

Hypocrites say

Because I'm not president.

Donald Trump, responding to CNN moderator Kaitlin Collins's question, "So what's different now?" during a May 10, 2023, televised "town hall" meeting after Trump had encouraged Republicans to vote to default on the nation's debt and she had reminded him that he had said, when he was president, that it was wrong for Democrats to use the prospect of defaulting on it as a negotiating tactic

[The audience of staunch Trump supporters responded with peals of laughter and applause at the prospect of ruining the country's credit rating; the loss of 6-8 million jobs; increases in all interest rates; reductions in Social Security/veterans/other welfare programs; reductions in investor confidence/stock market prices, etc.]