Involves Donald Trump, Don Jr.

'Great time to buy' hours before the tariff pause

C Alleged

The post, the pause and the share move are reported by KTVU and Straight Arrow News. The $415 million figure appears only in Straight Arrow News, without a stated method.

3 sources **1** primary record **3** with an archived copy

REACHED THE FAMILY

Apr 9, 2025

$415,000,000 estimated

Straight Arrow News reports the president's trust gained $415 million as Trump Media (DJT) rose more than 22% that day; it does not explain the calculation. KTVU reports DJT closed up nearly 23%. This is a market gain on an existing holding, not a payment.

FROM Public stock markets (company)

CHANNEL market gains on a family holding

OFFICIAL ACTION

Apr 9, 2025

Trump announced a 90-day pause on most new tariffs, less than four hours after posting "This is a great time to buy! DJT"

AGENCY President

The payment and the action are dated the same day.

WHAT HAPPENED

On the morning of April 9, 2025, with markets falling over his new tariffs, Trump posted on Truth Social: "This is a great time to buy! DJT." DJT is the stock ticker for Trump Media, the company that owns Truth Social and in which the president's trust holds a large stake.

Less than four hours later he announced a 90-day pause on most of the new tariffs. Stocks surged, and Trump Media closed up more than 22 percent. Straight Arrow News reported the trust's stake gained $415 million that day.

Sen. Adam Schiff called for an investigation into whether the post amounted to market manipulation or let insiders profit, and asked whistleblowers to come forward.

POTENTIAL VIOLATION

Possible market manipulation or insider trading (no statute cited)

STATUTE OR CLAUSE None cited

RAISED BY Sen. Adam Schiff (call for investigation, April 2025)

This is a potential violation as described by the party named. No charge has been filed in this entry; the ledger does not call anything a crime below tier D.

THEIR RESPONSE

No response is recorded in the sources reviewed.

SOURCES

> **KTVU** Apr 9, 2025 news
> https://www.ktvu.com/news/trump-encourages-investors-buy-ahead-tariff-pause
> archived copy

> **Straight Arrow News** Apr 10, 2025 news
> https://san.com/cc/adam-schiff-demands-insider-trading-probe-over-trump-tariff-pause/
> archived copy

> **Trump Media & Technology Group (SEC Form 10-K/A)** Apr 30, 2026 primary
> Annual report amendment (Part III)
> archived copy

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