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Republicans Supported the Security State's Spy Provision

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If it weren't for Republicans, the defense bill couldn't have passed with Section 702 of the Foreign Intelligence Surveillance Act as part of it. Many Republicans — including former presidential candidates — opposed Freedom Caucus members' efforts to separate the spy provision from the rest of the defense bill. We name some of the Republicans who sided with the National Security State, and discuss whether "MAGA" Mike Johnson's honeymoon with constitutionalists is over.

Other stories in today's show include:

@ 11:55 | Back from the COP28 climate conference in Dubai, *TNA* executive senior editor Steve Bonta discusses how unserious many nations are about reducing fossil-fuel use.

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