

Donald Trump's former chief of staff John Kelly says Trump meets definition of fascist

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New York, October 23 (RHC)-- Former President Trump's longest-serving chief of staff has warned Trump meets the definition of a "fascist." Retired Marine General John Kelly made the remarks in an on-the-record interview with The New York Times.

"Well, looking at the definition of 'fascism,' it's a far-right, authoritarian, ultranationalist political ideology and movement characterized by a dictatorial leader, centralized autocracy, militarism, forcible suppression of opposition, belief in a natural social hierarchy. So, certainly, in my experience, those are the kind of things that he [Donald Trump] thinks would work better in terms of running America."

Kelly said Trump's recent comments about employing the military against domestic opponents had left him "deeply bothered." He recounted that Trump said on several occasions: "Hitler did some good things, too."

In related news, The Atlantic reports Trump said during a private meeting at the White House: "I need the kind of generals that Hitler had."

Trump also reportedly referred to 20-year-old U.S. Army soldier Vanessa Guillén, whose 2020 murder at Fort Hood in Texas brought global attention to the epidemic of sexual violence in the U.S. military, as an "fucking Mexican." Trump reportedly ordered his then-Chief of Staff Mark Meadows not to pay for Guillén's funeral.

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