Ex-U.S. Attorney Links Firing to Trump Team's 'Helter-Skelter Incompetence'



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In **an interview** with *The New York Times*, Preet Bharara, the former U.S. attorney in Manhattan, remains mystified by the circumstances of his firing by the Trump administration, saying he had never been told why President Trump changed his mind about wanting him to stay on.

He characterized his ouster as an example of the chaos that has defined some of the administration's decisions: "a direct example of the kind of uncertain helter-skelter incompetence, when it comes to personnel decisions and executive actions, that was in people's minds when this out-of-the-blue call for everyone's resignation letter came."

Bharara also disclosed that Trump, after having asked him to remain in his post, telephoned him three times, raising concern that such calls could run afoul of strict Justice Department protocols, write **Benjamin Weiser** and **William K. Rashbaum**.

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