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(The Hill) – The John F. Kennedy Presidential Library and Museum closed on Tuesday and will remain closed until further notice, a notice from its foundation read.

The JFK Presidential Library and Museum is administered by the National Archives and Records Administration, and the closure of the Boston institution comes amid the Trump administration’s sweeping push to reduce the size of the government and cut the federal workforce.

The official statement did not cite a reason for the library’s closure.

In a statement provided to a Boston-based news station, however, a foundation spokesperson reportedly cited an “executive order.”

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“Due to executive order, the JFK Library is closed until further notice,” the spokesperson told WCVB’s NewsCenter 5.

The local news outlet reported that a similar statement, citing “the executive order,” was posted to the glass doors of the building in Boston.

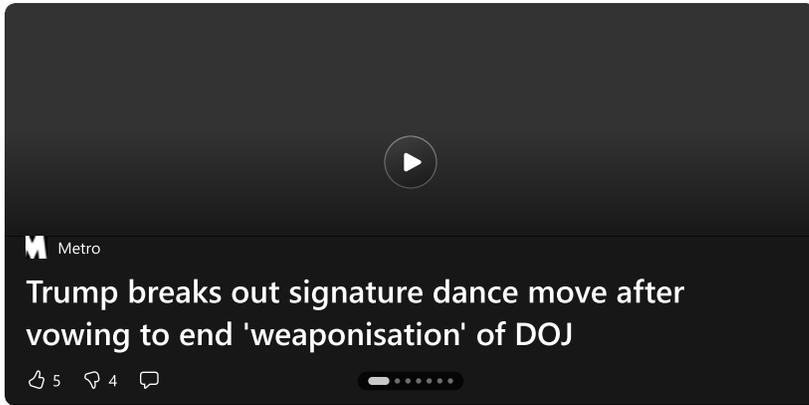
Two [local](#) news outlets reported that several employees were laid off, forcing the library to close.

The Hill has reached out to the foundation for comment.

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Tens of thousands protest in Belgrade against President Vucic's government

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A deafening sound of whistles and vuvuzelas echoed throughout downtown Belgrade on Saturday as a major rally was held against President Aleksandar Vucic and his government.

Huge crowds converged on downtown Belgrade for the rally, which is a culmination of months of almost daily anti-corruption protests that have posed the biggest challenge to Vucic's 13-year firm grip on power in Serbia.

Many city residents came out to welcome the protesters, most of them university students, who came into Belgrade from across the country, waving flags and chanting slogans.

With public transport suspended, columns of people flowed into the city centre from nearby municipalities.

A large number of cars also headed towards the city, decorated with Serbian national flags, greet citizens with their horns, creating a carnival atmosphere.

President Vucic has repeatedly warned that violence is planned at the rally and threatened arrests over any incidents. Vucic supporters have been camping in the city centre, further fuelling fears of clashes.

Hundreds of pro-Vucic bikers also placed themselves in a line in front of Serbia's parliament, seemingly to protect it if any protesters were considering gathering in front of it.

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