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Talking Points Following Georgia Indictment

No one is above the law – not even a former President of the United States.

That's why, following a more than two-year investigation, a grand jury of everyday Americans in Georgia reviewed mountains of evidence and indicted former President Donald Trump and key allies like his lawyers Rudy Giuliani and John Eastman, and White House Chief of Staff Mark Meadows on 41 criminal charges for attempting to overturn the results of the 2020 election in Georgia.

The indictment tells a straightforward story: Trump led a criminal conspiracy that included 18 co-defendants and 30 unindicted co-conspirators to commit fraud and illegally reverse the will of Georgia voters even though Trump and his team already knew he'd lost.

That's why Trump and his co-conspirators are being charged under Georgia's RICO statute given that the charges encompass a wide range of conspirators from the Oval Office to low-level Georgia GOP functionaries.

According to the indictment:

• Trump and his team illegally pressured Georgia officials to recognize Trump as the winner of Georgia's electoral votes – even though Trump and his team knew he lost.

This includes:

- o In a phone call, Trump <u>demanded</u> Georgia Secretary of State Brad Raffensperger "find 11,780" votes in his favor.
- o Trump's staff harassed state legislators and election authorities.
- Trump and his team illegally organized fake Electoral College electors to falsely proclaim that he was the winner of the state of Georgia.
- Trump campaign staff illegally hacked voting machines in Coffee County, Georgia in an effort to prove their false claim that Trump won the election.

This indictment is a big step toward accountability for the attempts to overthrow the 2020 election.

It's of the utmost importance that this matter be brought to trial promptly.