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Breaking News! Local Police Force Jeb Bush To Back Down: Police Showdown Averted

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Wow. WOW! This is literally out of control. The Miami Herald has numerous sources confirming that **Jeb Bush was sending in the troops** -- ignoring the rule of law, the Supreme Court and the opinion of the vast majority of Americans -- to in effect declare martial law and seize Terri Schiavo. (Thanks to blogger Andrew A. Gill for the heads-up on this one.) Think about this. Top far-right religious leaders told Jeb Bush he shouldn't be pushed around by some "piddling judge." Anne Coulter shouted they should send in the National Guard. Silly talk-radio/Fox News rhetoric? Jeb Bush damn near did it. And if the brave men and women of the local police hadn't decided to uphold the law, Bush would have succeeded.

"Hours after a judge ordered that Terri Schiavo was not to be removed from her hospice, a team of state agents were en route to seize her and have her feeding tube reinserted -- but they stopped short when local police told them they would enforce the judge's order, The Herald has learned," reports the Miami Herald.

"Agents of the Florida Department of Law Enforcement told police in Pinellas Park, the small town where Schiavo lies at Hospice Woodside, on Thursday that they were on the way to take her to a hospital to resume her feeding.

"For a brief period, local police, who have officers at the hospice to keep protesters out, prepared for what sources called ``a showdown."

"In the end, the squad from the FDLE and the Department of Children & Families backed down, apparently concerned about confronting local police outside the hospice," all per the Miami Herald's ground-breaking coverage.

Do we live in some pathetic dictatorship now where judges who don't "cooperate" are threatened and their families are murdered and the rule of law is a joke?

This has nothing to do anymore with what decisions you or I or anyone make at the end of their lives. This has to do with a far-right minority deciding they want to dismantle our form of government, attack the independent judiciary until it is weak, and encourage a

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