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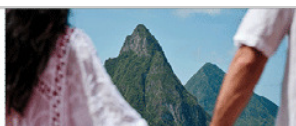
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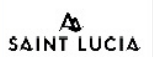
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US
President
Donald
Trump
has
signed
an
executive
order
to
rename
Lake Ontario as "Lake America."



Canadian Prime Minister Mark Carney.

Trump made the move Thursday after threatening to do so for several days as the trade war between the US and Canada heats up.

According to the CBC, Trump told media in the Oval Office that Canada is "the worst" to deal with on trade, calling Canadian officials "entitled."

The move is highly reminiscent of his order to rename the Gulf of Mexico the "Gulf of America," a renaming that no other country recognized.

However, Google and other American companies that offer online map services changed the name for anyone accessing their maps on American soil. In Canada, Google Maps will maintain the original Lake Ontario name.

Canada and the US were negotiating new terms for the long-standing CUSMA agreement after Trump, who brokered the deal in the first place, decided was no longer good enough for the US.

Over the weekend, Prime Minister Mark Carney announced that Canadian negotiators had walked away from the table after the Americans introduced last-minute terms that Carney said would "destroy" Canadian industries and demanded cultural changes, including dropping the nation's laws around French.

Carney's refusal to sign.

Trump reacted by threatening to rename the Great Lake in retaliation.

Carney pushed back, noting on social media that the lake's name is more than 400 years old.



Mark Carney ✓
@MarkJCarney



The name Lake Ontario comes from the Wendat word Ontari'io, which, appropriately, means "the lake is beautiful, the lake is big".

The name is more than 400 years old, predating both the Confederation of Canada and the Declaration of Independence of the United States of America.

We know that America is changing. Their trading relationships, their foreign policies, their national monuments, their hydronyms.

Canadians also know that naming reality means calling it Lake Ontario – then, now and always.

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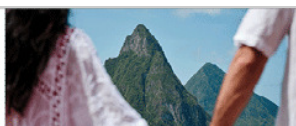
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"The name Lake Ontario comes from the Wendat word Ontari'io, which, appropriately, means "the lake is beautiful, the lake is big"." he wrote.

Meanwhile, software company MapQuest said they would not be changing the name, and then invited users to generate their own, often hilarious (and unpublishable) results.



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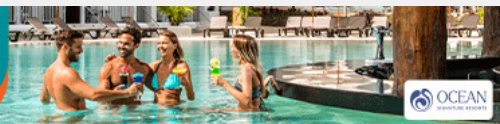
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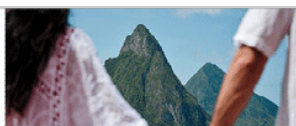
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