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Talking points

- Last night, upon arrival to the Phoenix airport, the Attorney General was

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- Topics discussed included the former president's grandchildren, his golf game in Phoenix, and a recent trip to West Virginia.
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