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Videos near the White House posted to Parler, via ProPublica and Just Security, January 6, 2021



When Trump started his speech before the Capitol riot, talk on Parler turned to civil war

In the <u>minute</u> between 12:15 and 12:16 p.m., Trump told the crowd to head to the Capitol and that "you'll never take back our country with weakness." One minute later, a Parler user wrote: "Time to fight. Civil war is upon us." Another wrote: "We are going to have a civil war. Get ready!!"

During Trump's speech, mentions of "civil war" on Parler surged to nearly four times the level the phrase was being shared before it. "Civil war" was used 40 times in the hour before 12:15 p.m., the approximate time Trump told supporters they had to "show strength." In the hour following his words, mentions of "civil war" jumped to 156.

Bajak, Aleszu et al. "When Trump started his speech before the Capitol riot, talk on Parler turned to civil war," USA Today, February 1, 2021



Video outside Capitol posted to Parler via ProPublica, 2:21 PM, January 6, 2021



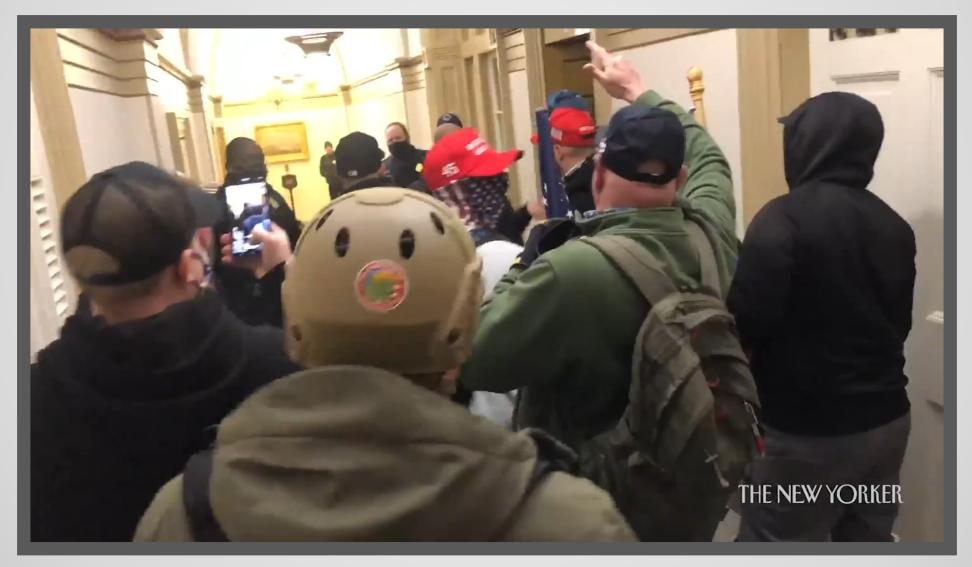
Video outside Capitol posted to Parler via ProPublica, 3:44 PM, January 6, 2021

The New York Times

'Our President Wants Us Here': The Mob That Stormed the Capitol

They came from around the country with different affiliations — QAnon, Proud Boys, elected officials, everyday Americans — united by one allegiance.

"Our president wants us here," a man can be heard saying during a livestream video that showed him standing within the Capitol building. "We wait and take orders from our president."



Mogelson, Luke. "A Reporter's Footage from Inside the Capitol Siege," The New Yorker, January 17, 2021

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TimesTHREE WEEKS INSIDE A
PRO-TRUMP QANON
CHAT ROOM

And when Mr. Biden went on television to demand an end to the siege, one chatter asked, "Does he not realize President Trump called us to siege the place?"

Thompson, Stuart. "Three Weeks Inside A Pro-Trump Qanon Chat Room," The New York Times, January 26, 2021



Meet BAKED ALASKA, despite having COVID, he stormed the U.S. Capitol, "Let's call Trump. He'll be happy. We're fighting for Trump." then continues, "We need to get our boy Donald J. Trump into office."



4:05 AM • Jan 10, 2021

Cleavon MD (@Cleavon_MD). Jan. 10, 2021, 4:05 AM







Social media posts via Balsamo, Michael et al. "'THIS IS ME': Rioters Flaunt Involvement in Capitol Siege," Associated Press, January 26, 2021



Video outside Capitol posted to Parler via ProPublica, 5:05 PM, January 6, 2021



The Sun, "Horrifying moment Trump mob hits cops with a FIRE EXTINGUISHER, flags, signs & crutches," published January 12, 2021

STATEMENT OF FACTS

In a recorded interview that also occurred on January 12, 2021, the complainant told FBI Special Agents that SANFORD had told the complainant that SANFORD had travelled to Washington, D.C. on a bus with a group of people. The group had gone to the White House and listened to President Donald J. Trump's speech and then had followed the President's instructions and gone to the Capitol. The complainant indicated that SANFORD had claimed to have been on the Capitol grounds for about 10 minutes before "they" left. SANFORD did not mention to the complainant having thrown any objects, and SANFORD did not elaborate to the complainant about who "they" were. SANFORD acknowledged to the complainant that the photograph of the man in the CFD hat was, in fact, SANFORD. When shown screen captures from Video #2, the complainant identified the Subject in the screen captures as SANFORD.

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Rioters Say Trump Urged Them On

His lawyer, Enrique Latoison, said in an interview with The Times that he was still exploring whether blaming Mr. Trump for Mr. Sanford's alleged role in the attack would work in front of a judge.

"You're being told, 'You gotta fight like hell,'" Mr. Latoison said. "Does 'fight like hell' mean you can throw stuff at people? Maybe."

Mr. Latoison noted that the only reason Mr. Sanford was in Washington at all was because of Mr. Trump. <mark>"That man wouldn't</mark> have been there if it wasn't for the president," he said.

Feuer, Alan et al. "I Answered the Call of My President': Rioters Say Trump Urged Them On," The New York Times, January 17, 2021.

JANUARY 15 & 18, 2021



Jennifer Ryan, CBS 11 Interview January 15, 2021; TODAY Interview January 18, 2021



WSJ

One Trump Fan's Descent Into the U.S. Capitol Mob

Doug Sweet joined rioters who breached the Capitol, where he was eventually arrested.



"He said, 'Hey, I need my digital soldiers to show up on January 6," Mr. Sweet says of the president. "And we all did."

Phillips, Michael et al. "One Trump Fan's Descent Into the U.S. Capitol Mob," Wall Street Journal, January 10, 2021; Charging Affidavit



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Jacob Chansley Charging Affidavit, January 8, 2021; "A Reporter's Footage From Inside The Capitol Siege," The New Yorker, January 17, 2021

STATEMENT OF FACTS

In addition, on January 7, 2021, CHANSLEY called in to the Washington Field Office of the FBI, to voluntarily speak with law enforcement. Your affiant and an FBI agent spoke on the phone with CHANSLEY, who confirmed that he was the male in the face paint and headdress in the Vice President's chair in the Senate. CHANSLEY stated that he came as a part of a group effort, with other "patriots" from Arizona, at the request of the President that all "patriots" come to D.C. on January 6, 2021.

Jacob Chansley's Attorney:

"He was there at the invitation of our President, who said walk down Pennsylvania Avenue with him."

"He regrets very, very much having not just been duped by the president, but by being in a position where he allowed that duping to put him in a position to make decisions he should not have made."



Watkins, Albert (Jacob Chansley Attorney). Interview, Cuomo Prime Time, January 14, 2021; Randhawa PJ., "Capitol rioters express regret for participating in unrest after not getting a pardon from former President Trump," NBC News St. Louis, January 22, 2021

Tampa Bay TimesWoman accused of helping stealPelosi laptop freed from jail

"It is regrettable that Ms. Williams took the president's bait and went inside the Capitol," Ulrich told the judge.

Scolforo, Mark. "Woman accused of helping steal Pelosi laptop freed from jail," Tampa Bay Times January 21, 2021



Trump Supporters' Own Explanations For Assaulting The Capitol Are Undercutting His Impeachment Defense

"[T]oday President Trump told Us to 'fight like hell,'" Troy Smocks, a Texas man charged with making threats, posted on Jan. 6 on <u>Parler</u>, quoting Trump's speech to supporters before the insurrection, according to the government's court filings. Smocks appeared to admit to participating in

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"[Trump] said that Our cause was a matter of national security, and that these people behind the massive fraud must be arrested and brought to justice. And that task, falls on the shoulders of We The People.... the American Patriots," Smocks wrote, court documents say. A judge

BuzzFeed

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Samuel Fisher, a New York man charged with illegally going into the Capitol and disorderly conduct, wrote in a lengthy post on his personal website dated Jan. 6, apparently before the attack, "Trump just needs to fire the bat signal... deputize patriots... and then the pain comes."

Tillman, Zoe. "Trump Supporters' Own Explanations For Assaulting The Capitol Are Undercutting His Impeachment Defense," BuzzFeed, February 2, 2021



'He invited us': Accused Capitol rioters blame Trump in novel legal defense

"The boss of the country said, 'People of the country, come on down, let people know what you think," Pezzola's defense lawyer, Michael Scibetta, told Reuters. "The logical thinking was, 'He invited us down."

"These were people acting in a way they have never acted before," Scibetta said, "and it begs the question, 'Who lit the fuse?"

Wolfe, Jan. "'He invited us': Accused Capitol rioters blame Trump in novel legal defense," Reuters, February 2, 2021

