(1) Trump Says...

Trump says he is not crossing into Afghanistan...  
...to counter the uprising.  

Trump announced Saturday that he had ordered the military to start planning for an even larger troop pullout from a country it had declared won in 2014.  

Trump’s moves come after the Taliban launched a surprise attack on a U.S.-led convoy in eastern Afghanistan on Thursday that killed 12 people, including some American service members.  

(2) Afghan War

Pakistan has condemned violence in the area, but the Taliban were not immediately available for comment.  

(3) Trump's Travel Ban

Trump signed a previous executive order suspending travel from six Muslim-majority countries, including Syria, Yemen and Iran, in January 2017.  

The ban targeted nationals of Syria, Yemen, Iran, Libya, Somalia and Sudan, and it was widely criticized by humanitarian and civil rights organizations.  

The ban was later overturned by the Supreme Court, which ruled that the president could not bar anyone from entering the U.S. if they had a “bona fide” relationship with a U.S. citizen, such as a family member or employer.  

(4) Afghanistan Military Build-Up

The United States and its allies have been increasing their military presence in Afghanistan in recent years.  

(5) Afghanistan Peace Talks

The Afghan government and the Taliban have been negotiating for a peace deal for several years.  

(6) Afghanistan Crisis

The crisis in Afghanistan has been exacerbated by the COVID-19 pandemic, which has caused widespread disruption and hardship in the country.