

General McChrystal speaks 'too straight' for politics, and now he is in deep trouble

McChrystal talked to a reporter, and the results were a piece that put him in deep trouble. His head was being called for on all sides -- including Republicans who surely saw this as an opportunity to say how poorly the administration is at doing its job. President Obama said he would talk to McChrystal before firing him. And The Washington Post thought that breaking news.

News Alert: Obama says he wants to talk to McChrystal before deciding whether to fire him
04:30 PM EDT Tuesday, June 22, 2010

WASHINGTON — Obama says he wants to talk to McChrystal directly before deciding whether to fire him.

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Search term: obama mcchrystal One messages traveling around was that McChrystal used poor judgment, but when I tried that there was not a lot there. McChrystal without any modifier produced many, many tweets, but I decided I wanted the narrower search -- both Obama and McChrystal.

obama mcchrys produced 1500 messages when I searched at 5:30 p.m. CDT. The messages only went back to 4:36 p.m. So this is a pretty big stream of messages in its inception.

They are talking. Obama is going to talk 'live.'

News Alert: Obama plans to make remarks about McChrystal soon; Watch it live on washingtonpost.com.
10:53 AM EDT Wednesday, June 23, 2010

President Obama will speak about Gen. Stanley A. McChrystal, the embattled commander of U.S. and NATO troops in Afghanistan, after they met one-on-one at the White House Wednesday morning. McChrystal was summoned to the White House to explain his derogatory comments about top administration officials involved in the Afghan war.

The general quickly departed the White House immediately after the meeting, leaving his fate unclear.

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<http://link.email.washingtonpost.com/r/TNGYL1/LITE6/CX8UL9/XMEX1P/MTENN/XL/t>

His fate was sealed.

News Alert: Obama relieves McChrystal of command; Petraeus to succeed
01:19 PM EDT Wednesday, June 23, 2010

President Obama has relieved Gen. Stanley McChrystal of his duties as the top U.S. military commander in Afghanistan, after McChrystal was quoted criticizing top White House officials in a Rolling Stone article, according to a White House official.

Obama will name Gen. David Petraeus to succeed McChrystal as top war commander in Afghanistan.

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And there was lots of twitter talk as well.

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