

《卸磨杀驴？特朗普突然炒掉FBI局长科米！》

导读:特朗普突然下令炒掉FBI局长科米。消息发出之时，科米正在洛杉矶给其部下做演讲。而就在大选之前，科米还对希拉里“邮件门”进行了翻案，致希拉里支持率走低。



President Donald Trump has fired the director of the FBI over his handling of the inquiry into Hillary Clinton's emails, the administration says.

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The White House shocked Washington by announcing that James Comey "has been terminated and removed from office".

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But Democrats said he was fired because the FBI was investigating alleged links between the Trump campaign and Russia.

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The move came as it emerged Mr Comey gave inaccurate information about Mrs Clinton's emails to Congress last week.

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President Trump wrote in a letter to Mr Comey that he agreed with US Attorney General Jeff Sessions' recommendation that "you are not able to effectively lead the Bureau".

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Mr Sessions said the Department of Justice was "committed to a high level of discipline, integrity, and the rule of law", and "a fresh start is needed".

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The White House said the search for a successor would begin immediately.

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Mr Comey was addressing FBI agents in Los Angeles when he was handed a note by one of his team informing him he had just been fired.

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The 56-year-old - who was four years into his 10-year term as FBI director - reportedly laughed, thinking it was a prank.

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Why does the administration say Comey was fired?

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Many have expressed surprise that Mr Comey should be fired for his handling of the Clinton emails investigation, given that Mr Trump once praised the FBI director's conduct in the matter.

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In the final days of the presidential campaign, Mr Trump told a rally it "took guts" for Mr Comey to reopen the

inquiry. "What he did brought back his reputation," Mr Trump said.

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But on Tuesday, Deputy Attorney General Rod Rosenstein said he "cannot defend the Director's handling of the conclusion of the investigation of Secretary Clinton's emails, and I do not understand his refusal to accept the nearly universal judgement that he was mistaken".

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"Almost everyone agrees the Director made serious mistakes."

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The deputy attorney general said Mr Comey compounded his error by "gratuitously" releasing "derogatory information" about Mrs Clinton.

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What about the Russia investigation?

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Democrats swiftly suggested that Mr Trump had fired Mr Comey to influence the FBI inquiry into whether members of the Trump election campaign colluded with the Kremlin.

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The House of Representatives and Senate intelligence committees are looking into the same allegations.

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