

Both Sides Persist With Jabs as Government Shutdown Continues Into Second Week

Negotiations between President Donald Trump and Democrats are at a standstill as the government shutdown drags into its 10th day.

The president and Democratic leaders traded punches via Twitter, but that's about as far as the communications have gone.

"We've heard nothing. A negotiation by definition has to include both sides," White House counselor Kellyanne Conway told CNN's "State of the Union."

The president lays the blame for the shutdown at the feet of Democrats. But at least one Senate Republican says it is time to move past the blame game.

"Nobody wins in a shutdown. We all lose and we kind of look silly," said Sen. Richard Shelby, R-Ala. "If we blame each other, this could last a long, long time."

It isn't the longest shutdown in history, but it does affect the income of several hundred thousand federal employees.

Sen. Lindsey Graham, R-S.C., met with the president Sunday to pitch a solution he says will appeal to both parties.

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