

Trumpism

Nine days in spring offered a case study in Mr. Trump's approach to some of the most daunting issues confronting him and the nation:

When the goal seems frustratingly out of reach through traditional means, threaten drastic action, set a deadline, demand concessions, cut a deal – real or imagined – avert the dire outcome and declare victory.

If nothing else, he forces attention on the issue at hand. Whether the approach yields sustainable results seems less certain.

**Peter Baker,
New York Times, June 9, 2019,
after calling off threatened tariffs on Mexico**