

America vs WHO: What does Trump's decision mean?

Imagine this – America, the world's largest funder of the World Health Organization (WHO), is now distancing itself from it. Yes, you heard it right – on January 22, 2026, America's association with WHO will come to an end. And no, this is not some political drama. This is a real-life story.



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Trump's Decision

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2020

During his first term, Trump had tried to withdraw from the WHO, but this decision was halted due to his election loss.

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January 22, 2025

There is a buzz at the United Nations headquarters. News comes in: a formal letter has arrived from the office of the US President Donald Trump, dated January 22, 2025. It states that the US is withdrawing from the WHO.

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January 22, 2026

The US and the WHO will part ways.

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Impact on WHO



Loss of Funding

The WHO, which receives 18% of its funding from the United States, regrets this decision.



Programs at Risk

Programs designed to fight TB, HIV/AIDS, and other health emergencies may now be at risk.



Challenges During Pandemic

And all of this is happening at a time when the world is still grappling with the effects of the pandemic.



Trump's Complaints

Pandemic Management

WHO mishandled the pandemic.

China's Stance

Kowtowed to China.

Failure to Take Responsibility

Failed to fulfill his responsibilities.



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Unveiling Trump's Bold Moves

Executive Order

On the very first day of his term, he signed an Executive Order.

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Ending Discussions

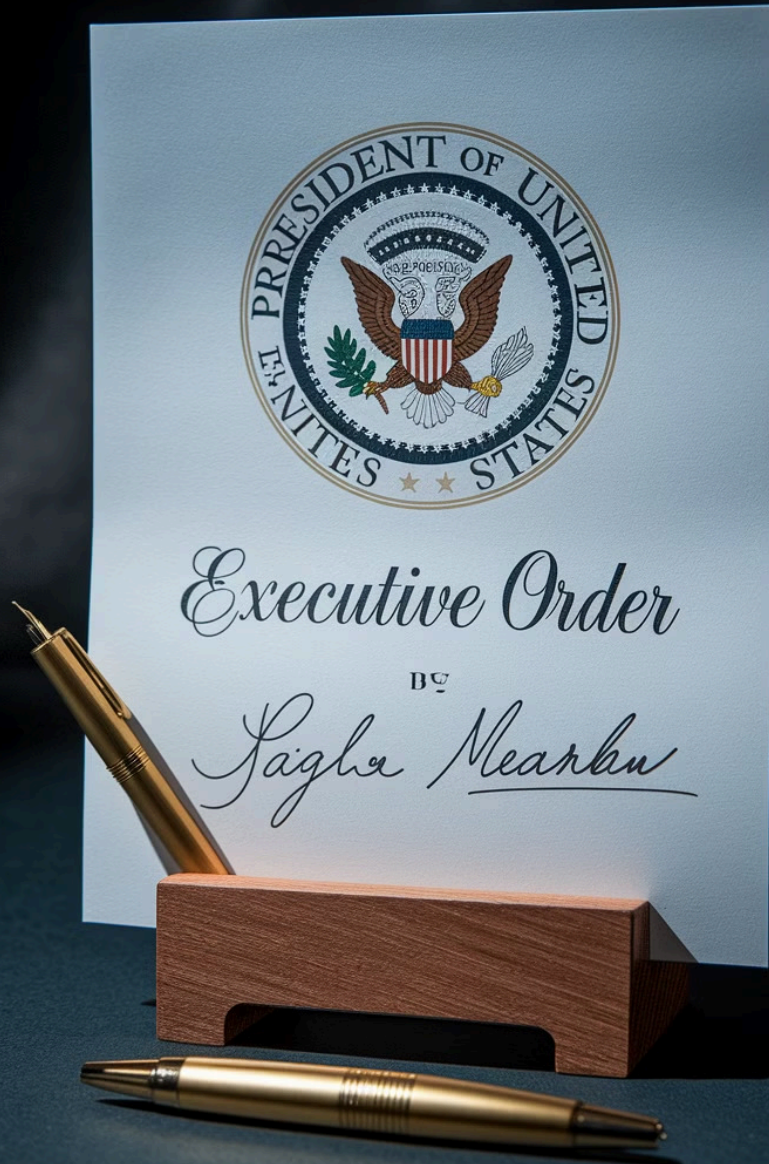
It was stated that all discussions related to America's involvement with the WHO would be terminated.

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Recalling Officials

It was stated that his officials would be recalled.

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A Simple Example

Like a School Project

Imagine you're working on a group project in school. You contribute the most funding, organize the meetings, and stay up late creating the slides.

Suddenly Leaving

Then one day, you suddenly say, "That's it, I'm done!" You gather your things and leave, leaving the rest of the team to handle everything.



Financial Impact

18%

WHO Funding

The United States contributes 18% of WHO's funding.

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Outstanding Amount

The United States must pay the outstanding amount owed to WHO, as it is required by the 1948 U.S. law.

Impact on Global Health



Fight Against TB

Programs to fight TB may be disrupted.



HIV/AIDS

Efforts to combat HIV may be impacted.



Pandemic Management

Capacity to handle future pandemics may be weakened.

America's Legacy

Global Health Leadership

For decades, America has led global health initiatives.

1

Smallpox Eradication

Played a crucial role in eliminating smallpox.

2

Fight Against AIDS

A leader in the global fight against AIDS.

3

Threatened Leadership

Now this leadership is under threat.

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The Way Ahead



Global Response

Will other countries step up?
Or will the WHO become
weaker and weaker?



America's Image

Where will this step place
America's image on the
global stage?



Future of Healthcare

What does this mean for the millions who depend on WHO
programs?

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