Top general a savior or a traitor?

Talking Points
1. What do these cartoons say about Gen. Mark Milley, America’s top military officer, reassuring China that the United States was not going to recklessly start a war during a presidential transition?
2. Milley said talking to other nations’ top officers is just part of his job. Do you agree?
3. Did Milley’s actions undermine civilian control of the military? Why or why not?
4. Should the president, or any single person, have the power to take the nation to war or launch a nuclear strike?

Between the lines
“Milley is emphatically not a traitor. His actions also don’t rise to the level of heroics … (he) was acting rightly on intelligence that America’s adversaries and friends were extremely concerned…. - Retired Lt. Gen. Mark Hertling

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