## Suspicion over white house shooting while NRA endorses Trump

At almost the same time that the National Rifle Association (NRA) endorsed Donald Trump at its national convention on Friday in Louisville, Kentucky, a shooting incident occurred adjacent to the White House by an alleged armed suspect. Several law enforcement officers told Conservative Base that they suspect the shooting was a covert operation by the Democrats.

The NRA nod for a Trump presidency was considered as much as the NRA's opposition to likely Democratic nominee Hillary Clinton as it was an endorsement of Trump. While most of the news media downplayed the endorsement and Trump's speech, attendees have said they've rarely seen as much energy and excitement over an endorsement when John McCain ran in 2008 and Mitt Romney ran in 2012.

"The Second Amendment is under threat like never before," Trump told the crowd. "Crooked Hillary Clinton is the most anti-gun, anti-Second Amendment candidate ever to run for office."

Meanwhile, agents with the U.S. Secret Service responded to an emergency and ended up shooting an armed man at a White House security checkpoint. During the incident, the news reporters were rushed out of the press briefing room and brought to an emergency location in the White House basement.

"It was a really big White House show and it all but ended the coverage of the NRA convention and the Trump speech," said former U.S. Marine and police detective Sid Franes. "I would not put it past the Obama administration and the Democrats to have set up this whole incident to counter Trump's positive

poll numbers and the excitement of his NRA speech and endorsement," Franes added.

President Barack Obama was reportedly playing golf at a protected course at Andrews Air Force Base in Camp Springs, Maryland, when the shooting occurred. So far, no motive for the shooting by the lone gunman has been announced.

A uniformed Secret Service officer gave the suspect commands for him to "freeze and drop the firearm," said a Secret Service spokesman. The officer shot the suspect once, and he was taken to a local hospital.

U.S. Park Police said the incident occurred on West Executive Drive, which runs diagonally with Pennsylvania Avenue, between the White House and the Old Executive Office Building.

The White House press corps in briefing room said they were told to seek shelter in the White House basement. Secret Service told people to evacuate the area and pushed a safety perimeter at least another block from the White House.

"What Americans should consider is this may have been an attempt to enter the home of the Obama family and they had a small army armed to the teeth to protect them and their property. How many Americans can claim having the same degree of security? And both Hillary Clinton and Obama want to make sure Americans can't defend themselves," said political strategist Mike Baker. "Trump is able to articulate that fact better than anyone has in the past," he added.

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