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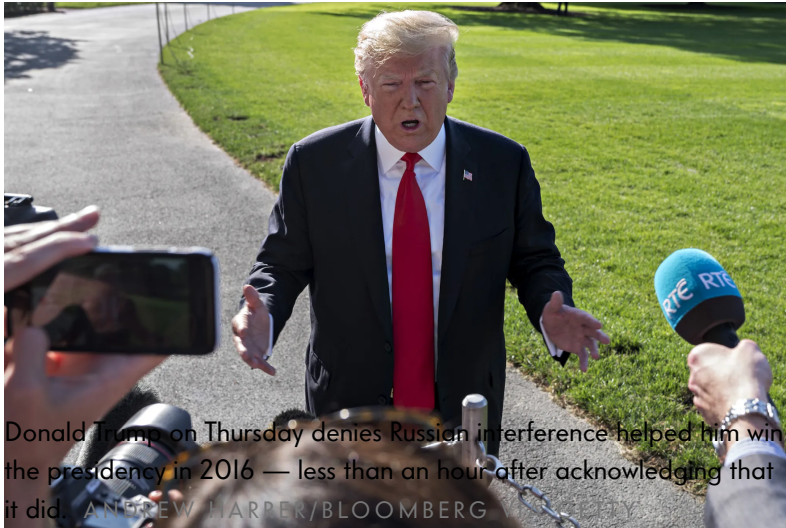
The president is sick of "disloyal" American Jews, who apparently don't know what's good for them. But "Jewish people in Israel love him," according to the crazed conspiracy theorist Trump quoted on Twitter.



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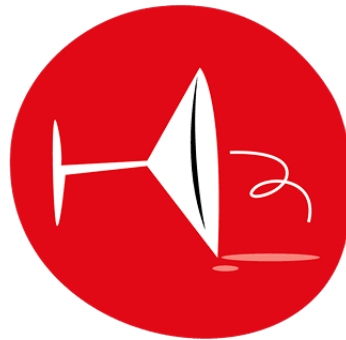


Donald Trump on Thursday denies Russian interference helped him win the presidency in 2016 — less than an hour after acknowledging that it did. ANDREW HARRER/BLOOMBERG



It's been an eventful 18 hours in the fevered mind of **Donald Trump**. Yesterday, the president unleashed an anti-Semitic **rant** in the Oval Office in which he declared that Jews who vote for Democrats are either uneducated or disloyal. Unfortunately, with about 70% of American Jews being registered Democrats, that's a lot of disloyalty. So Trump looked elsewhere for answers, and lo, he found an unhinged supporter who says Israelis (the real Jews!) love Trump like the "King of Israel" and "the second coming of God." Then he cited him on Twitter:

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