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Statement from Lt. Gen. Robert L. Caslen, Superintendent, U.S. Military Academy, West Point in response to "[Military brass like what they hear from White House -- but worry about becoming props](#)"

On March 15, the Washington Post published an article by reporters Greg Jaffe and Missy Ryan. While the article did capture that my loyalty and support are not tied to a political position, it did not exactly reflect our conversation.

An important part of our discussion was omitted from the published story. As much as I said I am not a Trump supporter, I also told the reporter I am also not a Clinton supporter. The implication is that I do not support any political party. When we take the oath of office as a member of the military, we swear allegiance to the Constitution, and our Constitution does not have a political bent one way or the other.

It is important to note that President Trump, as my Commander in Chief, has my full trust, confidence, and loyalty.