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Elaine Chao and Betsy DeVos resign after standing by Trump for almost four years

Transportation Secretary Elaine Chao stood at President Trump’s side in August 2017 in the lobby of Trump Tower when he insisted that there were some “very fine people” among the mob of white-supremacist demonstrators who had brought mayhem to Charlottesville a few days earlier. Moments after praising Chao for doing a “fabulous job” on infrastructure, the president said that “both sides” deserved blame for the violence in Virginia, during which an avowed neo-Nazi rammed his car into a group of counterprotesters, killing one of them.

Chao and Education Secretary Betsy DeVos, who both announced their resignations on Thursday, stayed loyal to Trump during scores of other controversies. They kept their heads down as Trump separated children from the arms of their parents at the border, pressured Ukraine’s president to announce an investigation into his presidential rival Joe Biden, demanded that minority congresswomen “go back” to countries where they were not born and violently cleared peaceful protesters from Lafayette Square for a presidential photo op.
Instead, they quietly enacted their agendas. Chao weakened greenhouse gas emissions standards for cars and SUVs, held back from imposing rules on self-driving cars and made it easier for companies to experiment with airborne drones. DeVos promoted the use of taxpayer dollars to support charter schools; rolled back many civil rights initiatives from the Obama administration, including protections for transgender students; enacted a regulation giving more rights to students accused of sexual harassment and assault; and publicly defended proposed funding
cuts to the Special Olympics that the White House had insisted on before they reversed course.

Thirteen days before Trump will leave office, Chao announced that she will resign effective next Monday, just a week before Biden’s inauguration – because of the “traumatic and entirely avoidable” storming of the Capitol by “supporters of the President ... following a rally he addressed.”

“As I’m sure is the case with many of you, it has deeply troubled me in a way that I simply cannot set aside,” Chao wrote in an email to her staff at 1:32 p.m. Thursday.

A few hours later, DeVos called the violence at the Capitol “unconscionable” in an open letter to Trump. “There is no mistaking the impact your rhetoric had on the situation, and it is the inflection point for me,” she wrote. “Impressionable children are watching all of this, and they are learning from us. I believe we each have a moral obligation to exercise good judgement and model the behavior we hope they would emulate.”

Resigning now feels a little like eating all but the last bite of a piece of cake at a restaurant and then asking for a refund. A directive was even emailed yesterday to all agency heads that political appointees must resign effective Jan. 20. “The order was issued by Chris Liddell, the deputy White House chief of staff who has been leading transition arrangements with the Biden team,” Lisa Rein and Eric Yoder report.

Critics of the administration say Chao and DeVos deserve no credit. “At this point
you’re not resigning, you’re just taking the rest of your vacation days,” said Bakari Sellers, a former Democratic state legislator in South Carolina. Former NFL wide receiver Donté Stallworth compared Cabinet members stepping down now to a quarterback throwing six interceptions and fumbling four times in his own territory “with 5 seconds left in the game while the other team has the ball and is taking a knee to run out the clock.” Randi Weingarten, the president of the American Federation of Teachers union, issued a two-word statement: “Good riddance.”

That is not to say that officials are not authentically horrified by Trump’s baseless claims that the election was stolen and other efforts to sow distrust in democracy. Chao is married to Senate Majority Leader Mitch McConnell (R-Ky.), who said –
even before the pro-Trump mob took control of the chamber — that certifying Biden’s victory would be the single most important vote he’s cast during 37 years in office.

“McConnell, who has been estranged from the president in recent weeks, has told fellow senators and other confidants that he does not plan to speak with Trump again,” Philip Rucker, Ashley Parker and Josh Dawsey report.

More Trump administration officials also resigned in protest on Thursday, including Matt Pottinger, the deputy national security adviser; Tyler Goodspeed, the acting chairman of the White House Council of Economic Advisers; and John Costello, the deputy assistant secretary at the Commerce Department.

“Acting homeland security secretary Chad Wolf called on Trump to denounce the violence carried out by ‘some supporters’ of the president. Wolf said he does not plan to quit,” Anne Gearan and Mike DeBonis report. “Former attorney general William P. Barr called Trump’s conduct ‘a betrayal of his office and supporters.’ ... Former homeland security secretary and Trump chief of staff John F. Kelly, now a Trump critic, urged the Cabinet to meet and discuss Trump’s removal, telling CNN that he would vote for that if he were he still a Cabinet member. Former Trump national security adviser H.R. McMaster tweeted that the main reason for the attack on Congress ‘is the sad reality that President Trump and other officials have repeatedly compromised our principles in pursuit of partisan advantage and personal gain.’”

After being out of sight all day, Trump posted a video on Twitter last night in which he said there will be a smooth transition. “Now tempers must be cooled and calm
restored,” he said. He also tweeted this morning that he will **not** attend Biden’s inauguration.

With the remaining members of the Cabinet very unlikely to invoke the 25th Amendment to put Vice President Pence in charge, many House Democrats are discussing a second attempt to impeach Trump during his final days. Rep. Katherine Clark (D-Mass.), the No. 4 in House Democratic leadership, said this morning on CNN that the chamber could vote to impeach Trump by the middle of next week. Their caucus will hold a conference call early this afternoon to discuss next steps. “Donald Trump needs to be removed from office,” Clark said. “And we are going to proceed with every tool that we have to make sure that happens to protect our democracy.”
Rep. Adam Kinzinger (R-Ill.) became the first Republican member of Congress to come out in favor of Trump’s removal on Thursday, saying in a video that the time has come to “end this nightmare.”

Rep. Steve Stivers (R-Ohio), the former chairman of the National Republican Congressional Committee, told Spectrum News that he would not oppose using the 25th Amendment if it was invoked: “If the Cabinet decided to do that, I would not oppose it.”

“I hold the president responsible for sending those people to the Capitol,” Rep. Gary Palmer (R-Ala.) said in a statement.

Even if the House impeached Trump, though, it remains hard to imagine Senate Republicans breaking decisively with the president in his final days. Partly, that is a function of the calendar. Sen. Ben Sasse (R-Neb.), who opposed impeachment last year, said today that Trump has “acted shamefully” and that he would “definitely consider” any articles of impeachment approved by the House. “The president had a rally hours before this happened where he is telling them to go to the Capitol and go wild,” Sasse told conservative radio host Hugh Hewitt. “The guy is addicted to division. This is a deep brokenness in his soul.”

Some of Fox News’s Trump supporters now declare his political career is done. The president’s role in and reaction to the assault on the Capitol has soured Stuart Varney, Brit Hume and others who once favored him. “If Mr. Trump wants to avoid a second impeachment, his best path would be to take personal responsibility and resign,” writes the Wall Street Journal’s conservative editorial board. “This would be the cleanest solution since it would immediately turn presidential duties over to Mr. Pence. And it would give Mr. Trump agency, a la Richard Nixon, over his own fate.”

On NBC’s “Today” show this morning, former secretary of state Colin Powell called on Trump to “just do what Nixon did” and step down. “What he is responsible for is one of the most disgusting things I have ever seen in all my years as a government employee here in the United States of America and in Washington, D.C. He should be totally ashamed of himself and he should take that shame and turn it into a
resignation as quickly as possible," said Powell, who was the nation's chief diplomat under George W. Bush. Asked about Trump’s access to the nuclear launch codes for the next 12 days, Powell sought to reassure: “I was the chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, and I can tell you for sure if something like this ever happened, and someone suddenly said, ‘We want to use the nuclear weapon,’ they would never get near it.”

Meanwhile, Biden is in danger of having no confirmed secretaries on Day 1.

“Delays in Congress, caused primarily by runoff elections in Georgia for Senate seats that Democrats flipped this week and the arcane procedures needed to get the new chamber up and running, have sparked deep concern among Biden’s top advisers. They are now mapping out contingency plans to install acting secretaries in most, if not all, Cabinet posts, in case Biden’s nominees are unable to secure Senate backing by Jan. 20,” Paul Kane, Karoun Demirjian and Anne Gearan report. “For decades, Senate Republicans and Democrats have shelved their political differences to ensure a seamless transition between administrations, especially in the departments responsible for safeguarding the country against foreign and domestic threats. ... [But] to date, the Senate Republican committee chairs — who will remain in control until Jan. 20 — have scheduled only one confirmation hearing for a Biden nominee: that of Lloyd J. Austin III, the president-elect’s choice for defense secretary.” That hearing is set for Jan. 19.

Biden has picked Rhode Island Gov. Gina Raimondo to be secretary of commerce and Boston Mayor Marty Walsh (D) to be secretary of labor. “In pairing the two Cabinet picks, Biden balanced Raimondo, who has often been at odds with major labor unions, with Walsh, who enjoys strong support from leaders of the AFL-CIO and earned his union card in 1988 when he joined Laborers Local 290, assuming shop stewards’ role on Boston’s Building and Construction Trades Council,” David Lynch, Jeff Stein, Eli Rosenberg and Andrew Freedman report. “Biden is also preparing to name Isabel Guzman, director of California’s Office of the Small Business Advocate, to take charge of the U.S. Small Business Administration ... Biden will also nominate Don Graves, who advised him
Inside the U.S. Capitol, the rioters were in charge.

"Capitol Police had not asked other law enforcement agencies for help until their building was surrounded by a mob seeking to overturn the election results," Peter Hermann, Carol Leonnig, Aaron Davis and David Fahrenthold report. "Top congressional leaders, hidden in secure rooms, were calling the governors of Maryland and Virginia directly to plead for help. At last, reinforcements arrived: D.C. police officers, who wear an image of the Capitol building on their department’s official patch, but rarely enter the building itself. ... Late Thursday, a Capitol
Police officer died of injuries he sustained in the attack. Officer Brian D. Sicknick, a 12-year veteran on the force, was ‘injured while physically engaging with protesters,’ the department said in a statement, and collapsed after returning to his division headquarters. He later died at a hospital. ... Three of Congress’s top security officials — Capitol Police Chief Steven A. Sund, House Sergeant at Arms Paul D. Irving and Senate Sergeant at Arms Michael C. Stenger — had resigned or were set to. ...

“By early Wednesday afternoon, Sund made an urgent plea for backup from the D.C. National Guard during a call with top Pentagon and city officials ... But Defense officials balked, concerns about the ‘optics’ of soldiers inside the Capitol building, two District officials said. During the melee, Maryland Gov. Larry Hogan (R) said he got a call from House Majority Leader Steny H. Hoyer (D-Md.), who was in a secure location under police protection. ... But the governor said he was ... repeatedly rebuffed by the Defense Department. ... It wasn’t until about 90 minutes later that the secretary of the Army called asking the Maryland guardsmen to ‘come as soon as possible,’ the governor said. Virginia Gov. Ralph Northam (D) said he also got a call on his cellphone Wednesday. ‘It showed up, ‘Nancy Pelosi,” he said, recalling his surprise. ... ‘She said, ‘Ralph, there’s glass being broken around me. I’ve heard there’s been gunfire. We’re just very, very concerned right now.”

Quote of the day

Houston Police Chief Art Acevedo, president of the Major Cities Chiefs Association, said he worries the lack of preparedness was rooted in police’s perception of the crowd: “They see Black Lives Matter and go ‘Oh my God, we’ve got to be ready.’ But, hey, these people have their blue lives matter flags all over the place. And that bias and that false sense of security bit them.”
The man who posed at a desk in Pelosi's office said he was
prepared for a violent death.

"Last Saturday, Richard Barnett of Gravette, Ark., criticized House Speaker Nancy Pelosi in a Facebook post for using the description ‘white nationalist’ as a ‘derogatory term,’” Jon Swaine reports. “I am white. There is no denying that. I am a nationalist. I put my nation first. So that makes me a white nationalist,’ Barnett wrote on a page he maintained under a pseudonym, before adding that people who were not nationalists should ‘get the f--- out of our nation.’ Just four days later, Barnett was photographed sitting with his feet up on a desk in Pelosi’s office at the U.S. Capitol — an image that quickly became emblematic of the chaotic storming of the complex by a pro-Trump mob. Barnett, who is 60 and goes by the nickname ‘Bigo,’ identified himself as the intruder in Pelosi’s office to [a] New York Times reporter ... In a Dec. 28 Facebook post, ... Barnett announced he would be attending Wednesday’s rally and urged fellow Arkansans to make sacrifices to join him there. ... In a separate post the same day, Barnett wrote that he ‘came into this world kicking and screaming, covered in someone else’s blood,’ adding, ‘I’m not afraid to go out the same way.’”

- One of the rioters says a Capitol Police officer gave members of the mob directions to Schumer’s office. (NYT)
- “The Capitol Police made more arrests on each of the first three days of the confirmation hearings for Supreme Court Justice Brett Kavanaugh, in September, 2018, than they did Wednesday,” the New Yorker notes. “The protesters at those hearings — most of them women, many self-identified survivors of sexual assault — were arrested for transgressions such as shouting out from the gallery, ‘Kavanaugh can’t be trusted!’”
- Biden denounced the racial inequalities reflected in the lenient response to the mostly White attackers. “You can’t tell me that if it had been a group of Black Lives Matter protesters yesterday they wouldn’t have been treated very differently than the mob of thugs that stormed the Capitol,” Biden said in Wilmington, Del., before beginning to hammer his fist against the lectern. "We all know that is true. And it is totally unacceptable." (Annie Linskey, Chelsea Janes and Amy Wang)
- Shattered glass still litters the Capitol’s floors, as crews try to clean up the mess. (Paul Schwartzman)
Several dozen people make their first court appearances.

“In D.C. Superior Court, 40 defendants were charged with unlawful entry of public property and were notified that prosecutors are reviewing evidence of an additional charge of curfew violation,” Keith Alexander, Spencer Hsu and Paul Duggan report. "Most of the defendants came from outside of the Washington region — including Oregon, Florida, Wyoming, Connecticut and Pennsylvania — though some were from the District, Maryland and Virginia. One person arrested was charged with possessing a ‘military style automatic weapon’ and 11 molotov cocktails, prosecutors said. Another defendant was charged with assaulting a police officer with a hockey stick. Yet another, who needed a Russian interpreter, told a judge, ‘I don’t know what unlawful entry you are referring to.’ ...

“As of early Thursday evening, four other people, charged with federal crimes, appeared in U.S. District Court, including a Maryland man accused of possessing a firearm after curfew on Capitol grounds just outside the Capitol Visitor Center — a 9mm handgun with a round in the firing chamber. Prosecutors said he also was carrying two fully loaded 12-round magazines, wearing a bulletproof vest, and carrying a gas mask and pocket knife in his backpack. ... Meanwhile, D.C. Police Chief Robert J. Contee III vowed that his department would arrest ‘each and every one of the violent mob.’ ... He said the department is offering a $1,000 reward for any tip leading to the arrest of a rioter. ... The FBI also said that it is asking people in areas where explosive devices were found whether they would share any video recordings of surroundings with investigators. ...

“At a news conference, Michael R. Sherwin, the acting U.S. attorney for the District, voiced ‘concern’ at the relatively small number of rioters who were detained by police in the Capitol. As a result, he said, federal authorities face the daunting task of identifying, locating and obtaining arrest warrants for a large number of suspects, which he said could occupy investigators for months. ... He said a large amount of government paperwork along with electronic devices and other items were stolen from congressional offices during the disturbance, which ‘could have national security implications.’”

The top federal prosecutor in D.C. also said Trump is not off-limits in his
investigation of the events surrounding Wednesday's riot, saying "all actors" would be examined to determine if they broke the law, Devlin Barrett reports. Asked if federal agents and prosecutors will look at the incendiary statements made by speakers at Trump's rally shortly before the mob sacked the Capitol, Sherwin replied: "Yes, we are looking at all actors here, not only the people that went into the building, but . . . were there others that maybe assisted or facilitated or played some ancillary role in this. We will look at every actor and all criminal charges." Asked if that might include Trump himself, who urged the crowd to "fight like hell" before the rioting began, Sherwin replied: "We are looking at all actors here, and anyone that had a role, if the evidence fits the element of a crime, they're going to be charged."

**Trump is said to have discussed pardoning himself.** "In several conversations since Election Day, Mr. Trump has told advisers that he is considering giving himself a pardon and, in other instances, asked whether he should and what the effect would be on him legally and politically," the New York Times reports. "No president has pardoned himself, so the legitimacy of prospective self-clemency has never been tested in the justice system, and legal scholars are divided about whether the courts would recognize it. . . . The questions would be whether the Justice Department under another president would honor the pardon and set aside any potential prosecution of Mr. Trump and, if he were prosecuted, whether the judicial system would ultimately decide whether the pardon insulates Mr. Trump from facing charges."

"**Acting Attorney General Jeffrey Rosen vowed that pro-Trump rioters who entered the U.S. Capitol would ‘face the full consequences of their actions under the law,’** and those consequences could include being charged under Trump's executive order [from this summer] authorizing up to 10 years in prison for "injury of federal property," Fox News reports. "The order directs the Department of Justice to ‘prosecute to the fullest extent permitted under federal law’ those who vandalize government property."

**Internet sleuths are identifying scores of the rioters.** "As he strolled past gold-framed portraits of past Congressional leaders, one rioter who stormed the
Capitol in a pro-Trump mob on Wednesday wore a red Trump hat, a commemorative sweatshirt from the president’s inauguration and a lanyard around his neck. When a photo of him went viral, it didn’t take Internet sleuths long to realize that the lanyard held his work badge — clearly identifying him as an employee of Navistar Direct Marketing, a printing company in Frederick, Md. On Thursday, Navistar swiftly fired him,” Jaelyn Peiser reports. “While police and the FBI work to identify and arrest members of the mob, online detectives are also crowdsourcing information and doxing them — exposing the rioters to criminal prosecution, but also more immediate action from their bosses.”

**Airlines and airports in the D.C. area tighten security.** “Officials with American Airlines, United Airlines and Delta Air Lines said they also were taking additional security measures in the Washington region. American and United increased staffing and said they were working closely with law enforcement,” Ian Duncan reports.

**Democratic control of the Senate — and the Capitol breach — put D.C. statehood front and center.** “At a Thursday news conference, Mayor Muriel E. Bowser (D) grew impassioned as she sought to frame the stakes of the statehood cause against the backdrop of Wednesday’s insurrection: D.C. residents, she said, risked their lives to defend a Congress that affords them no voting representation,” Meagan Flynn and Fenit Nirappil report.
Aside from Trump, no Republican has taken more blame than Sen. Josh Hawley (R-Mo.).

“Supporting Josh and trying so hard to get him elected to the Senate was the worst mistake I ever made in my life,” former senator John Danforth (R-Mo.), who for years has been described as Hawley’s biggest mentor, told the St. Louis Post-Dispatch.

“As he walked into the Capitol on Wednesday, Hawley cheered on pro-Trump protesters gathering outside the building with a thumbs up and fist pump,” the Associated Press reports. “GOP state Sen. Shamed Dogan of Ballwin in suburban St. Louis, like Danforth, said late Wednesday he regretted supporting Hawley. ‘I have
never regretted a vote as much and as quickly as my vote for @HawleyMO in 2018,' he tweeted. ... The student bar association at the University of Missouri law school, where Hawley taught, issued a statement calling for his resignation. ...

“Simon & Schuster canceled publication of Hawley’s upcoming book, ‘The Tyranny of Big Tech.’ The publisher said it values publishing diverse viewpoints. ‘At the same time, we take seriously our larger public responsibility as citizens and cannot support Senator Hawley after his role in what became a dangerous threat to our democracy and freedom,’ it said in a statement. Hawley responded by calling the decision a 'direct assault on the First Amendment.' ‘I will fight this cancel culture with everything I have. We’ll see you in court.’”

- At least six state-level GOP lawmakers were among the mob, including Tennessee’s Terri Lynn Weaver, Virginia’s Amanda Chase and Michigan’s Matt Maddock. (The Independent)
- A chorus of Democratic lawmakers, including moderate Sen. Chris Coons (Del.), called on Hawley and Cruz to resign. So did Reps. Alexandria Ocasio-Cortez (N.Y.) and Rep. Joaquin Castro (Tex.). (Kansas City Star)
- One of Hawley’s major donors called on the Senate to censure him. David Humphreys, president and CEO of Tamko Building Products, said his patron provoked the riot with “irresponsible, inflammatory, and dangerous tactics,” adding that Hawley has “shown his true colors as an anti-democracy populist.” (Missouri Independent)
- Alabama Attorney General Steve Marshall (R) leads a nonprofit that helped organize the Save America march. “Marshall leads the Republican Attorneys General Association’s dark-money nonprofit Rule of Law Defense Fund, which is listed as a participating organization for the March to Save America on the march’s website, as are the groups Stop the Steal, Tea Party Patriots and Turning Point Action,” per the Alabama Political Reporter. “Marshall on Wednesday issued a statement condemning the violence at the Capitol but did not mention his role leading a group that helped organize the march.”
- Dominion Voting Systems filed a defamation lawsuit against lawyer Sidney Powell, demanding more than $1.3 billion in damages for havoc it says Powell has caused by spreading “wild” and “demonstrably false” allegations. (Emma Brown)
Combat veterans in Congress took heroic action.

“On Wednesday, after chemical irritants were fired in the Capitol to repel a pro-Trump mob, Rep. Ruben Gallego thought of the moment years ago when he entered a Marine Corps gas chamber,” Alex Horton reports. “The training was suddenly relevant for the Iraq veteran and Arizona Democrat after an announcement blared to don gas masks stored under the seats. Gallego looked over the panicked faces of fellow lawmakers and explained to them some of the most potent lessons from boot camp. Trust your mask. Take measured, shallow breaths. Don’t panic. ... Rep. Jason Crow (D-Colo.), a former Army Ranger who served in Iraq and Afghanistan, also soothed colleagues on the balcony and compared the moment to flashes of combat. ‘I haven’t felt that way in over 15 years since I was a Ranger in Iraq and Afghanistan,’ Crow said.”

Rioters attacked a journalist covering the scene.

“I ran upstairs to be out of the way of the crowd, and to get a better vantage point to document what was happening. Suddenly, two or three men in black surrounded me and demanded to know who I worked for,” Times reporter Erin Schaff writes. “Grabbing my press pass, they saw that my ID said The New York Times and became really angry. They threw me to the floor, trying to take my cameras. I started screaming for help as loudly as I could. No one came. People just watched. At this point, I thought I could be killed and no one would stop them. They ripped one of my cameras away from me, broke a lens on the other and ran away.”

Authorities have shared few details on the deaths of the three “medical emergency” victims.

The three were identified as Rosanne Boyland, 34, of Kennesaw, Ga., Kevin Greeson, 55, of Athens, Ala., and Benjamin Philips, 50, of Ringtown, Pa. “Relatives of two of the three said they had not gone to Washington expecting to participate or be caught up in violence. But the social media posts of one advocated that people take up arms, and posts by another showed a belief in the false allegations of election fraud,” Rebecca Tan, Steve Thompson and Antonio Olivo report. "Greeson’s wife, Kristi Greeson, said her husband’s only goal was to show support for Trump. ... Her husband, who worked as a salesman in the steel and aluminum industry, ‘had a
history of high blood pressure, and in the midst of the excitement, suffered a heart attack,’ she added. But Greeson appeared to have an account on the right-wing social media site Parler filled with recent obscene and violent posts, fueled by misinformation spread by right-wing radio host Mark Levin, the Proud Boys and others. ...

“Atlanta TV stations on Thursday night quoted Boyland’s brother-in-law, Justin Cave, who blamed Trump for inciting a riot that led to the death of Boyland, who he described as ‘very passionate about her beliefs.’ A Facebook page belonging to a Rosanne Boyland in Kennesaw features several pro-Trump posts and includes a false assertion that D.C. Mayor Muriel E. Bowser (D) ordered hotels and other businesses to close in advance of Wednesday’s rally. ... Philips, the 50-year-old from Pennsylvania, was a computer programmer and an ardent Trump supporter. He had helped to organize transportation for dozens of people traveling from Pennsylvania to D.C., the Philadelphia Inquirer reported ... but after arriving in the city on Wednesday, he left the group. When it was time to drive back home, people who had traveled with him said they received a call from D.C. police informing them that Philips had suffered a stroke and died at George Washington University Hospital ... ‘It seems like the first day of the rest of our lives,’ Philips told an Inquirer reporter while traveling to D.C. on Wednesday morning. ‘They should name this year Zero because something will happen.’”

The coronavirus
Adding insult to injury, scientists fear the riot was a
superspreader event.

“The coronavirus thrives indoors, particularly in crowded spaces, lingering in the air in tiny particles called aerosols. If even a few extremists were infected — likely, given the current rates of spread and the crowd size — then the virus would have had the ideal opportunity to find new victims, experts said,” the Times reports. “Hundreds of rioters shouting in crowded rooms and hallways for extended periods of time can infect dozens of people at once. ... Infected members of Congress and law enforcement could have spread the virus to one another as they sheltered from the violence ... Rep. Jake LaTurner, Republican of Kansas, announced on Twitter early Thursday morning that he had tested positive for the virus. Mr. LaTurner was cloistered in the chamber with other members of Congress for much of the day. At least a dozen of the 400 or so lawmakers and staff who were huddling in one committee room refused to wear masks even after being offered one, or wore them improperly below their chins, said Representative Susan Wild, Democrat of Pennsylvania.”

Researchers point to asymptomatic cases as major spreaders.

“As the United States marked another grim milestone Thursday with more than 4,000 covid-19 deaths reported in a single day, federal disease trackers said research suggests that people without symptoms transmit more than half of all cases of the novel coronavirus,” Brittany Shammas and Ben Guarino report. “The findings, which came from a model developed by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, demonstrate the importance of following the agency’s guidelines about wearing a mask and maintaining social distance. ... In the past seven days, U.S. infections, hospitalizations and deaths have hit record highs. Cases reached a record 277,135 on Saturday. And by Thursday, more than 132,000 people were hospitalized in the nation with covid-19 ... 

"There is no evidence that the surge is being driven by the more contagious strain, known as B117, because if it were, it would have turned up in more of the genomic sequences analyzed by researchers in recent weeks. But health officials fear the variant could make a bad situation worse ... On Thursday, three states — Connecticut, Pennsylvania and Texas — reported detecting B117, joining California,
Colorado, Florida, Georgia and New York. ... ‘We are in a race against time,’ said Jennifer Nuzzo, an epidemiologist with the Johns Hopkins Center for Health Security. ... As of Thursday, more than 21 million doses of coronavirus vaccine had been distributed to states, and just under 6 million had been administered, according to CDC data.”

The Pfizer-BioNTech vaccine appears to protect against the new variants.

“Both the U.K. and South African variants contain a mutation of the spike protein that is commonly referred to as N501Y, and may be the key factor that makes both variants especially transmissible. In a study that has not yet been peer-reviewed, scientists from Pfizer and the University of Texas Medical Branch took blood samples from participants who had received the vaccine during clinical trials and found that the vaccine effectively neutralized the virus with the N501Y mutation,” Antonia Farzan reports. “But as the study’s authors note, there are numerous other mutations found in the new variants that the vaccine has not yet been tested against. They conclude that ‘continuous monitoring’ is necessary, as a future mutation could prove resistant to the vaccine. Even if that is the case, it’s not necessarily as alarming as it sounds. BioNTech’s chief executive said in December that it would only take the company about six weeks to retool the vaccine to protect against a new strain if necessary.”

- “The human body typically retains a robust immune response to the coronavirus for at least eight months after an infection, and potentially much longer, researchers said in a study published in the journal Science. About 90 percent of the patients studied showed lingering, stable immunity, the study found,” Joel Achenbach reports.
- Researchers in Brazil said a vaccine developed by China’s Sinovac Biotech was 78 percent effective in Phase 3 trials. (Eva Dou)
- The discovery of a single case of the U.K. variant in otherwise virus-free Brisbane has prompted a three-day lockdown in the Australian city of 2.5 million people. (Farzan)
- A growing outbreak in Shijiazhuang prompted authorities to impose a strict lockdown and ban people from entering or exiting the Chinese city of 10 million. The cluster of 123 confirmed cases in neighboring Hebei province
represents the regime's worst outbreak in two months. (Farzan)

- A largely empty, 18-hour flight from Dubai to New Zealand led to four infections. The September case is offering researchers, and airlines, an opportunity to study in-transit contagion. (NYT)

- Counties where large universities held in-person classes experienced an average 56 percent rise in coronavirus infections in the 21 days after classes began, according to new CDC data, while those counties where online learning was the only option registered an 18 percent decrease on average. (Farzan)
Other news that should be on your radar

- The economy lost 140,000 jobs in December, as the recovery makes a U and the unemployment rate holds at 6.7 percent. (Eli Rosenberg)
- The Justice Department said Boeing agreed to pay more than $2.5 billion to resolve a charge that it conspired to defraud the FAA during its review of the 737 Max, the airliner involved in a pair of deadly crashes that killed 346 people. (Ian Duncan, Lori Aratani and Michael Laris)
- The judge overseeing the criminal charges for George Floyd's killing heard arguments from prosecutors and defense attorneys, who asked to postpone the March trial until summer, citing concerns that the proceedings and expected protests outside the courthouse could create a “superspreader event.” (Holly Bailey)
- Andrei Tyurin, the highly skilled Russian hacker for hire who breached the networks of JPMorgan Chase, the Wall Street Journal and other major institutions, was sentenced to a dozen years in federal prison. Tyurin personally made $20 million targeting financial institutions, brokerage firms and publishers of financial news on behalf of the partners he worked with between 2007 and 2015. (Shayna Jacobs)
- A Missouri woman believed to be the last Civil War widow died. Helen Viola Jackson's 1936 marriage to Union soldier James Bolin was unusual: He was 93 and in declining health, and she was a 17-year-old schoolgirl. She was 101 when she died last month at a nursing home. Bolin offered to marry Jackson so that she could receive his soldier's pension after his death, but she never sought the money. (AP)

Social media speed read

Police honored their fallen comrade:
Compare this note that President George H.W. Bush left for Bill Clinton after losing reelection to how Trump has treated Biden:
Michelle Obama called Trump's behavior "infantile and unpatriotic":
When a Post reporter noticed that rioters left behind a can of Axe body spray, the company responded by condemning the attack:

Videos of the day
As Trump supporters gathered for the “Save America” rally, the Trumps danced backstage to “Gloria” by Laura Branigan:

Seth Meyers said Hawley, Cruz and the “rest of the sedition caucus” should be removed from Congress:
Stephen Colbert called the rioters “violent idiots” for looking directly into cameras and giving their contact information to reporters:
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By Dustin Volz

In an image from video, Sen. Mark Warner, D-Va., speaks as the Senate reconvenes to debate the objection to confirm the Electoral College Vote from Arizona on Wednesday evening. SENATE TELEVISION/ASSOCIATED PRESS

Sen. Mark Warner, the top Democrat on the Senate Intelligence Committee, said he raised concerns with senior leadership at the Federal Bureau of Investigation prior to Wednesday’s rioting by pro-Trump supporters at the U.S. Capitol and had been reassured that the situation was under control.

“I was in contact with senior officials at the FBI leading up to yesterday, where they on a regular basis reassured me that they had the resources and appropriate intelligence to take on this threat,” Mr. Warner said during a media briefing. “They were flat wrong. Yesterday was an embarrassment to their response.”

Four people have died as a result of Wednesday’s violence. Police have made dozens of arrests.

Mr. Warner did not specify who he spoke to at the FBI, but an aide to the Virginia senator said he spoke directly with Deputy Director David Bowdich.

A senior FBI official in a statement defended the bureau’s preparation ahead of Wednesday’s planned protest, saying it shared “available intelligence” and adapted to “fluid events on the ground” with rapid response teams on standby.

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the official said. "Over the course of the evening, the FBI presence ultimately grew to over 150 agents and other personnel."

Earlier on Thursday, FBI Director Chris Wray released a statement vowing to hold those who "participated in yesterday's siege" responsible.

Mr. Warner said he had reached out to the FBI and other agencies because he was concerned the demonstrations should be viewed as a domestic terrorism threat and could quickly turn violent.

"The ability for criminal elements, or terrorist elements in this country or abroad to look at those images of what happened yesterday and plan for potential future attacks on our Capitol absolutely requires us to have a thorough and full investigation, and if need be, make significant changes in some of the law enforcement leadership to make sure this never happens again," Mr. Warner said.
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To: Hurley, James B. Jr. (OPE) (FBI); Beach, George P. (OPE) (FBI)  
Cc:          
Sent: January 8, 2021 12:58 PM (UTC-05:00)

All,

LEOKA is going to categorize this incident as felonious and update their count to reflect this on Monday's report.

I will proceed with our notification process to the DO. I know the Chief just submitted his resignation.

Thanks

On Jan 8, 2021 10:01 AM, "Beach, George P. (OPE) (FBI)" wrote:

Thanks

On Jan 8, 2021 7:48 AM, "Beach, George P. (OPE) (FBI)" wrote:

LEOKA still hasn't determined whether this is felonious or accidental.

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*Please see caveat below
Sir,

*Please be advised the death of Officer Brian Sicknick is being reported by various new sources and is currently under investigation by Capital Police. Officer Sicknick’s death has NOT been added to today’s count as it has not been determined as felonious or accidental at this time. The LEOKA Daily Report will be updated as official notification is received.

(Circumstances per preliminary details provided from FOX News and CNN)

(CNN) The US Capitol Police confirmed the death of one of their officers late Thursday from injuries suffered when a mob of President Donald Trump's supporters stormed the Capitol a day before.

Capitol Police said in a statement that Officer Brian D. Sicknick died at approximately 9:30 p.m. ET Thursday "due to injuries sustained while on-duty."

The death is being investigated by the DC Metropolitan Police Department's homicide branch, the US Capitol Police and their federal partners.

"Officer Sicknick was responding to the riots on Wednesday, January 6, 2021, at the U.S. Capitol and was injured while physically engaging with protesters. He returned to his division office and collapsed. He was taken to a local hospital where he succumbed to his injuries."

As of today (01/08/2021):

- 0 law enforcement officers were reported to have been feloniously killed in the line of duty in 2021. During the previous year, for the same time period, 1 officer was feloniously killed.
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- 0 law enforcement officers were reported to have succumbed to conditions from 9/11 response.
- 0 law enforcement officers were reported to have succumbed to a heart attack in 2021.
- 0 law enforcement officers were reported to have succumbed to cancer in 2021.
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To: Hale, Brian Patrick (OPA) (FBI); Shivers, Calvin A. (CID) (FBI); D'Antuono, Steven Michael (WF) (FBI); Wade, Terry (CCRSB) (FBI); Abbate, Paul M. (DO) (FBI); Tyson, Jill C. (OCA) (FBI); Bowdich, David L. (DO) (DET); Brown, John A. (NSB) (FBI); Sanborn, Jill (CTD) (FBI)
Cc: Winston, Alvin M. (OPA) (FBI)
Sent: January 8, 2021 1:43 PM (UTC-05:00)

Brian,

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From: Hale, Brian Patrick (OPA) (FBI)
Sent: Friday, January 8, 2021 1:32 PM
To: Shivers, Calvin A. (CID) (FBI); D'Antuono, Steven Michael (WF) (FBI); Wade, Terry (CCRSB) (FBI); Abbate, Paul M. (DO) (FBI); Bowdich, David L. (DO) (DET); Brown, John A. (NSB) (FBI); Sanborn, Jill (CTD) (FBI)
Cc: Winston, Alvin M. (OPA) (FBI)
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Thanks.

On Jan 8, 2021 1:28 PM, "Wade, Terry (CCRSB) (FBI)" wrote:

Brian,
I will defer to you and the DD on

FBI(21cv558)-1626
From: Hale, Brian Patrick (OPA) (FBI)
Sent: Friday, January 8, 2021 12:50 PM
To: Bowdich, David L. (DO) (FBI) Abbate, Paul M. (DO) (FBI) Wade, Terry
(CCRSB) (FBI) Brown, John A. (NSB) (FBI) Sanborn, Jill (CTD) (FBI)
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Subject: FW: [EXTERNAL EMAIL] - Re: FBI background update

FYI.

From: Volz, Dustin <dustin.volz@wsj.com>
Sent: Friday, January 8, 2021 11:50 AM
To: Hale, Brian Patrick (OPA) (FBI)

Subject: [EXTERNAL EMAIL] - Re: FBI background update

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Dustin

Dustin Volz
Cybersecurity and Intelligence Reporter
Washington Bureau

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Copy, sir.

Understand and will stand by.

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On Jan 8, 2021 2:31 PM, "Sullivan, Michael (IB) (FBI)" wrote:

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Jill Sanborn  
Federal Bureau of Investigation  

---------- Forwarded message ----------  

From: "D'Antuono, Steven Michael (WF) (FBI)"  
Date: Jan 3, 2021 11:13 AM  
Subject: Fw: FBI WFO Update for January 6th Events  
To: "Sanborn, Jill (CTD) (FBI)" "Ritzman, Marlin L. (NSB) (FBI)"  
CC: Jill and Marlin,  
FYI this is what I sent the Deputy this morning about  

Marlin,  

Happy New Year and here is hoping for a calm democratic process on the 6th.  

Steve  

Steven M. D’Antuono  
Assistant Director in Charge  
FBI – Washington Field Office  

Sir,  
I asked my team last night to put together  

FBI(21cv558)-1631
Please let me know if you need anything else and I will keep you updated as we get closer to the 6th. Let me know if you have any questions or require any more information.

Regards,
Steve

Steven M. D’Antuono
Assistant Director in Charge
FBI – Washington Field Office

From: [Redacted]
Sent: Sunday, January 3, 2021 10:01 AM
To: Moore, Jennifer L. (WF) (FBI); Alcoke, Matthew R. (WF) (FBI); D’Antuono, Steven Michael (WF) (FBI)
Cc: [Redacted]
Subject: FBI WFO Update for January 6th Events
Hello:

Relayed this to the AD earlier, but just to close the loop for everyone else on this chain.

Thanks,

From:

Sent: Friday, January 8, 2021 1:01 PM
To: Sanborn, Jill (CTD) (FBI); Moore, Jennifer L. (WF) (FBI)
Cc: Reddan, Patrick E. Jr. (CTD) (FBI)
Subject: RE: [EXTERNAL EMAIL] - Re: FBI background update

Hello:

Thank you,

From: Sanborn, Jill (CTD) (FBI)
Sent: Friday, January 8, 2021 12:55 PM
To: Moore, Jennifer L. (WF) (FBI)
Cc: Reddan, Patrick E. Jr. (CTD) (FBI)
Subject: FW: [EXTERNAL EMAIL] - Re: FBI background update

Jen and
Can you let me know the answer to this question below:

Jill

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CYBERSECURITY AND INTELLIGENCE REPORTER
WASHINGTON BUREAU

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FBI arrest man who posted photo of himself with feet up in Pelosi's office

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A man who joined in the breach of the Capitol on Wednesday and posted a photo of himself on social media sitting with his feet up on a desk in Speaker Nancy Pelosi's office was arrested by the FBI on Friday in Arkansas, officials said.

Richard Barnett was arrested in Little Rock on federal charges including unlawful entry into a restricted area, FBI officials said.
In addition, a man elected last year as a delegate to the West Virginia legislature, Derrick Evans, was charged for entering the Capitol without permission.

In a conference call with reporters Friday, federal prosecutors and the FBI said others involved in the Capitol takeover are also being swept up around the country.

"Just because you've left the DC region, you can still expect a knock at the door, if we find out you were part of the criminal activity at the Capitol," the Assistant Director in Charge of the FBI's Washington Field Office, Steven D'antuono, said. "We are sparing no expense or personnel or effort to root those perpetrators out and find them."

With critics widely faulting the U.S. Capitol Police for inadequate preparation for Wednesday's events, D'antuono also stood by earlier statements from officials that they did not expect violence from the crowd that gathered in Washington Wednesday to protest President-elect Joe Biden's victory.

"There was no indication there was nothing other than First Amendment protected activity," D'antuono added. "We worked diligently with our partners on this."
SFSAFBI

Secretary, Washington, D.C. Chapter

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Dear Todd,

Today ADL calls for the removal of President Donald Trump from office, either by the means afforded by the U.S. Constitution or through his own resignation.

As this week comes to a close, we must not allow the historic and horrific events of the past 48 hours to simply fade without significant consequences. In our over 100 years of history, ADL has never called for the President of the United States to be removed from office, but what occurred on Wednesday was inexcusable. It will forever be remembered as one of the darkest days of American democracy and it makes unambiguously clear: President Trump is unfit for office and needs to be removed.
Violence and sedition. Confederate flags being proudly displayed by rioters in the United States Capitol. White supremacists and far-right extremists marauding through the hallowed halls of one of our nation’s most sacred institutions. This was incited by President Trump and organized on social media for all the world to see. (Please read a more extended version of this unprecedented ADL statement [here].)

This step comes after the shocking chaos that unfolded when pro-Trump extremists, including some identified right-wing extremists, stormed the U.S. Capitol building. In the wake of the siege, five people have been confirmed dead including a police officer who had been helping to stave off the rioters, one of the insurrectionists who had invaded the Capitol building and three others who have not yet been publicly identified.

Among the extremists, there have been calls for further violence and even an all-out war.

The violence and the disregard for the democratic process are a plague on our entire country — and it is something that ADL has sadly been warning about for much of the last year. This is why we began briefing law enforcement and elected officials in more than a dozen states back in October about the potential threat and dangerous actions extremists could take in the aftermath of the election.

There’s a dangerous mix of antisemitism and racism in these riots as well. We’ve seen “Camo Auschwitz” shirts, swastika flags, nooses and Heil Hitler salutes. All of this augurs badly for civil society and has echoes of what we witnessed in Charlottesville more than three years ago.

UPDATES AND RESOURCES

We will continue to keep you and the rest of the ADL community informed about the latest developments in this alarming and evolving situation.

- Discuss this crisis with the young people in your lives, who may be shocked or fearful after viewing this news about political violence and extremism online and on television. We have put together an extensive discussion guide for parents and educators to use.

- We are reaching out via the national and local media to make sure that the country stands with us; you may find these new appearances on ABC News and CNBC helpful in analyzing the situation and sharing it with your peers and family.

- We are sifting through data about how Americans are responding to the crisis to better understand the political climate. As it is made available, please look for this analysis on our landing page about the current crisis and on our social channels.

DISRUPTING THE EXTREMISTS

ADL analysis are looking into the affiliations and identities of the rioters who rallied on Wednesday in DC.
and in many cities across the country, and how they are spreading their plans and misinformation. We are tracking extremist reactions and assessing potential future threats. When that information may help law enforcement to disrupt potential dangers, we will share that information with them, as we did in over 1,000 cases in 2020. Here are several updates you may find helpful.

- Extremists React to Pro-Trump Siege on Capitol
- Antisemites Implicate Jews, Zionists in DC Violence
- Extremists Engage in Political Violence in Pro-Trump Rallies
- The Storming of the Capitol Was Predictable

**REDUCING HATE ON SOCIAL MEDIA**

This coordinated assault on our democracy was fueled on social media. President Trump has used his social media accounts to promote sedition and incite violence. Sign our #BanTrumpSaveDemocracy petition calling on Twitter to ban the President from its platform immediately and for Facebook & Instagram to make their bans permanent. We demand that social platforms fulfill their obligations to deter extremism. Through the Stop Hate for Profit coalition, we call on these social media companies to put the safety of their users and of our democracy over their profit margins.

- Sign the petition calling on social media companies to remove President Trump’s accounts
- Tech Companies Still Supporting Hate
- ADL Calls on Twitter to Suspend Accounts Supporting QAnon

As this rapidly evolving situation unfolds and ADL releases more resources to address the crisis, please visit our landing page on Extremism and Antisemitism at the Capitol for the latest information.

**HELP ADL FIGHT HATE NOW**

If the actions of our President and the violent trespass into our nation’s Capitol building Wednesday horrified you, make no mistake... it was alarming but it wasn’t surprising. Years of hate-filled rhetoric have led our country directly to this point where dangerous extremists felt empowered to violently not in the middle of the day, covered by the media for all the world to witness.

It’s up to you to help ADL make sure it never happens again! Please consider making a donation to ADL today.

Thank you for standing with us,
Jonathan Greenblatt
CEO and National Director
ADL
From: SANS NewsBites
Subject: [EXTERNAL EMAIL] - [BULK] SANS NewsBites Vol. 23 Num. 002 : SolarWinds Even More Victims; $2 Million in Scholarships for talented students interested in cyber
To: Vorndran, Bryan A. (NO) (FBI)
Sent: January 8, 2021 4:25 PM (UTC-05:00)
Attached: smime.p7m
For students considering pursuing computer science or cybersecurity careers: A workshop on the new $2 million scholarship programs and key questions on cyber education sponsored by the National Cyber Scholarship Foundation.

Date and time: January 14, 2021 (3:30 PM Eastern)

The workshop will answer four questions commonly asked by high school students:

- What do I need to learn to get a good job in cybersecurity?
- Is there a way to find out if I have the aptitude to do well?
- Are there scholarships available?
- Where should I apply to college if I want to maximize my chances of getting a good job?

Registration: [https://zoom.us/webinar/register?AN_K3uWOGGBlvrb0Ben7zGow](https://zoom.us/webinar/register?AN_K3uWOGGBlvrb0Ben7zGow)

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SEC401, Security Essentials Redstone Style
SEC641, Hacker Tools, Techniques, Exploits, and Incident Handling
FCIB509, Advanced Incident Response, Threat Hunting, and Digital Forensics

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SolarWinds: Federal Judiciary Electronic Records Possibly Breached
(January 6 & 7, 2021)

The Administrative Offices of the US Courts is “adding new security procedures to protect highly sensitive confidential documents filed with the courts” following a possible compromise of its Case Management/Electronic Case Files (CM/ECF) system. The Judiciary is auditing the system along with the Department of Homeland Security (DHS).

Read more in:
- www.uscourts.gov: Judiciary Addresses Cybersecurity Breach: Extra Safeguards to Protect Sensitive Court Records
- leshsoniansecurity.com: Sealed U.S. Court Records Exposed in SolarWinds Breach
- www.cyberscoop.com: Federal courts are latest apparent victim of SolarWinds hack
- thehill.com: Federal judiciary likely compromised as part of SolarWinds hack

SolarWinds: DoJ eMail Accounts Breached
(January 6, 2021)

The US Department of Justice (DoJ) says that the hackers behind the SolarWinds supply chain attack breached the department’s Office 365 environment and compromised more than 3,000 email accounts. The DoJ Office of the Chief Information Officer (OCIO) detected malicious activity in late December 2020.

Read more in:
- www.justice.gov: Department of Justice Statement on Solarwinds Update
- fox.com: DOJ says it was hit by SolarWinds hackers
- thehill.com: Justice Department confirms breach as part of SolarWinds hack, says emails were accessed
- www.cyberscoop.com: Justice Department confirms SolarWinds hackers accessed Department emails
- ars technica.com: DoJ says SolarWinds hackers breached its Office 365 system and read email
- www.blootangcomputer.com: SolarWinds hackers had access to over 3,000 US DOJ email accounts
SolarWinds: FBI, NSA, ODNI, and CISA Point Finger at Russia

(2021-01-05)

In a joint statement, the US Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI), the Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Security Agency (CISA), the Office of the Director of National Intelligence (ODNI), and the National Security Agency (NSA) wrote, "an Advanced Persistent Threat (APT) actor, likely Russian in origin, is responsible for most or all of the recently discovered, ongoing cyber compromises of both government and non-governmental networks."

Editor's Note

It is highly likely that at least one hostile nation state has gained persistent access to our infrastructure. While much of the access may never be exploited, its existence constitutes an existential threat to our national security. It is time to stop admiring the problem.

Good cybersecurity tools can find the persistent presence of those nation states only when they are deeply and continuously adapted to local conditions by people with elite cyber talent like the folks who found the SolarWinds infection at Mandiant/FireEye. Tools don't find these problems without those hunters and tool adapters, and no nation will be able to withstand sustained cyber attacks without a cadre of world-class hunters. Hunters will be as important in future conflicts as fighter pilots were in World War II. The National Cyber Scholarship Foundation launched a $2 million scholarship program to identify and support the next generation of hunters; more than 25,000 high school students are participating this winter and spring. A parallel collegiate program will be announced in late January.

Read more in:
- fbi.gov: Joint Statement By The Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI), The Cybersecurity And Infrastructure Security Agency (CISA), The Office Of The Director Of National Intelligence (ODNI), And The National Security Agency (NSA)
- arstechnica.com: Bucking Trump, NSA and FBI say Russia was "likely" behind SolarWinds hack
- www.zdnet.com: US government formally blames Russia for SolarWinds hack
- threatpost.com: Feds Pinpoint Russia as 'Likely' Culprit Behind SolarWinds Attack
SolarWinds: CISA Guidance Update Requires Agencies to Conduct Forensic Analysis
(December 6 & 7, 2021)

The US Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Security Agency (CISA) has updated its SolarWinds guidance. The January 8, 2021, “supplemental guidance v3 requires (1) agencies that ran affected versions conduct forensic analysis, (2) agencies that accept the risk of running SolarWinds Orion comply with certain hardening requirements, and (3) reporting by agency from department-level Chief Information Officers (CIOs) by Tuesday, January 19, and Monday, January 25, 2021.”

Editor's Note

CISA has three categories of network/systems for response guidance as well as whether or not you were running an impacted version of SolarWinds. If you don’t have the required forensic capabilities, CISA will help you locate a qualified provider. CISA also warns that there may be other vulnerabilities in SolarWinds Orion the threat actors have yet to exploit. The best plan for reintroduction of Orion into your environment is to build on freshly provisioned servers from the most current version. Before implementing CISA measures, make sure your organization is not taking a more conservative approach.

Read more in:
- cyber.dhs.gov: Supplemental Guidance v3
- www.fedscoop.com: CISA updates guidance on SolarWinds compromise
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https://www.sans.org/info/218605

Webcast | Network Detection and Response Solutions record all network activity and flag any anomalous behavior to detect threats before they can have a major business impact. Tune in to our upcoming webinar "Beyond Network Detection and Response (NDR)" to dive deeper into NDR. | January 13th @ 3:30 PM EST |
https://www.sans.org/info/218620

Webcast | Whether you’re an ATT&CK beginner or expert, join us for "MITRE ATT&CK: The Magic of Mitigations and ATT&CK v8", a surprisingly engaging discussion on ATT&CK v8. We’ll cover all the basics, but we’ll also provide deeper insight into ATT&CK, its use cases, and great ways to get started. | January 14th @ 1:00 PM EST |
https://www.sans.org/info/218625

The Rest of the Week's News
Hackney Data Stolen, Leaked in Ransomware Attack
(January 7, 2021)

The ransomware operators responsible for an attack against the network of the Hackney council in London, UK have leaked stolen data. The ransomware attack occurred in October 2020. The council's services are still “significantly disrupted.” The stolen information has reportedly been posted on the dark web.

Read more in:
- www.zealot.com: Months after this ‘serious’ cyber-attack, stolen data has been leaked online by hackers

Ransomware Hits Minnesota Lake Region Healthcare Network
(December 30, 2020, & January 7, 2021)

Lake Region Healthcare (LRHC) in Minnesota was the victim of a ransomware attack in late December 2020. The attack prompted LRHC to initiate HER downtime procedures. In a public statement, LRHC said they “are providing most of [their] services as usual by operating largely off alternative systems.”

Editor’s Note

(Emphasis)
Given the number of successful attacks against healthcare institutions, it is fair to infer that far too many such institutions are accepting the risk of such attacks. While this may be justified, it simply cannot be acceptable to take that risk while also failing to have a plan for timely remediation.

Read more in:
- healthsecurity.com: Minnesota’s Lake Region Healthcare Recovering From Ransomware Attack
- www.lrhc.org: Public Statement: Update from LRH CEO Kent Mattson about Ransomware Attack
House Passes FedRAMP Bill

(January 3, 5, & 6, 2021)

The US House of Representatives has passed a bill that codifies the Federal Risk and Authorization Management Program, or FedRAMP. The FedRAMP Authorization Act also establishes an advisory committee "to ensure effective and ongoing coordination of agency adoption, use, authorization, monitoring, acquisition, and security of cloud computing products and services to enable agency mission and administrative priorities."

Editor's Note

FedRAMP provides a level playing field for assessing the security of cloud services to a known standard, including ongoing monitoring and visibility to issues and responses, known as POA&Ms. Assessing the security of a FedRAMP authorized service is much easier than trying to exercise your "right to audit" and mapping their practices to your security standards. FedRAMP also adds the requirements to support strong authentication, e.g. PIV/SmartCard. Even so, it's up to the agency to either implement the use of smart cards or obtain approval not to from their authorizing official; all FedRAMP customer responsibilities must be addressed in order to obtain an approval to operate (ATO).

In many areas of information security the federal government lags behind private industry. But FedRAMP and DMARC and DNSSEC are areas where the federal government used its buying power to drive higher levels of security in the broader commercial markets and led the way in adopting more secure use of the Internet and Internet-based services. I'd like to see application security and strong authentication get added to that list for future government adoption to drive markets.

One agrees with John Pescatore on strong authentication. It resists the fraudulent reuse of compromised credentials, a pervasive risk. It is, at least arguably, our most efficient security measure. One also agrees that application security, especially applications common across enterprises, is essential, though much more difficult to specify or legislate. However, particularly on the desktop, applications are a small part of the attack surface. Most desktops have ten to a hundred times the amount of system code than is actually required by the applications. The vulnerabilities in this code are common and exploited across enterprises. Consider reducing your attack surface by eliminating gratuitous functions.

Read more in:
- fox.com: House passes FedRAMP bill
- www.nexthoy.com: House Passes Bill to Codify and Revamp FedRAMP
Fired Healthcare Exec Sentenced to Prison for Sabotaging PPE Distribution
(January 6 & 7, 2021)

A former employee of Georgia-based Stradis Healthcare has pleaded guilty to computer intrusion for tampering with the company's computer systems. Christopher Dobbs used a secret account he had created to gain access to the Stradis network where he altered and deleted data, hobbling the company's efforts to distribute personal protective equipment (PPE) in spring 2020. Dobbs has been sentenced to one year in prison.

Editor's Note

[Study]
Stradis terminated Dobbs's regular accounts after he was terminated but missed the secret account he created. Accounts should be validated regularly. Not only after creation but on a regular basis to ensure only legitimate and active accounts are enabled. Account creation, particularly when assigned privileges, should create an alert or trigger an action.

[Prosecution]
Hard to do anything but cheer the sentencing. But, the question of how a “secret account” existed should be a spur to making sure privileged accounts are limited and routinely audited – if not regularly revoked to require regular re-justification for access.

[karma]
Transparency and accountability are the primary controls over privileged users. In enterprises with more than one or two such users, consideration should be given to Privileged Access Management software.

Read more in:
- www.zdnet.com: Disgruntled former VP hacks company, disrupts PPE supply, earns jail term
- threatpost.com: Fired Healthcare Exec Stalls Critical PPE Shipment for Months
- www.fbi.gov: Medical Equipment Packaging Company Hacker Sentenced
Nissan Source Code Possibly Exposed
(January 6, 2021)

Source code for Nissan North America mobile apps and diagnostic tools may have been exposed due to an improperly configured Git server. Nissan says it has secured the server.

Editor’s Note
[Blank]
The server had default (admin/admin) credentials. As much has been done of late to make services available to remote workers, verifying the security, including the presence of default credentials, has to be part of service delivery. Security also should be re-verified after installing patches, upgrades, or significant changes.

Read more in:
- www.zdnet.com: Nissan source code leaked online after Git repo misconfiguration
- www.cipherwire.com: Nissan investigated source code exposure, says it plugged leak
NSA Guidance Urges Updating Outdated TLS Protocols

(January 5 & 6, 2021)

The US National Security Agency (NSA) has issued guidance urging system administrators to replace obsolete Transport Layer Security (TLS) protocols with updated versions. The guidance offers strategies for detecting obsolete TLS instances (TLS 1.0 and 1.1 as well as SSL 2.0 and 3.0) and for replacing them with newer versions with strong encryption and authentication (TLS 1.2 and 1.3).

Editor's Note

[Link]
NSA Cyber also set up a valuable Github repo with tools (github.com/nscyber/Mitigating-Obsoleted-TLS). A tool that should probably be added is Zeek which is ideally suited to detect the use of outdated TLS configurations. It can also be used to verify that certain outdated versions and ciphers are no longer in use, and that it is safe to disable them.

[Note]
When implementing strong encryption, be sure to disable weak algorithms as well. The weak algorithms in TLS 1.2 are NULL, RC2, RC4, DES, IDEA, and 3DES/3DES. While TLS 1.3 removes these, if you're also supporting TLS 1.2, use an external scanner verify they are disabled.

Read more in:
- threatpost.com: NSA Urges SysAdmins to Replace Obsolete TLS Protocols
- www.bloodhoundscomputer.com: NSA shares guidance, tools to mitigate weak encryption protocols
- www.newsflash.com: NSA Urges Federal Stakeholders to Update Obsolete TLS Configurations

Legislators' Computers Left Unattended When They Were Evacuated

(January 7, 2021)

When people stormed the US Capitol building on Wednesday, legislators' computers were left unattended. One senator has reported that a laptop was stolen from his office. It has not been determined what information the computer contains.

Editor's Note

[Link]
In emergency situations, in particular, it is important to have automated tools to secure systems. During an evacuation, people should focus on leaving the area, not securing their screen. This has happened at hotels when thieves used fire alarms to evacuate buildings before stealing laptops.

[Note]
Can't fault people fleeing violent mobs or burning airplanes for leaving the laptops on behind them, but this is a good news item for reminding decision makers why screenlock and timeout timers are beneficial to the health of the business in any instance where a computing device may be left unattended even in normal circumstances.

[Note]
The first priority during a crisis is preservation of life and limb. Typically drill/test scenarios don't include facility breach, so unlocked or unattended systems are not at risk. Even so, implementing idle timers which lock the screen have to be SOP. NIST SP 800-53 controls require this on federal information systems. Similar requirements stem from NIST SP 800-171 which apply to non-federal systems processing sensitive USG information.

Read more in:
- www.todays.com: U.S. senator says Capitol building rioters made off with laptop
- www.foxnew.com: Capitol Riot Opens Congress to Potential IT Compromise
- www.wired.com: Post-Riot, the Capital Hill IT Staff Faces a Security Mess

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Internet Storm Center Tech Corner

Netflix Detective: An Alternative Open-Source Packet Analysis Tool
https://net.sans.edu

Using the NIST Database and API to Keep Up with Vulnerabilities
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ZyXel Exportation Under Way
https://net.sans.edu

Brian Nistor's Ubuntu Artifacts Generated by Gnome Desktop Environment (PDF)
https://www.insecure.com

ElectroRAT drains Cryptocurrency Accounts
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Chrome Will Prefer HTTPS over HTTP By Default
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Android January Patch Day
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Telegram Publishes Users' Locations Online
https://blog.alternativex.com

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The Brooks Bawden Moore Weekly Update and Analysis highlights the previous week's floor and committee activities within the US Senate and House of Representatives, and this week's congressional activities that
relate to law enforcement and homeland security matters. The weekly update also lists legislation introduced the previous week, which may be of interest to the law enforcement and homeland security communities. Please let us know if you would like to know more about any of the items described in the update. Additionally, please feel free to distribute this product as you see fit.

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The House and Senate were in session this week, with both chambers meeting on January 3 to gavel in the start of the 117th Congress, and met in a Joint Session on January 6 to fulfill its constitutional duty to count the electoral ballots for the President and Vice-President. Both chambers were not expected to come back into session until the inauguration, however, it is possible the House may return early to vote on Articles of Impeachment of President Trump for his actions leading up to the attack on the U.S. Capitol. The inauguration of President-elect Biden and Vice President-elect Harris will occur on January 20.

MCSA New Year's Message - Before the New Year, the Major County Sheriffs of America released a special message from it’s membership. We encourage you to watch this short message from MCSA.
Remembering Phil Ramer
By: Ron Brooks

This past Tuesday, January 5th 2021 law enforcement lost a true visionary and a nationally respected leader. Even sadder to me, I, along with many others lost a great friend when Phil Ramer passed away unexpectedly at the age of 70.

Phil dedicated his life to law enforcement and to keeping the citizens of our great nation safe from evil and harm. After earning a degree in criminal justice from Florida State University, he began his law enforcement career with the Florida Department of Law Enforcement (FDLE). Phil went on to have a very successful 30 year law enforcement career serving in many assignments and ranks at FDLE including time as the Special Agent in Charge at FDLE’s Tampa Field Office. He went on to become the Special Agent in Charge of FDLE’s Office of Statewide Intelligence. During his career, Phil graduated from the FBI’s National Academy, the Florida Criminal Justice Executive Institute’s Senior Leadership Program and Rollins College with a Master of Science in Criminology.

I first met Phil as the law enforcement profession struggled with how to improve criminal intelligence operations and information sharing procedures in the dark days following 9-11. Phil became a true thought leader serving with the Global Justice Information Sharing Initiative, the Criminal Intelligence Coordinating Council and the National Suspicious Activity Reporting Initiative (NSI). Phil was a significant part of the glue that held together the effort to create the national network of fusion centers, the NSI and an environment that promoted collaboration and information sharing between Federal, state and local law enforcement as well as other public safety and private sector organizations.

In 2004, Phil retired from FDLE and began working at the Institute for Intergovernmental Research (IIR) where he continued working as a researcher, policy writer and nationally recognized instructor supporting much of the work that he had begun while serving as FDLE’s Chief of Statewide Intelligence. Phil worked at IIR until his death, never wavering in his commitment to supporting and promoting law enforcement and homeland security. Phil traveled the country for IIR vesting every state and earning the respect and love of
legions of law enforcement and homeland security professionals across the nation. Phil remained dedicated to the mission of protecting our nation and anyone that worked with him knew that they could call on Phil at any time to bring his steady leadership and vision to assist them in creating a better way to support homeland security and law enforcement operations.

During the more than 45 years that Phil served the law enforcement profession at FDLE and IIR, he was the recipient of countless awards and accolades. But I know that he would most want to be remembered as a loving husband to his wife Dee, a devoted father to Greg and Jeff and a loving and proud grandfather to Carson, Kegan, Tucker, Callie and Savannah. God Bless you Phil. You will be missed but your legacy will live on through your wonderful family and your many law enforcement accomplishments.

Phil Ramer’s Obituary can be found here.

**Kurt Schmid Criminal Intelligence Meritorious Service Award Nominations** - The Kurt Schmid Criminal Intelligence Meritorious Service Award was established to recognize law enforcement representatives and partners who have been champions for event and case deconfliction, officer safety, or other criminal intelligence meritorious service. Nominations for the award will be accepted now until 5:00 p.m. (ET) Friday, February 19, 2021. Please see the nomination form below for additional information regarding the award and the nomination process. Please note that individuals or groups previously nominated for this award may be resubmitted, however, former award recipients are not eligible. If you have any questions about the award process or to nominate someone, please e-mail cis@ir.com. For more information, see here.

**Federal Deaths in Custody and During Arrest Report** - The Bureau of Justice Statistics recently released the first in a series that examines deaths that occur during federal arrest, detention and incarceration in the United States. It describes decedent, incident and facility characteristics of deaths in federal custody and during arrest by federal law enforcement agencies during fiscal years 2016 and 2017. You can view the report here.

**Withdrawal of Guidance: ATF Objective Factors for Classifying Weapons with “Stabilizing Braces”** - The Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives recently published the objective factors it considers when evaluating firearms with an attached stabilizing brace to determine whether they are considered firearms under the National Firearms Act (NFA) and/or the Gun Control Act. According to the notice, some manufacturers in recent years have produced and sold devices designed to be attached to large and/or heavy pistols which are marketed to help a shooter “stabilize” his or her arm to support single-handed fire (“braces”). Since then, ATF has announced that it has withdrawn its guidance. You can read more here.
Job Announcement: National HIDTA Assistance Center Executive Director - The National High Intensity Drug Trafficking Areas (HIDTA) Assistance Center (NHAC), located in Miami, Florida, provides centralized services and technical assistance to the 33 HIDTA regional programs across the United States, Puerto Rico, and the U.S. Virgin Islands to support their mission as they respond to the unique drug production, manufacturing, importation, and distribution threats in those regions. The NHAC Director manages a program that provides centralized services and technical assistance to the 33 regional HIDTA programs and undertakes collateral responsibilities for the NHPO. All application materials must be received no later than the close of business on Sunday, January 31, 2021. You can find further information on how to apply here.

Final Report of the President's Commission on Law Enforcement and the Administration of Justice - On December 22, Attorney General Barr submitted the final report of the President's Commission on Law Enforcement and the Administration of Justice to the White House. This report represents the first comprehensive study of law enforcement in more than 55 years. The commission, its staff, and its many working groups convened dozens of hearings and listening sessions and worked constantly over the past 10 months to develop this report. You can find the final report here.

Fiscal Year 2021 Department of Justice Grant Solicitations - The Department of Justice's Office of Justice Programs recently began to release fiscal year 2021 grant solicitations. Deadlines for many of these grants are in February and early March. You can find a list of the solicitations here.

CICC Five in 5 Newsletter - The most recent CICC 5 in 5 was released, and includes a BJA webinar on
Identifying and applying for grants, a BJA NITAC publication on preventing law enforcement suicides, and the COPS Office announcement establishing the first-ever community of practice for state, local and tribal grantees to connect, learn, share experiences, and network in an effort to continue the growth of law enforcement mental health and wellness work. You can view the CICC Five in 5 here.

**Biden Cabinet / Top Staff Picks** - President-Elect Biden has made a handful of Cabinet and high-level staff picks affecting national security. Below you can find his latest selections.

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**House & Senate Leaders for the 117th Congress** - Please find the current list of likely leadership for the 117th Congress. 
117th Congress.

House Leadership

Speaker
Nancy Pelosi (D-CA)

Majority Leader
Steny Hoyer (D-MD)

Senate Leadership

Republican Leader
Mitch McConnell (R-KY)

Democratic Leader
Chuck Schumer (D-NY)

US House

Chairman
Jerry Nadler (D-NY)

Ranking Member
Jim Jordan (R-OH)

Homeland Security
Bennie Thompson (D-MS)

Appropriations
Rosa DeLauro (D-CT)

Oversight & Reform
Carolyn Maloney (D-NY)

US Senate

Chairman
*Dick Durbin (D-IL)

Ranking Member
*Chuck Grassley (R-IA)

Judiciary

Homeland Security &
Governmental Affairs

Appropriations
Gary Peters (D-MI)

Patrick Leahy (D-VT)

*Leading Contender

SCN Webinar

National Webinar Series:
Navigating the Nonprofit Security Grant Program
Thursday, January 14 at 3:00 PM EST

The Secure Community Network (SCN), in partnership with The Jewish Federations of North America (JFNA) and The Conference of Presidents of Major American Jewish Organizations, will be hosting a series of webinars to provide an update on the Nonprofit Security Grant Program (NSGP), to include: its status, a review of recent application guidance, and considerations for planning efforts that can be undertaken now, in advance of any grant announcement.

Articles of Interest

Under Biden, the Justice Department is expected to again police the police
The Washington Post | Robert Klemko
The FBI agent whose investigations revealed unchecked racial discrimination within the police department
here described the worst officers as "bullies with badges." They parked their squad cars near the banks of the Quinnipiac River along a handful of roads connecting New Haven and East Haven and pulled over drivers for the color of their skin. They stalked Latino businesses, harassing, arresting and assaulting customers and business owners, then lied about their actions in police reports. A White Catholic priest, swamped in complaints from his parishioners about the department, stood up to the police. His arrest in 2009 for obstruction set in motion a rare rebuke for a small-town force: a court-ordered agreement known as a consent decree between the Justice Department and local authorities to clean up police practices in their community. Continue reading here.

In Baltimore, someone shoots, someone falls, and the cops get there first.
The Baltimore Sun | Dan Rodricks
All year long — and for too many years now — gunshots ring out in the city of Baltimore, at least two volleys a day. It has happened more than 700 times in 2020, leaving hundreds of men and women bleeding and suffering on sidewalks and streets, many of them in poor, half-abandoned neighborhoods to the east and west of downtown. When police officers arrive, the victims they find might be dead or dying — there's roughly a one-in-three chance of that — and even more might die if not for the first aid the officers render. On a recent Tuesday night in West Baltimore, the veteran Alexis Torres and the rookie Mason Coursey helped save the life of a 37-year-old man who, for reasons unknown, had been shot multiple times and left for dead. Continue reading here.

Trump policing commission calls for independent probes of officer shootings, more technology use
The Washington Post | Tom Jackman
Every state should require its police departments to have an independent agency investigate all fatal shootings and other serious use-of-force incidents by officers as one way of restoring public faith in American policing, according to the final report of a commission created by President Trump to examine ways to improve the criminal justice system. The report also calls for expanding the use of various technologies to fight crime, improving recruitment and training of officers, maintaining qualified immunity for officers who are sued for their actions, and reining in reform-minded prosecutors who declare they will not enforce certain laws such as marijuana possession. Continue reading here.

Early vaccination in prisons, a public health priority, proves politically charged
The Washington Post | Isaac Stanley-Becker
First came the outcry in a Denver newspaper op-ed, arguing that Colorado's coronavirus vaccination plan would bring relief to a man who fatally shot four people before it protected the author's law-abiding, 78-year-old father. Then came the backlash on social media. The accusation that state leaders were coddling convicts like Nathan Dunlap, who is being held for life in the Colorado State Penitentiary for the 1993 slayings at a Chuck E. Cheese restaurant, caught fire in pro-Trump Facebook groups with titles such as "ALL ABOARD THE TRUMP TRAIN." Within days, the person behind the broadside, a Republican district attorney, was making his case on Fox News, labeling the state's vaccination plan "crazy." Continue reading here.
Trump administration taps criminal prosecutor to run ICE
Washington Examiner | Anna Giaritelli

The Trump administration appointed a criminal prosecutor as the new leader at U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement following the departure of its sixth leader under President Trump, the Washington Examiner has learned. Acting DHS Secretary Chad Wolf announced the promotion of acting ICE Principal Legal Adviser Jonathan Fahey in an email to staff Thursday afternoon, though it has yet to be publicly announced. "I am pleased to announce the appointment of Jonathan Fahey as the Senior Official Performing the Duties of the Director of U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement," Wolf wrote. "As a former criminal prosecutor, Jonathan brings a wealth of experience to the position. ... I am confident he will successfully lead the men and women of ICE in their mission to keep Americans safe." Continue reading here.

Hearings & Markups Happening This Week

There were no hearings scheduled this week.

There are no upcoming hearings scheduled at this time.
Legislation on the Floor This Week

House:

Nothing affecting the law enforcement or homeland security communities.

Senate:

Note: Due to Senate scheduling and rules, additional items not listed may be added to the calendar for consideration.

Nothing affecting the law enforcement or homeland security communities.

Recap of Last Week’s Hearings & Markups

Note: For more details on any of the following hearings, we can provide access to hearing transcripts upon request.

There were no hearings held last week affecting the law enforcement or homeland security communities.

Legislation Considered Last Week

House:

H.R. 423, Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2021
**H.R. 3783 - EFFORT Act**

**Status:** Approved by the Senate as amended on 12/22; Approved by the House on 7/23.

**Summary:** This bill directs the National Science Foundation to support merit-reviewed and competitively awarded research on the science of opioid addiction.

**H.R. 133 - Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2021**

**Status:** Approved by the Senate on 12/21; Approved by the House on 12/21.

**Summary:** This legislation combines $900 billion in COVID-19 relief aid with a $1.4 trillion bill that funds the federal government through the end of the fiscal year. The coronavirus relief-portion of the bill includes $284 billion for another round of small business aid through the Paycheck Protection Program, a $300-per-week federal unemployment boost for 11 weeks, a round of $600 stimulus checks for those making up to $75,000, as well as more money for schools, hospitals and an extension of an eviction moratorium. The agreement also extends the Coronavirus Relief Fund spending deadline to December 31, 2021. The legislation does not include liability protections and more money for state and local governments.

The FY 2021 Omnibus government funding portion of the bill includes a number of provisions including restoration of Pell Grant eligibility for incarcerated individuals, several firearm screening provisions, the Don’t Break Up the T-Band Act, and several data collection provisions. Additionally the legislation provides the following funding:

- $360.1 million for Byrne JAG (minus carveouts)
- $40 million for RISS
- $394 million for initiatives to combat opioids
- $53 million for the STOP School Violence Act
- $290 million for HIDTA
- Level funding for SHSGP & UASI
- $180 million increase for the nonprofit homeland security grants
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The podcasts are available here.

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<td>Bryan Steil (R-WI-1)</td>
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<td>1/6/2021</td>
<td>HR 225</td>
<td>Morgan Griffith (R-VA-9)</td>
<td>To amend chapter 44 of title 18, United States Code, to more comprehensively address the interstate transportation of firearms or ammunition.</td>
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<td>1/5/2021</td>
<td>HR 184</td>
<td>Michael Burgess (R-TX-26)</td>
<td>To require the Inspector General, Department of Justice, to submit a report to the Congress on the number of firearm transaction denials issued by the National Instant Criminal Background Check System that are referred to the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms, and Explosives for investigation, the number of prosecutions resulting from such investigations, and the number of firearms recovered by the Bureau in cases in which such a denial was issued after the firearm was transferred.</td>
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<td>1/4/2021</td>
<td>HR 176</td>
<td>Bonnie Watson Coleman (D-NJ-12)</td>
<td>To amend title 18, United States Code, to impose conditions on the use of solitary confinement in Federal prisons, and for other purposes.</td>
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<td>Abigail Spanberger (D-VA-7)</td>
<td>To direct the Secretary of Homeland Security to establish national hazard preparation and response exercises, and for other purposes.</td>
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<td>Al Green (D-TX-9)</td>
<td>To amend title 23, United States Code, to establish a grant program for States that establish specific standards for education and training programs concerning civilian and law enforcement encounters during traffic stops and other in-person encounters, and for other purposes.</td>
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<td>To prohibit the transfer of a firearm at a gun show by a person who is not a federally licensed firearms dealer.</td>
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<td>Bobby Rush (D-IL-1)</td>
<td>To establish licensing standards for law enforcement, and for other purposes.</td>
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<td>Sheila Jackson Lee (D-TX-18)</td>
<td>To authorize funding to increase access to mental health care treatment to reduce gun violence.</td>
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<td>Sheila Jackson Lee (D-TX-18)</td>
<td>To require the Director of the Federal Bureau of Investigation to report to the Congress semiannually on the number of firearms transfers resulting from the failure to complete a background check within 3 business days, and the procedures followed after it is discovered that a firearm transfer has been made to a transferee who is ineligible to receive a firearm.</td>
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<td>To enhance Federal enforcement of hate crimes, and for other purposes.</td>
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<td>To amend title 18, United States Code, to provide an alternate release date for certain nonviolent offenders, and for other purposes.</td>
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<td>Sheila Jackson Lee (D-TX-18)</td>
<td>To amend the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act of 1998 to provide for the humane treatment of youths who are in police custody, and for other purposes.</td>
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<td>To require the safe storage of firearms and ammunition, and to require the investigation of reports of improper storage of firearms or ammunition.</td>
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<td>Sheila Jackson Lee (D-TX-18)</td>
<td>To increase the evidentiary standard required to convict a person for a drug offense, to require screening of law enforcement officers or others acting under color of law participating in drug task forces, and for other purposes.</td>
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<td>To provide alternatives to incarceration for youth, and for other purposes.</td>
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<td>Sheila Jackson Lee (D-TX-18)</td>
<td>To provide for the licensing of firearm and ammunition possession and the registration of firearms, and to prohibit the possession of certain ammunition.</td>
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<td>Sheila Jackson Lee (D-TX-18)</td>
<td>To amend title 18, United States Code, to provide for a 7-day waiting period before a semiautomatic firearm, a silencer, armor piercing ammunition, or a large capacity ammunition magazine may be transferred.</td>
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Upcoming Events / Conferences

National Fusion Center Association Annual Training Event
January 26-28 - Virtual - NEW DATES!

2021 National Narcotic Officers' Associations' Coalition Annual Meeting
January 31-February 3—Washington, DC CANCELED - Moved to Virtual - TBD

MARGIN 14th Annual Gang Training Conference
March 21-24 - Hanover, MD

International Association of Directors of Law Enforcement Standards and Training 2021 Conference
May 23-26 - Fort Worth, TX

2021 National School Safety Conference & Exhibition
July 26-30 - Las Vegas, NV

Congressional Calendar

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Ali. here was the video I referenced this morning.

On Jan 8, 2021 11:19 AM, I wrote:

Steve, Per our discussion this morning...
From: SANS NewsBites
Subject: [EXTERNAL EMAIL] - [BULK] SANS NewsBites Vol. 23 Num. 002: SolarWinds Even More Victims; $2 Million in Scholarships for Talented Students Interested in Cyber
To: Brown, John A. (NSB) (FBI)
Sent: January 8, 2021 5:33 PM (UTC-05:00)
Attached: smime.p7m
Please see the attached Briefing Points.
Fyi, I emailed WFO regarding the LODD several hours ago. Just waiting on them to respond with number for my notification.

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On Jan 8, 2021 12:57 PM, wrote:

All,

LEOKA is going to categorize this incident as felonious and update their count to reflect this on Monday's report.

I will proceed with our notification process to the DO. I know the Chief just submitted his resignation. I will ask the field office for their input when I reach out to them for the cell phone number, unless you instruct otherwise.

Thanks

On Jan 8, 2021 10:01 AM wrote:

Thanks

On Jan 8, 2021 7:48 AM wrote:

LEOKA still hasn't determined whether this is felonious or accidental

---------- Forwarded message ----------
From: [email]
Date: Jan 8, 2021 6:11 AM
Subject: LEOKA Daily Report â€“ Notification of a Line-of-Duty Death Included
To: [email]
Cc: [email]

LEOKA Daily Report â€“ Notification of a Line-of-Duty Death Included

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*Please be advised the death of Officer Brian Sicknick is being reported by various new sources and is currently under investigation by Capital Police. Officer Sicknick’s death has NOT been added to today’s count as it has not been determined as felonious or accidental at this time. The LEOKA Daily Report will be updated as official notification is received.

(Circumstances per preliminary details provided from FOX News and CNN)

(CNN) The US Capitol Police confirmed the death of one of their officers late Thursday from injuries suffered when a mob of President Donald Trump's supporters stormed the Capitol a day before. Capitol Police said in a statement that Officer Brian D. Sicknick died at approximately 9:30 p.m. ET Thursday “due to injuries sustained while on-duty.” The death is being investigated by the DC Metropolitan Police Department's homicide branch, the US Capitol Police and their federal partners.

"Officer Sicknick was responding to the riots on Wednesday, January 6, 2021, at the U.S. Capitol and was injured while physically engaging with protesters. He returned to his division office and collapsed. He was taken to a local hospital where he succumbed to his injuries."

As of today (01/08/2021):

- 0 law enforcement officers were reported to have been feloniously killed in the line of duty in 2021. During the previous year, for the same time period, 1 officer was feloniously killed.
- 3 law enforcement officers were reported to have been accidentally killed in the line of duty in 2021. During the previous year, for the same time period, 0 officers were accidentally killed.
- 0 law enforcement officers were reported to have contracted COVID-19 and succumbed to the illness in 2021.
- 0 law enforcement officers were reported to have succumbed to conditions from 9/11 response.
- 0 law enforcement officers were reported to have succumbed to a heart attack in 2021.
- 0 law enforcement officers were reported to have succumbed to cancer in 2021.
- 0 law enforcement officers were reported to have succumbed to other natural causes in 2021.

Number of law enforcement officers killed in previous years:

- Feloniously killed:
  - 2020- 47
  - 2019 48
  - 2018 57
  - 2017 46
  - 2016 66
  - 2015 41

- Accidentally killed:
  - 2020- 46
  - 2019 41
  - 2018 50
  - 2017 48
  - 2016 52
Respectfully,
Subject: Preventing Violence and Criminal Activity Plan

To: Vorndran, Bryan A. (NO) (FBI)

Sent: January 8, 2021 7:04 PM (UTC-05:00)

Can you take a look and see if I am going down the right path?
Behind the Strategic Failure of the Capitol Police

Experts and police chiefs ask: How could a pumped-up, post-9/11 force with its own bomb squad and intelligence departments have failed the most basic security drill?
The successful storming of the U.S. Capitol by pro-Trump rioters on Wednesday represents perhaps the greatest policing failure in American history, a catastrophic collapse that ended up costing one Capitol Police officer his life and the entire security leadership of the Capitol their jobs.

With both houses of Congress in a crucial joint session, the crowds that first approached the Capitol's outer fence were no larger than the department deals with routinely. Yet within minutes, the outer fence lines had collapsed and officers were in full-blown retreat. The mob surged into the building and soon had almost free run of the place, rifling through the Parliamentarian's office, taking mail from the hastily abandoned office of House Speaker Nancy Pelosi, and carrying away or destroying all manner of objects. Rioters with Confederate flags strode past oil paintings of Civil War leaders. For the better part of the 3 p.m. hour Wednesday, overwhelmed officers seemed to evaporate, ceding the building to the invaders.

Through the afternoon Wednesday and through Thursday, current and former major city police chiefs traded puzzled and worried calls, all amazed at the assault on—and stunningly easy fall of—one of the world's supposedly most secure buildings.

It wasn't just the building that had them horrified. In the past two decades, the Capitol Police has grown into one of the largest, best-funded and most single-focus police departments in the country, with a budget of more than $460 million and around 2,000 sworn officers to guard just 2 square miles of the capital. (By comparison, that's half the size of the entire police force for Washington, D.C.)

Appalled experts, watching the crisis unfold, asked themselves: Where was the protective intelligence? Where was the quick reaction force? Where were the long guns? Where were the helmets and batons? Where were the tall, secure fences that normally ring the Capitol during high-profile protests? And perhaps most important: Where was the strategy? Word on Thursday evening that the Capitol Police had simultaneously turned down offers of reinforcements only deepened the sense of disbelief.

"It was so disheartening," says R. Gil Kerlikowske, the former chief of police in Seattle and Buffalo and former commissioner of U.S. Customs and Border Protection. "I'm still pretty shocked."

"They were woefully underprepared, and there will be a lot of deserved finger-pointing," says a former New York Police Department executive, who spoke anonymously to criticize another department.

"USCP should know better, and has been dealing with crowds for decades," said a former Capitol Hill security official.

Minute by minute, individual officers sometimes acted bravely, but hour by hour, Wednesday's events demonstrated a top-to-bottom failure by a key federal law-enforcement agency. The crisis can't even be called a failure of
imagination, as 9/11 is sometimes seen, because in many ways the idea that
the pro-Trump mob might march on the Capitol to disrupt the proceedings
inside seemed all but obvious. Nor was this an incident that just slipped under
the radar. The joint session inside was the single biggest news event in the
United States that day, and the rioters had been planning disruptive protest
for weeks, in the open.

What went wrong? The day was a textbook example of cascading mistakes of
intelligence, preparation, training and, most of all, police leadership. Though a
full accounting still awaits, the basic failure at the center of the Capitol
disaster also underscores, for many experts, the irrelevance of big security
budgets and number of officers if an organization’s leadership fails when it
counts.

Already on Thursday, heads were beginning to roll; the Capitol Police report
ultimately to the heads of the House and Senate, through their respective
sergeants-at-arms, and both the House and Senate sergeant-at-
arms resigned Thursday. House Speaker Nancy Pelosi (D-Calif) also called for
the resignation of the Capitol Police chief, Steven Sund, a veteran of the D.C.
police appointed to the Capitol force last year.

Sund, for his part, initially issued a statement defending his department, but
appeared to know the trouble he was in: Pelosi said he never reached out to
her, even more than 24 hours after yesterday's sack ing of the Capitol and her
office. By dinnertime Thursday, he'd turned in a letter of resignation, too.

The Capitol Police, which until the 1990s had perennially struggled for
resources—more a team of security guards than an elite force—has undergone
a sea change since four Capitol-altering events: The 1995 Oklahoma City
bombing, a 1998 attempt by a gunman to storm the House whip’s office, the
9/11 attacks and the subsequent spate of anthrax-laced letters targeting
Capitol Hill leaders. Until those events, most members of Congress saw little
value in its police force beyond, as one police leader told me, “Where’s my
parking space, and can I get a better one?”

The Capitol Police, as much as any federal law enforcement agency, has been
the huge beneficiary of the boom in government security spending, nearly
tripling in size in the past quarter century—in no small part because it’s the
agency in charge of protecting those who appropriate the money in the first
place. It has also consolidated its control of Capitol Hill, merging in 2009 with
the previously separate Library of Congress police.

Today, the Capitol Police boasts advanced resources equal to the largest and
best police departments in the country, including a bomb squad, intelligence
unit, hazmat units and specialized dignitary protection agents, as well as
crowd control and riot gear and access to an arsenal of weapons that would
impress many small armies. Its officers are well-wired with other local and
regional police departments and participate in FBI Joint Terrorism Task
Forces. Plus it has the entire federal government and numerous local and
regional D.C. police departments to call upon for help when needed.

And, at its core, its whole job is to protect about 270 acres, a land mass less
than a third the size of New York’s Central Park—including, and especially, the
58-acre Capitol and grounds itself. That unusual balance—immense resources
and an extremely specific zone to protect—makes its colossal failure
Wednesday so much more stunning to law enforcement experts.

It’s not like there wasn’t plenty of warning about possible unrest Wednesday; beyond the Capitol grounds, the city of Washington, D.C., had activated massive protest protocols, blocking city streets with dump trucks, municipal buses and snow plows. The National Guard had been activated; D.C.’s Metropolitan Police were organized enough to arrest one of the leaders of the Proud Boys as he arrived in the city for the upcoming protests.

The Capitol Police should, in theory, have had the crowd-control skills to meet the moment. It’s an agency uniquely experienced in handling First Amendment protests and protesters—on issues as varied as abortion rights, health care or anti-war activists. After run-of-the-mill traffic offenses, protest-related arrests account for the majority of the department’s total arrests; it probably arrests and confronts more protesters than any other police department in the country. Nor are the Capitol Police a stranger to securing high-profile events, from presidential State of the Union addresses to the inauguration set for later this month on the very scaffolding and stands that the Trump mob rampaged over Wednesday.
Yet despite all of that, there appeared to be zero contingency plans, no meaningful reinforcement at hand as the pro-Trump mob approached, and none of the multi-perimeter, defense-in-depth strategies one would expect to see in response to such a widely foreseen and publicized protest. There was no quick reaction force poised out of sight in buses around the corner, as one would normally expect to see at a potentially explosive protest situation.

"Where were the guys in hats and bats?" asked one law enforcement leader, using the colloquial term for riot gear. (During anti-war protests during the Nixon era, 300 troops from the 82nd Airborne Division were kept on reserve in the White House cafeteria in case protesters broke through the outer rings of security.)

The failure to plan meant that the die was cast as soon as the Trump mob
began walking to the Capitol. In the military, the saying goes “prior planning prevents piss-poor performance,” and the Capitol Police lost the battle for Congress on Wednesday hundreds of yards away from its famous steps—as soon as the mob pushed over and past the first low metal fence far down on the west grounds of the approach to the building.

But from there, the department continued to fail, collapsing in a way familiar to any 19th-century general watching an army in retreat. At every turn, officers seemed at a loss to respond, indicating both training lapses and catastrophic leadership failures. There were failures at the start: A video, with unclear context, circulated on social media of Capitol Police even opening and removing barricades to allow the rioters close to the Capitol. There were failures as it unfolded: Other videos showed officers posing for selfies with rioters inside occupied Capitol office buildings. And there were failures as the crisis wound down: An officer even held a woman’s hand as she was escorted out of the building and down the steps. By late afternoon, police had made fewer arrests (13) in the storming of the U.S. Capitol than are typically made at the New York Giants stadium during a home game (21).

It took more than five hours for control to be reestablished, and only after thousands more law enforcement and military resources were rushed to the Capitol from across the city and neighboring states—resources desperately requested from the Pentagon and the FBI, among others, that Capitol Police leaders had turned down in the days and hours ahead of the mob’s arrival.

Dozens of Capitol Police were injured in the attack—some seriously, and one was on life support Thursday, according to union officials—but the storming and sacking of Capitol offices does not appear to have resulted in serious injury or the deaths of any Hill staff or members of Congress, but the apparent bullet holes visible Thursday in windows and walls make clear how narrowly further tragedy was averted. One protester was apparently shot and killed by Capitol Police; three others apparently died in medical incidents. Similarly, photos of members of the mob raised the haunting possibility that a hostage nightmare could have unfolded inside the Capitol itself.

“There will be a lot of questions that need answering,” former Capitol Police chief Terrance Gainer told news radio station WTOP on Wednesday. “When we lost the steps, and then lost the upper deck on the east and west side, that was whopping trouble—that’s not supposed to happen.”

The scenes at the Capitol were all the more mystifying for those who have followed and watched the post-9/11 rise of the security state in Washington, D.C., a seemingly constant expense of money at the expense of the capital’s traditional openness. Anyone who has lived and worked on Capitol Hill both before and after 9/11 has seen the nation’s capital transformed from a relatively open seat of government into a security jungle of bollards, barriers, metal detectors, blast-proof windows, biological threat monitors and other security measures. Nowhere has that transformation been greater than around the White House and the U.S. Capitol. But Wednesday’s spectacle showed that money and equipment are no cure-all for shortcomings in organization and thinking.

Once the joint session of Congress was able to reconvene late Wednesday evening, Schumer called the day one of “infamy,” echoing the surprise attack on Pearl Harbor. It more accurately might be called a day of ignominy, one
that will surely require a complete reshaping and rethinking of the force intended to protect the People's House.

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Secretary, Washington, D.C> Chapter
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Crisis Coordination Center Update:

Preventing Violence and Criminal Activity January 2021

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This update was compiled by the Joint Inter-Agency National Crisis Coordination Center in the FBI Strategic Information Operations Center. Information is accurate as of 1400 EST on 8 January 2021. The following agencies contributed to the development of this SITREP: ATF, DEA, DOD, DHS, US Park Police, and USMS. Responses provided after the cut-off time will be included in the next SITREP.

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(U) National Crisis Coordination Center (NC3) Executive Summary

(U/FOUO) The FBI, in close coordination with its federal, state, and local partners, continues to monitor and respond to events related to the violence associated with lawful protests.

(U) National Capital Region Electoral Certification 2021

- (U/FOUO) One of the 15 US Capitol Police officers injured during the 6 January US Capitol breach died of his injuries.

- (U/FOUO)

- (U) As of 0700 on 8 January, FBI has received nearly 17,000 Digital Media Tips (DMT).
(U) Preventing Violence & Criminal Activity (PVCA)

(U) CURRENT FLASHPOINTS AND RESPONSES

(U) Potential of criminal offenses or violence related to the 6 January 2021 Electoral College certification of the 2020 Presidential Election results for situational awareness — past ongoing (within last 12-24 hours) and planned (next 12-24 hours)

(U) Past Ongoing in the last 12-24 Hours

(U) Planned in the next 12-24 hours

(U) UPCOMING FLASHPOINTS AND RESPONSE

(U) Potential Flashpoints

(U/FOUO) Ashley Babbitt, the woman who was shot and killed when she breached the Capitol, has been identified as a San Diego County resident. As of 6 January, arrangements are being made to have her body returned to San Diego. Local news stations are covering the shooting extensively. Funeral arrangements are pending.
(U) Criminal Activity

* (U//LES) As of 6 January, the FBI issued a request for information leading to the location, arrest, and conviction of the person(s) responsible for the placement of the suspected pipe bomb on 6 January in Washington, D.C. The FBI is offering a reward of up to $50,000 for information.

* (U//FOUO) On 6 January, FBI activated a digital media tip line URL (https://fbi.gov/USCapitol) which is now open to the public. As of 0700 on 8 January, FBI has received nearly 17,000 Digital Media Tips (DMT).
FBI: No evidence antifa involved in Capitol riot

BY CHRIS MILLS RODRIGO

No evidence has been found that members of the left-wing antifa movement were involved in this week's storming of the Capitol building, the FBI said Friday, contradicting a narrative pushed by some Trump allies.

"We have no indication of that at this time," Washington Field Office assistant director Steven D’Antuono said during a briefing when asked about any potential involvement of antifa.

The term is used to refer to the loosely connected network of far-left activists who say they are fighting against what they perceive as fascism.

Acting U.S. Attorney for the District of Columbia Michael Sherwin separately said Thursday that investigators had not seen evidence of antifa presence.

Several figures on the right have attempted to pin fault for the mob that broke into the Capitol on Wednesday on antifa.

Rep. Matt Gaetz (R-Fla.) on Wednesday claimed that left-wing agitators had disguised themselves as Trump supporters, citing a Washington Times story with false claims that was later retracted.

Rep. Paul Gosar (R-Ariz.) also suggested on Twitter that the riot had "all the hallmarks of antifa provocation," while Fox News host Laura Ingraham gave air to the baseless conspiracy on television.

Blaming antifa for apparent instances of right-wing violence, and claiming such members are creating "false flags," has become a popular deflection for some conservative allies of the president.

Among those who have been identified from the Capitol riots are white nationalist and "QAnon Shaman" Jason Tankersley and Nick Ochs, founder of the Hawaii chapter for the far-right group Proud Boys, among others.
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On Jan 8, 2021 6:03 PM, [Redacted] wrote:

Bryan,

Can you take a look and see if I am going down the right path?
Of course it can wait until Monday as well.

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On Jan 8, 2021 6:58 PM, "Vorndran, Bryan A. (NO) (FBI)" wrote:
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FBI focuses on whether some Capitol rioters intended to harm lawmakers or take hostages

An FBI notice asking for assistance in identifying suspects in connection with riots inside the U.S. Capitol this week. (FBI Handout/EPA-EFE/Shutterstock

By Jan. 8, 2021 at 8:18 p.m. EST

FBI agents are trying to determine whether some who stormed the U.S. Capitol on Wednesday intended to do more than cause havoc and disrupt the certification of President-elect Joe Biden’s victory, and they are sifting through evidence to see whether anyone wanted to kill or capture lawmakers or their staffers, according to people familiar with the investigation.

Dozens have been arrested, and Friday, officials announced charges against an Arkansas man photographed in House Speaker Nancy Pelosi’s office chair with a foot on her desk. But investigators also are working to determine the motivations and larger goals, if any, of those who had weapons or other gear suggesting they planned to do physical harm.

Some rioters, for instance, were photographed carrying zip ties, a plastic version of handcuffs, and one man was
arrested allegedly carrying a pistol on the Capitol grounds.

“We’re not looking at this as a grand conspiracy, but we are interested in learning what people would do with things like zip ties,” said a law enforcement official, who, like others, spoke on the condition of anonymity to discuss the investigation.

No photos or videos that have surfaced so far suggest any of the individuals with zip ties tried to take hostages. One possibility being pursued by investigators is that some who burst into the building may be current or former law enforcement officers, or current and former military personnel, people familiar with the investigation said.

After chaos, Congress affirms Biden’s victory

Some who participated in the larger pro-Trump protest this week do work in law enforcement. Chris West, the sheriff of Canadian County in Oklahoma, for example, held a news conference Friday to dispute that he was the person pictured on social media who claimed he was inside the Capitol, according to a Fox affiliate there. West told reporters that though he did come to rally in D.C. as an “individual” and Trump supporter, he never set foot in the Capitol building and thought he was walking from Liberty Square in the direction of the Capitol when the violence began.

A sheriff in Bexar County, Tex., meanwhile, told reporters that one of his lieutenants — Roxanne Mathai — was under investigation after her Facebook posts appeared to show she was at the Capitol, according to a local ABC station. Mathai has not been charged with any wrongdoing.

Many of the initial charges have been for unlawful entry, but authorities also found suspected pipe bombs outside the headquarters of the Democratic National Committee and the Republican National Committee, and they arrested the owner of a truck they said was spotted nearby with 11 molotov cocktails inside. The FBI is still searching for the person who left the suspected pipe bombs.

Adding to the investigation’s urgency, Twitter on Friday noted that plans for future armed protests have begun circulating online, including a proposed second attack on the U.S. Capitol and assaults on state government buildings Jan. 17. Officials cautioned that there may be a variety of motives among those who broke into Congress, and they said that a key part of their investigation is determining whether any individuals or groups had planned in advance or were coordinating in the moment to commit violence against individual politicians. Others may simply have been caught up in the moment and committed rash, unplanned crimes, officials said.

FBI charges six who it says plotted to kidnap Michigan Gov. Gretchen Whitmer, as seven more who wanted to ignite civil war face state charges

Fresh in investigators’ minds is the group of men charged last year in Michigan — self-styled militia members — who are accused of plotting to kidnap that state’s governor and allegedly discussed storming the state Capitol and taking lawmakers hostage. That case, however, was investigated surreptitiously for months during the planning stages, and the men were arrested before they carried out any abduction or attack. They have pleaded not guilty and are awaiting trial. Now, the FBI is tasked with trying to discern the motives of people who have already stormed the halls of Congress.

Justice Department and FBI officials insisted Friday that they are throwing every available resource at the case,
which involves hundreds of potential suspects, though the initial focus is on a smaller number of individuals who burst into the seat of the national legislature, interrupting a joint session of Congress, leaving lawmakers and staffers cowering in fear.

The attack on Congress, in which Capitol police were quickly overrun, has shaken officials throughout the federal government, and the FBI has agents in all 56 field offices nationwide pursuing leads.

“Just because you’ve left the D.C. region, you can still expect a knock on the door if we find out you were part of criminal activity in the Capitol,” said Steven M. D’Antuono, head of the FBI’s Washington Field Office.

Former law enforcement officials said investigators would spend the coming days and weeks combing through social media, searching the phones and email accounts of suspects and taking other steps to determine whether the attack was coordinated. There are numerous social media posts indicating that people had talked in advance about storming the building.

“This is why you do investigations before you charge anybody,” said Chuck Rosenberg, a former U.S. attorney and FBI official. “Did some number of them, maybe not all, did some number of them have an agreement that the law forbids?”

Rosenberg said it will take time for investigators to determine whether there were broader conspiracies. “Even though people act in concert, it doesn’t necessarily mean they conspired,” he said. “You could have 300 people with 100 separate conspiratorial agreements of three people each, or you could have a single conspiracy with 300.”

Video shows fatal shooting of Ashli Babbitt in the Capitol

One person was fatally shot by Capitol police during the violence. Three others suffered medical problems that day and died. And overnight Thursday into Friday, a Capitol police officer who collapsed shortly after confronting the invading crowd died of unspecified injuries.

Acting attorney general Jeffrey A. Rosen extended condolences to the Capitol Police and the family of Officer Brian D. Sicknick, who died of injuries sustained during the rioting, saying, “The Department of Justice will spare no resources in investigating and holding accountable those responsible.”

David Laufman, a former federal prosecutor who was a senior Justice Department official during the 9/11 terrorist attacks, said Wednesday’s mayhem was uniquely scarring for the country.

“This is the greatest threat to our national security since Sept. 11, and a more dangerous, insidious threat, because unlike the attack on Sept. 11, our very democracy is now at stake,” Laufman said. “And there can be no higher priority for the Department of Justice and the FBI than to surge investigative efforts to hold accountable everyone who was responsible for the attack on the U.S. Capitol, including any individuals who incited that attack.”

Laufman said that it was “fair to say that the intentions of every individual among the horde that invaded the Capitol like Visigoths were not uniform.”

“But it does appear, based on what’s in the public record now, that some held malignant intention to do harm to
elected representatives, to the physical embodiment of our democracy, to derail the formalization of President-elect Biden’s election,” he said. “And it will take investigative work to parse out who was responsible for what and who held what intentions.”

Officials announced Friday that a recently elected state lawmaker from West Virginia, Derrick Evans, was charged with unlawfully entering restricted grounds after allegedly live-streaming a video of himself on his Facebook page.

“Bring the tear gas. We don’t care,” Evans is heard yelling. “We’re taking this country back, whether you like it or not. Today’s a test run. We’re taking this country back.”

A lawyer for Evans, John H. Bryan, has maintained that Evans is innocent, that he was not part of the violent mob that damaged the Capitol Building and that he had been exercising his First Amendment rights.

Prosecutors also announced that Lonnie Leroy Coffman, 70, of Falkville, Ala., was charged Thursday on one federal and one local count of possessing an unregistered or unlicensed firearm, and was the registered owner of a red GMC pickup truck with Alabama plates parked near the Capitol in which officers allegedly found 11 molotov cocktails and an M4 carbine assault rifle.

Prosecutor Kenneth C. Kohl said police also found Coffman carrying two handguns. Federal agents discovered the truck while investigating suspected pipe bombs near the Republican National Committee headquarters on Capitol Hill and its Democratic counterpart, Kohl said.

Kohl said that though the truck was investigated because of the suspected or “perceived pipe bombs,” Coffman was not charged in connection with those possible devices but with allegedly possessing the other weapons and destructive devices in his truck or on his person.

At an initial court appearance Thursday in Washington, Coffman did not enter a plea and was ordered held pending a hearing next week. In response to a U.S. magistrate’s questions over whether he wanted a court-appointed attorney, Coffman said he had earned a high school equivalency degree in the U.S. military after dropping out in the eighth grade to work on a farm.

The developments came as investigators described a sprawling inquiry that could take months. D.C. police said they have received about 17,000 tips from the public after posting images of people of interest in the rioting. The FBI also has been inundated with leads after posting more than 40 photographs asking for assistance identifying people.

But the Justice Department also appeared to step back from remarks Thursday by Michael R. Sherwin, the acting U.S. attorney for the District of Columbia, who said President Trump’s own remarks before Wednesday’s riot at the U.S. Capitol could be investigated.

Asked about incendiary statements made by the president and other speakers at Trump’s rally shortly before a mob of his supporters breached security at the Capitol and wreaked havoc inside, Sherwin said: “Yes, we are looking at all actors here, not only the people that went into the building, but ... were there others that maybe assisted or facilitated or played some ancillary role in this. We will look at every actor and all criminal charges.”
On Friday, asked about the possibility that Trump or other onstage speakers could face charges of inciting violence, Kohl clarified, “We don’t expect any charges of that nature.”

Afterward, Justice Department spokesman Marc Raimondi elaborated, “Our focus is on the events at the Capitol. As of now, we have not charged anyone with incitement or insurrection. This is an extremely complex and ongoing investigation, and we will continue to follow the facts and the law.”
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From: The Wall Street Journal
Subject: [EXTERNAL EMAIL] - [MARKETING] Dad Calvin, Here’s Your Daily Discover
To: Shivers, Calvin A. (CID) (FBI)
Sent: January 9, 2021 9:33 AM (UTC-05:00)
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From: The Washington Post
Subject: [EXTERNAL EMAIL] - [MARKETING] The Post Most: Twitter warns of plans for new violence as reason for Trump ban
To: Shivers, Calvin A. (CID) (FBI)
Sent: January 9, 2021 12:42 PM (UTC-05:00)
Twitter warns of plans for new violence, brewing again on social media, as reason for Trump ban

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Subject: Fwd: RE: Questions
To: Bowdich, David L. (DO) (FBI)
Sent: January 9, 2021 1:25 PM (UTC-05:00)

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Subject: RE: Questions
To: "Moore, Jennifer L. (WF) (FBI)" "Alcoke, Matthew R. (WF) (FBI)
Cc:

From:
Sent: Friday, January 8, 2021 3:00 PM
To: Moore, Jennifer L. (WF) (FBI) Alcoke, Matthew R. (CTD) (FBI)
Subject: RE: Questions
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Date: Jan 8, 2021 3:29 PM

Subject: FW: Questions

To: "Laycock, Stephen C. (JI) (FBI)

Cc: [Redacted]

Jennifer Leigh Moore
Special Agent in Charge - Intelligence
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington Field Office

From: Alcoke, Matthew R. (WF) (FBI)

Sent: Friday, January 8, 2021 3:27 PM

To: Moore, Jennifer L. (WF) (FBI)

Subject: Re: Questions

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From: Moore, Jennifer L. (WF) (FBI)

Sent: Friday, January 8, 2021 14:14

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Thanks!

Travis

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Good evening,

Please find attached the 6 January 2021 National Crisis Coordination Center SITREP related to the violence associated with lawful protests.

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Thank you.
Regarding the below

Bryan

Bryan Vorndran
Special Agent in Charge
Federal Bureau of Investigation
New Orleans Division

From: Vorndran, Bryan A. (NO) (FBI)
Subject: Preventing Violence and Criminal Activity Plan
To: Vorndran, Bryan A. (NO) (FBI)
Sent: Friday, January 8, 2021 6:03 PM

Bryan,

Can you take a look and see if I am going down the right path?
On Jan 9, 2021 2:36 PM, "Vorndran, Bryan A. (NO) (FBI)" wrote:

Regarding the below, Bryan

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Federal Bureau of Investigation
New Orleans Division

From: 
Sent: Friday, January 8, 2021 6:03 PM 
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Subject: Re: Preventing Violence and Criminal Activity Plan

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Regarding the below:

Bryan

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Thank you so much.

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From: Hurley, James B. Jr. (OPE) (FBI)  
Date: Jan 9, 2021 4:18 PM  
Subject: External SITREPs  
To: Beach, George P. (OPE) (FBI)  
Cc: "Hurley, James B. Jr. (OPE) (FBI)"

Ladies,

Please find attached the external SITREPs sent thus far.

Thanks!

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Good Afternoon All,

Per our meeting yesterday, below is a tentative plan for addressing PVCA.
Thanks

ASAC
Cell:
Email:
SIPRNET:
Jim,

Can you have your team double check the distros they use each night? Travis and I have only received the Jan 7 (Thu) OPE SitRep so far.

Also — if possible, we would appreciate getting the other ones for reference.

Thanks!

Pam

From: Carlisle, Travis D. (DI) (FBI)
Sent: Saturday, January 9, 2021 1:36 PM
To: Hurley, James B. Jr. (OPE) (FBI); Downey, Jeffrey R. (CIRG) (FBI); Beach, George P. (OPE) (FBI); Byron, Pamela (DI) (FBI)
Cc: Young, Ryan T. (DI) (FBI); Carlisle, Travis D. (DI) (FBI)
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Cc: Beach, George P. (OPE) (FBI); Young, Ryan T. (DI) (FBI); Carlisle, Travis D. (DI) (FBI)
Sent: January 9, 2021 4:46 PM (UTC-05:00)
Attached: Jan7SITREPfinal.docx
Good evening,

Please find attached the 6 January 2021 National Crisis Coordination Center SITREP related to the violence associated with lawful protests.

Please note that this document is Unclassified//Law Enforcement Sensitive (U//LES) and should be shared accordingly with law enforcement, intelligence, and homeland security partners.

Thank you.
Pam/Travis,

Per your request, attached please find all SITREPs to date this week. We'll also ensure you are both included going forward.

Please let me know if anything additional would be useful from us.

Many thanks,
Jim

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Date: Jan 9, 2021 4:18 PM
Subject: External SITREPs
To:
Cc: "Hurley, James B. Jr. (OPE) (FBI)"

Ladies,

Please find attached the external SITREPs sent thus far.

Thanks!
Sir,
Per your request, attached please find this week's SITREPs.
Jim

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Date: Jan 9, 2021 5:06 PM
Subject: Fwd: External SITREPs
To: "Carlisle, Travis D. (DI) (FBI)" "Byron, Pamela (DI) (FBI)"
Cc: "Beach, George P. (OPE) (FBI)"

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We have been directed to send copies to [redacted] and to include them on the distro list. That has been done.

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From: "Hurley, James B. Jr. (OPE) (FBI)"
Date: Jan 9, 2021 5:33 PM
Subject: External SITREPs
To: "Beach, George P. (OPE) (FBI)"
Cc:
Schumer retweeted our post seeking subjects, but nothing specific to any briefing so far.

https://twitter.com/SenSchumer?ref_src=twsrc%5Egoogle%7Ctwcamp%5Eserp%7Ctwgr%5Eauthor
Do you see anyone you recognize? The #FBI is still seeking information to help identify individuals who actively instigated violence on January 6 in Washington, D.C. Visit ow.ly/skY550D3JL1 to see images from current cases, and submit tips to fbi.gov/USCapitol.
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Thanks. I talked to his guy following the call. Glad he did this.

Jill C. Tyson
Assistant Director
FBI Office of Congressional Affairs

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From: 
Date: Jan 9, 2021 5:30 PM
Subject: Schumer tweet
To: "Hale, Brian Patrick (OPA) (FBI)
Cc: "Winston, Alvin M. (OPA) (FBI"

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As discussed.

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Date: Jan 9, 2021 5:59 PM
Subject: External SITREPS, 01/06-08
To: "Beach, George P. (OPE) (FBI)"
Cc:
From: Bowdich, David L. (DO) (FBI)  
Subject: Fwd: Schumer tweet  
To: Hale, Brian Patrick (OPA) (FBI); Tyson, Jill C. (OCA) (FBI);  
Sent: January 9, 2021 6:22 PM (UTC-05:00)  

Nicely done on this all.  

Thanks for your work.  

DB  

On Jan 9, 2021 5:45 PM, "Tyson, Jill C. (OCA) (FBI)" wrote:  
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