

Watch: Donald Trump Laughed at by United Nations for Saying His Administration Has Accomplished Most in History

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President Donald Trump received laughs before the United Nations General Assembly in New York City Tuesday after he claimed his administration had been more successful than any other in the country's history.

During his second speech ever before the assembly, Trump opened by making his oft-repeated proclamation about his tenure in office, though those in attendance did not appear to take him seriously.

"In less than two years my administration has accomplished more than any almost administration in the history of our country," Trump said.

Laughs slowly rose up in the crowd, and Trump responded: "So true. Didn't expect that reaction."

Much like he would during a speech at one of his rallies, Trump then spoke about his administration's accomplishments like the creation of more jobs, particularly in the manufacturing sector, as well as drops in the Hispanic and African-American unemployment rate.

Trump claimed the start of construction of a major border wall and touched on several of his favorite topics, including trade deals with Mexico and the call for free trade that better benefits the United States. He also hit back against China's trade practices and claimed Germany would be beholden to Russian energy unless it changed up its policies.

In a sharp contrast from 12 months ago, Trump thanked North Korea leader Kim Jong Un for the progress made in peace talks, noting the lack of missile tests for most of this year.

A year ago Trump had unleashed threats against Kim, warning him against the use of war-mongering rhetoric and further nuclear and missile tests while labeling him "rocket man." The war of words between Trump and Kim ultimately led to a summit in Singapore in June, during which North Korea had agreed to denuclearize the peninsula and to return the remains of U.S. soldiers killed during the Korean War.



President Donald Trump attends a meeting on the global drug problem at the United Nations a day ahead of the official opening of the 73rd United Nations General Assembly, in New York, on September 24. Getty Images/Spencer Platt

During his speech Tuesday, Trump reserved his fiercest rhetoric for Iran and the nuclear deal put together by the administration of his predecessor Barack Obama.

"The United States has launched a campaign of economic pressure to deny [Iran] the funds it needs to advance its bloody agenda...last month we started imposing hardened nuclear sanctions...we ask all nations to isolate Iran's regime..." the president said.

Trump reiterated the stance made by his national security adviser John Bolton that the International Criminal Court would not be recognized by the U.S., claiming that the court did not properly carry out justice.

Later Trump took on the powerful Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries (OPEC), claiming it was "ripping off the rest of the world and I don't like it. Nobody should like it."

He continued: "We want them to stop raising prices, we want them to start lowering prices, and they must contribute substantially to military protection from now on. We are not going to put up with it—these horrible prices—much longer."

Trump's rebuke of OPEC mirrored a similar attack on the body last week, but the president's recent call for sanctions on Iranian oil imports by early November would likely hinder OPEC from bringing oil prices down, according to CNBC. Iran is OPEC's third-biggest producer.