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"WHAT'S THE LEAD, AP?"

In this Jan. 11, 2017 photo, President-elect Donald Trump speaks during a news conference in the lobby of Trump Tower in New York. Trump, who will take the oath of office, has a leadership style that contrasts sharply with that of departing President Barack Obama. (AP Photo/Evan Vucci)

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