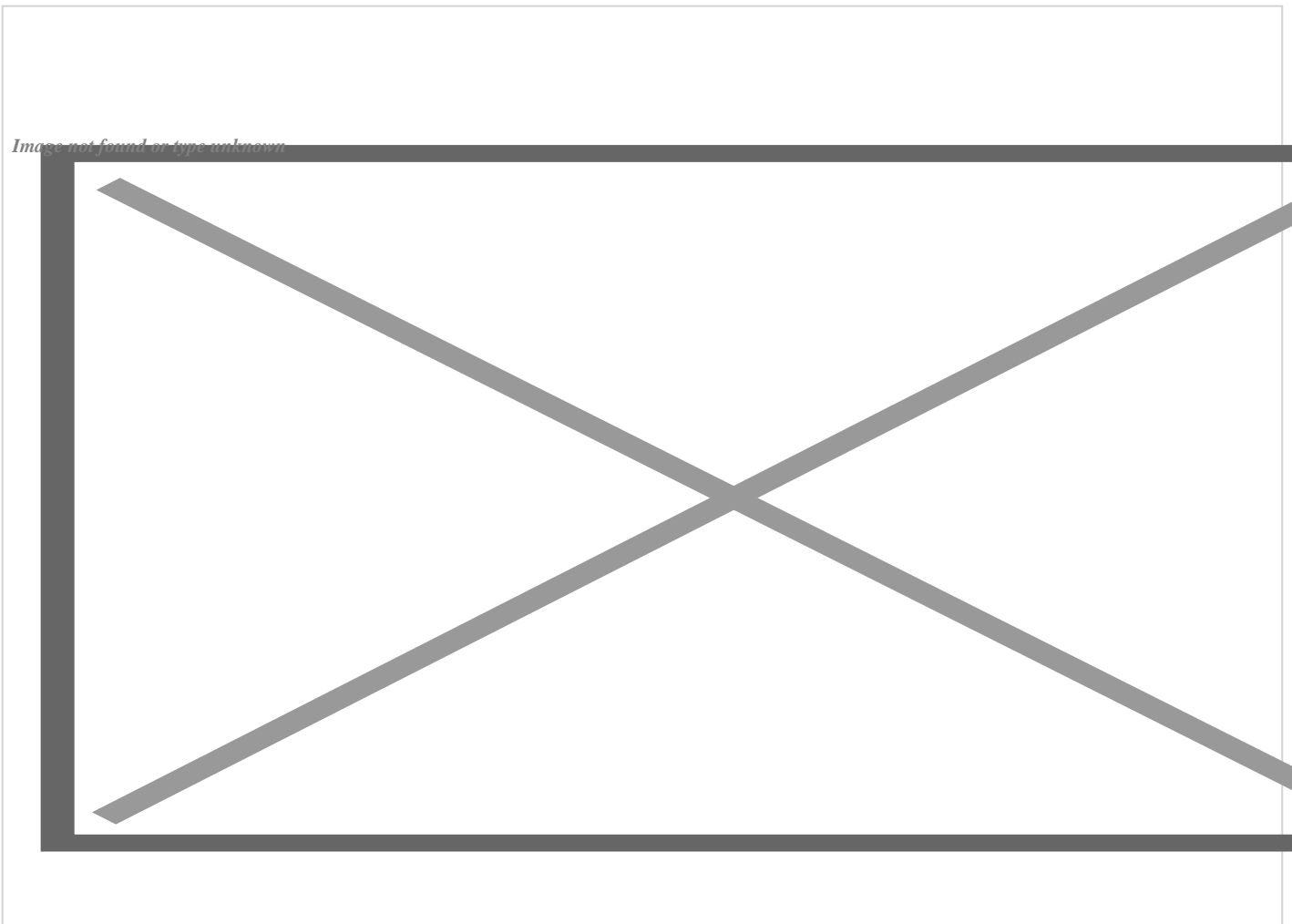


# *Two weeks and counting...*

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U.S. President Donald Trump would very much like each day of the next two weeks to be at least 48 hours long, so that he can bridge the gap with his opponent, Joe Biden, in his desperate race to stay in the White House.

This is the time left until the November 3rd election, a process that is practically in the final stretch, hence every moment counts. Despite the fact that the Democratic Party candidate is at the top of the polls, nothing has been decided yet.

Nevertheless, some significant signs are emerging in the Republican camp. Perhaps the most important of these is that the president is increasingly losing his temper and earning some dangerous enmities.

This is how we can interpret the insults uttered a few days ago against Dr. Anthony Fauci, director of the National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases, and his close collaborators, whom he called "idiots" who were wrong in the fight against COVID-19.

Fauci is undoubtedly one of the best qualified professionals in that country and his credentials are highly respected by the scientific community.

Trump complained that the media gives the doctor too much space. He goes on television a lot, the president complains, somehow forgetting that his TV appearances have to do with a health crisis that has cost over 8,260,000 infections and 220,000 deaths -- the larger figures in the world.

With his violent attacks, the candidate for reelection is proving that he knows, and rightly fears, that his Achilles' heel in this race is the poor handling of the disease, which got totally out of control and dragged the economy down with it.

And just like a boxer with a few points on the board, Biden is concentrating his political blows precisely on that matter. This has really annoyed Trump, who desperately intends to change the subject.

According to David Brooks, U.S. correspondent for the Mexican newspaper La Jornada, the president also becomes entangled in other issues.

During a recent rally, he boasted that if he needed more money for the campaign, he would just have to call a company, such as Exxon, and tell them that in exchange for some drilling licenses, he would be happy to receive \$25 million.

But... that's illegal in the United States.

Trump would like to extend the time, without understanding that it would be best to shorten it, to avoid more mistakes that could cost him dearly now that sanity and common sense are increasingly distant.

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