama, Arkansas, California, Colorado, Maine, Massachusetts, Minnesota, North Carolina, Oklahoma, Tennessee, Texas, Vermont and Virginia; Democrats held a primary in Utah; Republicans held caucuses in Alaska and Utah; and Democrats held caucuses in the U.S. territory of American Samoa. For the Republicans, CBS News projects that Donald Trump has won the Republican primaries in eleven states so far: Alabama, Arkansas, Colorado, Maine, Massachusetts, Minnesota, North Carolina, Oklahoma, Tennessee, Texas and Virginia; Vermont is “likely” going to be a win for Nikki Haley. CBS News also projects that President Biden has won every state that has closed so far: Alabama, Arkansas, Colorado, Maine, Massachusetts, Minnesota, North Carolina, Oklahoma, Tennessee, Texas, Utah, Vermont and Virginia. Also includes: (1) a live report from Mar-a-Lago; (2) live footage (video only) of former President Trump speaking at Mar-a-Lago; (3) reports from multiple states, focusing on the races and key issues in North Carolina, Massachusetts, Minnesota, Texas and California; (4) analysis of the key issues on voters’ minds: immigration, the economy and reproductive rights; (5) a discussion of the four criminal trials Mr. Trump will face, including the Supreme Court’s decision to hear arguments about presidential immunity; and (6) a live report from Mar-a-Lago, recapping Mr. Trump’s speech to supporters (includes taped footage [no audio] of him speaking from moments ago).
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CBS NEWS SPECIAL REPORT

03/07/24 **CBS NEWS SPECIAL REPORT: STATE OF THE UNION AND THE REPUBLICAN RESPONSE** (9:00 – 11:17p) – live coverage of President Joe Biden’s State of the Union address to a joint session of Congress. Includes: (1) President Biden’s address. Preceded and followed by Correspondents’ commentary and analysis; and (2) the Republican response by Senator Katie Britt (R-AL), from the Britt family kitchen in Montgomery, AL. Preceded and followed by Correspondents’ commentary and analysis. Correspondents: Norah O’Donnell (anchor, CBS News Washington); Ed O’Keefe (CBS News Washington); Robert Costa (CBS News Washington); Margaret Brennan (CBS News Washington); Nancy Cordes (CBS News Washington); Jo Ling Kent (CBS News Washington); Scott MacFarlane (from inside the House Chamber); Major Garrett (Capitol Hill); Nikole Killion (U.S. Capitol); Weijia Jiang (White House); and John Dickerson (New York). Contributors: (voice of) Ashley Etienne, CBS News political contributor; and (voice of) Terry Sullivan, CBS News political contributor.
