

Going After “Bad Hombres”: Trump Threatens to Send U.S. Troops to Mexico

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President Donald Trump threatened to send U.S. troops to Mexico to stop “bad hombres,” according to multiple news reports Wednesday.

“You have a bunch of bad hombres down there,” Trump told Mexican President Enrique Peña Nieto, according to an excerpt of a Friday phone conversation transcript [seen by the Associated Press](#).

“You aren’t doing enough to stop them. I think your military is scared. Our military isn’t, so I just might send them down to take care of it.”

The AP’s transcript did not specify who Trump was referring to as “bad hombres,” but Mexican news website [Aristegui Noticias reported](#) that Trump was referring to drug traffickers.

“It was a very offensive conversation where Trump humiliated Peña Nieto,” reporter Dolia Estevez, who claimed to have heard the call, told Aristegui Noticias.

The White House did not respond to the Associated Press, but Mexico’s foreign relations department strongly denied both reports, saying they were “based on absolute falsehoods.”

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