

# FBI says it's investigating 'what appears to be an attempted assassination' against Trump in Florida

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The FBI said Sunday it "is investigating what appears to be an attempted assassination of former President Trump."

The Trump campaign said earlier Sunday that the former president is "safe following gunshots in his vicinity."

"President Trump is safe following gunshots in his vicinity. No further details at this time," Trump campaign spokesman Steven Cheung said in a statement.

A person has been detained in connection with an incident at Trump International Golf Club, according to a law enforcement source.

Multiple sources said Secret Service fired at the suspect. Officials believe an armed individual intended to target Trump, according to sources briefed on the matter.

A long gun has been recovered, according to the law enforcement source.

"There were gunshots in my vicinity, but before rumors start spiraling out of control, I wanted you to hear this first: I AM SAFE AND WELL!" Trump wrote in a fundraising email Sunday afternoon.

Trump was moving between holes five and six when the incident happened, a source briefed on the matter told CNN. He was golfing with donor Steve Witkoff, according to a source

familiar with the matter. The suspect who the Secret Service engaged with was a number of holes ahead of the former president, according to two law enforcement sources.



Crime scene tape seen at Trump International Golf Club West Palm Beach on Sunday after Secret Service was involved in a shooting.

Reuters

The photos released of the suspected gunman's car by the Martin County Sheriff's Office show that he travelled almost 50 miles from the golf course before being apprehended by police, according to the [Telegraph](#)

Law enforcement sources told [The Post](#) the suspect is a white man in his 50s who is believed to be from Hawaii. An assault rifle was recovered at the scene, which was earlier reported to be an AK-47.

Trump's golf course was not entirely surrounded by security because he is not a sitting president, the local sheriff said. "You've got to understand that the golf course is surrounded by shrubbery, so [if] somebody gets into the shrubbery, they're pretty much out of sight," Mr Bradshaw said. "At this level that he is at right now, he's not a sitting president. If he was, we would have had this entire

golf course surrounded.. "Because he's not... the security is what the Secret Service deems possible".