

# *U.S. Secretary of Health Resigns Over Travel Cost Scandal*

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Washington, October 2 (RHC)-- U.S. Health and Human Services Secretary Tom Price has resigned, following news reports that he and his wife traveled on military and private charter flights at a cost to taxpayers that may have exceeded \$1 million. Price resigned after President Trump said he didn't like the "optics" of the scandal and suggested he was prepared to fire his HHS secretary.

Price's resignation came as other members of Trump's Cabinet are under scrutiny for chartering similar flights. Treasury Secretary Steve Mnuchin and his wife took a government jet to Louisville and Fort Knox, Kentucky, in August, where they watched the total solar eclipse from Fort Knox, and earlier this year Mnuchin requested a \$25,000-per-hour government jet for his European honeymoon.

And reports say that Environmental Protection Agency chief Scott Pruitt and Interior Secretary Ryan Zinke and his aides also reportedly took noncommercial flights at taxpayer expense.

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