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US-Mexico Border Wall: Another blow on Trump

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The President announced he will appeal the judge's decision on the border wall with Mexico. He based on "freezing" funds intended for monitoring the wall being built in the border of the two nations.

Haywood Gilliam, federal judge in California appointed during the administration of Barack Obama, made the call.

A spokesman for the ACLU (American Civil Liberties Union) stated that the court order blocks Trump's administration from constructing the first projects of the wall.

Where will Trump get that money from?

From the Pentagon, backed by the authorization given by the "national emergency" call made up in February to elude his many Democrats' opponents in Congress who reject such construction.

The verdict of the aforementioned court in California blocks the transfer of some USD 1 billion of the military budget to pay that border wall.

Likewise, it hinders the construction of some new sides of the wall but does not stop its whole development.

In other words, the order of the judge does not allow to build a wall by using the funds of the Department of Defense in areas close to Mexico, Arizona, and Texas.

The ACLU spokesman recalled the cost of the first construction projects announced by the Trump's administration that were diverted "from the military and pensions accounts."

Nonetheless, Trump—who pays an official visit to Japan— hit back and wrote in his Twitter profile:

"Another activist (Barack) Obama appointed judge has just ruled against us on a section of the Southern Wall that is already under construction.

This is a ruling against Border Security and in favor of crime, drugs and human trafficking."

That is the way some urgent issues are addressed right now in Washington, where there is even a threat of a likely "impeachment" against the boss of the White House, and this is certainly a trending topic.

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