



**Homeland
Security**

Privacy Office, Mail Stop 0655

December 23, 2020

SENT VIA E-MAIL TO: hart.wood@americanoversight.org

Austin R. Evers
AMERICAN OVERSIGHT
1030 15th Street NW, B255
Washington, D.C. 20005

Re: **20-CV-02153 (2020-HQLI-00038)**
American Oversight v. DHS
First Interim Release

Dear Mr. Evers:

This is the first interim release of records to your Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request to the Department of Homeland Security (DHS), received on June 11, 2020.

For this production, DHS reviewed 325 pages of which 23 pages are released in full, and 104 pages are withheld in part or in full, pursuant to FOIA exemptions (b)(5), (b)(6), and (b)(7)(e), while 64 pages were non-responsive to the original request. DHS also located and sent 134 pages to other agencies for consultation. The 127 pages for release are bates stamped DHS-001-02153-000001 to DHS-001-02153-000127.

If you have any questions regarding this release, please contact Keri L. Berman, Trial Attorney, Civil Division, United States Department of Justice by e-mail Keri.L.Berman@usdoj.gov or 202-305-7538.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Bradley E. White".

Bradley E. White

Senior Director, FOIA Litigation, Appeals, and Policy

Enclosed: 127 pages

Page 001

Withheld pursuant to exemption

(b)(5)

of the Freedom of Information and Privacy Act

Page 002

Withheld pursuant to exemption

(b)(5)

of the Freedom of Information and Privacy Act

Page 003

Withheld pursuant to exemption

(b)(5)

of the Freedom of Information and Privacy Act

Page 004

Withheld pursuant to exemption

(b)(5)

of the Freedom of Information and Privacy Act

From:	(b)(6)	
To:	(b)(6)	
	Murphy, Brian (b)(6)	
	(b)(6)	
	Gountanis, John (b)(6)	
	(b)(6)	
Subject:	FW: Politico: 'Domestic terrorist actors' could exploit Floyd protests, DHS memo warns	
Date:	2020/06/01 18:00:00	
Priority:	Normal	
Type:	Note	

What's is the OPA plan on this front?

Chad F. Wolf
Acting Secretary
Dept of Homeland Security

From: HOULTON, TYLER (b)(6)
Sent: Monday, June 1, 2020 5:34 PM
To: (b)(6) Gountanis, John (b)(6)
 (b)(6)
Subject: Politico: 'Domestic terrorist actors' could exploit Floyd protests, DHS memo warns

'Domestic terrorist actors' could exploit Floyd protests, DHS memo warns

Politico

Betsy Woodruff Swan & Natasha Bertrand

June 1, 2020 – 4:58 PM

<https://www.politico.com/news/2020/06/01/dhs-domestic-terrorists-protest-294342>

The memo cites “previous incidents of domestic terrorists exploiting First Amendment-protected events” as one reason for DHS’ concern of additional targeted violence.

Anarchist and militia extremists could try to exploit the recent nationwide protests spurred by the death of George Floyd, the Department of Homeland Security warned in an intelligence note sent to law enforcement officials around the country.

Floyd, a black man who pleaded that he couldn't breathe while a police officer held him down and pressed his knee into his neck for nearly 9 minutes, was killed in Minnesota on May 25. The officer responsible has been charged with murder and manslaughter.

The memo, dated May 29 and marked unclassified/law enforcement sensitive, cites “previous incidents of domestic terrorists exploiting First Amendment-protected events” as one reason for DHS’ concern of additional targeted violence by “domestic terrorist actors.”

It also reveals, citing the FBI, that on May 27, two days after Floyd’s death, “a white supremacist extremist Telegram channel incited followers to engage in violence and start the ‘boogaloo’—a term used by some violent extremists to refer to the start of a second Civil War—by shooting in a crowd.” One Telegram message encouraged potential shooters to “frame the crowd around you” for the violence, the document said.

And on May 29, “suspected anarchist extremists and militia extremists allegedly planned to storm and burn the Minnesota State Capitol,” the memo reads, citing FBI information.

The body of the memo says the plans about the state capitol were made in 2019, but a footnote describing the FBI’s information says twice that the plans were made in 2020. Spokespersons for DHS and the FBI did not respond to requests for clarification on the dates, but a source familiar with the report said 2019 was a typo, and the plans were made in 2020. A spokesperson for the Minnesota Department of Public Safety said he was unable to confirm or deny the report for security reasons. A spokesperson for the FBI declined to comment. DHS spokespersons did not respond to requests for comment.

News of the report comes as the Trump administration has touted its ambition to crack down on Antifa, a cohort of far-left activists who often destroy private property and use violent tactics.

President Donald Trump and Attorney General Bill Barr have blamed Antifa radicals for inciting violence at the protests, and [Barr on Sunday said](#) the FBI’s Joint Terrorism Task Forces would coordinate federal, state, and local efforts to find violent perpetrators.

“The violence instigated and carried out by Antifa and other similar groups in connection with the rioting is domestic terrorism and will be treated accordingly,” Barr said. Trump also [tweeted](#) that he would designate Antifa as a terrorist organization—a move he does not have the legal authority to make.

Despite the DHS intelligence note, administration officials have focused overwhelmingly on alleged left-wing violence. The note itself does not use the terms “left” or “right.” But it defines “militia extremists” as people who direct violence at the government because they believe it is taking away Americans’ freedoms and setting up a totalitarian regime. That definition also notes that militia extremists oppose laws regulating gun ownership and often form armed paramilitary groups. Those details are all hallmarks of far right extremism.

The document also defines “anarchist extremists” as people who use violence to change the government and society because they oppose capitalism and globalization, and believe government institutions are unnecessary and harmful—hallmarks of the far left.

The DHS intelligence note is at least the fifth the department has sent out to law enforcement officials in the last two months warning of the mobilization of domestic terrorists and violent extremists in the context of a national crisis.

On April 23, as so-called Liberate protesters began demonstrating outside several states' capitol buildings demanding an end to the coronavirus lockdowns, DHS warned that the pandemic was “driving violent actors—both non-ideologically and ideologically motivated—to threaten violence” and “serving as the impetus for some domestic terrorist plots.”

In remarks to the Security Industry Association on Monday, DHS’ assistant director for Infrastructure Security, Brian Harrell, said the department had been “touched by this violence,” too. He cited the murder of a Federal Protective Service contract officer on Friday as he and his partner, who was wounded, monitored protests, as well as assaults on Secret Service officers that evening and over the weekend.

“As Americans, we should all support peaceful demonstrations and exercising our constitutional rights,” Harrell said. “However, violence, destruction, and bloodshed in the streets is never the answer. DHS, as the nation’s largest law enforcement organization, will continue to support our state and local police and first responder agencies, to bring a quick, safe, and peaceful ending to the disorderly violence in the streets.”

Sender:	(b)(6)
Recipient:	(b)(6) Murphy, Brian (b)(6) (b)(6) Gountanis, John (b)(6) (b)(6)
Sent Date:	2020/06/01 18:00:41
Delivered Date:	2020/06/01 18:00:00

From:	(b)(6)
To:	(b)(6)
	Murphy, Brian (b)(6)
	(b)(6)
	Gountanis, John (b)(6)
	(b)(6)
Subject:	FW: Politico: 'Domestic terrorist actors' could exploit Floyd protests, DHS memo warns
Date:	2020/06/01 18:00:42
Priority:	Normal
Type:	Note

What's is the OPA plan on this front?

Chad F. Wolf
Acting Secretary
Dept of Homeland Security

From: HOULTON, TYLER (b)(6)
Sent: Monday, June 1, 2020 5:34 PM
To: (b)(6) Gountanis, John (b)(6)
 (b)(6)
Subject: Politico: 'Domestic terrorist actors' could exploit Floyd protests, DHS memo warns

'Domestic terrorist actors' could exploit Floyd protests, DHS memo warns

Politico

Betsy Woodruff Swan & Natasha Bertrand

June 1, 2020 – 4:58 PM

<https://www.politico.com/news/2020/06/01/dhs-domestic-terrorists-protest-294342>

The memo cites “previous incidents of domestic terrorists exploiting First Amendment-protected events” as one reason for DHS’ concern of additional targeted violence.

Anarchist and militia extremists could try to exploit the recent nationwide protests spurred by the death of George Floyd, the Department of Homeland Security warned in an intelligence note sent to law enforcement officials around the country.

Floyd, a black man who pleaded that he couldn't breathe while a police officer held him down and pressed his knee into his neck for nearly 9 minutes, was killed in Minnesota on May 25. The officer responsible has been charged with murder and manslaughter.

The memo, dated May 29 and marked unclassified/law enforcement sensitive, cites “previous incidents of domestic terrorists exploiting First Amendment-protected events” as one reason for DHS’ concern of additional targeted violence by “domestic terrorist actors.”

It also reveals, citing the FBI, that on May 27, two days after Floyd’s death, “a white supremacist extremist Telegram channel incited followers to engage in violence and start the ‘boogaloo’—a term used by some violent extremists to refer to the start of a second Civil War—by shooting in a crowd.” One Telegram message encouraged potential shooters to “frame the crowd around you” for the violence, the document said.

And on May 29, “suspected anarchist extremists and militia extremists allegedly planned to storm and burn the Minnesota State Capitol,” the memo reads, citing FBI information.

The body of the memo says the plans about the state capitol were made in 2019, but a footnote describing the FBI’s information says twice that the plans were made in 2020. Spokespersons for DHS and the FBI did not respond to requests for clarification on the dates, but a source familiar with the report said 2019 was a typo, and the plans were made in 2020. A spokesperson for the Minnesota Department of Public Safety said he was unable to confirm or deny the report for security reasons. A spokesperson for the FBI declined to comment. DHS spokespersons did not respond to requests for comment.

News of the report comes as the Trump administration has touted its ambition to crack down on Antifa, a cohort of far-left activists who often destroy private property and use violent tactics.

President Donald Trump and Attorney General Bill Barr have blamed Antifa radicals for inciting violence at the protests, and [Barr on Sunday said](#) the FBI’s Joint Terrorism Task Forces would coordinate federal, state, and local efforts to find violent perpetrators.

“The violence instigated and carried out by Antifa and other similar groups in connection with the rioting is domestic terrorism and will be treated accordingly,” Barr said. Trump also [tweeted](#) that he would designate Antifa as a terrorist organization—a move he does not have the legal authority to make.

Despite the DHS intelligence note, administration officials have focused overwhelmingly on alleged left-wing violence. The note itself does not use the terms “left” or “right.” But it defines “militia extremists” as people who direct violence at the government because they believe it is taking away Americans’ freedoms and setting up a totalitarian regime. That definition also notes that militia extremists oppose laws regulating gun ownership and often form armed paramilitary groups. Those details are all hallmarks of far right extremism.

The document also defines “anarchist extremists” as people who use violence to change the government and society because they oppose capitalism and globalization, and believe government institutions are unnecessary and harmful—hallmarks of the far left.

The DHS intelligence note is at least the fifth the department has sent out to law enforcement officials in the last two months warning of the mobilization of domestic terrorists and violent extremists in the context of a national crisis.

On April 23, as so-called Liberate protesters began demonstrating outside several states' capitol buildings demanding an end to the coronavirus lockdowns, DHS warned that the pandemic was “driving violent actors—both non-ideologically and ideologically motivated—to threaten violence” and “serving as the impetus for some domestic terrorist plots.”

In remarks to the Security Industry Association on Monday, DHS’ assistant director for Infrastructure Security, Brian Harrell, said the department had been “touched by this violence,” too. He cited the murder of a Federal Protective Service contract officer on Friday as he and his partner, who was wounded, monitored protests, as well as assaults on Secret Service officers that evening and over the weekend.

“As Americans, we should all support peaceful demonstrations and exercising our constitutional rights,” Harrell said. “However, violence, destruction, and bloodshed in the streets is never the answer. DHS, as the nation’s largest law enforcement organization, will continue to support our state and local police and first responder agencies, to bring a quick, safe, and peaceful ending to the disorderly violence in the streets.”

Sender:	(b)(6)
Recipient:	(b)(6) Murphy, Brian (b)(6) (b)(6) Gountanis, John (b)(6) (b)(6)
Sent Date:	2020/06/01 18:00:41
Delivered Date:	2020/06/01 18:00:42

From:	(b)(6)
To:	(b)(6) Murphy, Brian (b)(6) (b)(6) Gountanis, John (b)(6) (b)(6)
Subject:	RE: Politico: 'Domestic terrorist actors' could exploit Floyd protests, DHS memo warns
Date:	2020/06/01 18:19:57
Priority:	Normal
Type:	Note

(b)(5)

From: (b)(6)
Sent: Monday, June 1, 2020 6:01 PM
To: (b)(6)
(b)(6) Murphy, Brian (b)(6) Gountanis, John
(b)(6)
Subject: FW: Politico: 'Domestic terrorist actors' could exploit Floyd protests, DHS memo warns

What's is the OPA plan on this front?

Chad F. Wolf
Acting Secretary
Dept of Homeland Security

From: HOULTON, TYLER (b)(6)
Sent: Monday, June 1, 2020 5:34 PM
To: (b)(6) Gountanis, John (b)(6)
(b)(6)
Subject: Politico: 'Domestic terrorist actors' could exploit Floyd protests, DHS memo warns

'Domestic terrorist actors' could exploit Floyd protests, DHS memo warns
Politico
Betsy Woodruff Swan & Natasha Bertrand

June 1, 2020 – 4:58 PM

<https://www.politico.com/news/2020/06/01/dhs-domestic-terrorists-protest-294342>

The memo cites “previous incidents of domestic terrorists exploiting First Amendment-protected events” as one reason for DHS’ concern of additional targeted violence.

Anarchist and militia extremists could try to exploit the recent nationwide protests spurred by the death of George Floyd, the Department of Homeland Security warned in an intelligence note sent to law enforcement officials around the country.

Floyd, a black man who pleaded that he couldn't breathe while a police officer held him down and pressed his knee into his neck for nearly 9 minutes, was killed in Minnesota on May 25. The officer responsible has been charged with murder and manslaughter.

The memo, dated May 29 and marked unclassified/law enforcement sensitive, cites “previous incidents of domestic terrorists exploiting First Amendment-protected events” as one reason for DHS’ concern of additional targeted violence by “domestic terrorist actors.”

It also reveals, citing the FBI, that on May 27, two days after Floyd’s death, “a white supremacist extremist Telegram channel incited followers to engage in violence and start the ‘boogaloo’—a term used by some violent extremists to refer to the start of a second Civil War—by shooting in a crowd.” One Telegram message encouraged potential shooters to “frame the crowd around you” for the violence, the document said.

And on May 29, “suspected anarchist extremists and militia extremists allegedly planned to storm and burn the Minnesota State Capitol,” the memo reads, citing FBI information.

The body of the memo says the plans about the state capitol were made in 2019, but a footnote describing the FBI’s information says twice that the plans were made in 2020. Spokespersons for DHS and the FBI did not respond to requests for clarification on the dates, but a source familiar with the report said 2019 was a typo, and the plans were made in 2020. A spokesperson for the Minnesota Department of Public Safety said he was unable to confirm or deny the report for security reasons. A spokesperson for the FBI declined to comment. DHS spokespersons did not respond to requests for comment.

News of the report comes as the Trump administration has touted its ambition to crack down on Antifa, a cohort of far-left activists who often destroy private property and use violent tactics.

President Donald Trump and Attorney General Bill Barr have blamed Antifa radicals for inciting violence at the protests, and [Barr on Sunday said](#) the FBI’s Joint Terrorism Task Forces would coordinate federal, state, and local efforts to find violent perpetrators.

“The violence instigated and carried out by Antifa and other similar groups in connection with the rioting is domestic terrorism and will be treated accordingly,” Barr said. Trump also tweeted that he would designate Antifa as a terrorist organization—a move he does not have the legal authority to make.

Despite the DHS intelligence note, administration officials have focused overwhelmingly on alleged left-wing violence. The note itself does not use the terms “left” or “right.” But it defines “militia extremists” as people who direct violence at the government because they believe it is taking away Americans’ freedoms and setting up a totalitarian regime. That definition also notes that militia extremists oppose laws regulating gun ownership and often form armed paramilitary groups. Those details are all hallmarks of far right extremism.

The document also defines “anarchist extremists” as people who use violence to change the government and society because they oppose capitalism and globalization, and believe government institutions are unnecessary and harmful—hallmarks of the far left.

The DHS intelligence note is at least the fifth the department has sent out to law enforcement officials in the last two months warning of the mobilization of domestic terrorists and violent extremists in the context of a national crisis.

On April 23, as so-called Liberate protesters began demonstrating outside several states’ capitol buildings demanding an end to the coronavirus lockdowns, DHS warned that the pandemic was “driving violent actors—both non-ideologically and ideologically motivated—to threaten violence” and “serving as the impetus for some domestic terrorist plots.”

In remarks to the Security Industry Association on Monday, DHS’ assistant director for Infrastructure Security, Brian Harrell, said the department had been “touched by this violence,” too. He cited the murder of a Federal Protective Service contract officer on Friday as he and his partner, who was wounded, monitored protests, as well as assaults on Secret Service officers that evening and over the weekend.

“As Americans, we should all support peaceful demonstrations and exercising our constitutional rights,” Harrell said. “However, violence, destruction, and bloodshed in the streets is never the answer. DHS, as the nation’s largest law enforcement organization, will continue to support our state and local police and first responder agencies, to bring a quick, safe, and peaceful ending to the disorderly violence in the streets.”

Sender:	(b)(6)
Recipient:	(b)(6)

	(b)(6)
	Murphy, Brian (b)(6)
	(b)(6)
	Gountanis, John (b)(6)
	(b)(6)
Sent Date:	2020/06/01 18:19:56
Delivered Date:	2020/06/01 18:19:57

From:	(b)(6)
Subject:	Special Report (FNC) – Acting DHS Secretary Chad Wolf Interview
Date:	2020/06/03 20:51:19
Priority:	Normal
Type:	Note

Special Report (FNC) – Acting DHS Secretary Chad Wolf Interview

[https://mms.tveyes.com/transcript.asp?StationID=130&DateTime=6/3/2020%206:09:51%20PM&playclip=true&pbcs=search%3a%2b\(the\)](https://mms.tveyes.com/transcript.asp?StationID=130&DateTime=6/3/2020%206:09:51%20PM&playclip=true&pbcs=search%3a%2b(the))

BRET BAIER: joining us tonight, chad wolf. he is the acting homeland security. thank you for being here. your assessment first of all on watching this unfold.

ACTING DHS SECRETARY CHAD WOLF: thanks for having me on. i think what we have seen over the last four or five days is unfortunate. people are very outraged over the death of george floyd. it's legitimate, it's right to be concerned. and push for reform. but i think we need to do that to make sure that we don't do that in a violent way. what we have seen as a lot of nonviolent protest. we see violent people taking part of thoughts, infiltrating those nonviolent protests. that's where we see a call for concern. especially targeting law enforcement officers, local and state law enforcement officers. that's when began to have. if that's really what we've been concerned about in the department of homeland security. making sure we support our state and local federal officials. law enforcement officers pushing information to them. and personnel and resources to them. i think there's a way we could do this, as you indicated, some of that violence has subsided over the last several days. we hope that continues. at the same time, if those legitimate protesters want to do so, and a nonviolent way, exercise their first amendment they should be able to do that. at the department support that. but when we talk about violence, that's where we have to draw the line into have to be very forceful and very clear that that's not appropriate.

BAIER: you mentioned some of the organized nature to some of this. i want you to take a listen to the new york police department commissioner about some of the staging for that. staged for someone. take a listen.

DERMOT SHEA (CLIP): breaks are being placed and then transported to quote unquote peaceful protest which are peaceful protests. but then used by that criminal group within. we fed construction sites fertilized in recent days in manhattan. construction sites, burglary is not that uncommon. but during a riot, it's interesting what we've taken.

BAIER: so who is behind this specifically?

ACTING SECRETARY WOLF: i will say that's also very similar to what the department is seen and what the intel we are seen as well. during the day, what you see is coordination. you've seen phone calls, you've seen medians, you've seen caches of weapons being stashed around different

metropolitan areas. so at night when these protests become more violent, those weapons are at hand. i think overall what we have seen as far as taking place sort of boots on the ground in these metropolitan areas are the groups like antifat or anarchist in general. those are the types of people that we see. that's the intel that we are getting back. primarily, these violent protests in these organizations in a certain way. it usually occurs after nightfall. so during the day, we usually see the nonviolent protests are occurring. and then when it gets to the night, we see the more violent protest starting to happen. criminals starting to take place. organized, loosely organized during the day.

BAIER: so is there an effort to go up to the leaders of those? can you see it across states, as it organized in different cities across the country eight, and is there an effort to target who is responsible in twos finance a knit as well?

ACTING SECRETARY WOLF: yeah, absolutely. i think what we are seen is is loosely organized across the country in an organized way. i don't think we see that yet. i think we are continuing to analyze the intelligence and really get the feedback from the state and local law enforcement officials in these individual cities. so we will continue to look at that. we have a number of investigators at the department that are working with the doj and working with the fbi. they have opened up another of cases some targeting the leaders of nt front end of organizations involved. they are artie going down that path. again, we have assets, we have investigators that are helping the department of justice.

BAIER: where is the cobit situation right now? we are seeing all these protest. we are seeing a lot of people gathering together. i known cure department also dealt with the situation with covid 19. if you look at the u.s. coronavirus daily new cases, the kind of rolling average and the new cases graphic. you can see that it's kind of rolling down and a little bit of a spike. what about that in context to all of this?

ACTING SECRETARY WOLF: sure, i think overall we are in a downward trend. we see a number of states and localities continuing to open up up. the economy is continuing to open up. whether you are in phase one or phase two are somewhere in between. i think we are seeing progress there. ethic it's important that we open up that economy and we do so in a safe and responsible way. we put out guidelines. how to reopen the economy and provided those resources to state governors and other officials there. so we continue to look at that. i think as we look at the civil unrest over the last few days and we see these large groups, i think we see a lot of masks. obviously, we are not doing the social distancing that we've been talking about of lost several months. but the little concerning to a variety of us. we will see if there is a long-term impact of that. but i think overall, we are on the right trajectory. a downward trajectory. we still have to do a number of things across the country. continuing to mitigate, continuing to do some of that social distancing. we have to do so in a responsible matter. we have to give the economy back up and running. we need to open back up america. the president has been very clear about that. we are on the right path.

BAIER: there is a piece by james madison, the first defense secretary for president trump. and what she's riding some pretty stark language. it donald trump is the first president my lifetime who does not try to unite the american people, does not even pretend to try. instead, he tries to

divide us. we are witnessing the consequence of three years of this deliberate effort. that's from general jim mattis. your thoughts on that?

ACTING SECRETARY WOLF: well, i think if you look at the remarks of the president made whether he made it down in florida shortly after the launch launch. i think his language has been very specific regarding the tragic events in minneapolis. what he thinks about that. but it is also been very clear about law and order. the rule of law and needing to establish that. i know the media likes to focus on some harsh words and to some direct words that can be delivered at times, and i think that's needed at times. but i encourage the american people and really everyone to look at his comments as a whole. i think you will see that they have been balanced and he has taken the right tone regarding the events in minneapolis. but making sure that she's going to send up for land and order. i think that's the right approach. the president has been very clear on that.

BAIER: we appreciate your time tonight.

ACTING SECRETARY WOLF: thank you.

Sender:	(b)(6)
Sent Date:	2020/06/03 20:51:13
Delivered Date:	2020/06/03 20:51:19

From:	(b)(6)
Subject:	Special Report (FNC) – Acting DHS Secretary Chad Wolf Interview
Date:	2020/06/03 20:51:20
Priority:	Normal
Type:	Note

Special Report (FNC) – Acting DHS Secretary Chad Wolf Interview

[https://mms.tveyes.com/transcript.asp?StationID=130&DateTime=6/3/2020%206:09:51%20PM&playclip=true&pbcs=search%3a%2b\(the\)](https://mms.tveyes.com/transcript.asp?StationID=130&DateTime=6/3/2020%206:09:51%20PM&playclip=true&pbcs=search%3a%2b(the))

BRET BAIER: joining us tonight, chad wolf. he is the acting homeland security. thank you for being here. your assessment first of all on watching this unfold.

ACTING DHS SECRETARY CHAD WOLF: thanks for having me on. i think what we have seen over the last four or five days is unfortunate. people are very outraged over the death of george floyd. it's legitimate, it's right to be concerned. and push for reform. but i think we need to do that to make sure that we don't do that in a violent way. what we have seen as a lot of nonviolent protest. we see violent people taking part of thoughts, infiltrating those nonviolent protests. that's where we see a call for concern. especially targeting law enforcement officers, local and state law enforcement officers. that's when began to have. if that's really what we've been concerned about in the department of homeland security. making sure we support our state and local federal officials. law enforcement officers pushing information to them. and personnel and resources to them. i think there's a way we could do this, as you indicated, some of that violence has subsided over the last several days. we hope that continues. at the same time, if those legitimate protesters want to do so, and a nonviolent way, exercise their first amendment they should be able to do that. at the department support that. but when we talk about violence, that's where we have to draw the line into have to be very forceful and very clear that that's not appropriate.

BAIER: you mentioned some of the organized nature to some of this. i want you to take a listen to the new york police department commissioner about some of the staging for that. staged for someone. take a listen.

DERMOT SHEA (CLIP): breaks are being placed and then transported to quote unquote peaceful protest which are peaceful protests. but then used by that criminal group within. we fed construction sites fertilized in recent days in manhattan. construction sites, burglary is not that uncommon. but during a riot, it's interesting what we've taken.

BAIER: so who is behind this specifically?

ACTING SECRETARY WOLF: i will say that's also very similar to what the department is seen and what the intel we are seen as well. during the day, what you see is coordination. you've seen phone calls, you've seen medians, you've seen caches of weapons being stashed around different

metropolitan areas. so at night when these protests become more violent, those weapons are at hand. i think overall what we have seen as far as taking place sort of boots on the ground in these metropolitan areas are the groups like antifat or anarchist in general. those are the types of people that we see. that's the intel that we are getting back. primarily, these violent protests in these organizations in a certain way. it usually occurs after nightfall. so during the day, we usually see the nonviolent protests are occurring. and then when it gets to the night, we see the more violent protest starting to happen. criminals starting to take place. organized, loosely organized during the day.

BAIER: so is there an effort to go up to the leaders of those? can you see it across states, as it organized in different cities across the country eight, and is there an effort to target who is responsible in twos finance a knit as well?

ACTING SECRETARY WOLF: yeah, absolutely. i think what we are seen is is loosely organized across the country in an organized way. i don't think we see that yet. i think we are continuing to analyze the intelligence and really get the feedback from the state and local law enforcement officials in these individual cities. so we will continue to look at that. we have a number of investigators at the department that are working with the doj and working with the fbi. they have opened up another of cases some targeting the leaders of nt front end of organizations involved. they are artie going down that path. again, we have assets, we have investigators that are helping the department of justice.

BAIER: where is the cobit situation right now? we are seeing all these protest. we are seeing a lot of people gathering together. i known cure department also dealt with the situation with covid 19. if you look at the u.s. coronavirus daily new cases, the kind of rolling average and the new cases graphic. you can see that it's kind of rolling down and a little bit of a spike. what about that in context to all of this?

ACTING SECRETARY WOLF: sure, i think overall we are in a downward trend. we see a number of states and localities continuing to open up up. the economy is continuing to open up. whether you are in phase one or phase two are somewhere in between. i think we are seeing progress there. ethic it's important that we open up that economy and we do so in a safe and responsible way. we put out guidelines. how to reopen the economy and provided those resources to state governors and other officials there. so we continue to look at that. i think as we look at the civil unrest over the last few days and we see these large groups, i think we see a lot of masks. obviously, we are not doing the social distancing that we've been talking about of lost several months. but the little concerning to a variety of us. we will see if there is a long-term impact of that. but i think overall, we are on the right trajectory. a downward trajectory. we still have to do a number of things across the country. continuing to mitigate, continuing to do some of that social distancing. we have to do so in a responsible matter. we have to give the economy back up and running. we need to open back up america. the president has been very clear about that. we are on the right path.

BAIER: there is a piece by james madison, the first defense secretary for president trump. and what she's riding some pretty stark language. it donald trump is the first president my lifetime who does not try to unite the american people, does not even pretend to try. instead, he tries to

divide us. we are witnessing the consequence of three years of this deliberate effort. that's from general jim mattis. your thoughts on that?

ACTING SECRETARY WOLF: well, i think if you look at the remarks of the president made whether he made it down in florida shortly after the launch launch. i think his language has been very specific regarding the tragic events in minneapolis. what he thinks about that. but it is also been very clear about law and order. the rule of law and needing to establish that. i know the media likes to focus on some harsh words and to some direct words that can be delivered at times, and i think that's needed at times. but i encourage the american people and really everyone to look at his comments as a whole. i think you will see that they have been balanced and he has taken the right tone regarding the events in minneapolis. but making sure that she's going to send up for land and order. i think that's the right approach. the president has been very clear on that.

BAIER: we appreciate your time tonight.

ACTING SECRETARY WOLF: thank you.

Sender:	(b)(6)
Sent Date:	2020/06/03 20:51:13
Delivered Date:	2020/06/03 20:51:20

From:	(b)(6)
To:	Gountanis, John (b)(6)
CC:	(b)(6)
Subject:	Fwd: AP: Prosecutors: 3 arrested on terrorism charges in Las Vegas
Date:	2020/06/03 21:34:15
Priority:	Normal
Type:	Note

Sir,

Here's the latest on the subjects. Will be more coming tomorrow.

V/r,

(b)(6)

From: (b)(6)
Sent: Wednesday, June 3, 2020 9:32 PM
To: DOBITSCH, STEPHANIE; Murphy, Brian; Luke, Adam; Groven, Philip
Cc: Hanna, Matthew; (b)(6) HOULTON, TYLER; (b)(6)
Subject: Re: AP: Prosecutors: 3 arrested on terrorism charges in Las Vegas

Thank you Stephanie and team. Much appreciated. Thank you all for your hard work.

(b)(5); (b)(7)(E)

(b)(5); (b)(7)(E)

Unlikely but interesting.

Thanks again,

(b)(6)

From: DOBITSCH, STEPHANIE (b)(6)
Sent: Wednesday, June 3, 2020 9:27:00 PM
To: (b)(6) Murphy, Brian

(b)(6) Luke, Adam (b)(6) Groven, Philip
(b)(6)

Cc: Hanna, Matthew (b)(6)
HOULTON, TYLER (b)(6)

Subject: RE: AP: Prosecutors: 3 arrested on terrorism charges in Las Vegas

(b)(6)

Everything we currently have is below. We will have our watch dig into this overnight and provide Mr. Murphy any new information for tomorrow's brief. Please let me know if you need anything further at this time.

(b)(5); (b)(7)(E)

(b)(7)(E)

(b)(5); (b)(6); (b)(7)(C); (b)(7)(E)

Page 023

Withheld pursuant to exemption

(b)(5) ; (b)(6) ; (b)(7)(C) ; (b)(7)(E)

of the Freedom of Information and Privacy Act

From: (b)(6)
Sent: Wednesday, June 3, 2020 8:36 PM
To: Murphy, Brian (b)(6); DOBITSCH, STEPHANIE (b)(6); Luke, Adam (b)(6); Groven, Philip (b)(6)
Cc: Hanna, Matthew (b)(6); HOULTON, TYLER (b)(6)
Subject: Re: AP: Prosecutors: 3 arrested on terrorism charges in Las Vegas

Thank you Sir and I&A. I just spoke with Stephanie who is working really hard on some background on the movement and a few other things.

Thank you all

From: Murphy, Brian (b)(6)
Sent: Wednesday, June 3, 2020 8:34:28 PM
To: DOBITSCH, STEPHANIE (b)(6); Luke, Adam (b)(6); Groven, Philip (b)(6)
Cc: Hanna, Matthew (b)(6); HOULTON, TYLER (b)(6)
Subject: RE: AP: Prosecutors: 3 arrested on terrorism charges in Las Vegas

(b)(5)

(b)(5), (b)(6), (b)(7)(E)

Brian Murphy

DHS Principal Deputy Under Secretary for Intelligence

(b)(6)

From: DOBITSCH, STEPHANIE (b)(6)
Sent: Wednesday, June 3, 2020 7:51 PM
To: (b)(6) Luke, Adam
(b)(6) Groven, Philip (b)(6)
Cc: Hanna, Matthew (b)(6) Jen, Horace (b)(6)
HOULTON, TYLER (b)(6)
Murphy, Brian (b)(6)
Subject: RE: AP: Prosecutors: 3 arrested on terrorism charges in Las Vegas

OK thanks.

From: (b)(6)
Sent: Wednesday, June 3, 2020 7:44 PM
To: DOBITSCH, STEPHANIE (b)(6) Luke, Adam
(b)(6) Groven, Philip (b)(6)
Cc: Hanna, Matthew (b)(6)
HOULTON, TYLER (b)(6)
Subject: Re: AP: Prosecutors: 3 arrested on terrorism charges in Las Vegas

(b)(5) Tyler may have more info on that.

(b)(5); (b)(7)(E)

From: DOBITSCH, STEPHANIE (b)(6)
Sent: Wednesday, June 3, 2020 7:40:36 PM
To: (b)(6) Luke, Adam
(b)(6) Groven, Philip (b)(6)
Cc: Hanna, Matthew (b)(6)
HOULTON, TYLER (b)(6)
Subject: Re: AP: Prosecutors: 3 arrested on terrorism charges in Las Vegas

Copy on the task and working it. Do you have a timeframe?

Stephanie Dobitsch
Acting Deputy Under Secretary
Intelligence Enterprise Operations

Office of Intelligence & Analysis

(b)(6)

From: (b)(6)

Sent: Wednesday, June 3, 2020 7:36:12 PM

To: Luke, Adam (b)(6) Groven, Philip (b)(6)

DOBITSCH, STEPHANIE (b)(6)

Cc: Hanna, Matthew (b)(6)

HOULTON, TYLER (b)(6)

Subject: Fwd: AP: Prosecutors: 3 arrested on terrorism charges in Las Vegas

All:

(b)(5)

I'm sure you're already working this but wanted to flag. Thank you all.

From: HOULTON, TYLER (b)(6)

Sent: Wednesday, June 3, 2020 7:29 PM

To: (b)(6)

(b)(6) Mizelle, Chad

Cc: Gountanis, John; (b)(6)

Subject: Fwd: AP: Prosecutors: 3 arrested on terrorism charges in Las Vegas

AS1 would like a brief on this and a statement/tweet to go out on this tonight. (b)(5)

(b)(5) Thanks.

From: Comms Alert (b)(6)

Sent: Wednesday, June 3, 2020 7:07 PM

To: (b)(6)

Subject: AP: Prosecutors: 3 arrested on terrorism charges in Las Vegas

CAUTION: This email originated from outside of DHS. DO NOT click links or open attachments unless you recognize and/or trust the sender. Contact your component SOC with questions or concerns.

Prosecutors: 3 arrested on terrorism charges in Las Vegas

Associated Press

Michelle L. Price & Scott Sonner

June 3, 2020 – 6:25 PM

https://apnews.com/6223153093f08fa910c4ab445771b773?utm_medium=AP&utm_campaign=SocialFlow&utm_source=Twitter

LAS VEGAS (AP) — Three Nevada men with ties to a loose movement of right-wing extremists advocating the overthrow of the U.S. government have been

arrested on terrorism-related charges in what authorities say was a conspiracy to spark violence during recent protests in Las Vegas.

Federal prosecutors say the three white men with U.S. military experience are accused of conspiring to carry out a plan that began in April in conjunction with protests to reopen businesses closed because of the coronavirus and later sought to capitalize on protests over the death of a Minneapolis man in police custody.

They were arrested Saturday on the way to a protest in downtown Las Vegas after filling gas cans at a parking lot and making Molotov cocktails in glass bottles, according to a copy of the criminal complaint obtained by The Associated Press.

The complaint filed in U.S. District Court in Las Vegas on Wednesday said they self-identified as part of the “boogaloo” movement, which U.S. prosecutors said in the document is “a term used by extremists to signify coming civil war and/or fall of civilization.”

Stephen T. Parshall, 35, Andrew T. Lynam Jr., 23, and William L. Loomis, 40, were being held on \$1 million bond each in the Clark County jail Wednesday, according to court records.

Each currently faces two federal charges — conspiracy to damage and destroy by fire and explosive, and possession of unregistered firearms — along with multiple terrorism-related state charges.

Court records don’t list lawyers for the men.

To Unsubscribe Email (b)(6)

Sender:	(b)(6)
Recipient:	Gountanis, John (b)(6) (b)(6) HOULTON, TYLER (b)(6) (b)(6)
Sent Date:	2020/06/03 21:34:14
Delivered Date:	2020/06/03 21:34:15

From:	Tomney, Christopher (b)(6)
To:	Gountanis, John (b)(6)
CC:	HOULTON, TYLER (b)(6)
Subject:	FW: (U/LES)-AS1 Request for Information - Civil Disturbances - Multiple Cities, U.S. (NOC 0378-20)
Date:	2020/06/03 17:58:55
Priority:	Normal
Type:	Note

COS – Please see the below update to your question from this morning on the (b)(5)

(b)(5)

(b)(5) v/r Chris

From: NOC.NDD (b)(6)

Sent: Wednesday, June 3, 2020 5:52 PM

To: OPS-Director (b)(6)

Cc: NOC-Director (b)(6)

Subject: (U/LES) AS1 Request for Information - Civil Disturbances - Multiple Cities, U.S. (b)(5)

~~UNCLASSIFIED/LAW ENFORCEMENT SENSITIVE~~

Director Tomney

(b)(7)(E)

V/R

(b)(6)

Duty Director

**National Operations Center
Office of Operations Coordination**

U.S. Department of Homeland Security
Washington, DC 20528

(b)(6)

WARNING: This document is FOR OFFICIAL USE ONLY (FOUO); it contains information that may be exempt from public release under the Freedom of Information Act (5 USC 552). It is to be controlled, stored, handled, transmitted, distributed, and disposed of in accordance with DHS policy relating to FOUO information and is not intended to be released to the public or other personnel who do not have a valid "need to know" without prior approval of an authorized DHS official.

LAW ENFORCEMENT SENSITIVE: The information marked (U//LES) in this document may be distributed within the Federal Government (and its contractors), US intelligence, law enforcement, public safety or protection officials, and individuals with a need to know. Distribution beyond these entities without authorization is prohibited. Precautions should be taken to ensure this information is stored and/or destroyed in a manner that precludes unauthorized access. Information bearing the LES caveat may not be used in legal proceedings without first receiving authorization from the originating agency. Recipients are prohibited from subsequently posting the information marked LES on a Web site on an unclassified network.

~~UNCLASSIFIED/LAW ENFORCEMENT SENSITIVE~~

Sender:	Tomney, Christopher (b)(6)
	(b)(6)
Recipient:	Gountanis, John (b)(6)
	(b)(6)
	HOULTON, TYLER (b)(6)
	(b)(6)
	Murphy, Brian (b)(6)
	(b)(6)
Sent Date:	2020/06/03 17:58:53
Delivered Date:	2020/06/03 17:58:55
From:	(b)(6)
To:	(b)(6)
Subject:	Fwd: Charged cases / ongoing investigations related to civil unrest: 3 June 2020 / 0215
Date:	2020/06/03 02:21:20
Priority:	Normal
Type:	Note

Forwarding for your situational awareness.

(b)(6)

Get [Outlook for iOS](#)

From: (b)(6) (NSD)

Page 030

Withheld pursuant to exemption

(b)(7)(E)

of the Freedom of Information and Privacy Act

Page 031

Withheld pursuant to exemption

(b)(7)(E)

of the Freedom of Information and Privacy Act

Page 032

Withheld pursuant to exemption

(b)(7)(E)

of the Freedom of Information and Privacy Act

Page 033

Withheld pursuant to exemption

(b)(7)(E)

of the Freedom of Information and Privacy Act

Page 034

Withheld pursuant to exemption

(b)(7)(E)

of the Freedom of Information and Privacy Act

Page 035

Withheld pursuant to exemption

(b)(7)(E)

of the Freedom of Information and Privacy Act

Page 036

Withheld pursuant to exemption

(b)(7)(E)

of the Freedom of Information and Privacy Act

(b)(7)(E)

Sender:

(b)(6)

Recipient:

(b)(6)

Sent 2020/06/03 02:21:19

Date:	
Delivered Date:	2020/06/03 02:21:20

From: HOULTON, TYLER (b)(6)
Sent: Thursday, June 4, 2020 3:22 PM
To: (b)(6)
(b)(6)
Cc: Gountanis, John (b)(6)
(b)(6)
Subject: RE: 530PM Prep

Just confirming this is in the works. Thanks.

From: HOULTON, TYLER
Sent: Thursday, June 4, 2020 1:44 PM
To: VANDE BEEK, DIRK (b)(6)
(b)(6)
Cc: Gountanis, John (b)(6)
(b)(6)
Subject: 530PM Prep

Team,

AS1 would like OPA to go through his interview last night, take out the questions and answers, then tighten up his responses before his 530 prep. He would also like to include any new questions that we think could come up and provide quick answers. Let me know how I can assist if necessary. Thanks.

Tyler Q. Houlton
Deputy Chief of Staff
U.S. Department of Homeland Security

Sender:	HOULTON, TYLER (b)(6)
	(b)(6)
Recipient:	(b)(6)
	Gountanis, John (b)(6)
	(b)(6)
Sent Date: 2020/06/04 17:07:51	
Delivered Date: 2020/06/04 17:07:52	



BRIEFING MEMORANDUM FOR THE ACTING SECRETARY

EVENT: Call with Chairwoman Roybal-Allard (D-CA)
DATE: Friday, June 5, 2020
LOC: Phone Call while on travel
PRESS: Closed
APPROVED: Aaron L. Calkins, Deputy Assistant Secretary, OLA

BOTTOM LINE UP FRONT

Chairwoman Roybal-Allard requested a call to discuss the use of DHS law enforcement to support other federal law enforcement responding to protestors. Her staff also indicated that she would like to discuss the establishment of the Office of the Immigration Detention Ombudsman (OIDO) and detention conditions during the pandemic more generally.

According to DHS Budget, (b)(5); (b)(7)(E)

(b)(5); (b)(7)(E)

(b)(5); (b)(7)(E)

(b)(5)

(b)(5)

On June 3, 2020, (b)(5); (b)(7)(E)

(b)(5); (b)(7)(E)

KEY POINTS AND PRIORITIES

A. DHS Support of Law Enforcement

Over the past nine days of civil disturbances, DHS Components continue to support national law enforcement efforts and provide federal property protection across the country. While many demonstrations have remained peaceful, numerous U.S. cities have experienced incidents of violence, looting, and other criminal activity. To date, no Component has reported a degradation in ability to execute its mission essential functions.

Protest activity levels for the next 24 hours are expected to remain the same; DHS support should expect similar missions.

(b)(5); (b)(7)(E)

Below is a summary of DHS efforts to support our federal partners and state and local law enforcement.

USSS

(b)(5); (b)(7)(E)

FPS

Since May 29, 2020, FPS has responded to (b)(7)(E) at federal facilities. Over the past 24 hours, FPS responded to (b)(7)(E) at Federal facilities.

Since May 29, 2020, (b)(7)(E) have sustained vandalism/damage. Over the past 24 hours, (b)(7)(E) were vandalized/damaged (spray painted graffiti and windows broken). (b)(7)(E)

(b)(7)(E)

(b)(7)(E)

provided law enforcement officers in protecting Federal facilities located adjacent to Lafayette Park.

ICE has (b)(7)(E) on standby to assist in responding to criminal activities (i.e., vandalism, attempts to breach) at federal facilities located within the NCR. TSA provided (b)(7)(E)

(b)(7)(E) to perform investigative support and high-visibility patrol operations at high-risk federal facilities located within the NCR. The (b)(7)(E) assisted FPS in protecting the (b)(7)(E) located in Charlottesville, VA. (b)(7)(E) assigned as Task Force Officers to the (b)(7)(E) were placed on standby to execute warrants based on an incident involving (b)(7)(E)

CBP, ICE, and TSA/FAMS are providing protection to multiple facilities in the downtown Washington, DC area of operations. Additional support is being coordinated in other cities, to include:

(b)(7)(E)

(b)(7)(E)

CBP

In support of DOJ, CBP provided (b)(7)(E) to support operations in the NCR. They provided (b)(7)(E) to support (b)(7)(E) on the evening of June 3, 2020 and also provided (b)(7)(E) on the evening of June 3, 2020, with (b)(7)(E) DC. Two (b)(7)(E) and one (b)(7)(E) chopped to (b)(7)(E). They deployed (b)(7)(E) to support (b)(7)(E) and (b)(7)(E). No CBP personnel have been injured in deployments.

CBP/OFO

The CBP/OFO Emergency Medical Services program has upwards of (b)(7)(E) experienced licensed and credentialed Medical Providers and Law Enforcement officers strategically assigned throughout nation that are available to support local first responders.

Pre-Clearance Field Office – consisting of (b)(7)(E) and (b)(7)(E) joined other members of (b)(7)(E) and (b)(7)(E) at (b)(7)(E) – provided assistance and support to Federal and Local law enforcement partners to respond and prevent further rioting, vandalism, and destruction due to the ongoing civil unrest in the NCR area.

Baltimore Field Office (BFO): The BFO deployed (b)(7)(E) from the area north of Washington DC/Dulles and (b)(7)(E) officers from the Area Port of Baltimore. (b)(7)(E) from the BFO have been deployed to provided support to (b)(7)(E) in response to the ongoing civil disobedience occurring in VA and Washington, DC.

Detroit Field Office: The Detroit Field Office received a request to support the (b)(7)(E) with (b)(7)(E) and (b)(7)(E) with ongoing protests and civil unrests in the metropolitan Detroit area. (b)(7)(E) and personnel to assist local law enforcement with perimeter control of their staging area surrounding their EOC.

New York Field Office: NYFO has deployed (b)(7)(E) from the (b)(7)(E) to assist (b)(7)(E) in response to a possible civil disturbance on airport property. The responding officers will participate as a security detail. NYFO has deployed (b)(7)(E) assigned to the (b)(7)(E) to assist the (b)(7)(E) in protecting the Times Square Station while (b)(7)(E) officers perform crowd control and policing duties. The (b)(7)(E) are joined by the (b)(7)(E).

Houston Field Office: The (b)(7)(E) requested (b)(7)(E) (b)(7)(E) to assist with physical security of the (b)(7)(E) (b)(7)(E) OFO Houston Seaport CBPOs are (b)(7)(E) (b)(7)(E) as well as assist (b)(7)(E) law enforcement with ongoing protests and civil unrest in the Houston, TX area.

San Diego Field Office: San Diego will send (b)(7)(E) to the San Diego Command Post and (b)(7)(E) to the (b)(7)(E)

CBP/USBP

Sectors have placed personnel, to include (b)(7)(E) (b)(7)(E) and (b)(7)(E) on standby to respond to civil disturbances throughout the nation. All sectors, stations and checkpoints remain on high alert; personnel continue to be notified to prepare for immediate deployment as necessary to include (b)(7)(E) and (b)(7)(E) (b)(7)(E)

Alpine Sector (APD): On June 6, 2020, (b)(7)(E) are on stand-by in the event (b)(7)(E) (b)(7)(E) escalates and requires additional law enforcement.

Buffalo Sector (BUN): On June 3, 2020, the Buffalo (b)(7)(E) has requested (b)(7)(E) (b)(7)(E) to augment an (b)(7)(E) (b)(7)(E) established as a precaution in advance of demonstrations anticipated in downtown Buffalo, NY through June 7, 2020.

Detroit Sector (DTM): On June 5, 2020, (b)(7)(E) at the request of (b)(7)(E) and (b)(7)(E) will deploy (b)(7)(E) and (b)(7)(E) to the (b)(7)(E) to ensure public safety during a scheduled protest. (b)(7)(E) is limited to patrolling the waterway and effecting life saving measure as the need arises.

El Paso Sector (EPT): In response to a request from (b)(7)(E) and (b)(7)(E) (b)(7)(E) are responding to assist with tactical capabilities, mitigate risk, life safety issues.

Spokane Sector: On June 4, 2020, agents will participate in (b)(7)(E) (b)(7)(E) Agents will be available to respond to other law enforcement facilities in the area.

Tucson Sector: On June 3, 2020, TCA will support (b)(7)(E) with a total of (b)(7)(E) (b)(7)(E) in order to provide local agencies with support in maintaining control of planned protests in Casa Grande, AZ.

CBP/AMO

(b)(5); (b)(7)(E)

Manassas Air Branch: Will provide (b)(7)(E) support over NYC and the NCR during protests.

Great Lakes Air and Marine Branch Buffalo: (b)(7)(E) Buffalo in collaboration with (b)(7)(E) is requesting assistance in providing situational awareness through (b)(7)(E) and (b)(7)(E) to the tactical command center. Specific mission objectives are the security of (b)(7)(E) and the (b)(7)(E)

ICE/ERO

Field offices placed SRTs on standby in multiple locations. (b)(7)(E) continues to receive information that there are planned protests at or near several government buildings in Buffalo, NY. Buffalo (b)(7)(E) are all coordinating consolidated (b)(7)(E) as needed. The (b)(7)(E) other (b)(7)(E) and (b)(7)(E) have been (b)(7)(E). There has been no direct request for (b)(7)(E) assistance but (b)(7)(E) has been placed on standby in case protests impact the Buffalo ICE/ERO Office and are ready to assist as needed.

ICE/ERO Philadelphia is monitoring protests across Philadelphia with widespread violence, looting, and confrontations with police. The Mayor instituted a 6 pm curfew. Protests also occurred at other locations across the AOR, with some violence. All office locations are open, and ICE/ERO Philadelphia continues to communicate (b)(7)(E) and (b)(7)(E) to monitor threats to (b)(7)(E)

ICE/HSI

Deployed (b)(7)(E) providing security support to the (b)(7)(E) in (b)(7)(E). A total of (b)(7)(E) (b)(7)(E) were augmented by (b)(7)(E) and provided deterrence against potential looters or other individuals engaged in criminal activity during curfew.

ICE/HSI reported no arrests, no reports of rioting, and no looting or property damage were reported in their sector. Remaining personnel were placed on standby at (b)(7)(E). (b)(7)(E) is assisting (b)(7)(E) in reviewing the (b)(7)(E) convicted felon, who was arrested during a protest while in possession of a homemade explosive device and other weapons. (b)(7)(E) assigned to (b)(7)(E) will be flying to Washington, DC to support ongoing community safety issues. An (b)(7)(E) assigned to (b)(7)(E) is supporting the (b)(7)(E) providing security for businesses that are being targeted by looters and attempting to identify (b)(7)(E) who are using the protest as a cover to commit violent crimes. (b)(7)(E) has activated their (b)(7)(E) and (b)(7)(E) they are enroute to the Washington DC area. (b)(7)(E) committed (b)(7)(E) to assist the (b)(7)(E) with (b)(7)(E) and serving as (b)(7)(E), looking for unrest, looting and other civil disobedience. There are also (b)(7)(E) managing the command center. (b)(7)(E) is sending (b)(7)(E) to support (b)(7)(E) with onsite security at the (b)(7)(E) (b)(7)(E) is deploying their (b)(7)(E) and (b)(7)(E) to assist with civil unrest in the (b)(7)(E)

TSA

In support of the (b)(7)(E) deployed (b)(7)(E) and (b)(7)(E) to the (b)(7)(E). These (b)(7)(E) and (b)(7)(E) are deploying throughout the district in coordination with (b)(7)(E) Security of the Post Office Museum and surrounding federal buildings. Security of the Export-Import Bank of the U.S. and surrounding federal buildings. Deployed (b)(7)(E) (b)(7)(E) to support (b)(7)(E).

USCG

USCG has (b)(7)(E) available for interagency support as needed. On June 2, 2020, NYPD requested (b)(7)(E) from (b)(7)(E) to support civil unrest response. (b)(7)(E) (b)(7)(E) are on (b)(7)(E). Agents were sworn-in on June 2, 2020. (b)(7)(E) is supporting (b)(7)(E) during protests. Sector Virginia is adding security at the Eastern Shore Sector Field Office in preparation of a planned protest in Chincoteague, VA; (b)(7)(E) will be in-place, but out of sight, unless needed. Sectors Jacksonville and Miami are tracking five planned protests on 4 Jun and six planned protests on 5 Jun across FL; unknown impacts to USCG ops or facilities.

Sector Northern New England reports multiple protests are expected across NH and ME over the next week. (b)(7)(E) is scheduled to visit Guilford, ME on June 5, 2020. Sector Delaware Bay is maintaining an active (b)(7)(E) with (b)(7)(E). (b)(7)(E) USCG Sector Long Island Sound is providing (b)(7)(E) (b)(7)(E) during the work day to ensure base security; some subordinate units are increasing local security patrols.

Protest activity in NYC is forecasted to continue for the foreseeable future, with curfews in place at least through 7Jun. There is a potential protest in the vicinity of Station NY and Sector NY on 5 Jun. (b)(7)(E) and (b)(7)(E) have aligned with (b)(7)(E) and are at (b)(7)(E).

CISA

CISA continues to monitor the situation and are standing by to provide assistance to stakeholders as required. Region III has (b)(7)(E). (b)(7)(E) as needed to advise on any critical infrastructure impacts due to civil disturbances.

DHS HQ

National Operations Center provides twice daily incident reports to the Homeland Security Enterprise with interim updates to DHS leadership. Providing (b)(7)(E) (b)(7)(E).

B. Office of the Immigration Detention Ombudsman

(b)(5)

(b)(5)

OIDO Status as of June 4, 2020

Congress created the OIDO in the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2020, which was enacted December 20, 2019. On January 28, 2020, SOPDDS Cuccinelli directed Tracy Short and Julie Kirchner to lead the effort to stand up the office. At that time, he set forth two milestones:

- Delivery of an operational Framework for the OIDO by March 20, 2020; and
- Delivery of a Component charter by June 20, 2020.

(b)(5)

C. Conditions in ICE Detention Facilities During the Pandemic

(b)(5)

~~FOR OFFICIAL USE ONLY~~

(b)(5)

~~FOR OFFICIAL USE ONLY~~

(b)(5)

BACKGROUND

DHS Components have had many interactions with the Chairwoman and her staff over the past several months.

A. Coast Guard

Commandant Schultz spoke with the Chairwoman on May 29, 2020. She asked about USCG readiness in the ongoing pandemic. They discussed appropriations for USCG and proposed rescission in the FY 2021 budget. She expressed a desire to reschedule a CODEL that was originally scheduled for March 2020 but was postponed because of coronavirus.

B. TSA

Administrator Pekoske met with Chairwoman Roybal-Allard on April 7 and April 27, 2020. During the meetings they discussed whether TSA had sufficient PPE and whether they were implementing hazard pay for the workforce. She also expressed concern about seeing TSOs without masks and gloves and believed that TSA should make them mandatory for all officers.

C. FEMA

Administrator Gaynor hosted a call with Chairwoman Roybal-Allard, Ranking Member Fleischmann, Chairwoman Capito, and Ranking Member Tester on June 3, 2020. The call focused on FEMA's COVID-19 response efforts but touched on the current civil unrest as well. Administrator Gaynor emphasized that FEMA's involvement would be under the Stafford Act and there had been no requests for assistance at that time. FEMA has provided daily updates on the Whole-of-America response to the coronavirus pandemic and a COVID-19 Disaster Relief Fund status of funds report to HAC staff. HAC staff has expressed frustration on the Administration's reluctance to waive the 75/25 percent cost share requirement for COVID-19 public assistance.

D. USCIS

Deputy Director for Policy Joe Edlow spoke with Chairwoman Roybal-Allard on May 27, 2020 about USCIS' need for appropriations. Her staff had previously had discussions with USCIS about contracts at the National Benefits Center and she thanked Joe for USCIS extending the contract.

She raised concerns about the proposed 10 percent surcharge to repay the appropriation claiming that the surcharge would "fall on those least able to afford it." She also raised concerns about the proposed Fee Rule which would raise fees. She also brought up a refugee case that several Democrat members are concerned about. USCIS was prepared to brief concerned offices about the case in March but the briefing was postponed because of coronavirus. USCIS is working to set up a briefing for her staff on the case.

E. CBP

On March 25, 2020, CBP provided an update to HAC staff on the operational implementation of Title 42 authorities. On April 14, 2020, CBP hosted a call with HAC staff to provide an update on the current status of various temporary facilities projects. On April 29, 2020, CBP and ICE hosted a call with HAC staff to discuss COVID-19 screening measures for individuals in custody and what CBP and ICE are doing to mitigate concerns of other countries such as Guatemala who have expressed concerns about received deported aliens during the pandemic. On June 3, 2020, CBP briefed HAC staff on CBP's CARES Act Spend Plan and provided an update on CBP's FY 2020 spending and the user fee shortfall.

F. USSS

Director Murray spoke with Chairwoman Roybal-Allard on June 3, 2020. The call was scheduled to discuss recent USSS COVID-19 fraud investigations; however, it also included discussion of USSS activities related to the recent civil unrest. Additionally, they discussed the use of TSA/FAMs instead of ICE/HSI agents to assist USSS with protection responsibilities during the 2020 campaign and NSEEs. USSS is currently training up to 800 FAMs to assist with protection. The Chairwoman and her staff were surprised and not pleased to hear that USSS would be using TSA/FAMs instead of ICE/HSI agents. SOPDDS Cuccinelli has indicated that he is willing to brief the Chairwoman or her staff on the issue.

According to USSS, HAC staffers have repeatedly heard from USSS over the past several years how important it is to use 1811 federal agents for assist USSS with protection. TSA/FAMs are not 1811s. Additionally, one of the arguments being made by HAC staffers for keeping USSS in DHS is the ability to use ICE/HSI agents to assist USSS in support of their protective mission during presidential campaigns and NSSEs.

G. FPS

HAC staffer reached out to FPS inquiring if FPS has requested UAS support in Seattle. FPS informed the staffer that FPS had not requested UAS support in Seattle.

H. FLETC

The Chairwoman and her staff have all expressed interest and support for FLETC's Human Trafficking Awareness Training. During a CODEL in January 2020, they expressed interest in hosting a training for Los Angeles-area law enforcement. FLETC is working to schedule a virtual training in that area.

The Chairwoman has also raised questions about FLETC's de-escalation training.

I. CISA

HAC staff have been briefed on CISA's state and local cyber information sharing, cyber defense education and training, cyber procurement programs, and the plans to execute the additional funding provided to CISA. In FY 2020 CISA received almost \$400 million about the requested amount.

ATTACHMENT(S)

- A. Agenda/Flow
- B. OLA Talking Points
- C. OIDO Talking Points
- D. ICE Talking Points
- E. Participant List
- F. Participant Biographies
- G. Questions and Answers
- H. Cohorting during the COVID-19 Pandemic Issue Paper
- I. ICE Medical Care Issue Paper
- J. ICE's 520-Minute Free Phone Program
- K. Social and Legal Representation Visitation during COVID-19 Issue Paper
- L. Recent Correspondence

Briefing Memorandum Clearance Sheet

Subject: Call with Chairwoman Roybal-Allard

Drafted: OLA – Aaron L. Calkins, (b)(6)

Approved: OLA – Aaron L. Calkins, (b)(6)

Cleared: OGC – Stephen McCleary (June 5, 2020)
PLCY – (b)(6) (June 5, 2020)
Counselor – (b)(6) (June 5, 2020)
ESEC – (b)(6) (June 5, 2020)

ATTACHMENT A: Agenda/Flow

EVENT: Call with Chairwoman Roybal-Allard (D-CA)
DATE: Friday, June 5, 2020
LOC: Phone Call while on travel
PRESS: Closed

SCENARIO

You will call Chairwoman Roybal-Allard. She has requested that only you and her be on the call.

SEQUENCE OF EVENTS

- 3:00 pm **YOU** call Chairwoman Roybal-Allard

ATTACHMENT B: OLA Talking Points

CALL WITH CHAIRWOMAN ROYBAL-ALLARD (D-CA)

FIRST: DHS is taking action to prevent, respond to, and mitigate the ongoing civil unrest in the United States at the national, state, and local levels.

(b)(7)(E)

(b)(7)(E)

SECOND: At the state and local level specifically, DHS is supporting efforts to respond and mitigate ongoing civil unrest in your communities.

(b)(7)(E)

THIRD: CISA is working to prevent and mitigate malicious cyber activity due to concerns that activity related to the protests will continue to escalate.

(b)(7)(E)

ATTACHMENT C: OIDO Talking Points

CALL WITH CHAIRWOMAN ROYBAL-ALLARD (D-CA)

First: DHS has made significant progress in establishing the OIDO.

(b)(5)

Second: The OIDO is currently building on the operational framework while developing a component charter.

(b)(5)

Third: DHS has two main goals this summer: approving the OIDO charter and appointing the Ombudsman.

(b)(5)

ATTACHMENT D: ICE Talking Points

CALL WITH CHAIRWOMAN ROYBAL-ALLARD (D-CA)

First: ICE remains committed to keeping detainees and staff safe during this unprecedented pandemic. This is not simply an immigration detention issue, this is a public health issue.

(b)(5)

Second: ICE is being as transparent as possible to let the public know all the steps the agency is taking to mitigate the spread of the virus. But ICE is also constantly having to dispute often baseless allegations.

(b)(5)

(b)(5)

<https://www.ice.gov/coronavirus>

Third: ICE has taken steps to reduce the detained population to allow for greater social distancing.

(b)(5)

(b)(5)

Fourth: ICE is expanding availability of testing for detainees in custody.

(b)(5)

ATTACHMENT E: Participant List

DHS Participants

- Acting Secretary Chad F. Wolf

External Participants

- Chairwoman Roybal-Allard, Chair, House Appropriations Committee, Subcommittee on Homeland Security

ATTACHMENT F: Participant Biographies

PARTICIPANT BIOGRAPHY



Chairwoman Lucille Roybal-Allard

In 1992, Congresswoman Lucille Roybal-Allard became the first Mexican-American woman elected to Congress. She has distinguished herself throughout her congressional career as a dedicated advocate for the dignity and well-being of all Americans. The congresswoman is the first Latina to serve as one of the 12 “cardinals,” or chairs, of a House Appropriations Subcommittee, as well as the first Latina to serve on the House Appropriations Committee. She is also the first woman to chair the Congressional Hispanic Caucus; the first woman to chair the California Democratic congressional delegation; and the founder of the Women’s Working Group on Immigration Reform.

Congresswoman Roybal-Allard is an original co-author of The Dream Act, which would allow certain U.S.-raised immigrant youth to earn lawful permanent residence and eventual American citizenship. In 2019, she introduced the newest version of this bill: HR 6, The Dream and Promise Act which passed the House of Representatives on June 4, 2019.

As chairwoman of the House Homeland Security Appropriations Subcommittee, the congresswoman continues to fight to ensure our homeland security personnel have the resources and guidance they need to keep our country safe against all threats, manmade and natural, and to treat immigrants humanely and with dignity and respect. She is also fighting for investments in the Coast Guard’s air and marine fleets, including much-needed funding for its first heavy icebreaker in 40 years.

Tweets

June 2: “Black Lives Matter. That's why I've agreed to cosponsor H.Res.988, condemning police brutality, racial profiling, and use of excessive and militarized force throughout America. #BlackOutTuesday”

June 1: “Donald Trump had police fire teargas and rubber bullets at peaceful protesters so he could hold the photo-op he wanted. What a shameful moment in this shameful presidency.”

May 31: “I'm praying this Sunday for peace and justice. I share the outrage over the systemic racism in our society, and I wholeheartedly support those who are peacefully and lawfully protesting the murder of George Floyd and countless other Black Americans. However, I unequivocally oppose the violence and destruction we are seeing in America's streets — against protesters, businesses, law enforcement, and journalists. I urge everyone, including police and protesters, to practice restraint and good judgment. Let's also remember peaceful action is crucial to the urgent work of building a more fair and equal America — an America whose policies will

finally reflect the fact that #BlackLivesMatter. That is the America I keep fighting for as your congresswoman.”

May 29: “The president's rhetoric about the unrest in Minneapolis is disgusting, disgraceful, and wrong. No president should ever justify or glorify violence. A president must promote peace and justice, and condemn violence and hate.”

May 28: “I’ve written to DHS/HHS demanding action to protect the rights and well-being of unaccompanied children. Let’s guarantee these children due process and honor their rights under the Flores Settlement.”

May 27: “I’m outraged & heartbroken over George Floyd's murder by Minneapolis police, and these officers must be held accountable. Let's be crystal clear: #BlackLivesMatter, and we must fight to end the systemic harassment, brutalization, and murder of African Americans once and for all.”

May 8: “I’m urging DHS & HHS to unite children in their care with sponsors as quickly as possible, & end the Memorandum of Agreement the Trump Admin has used to deport a child’s loved ones. COVID's rapid spread makes it even more vital that kids be removed from congregate facilities NOW.”

Open Correspondence

May 27, co-signed Congressional Hispanic Caucus letter to AS1 and ICE to urgently express alarm regarding reports that ICE is removing unaccompanied minors who have not yet exhausted all legal remedies.

May 21, co-signed letter to AS1 and ICE to express concern over reports creating the appearance that the administration is again pursuing a policy of family separation during the COVID-19 global pandemic.

May 11, co-signed Congressional Hispanic Caucus letter regarding concerns with inmate health throughout the COVID-19 pandemic.

May 8, co-signed letter with other Chairs regarding concerns over reporting that Administration officials are considering implementing policies that could delay the reunification of unaccompanied minors in the care of the Department of HHS with their sponsors. *DHS deferred to HHS to respond to this letter because all the questions related to HHS policies/actions.*

May 6, co-signed letter urging DHS and the Department of Justice EOIR to allow asylum seekers in the MPP program to obtain their new hearing date without traveling to ports of entry to receive a physical tear sheet and hearing notice. *On May 10 DHS and EOIR released a statement that aliens do not need to travel to a U.S. port of entry to receive a new tear sheet.*

~~FOR OFFICIAL USE ONLY~~

April 17, co-signed Congressional Hispanic Caucus letter expressing concerns and requesting information on the expelling of unaccompanied migrant children as part of the DHS's efforts to implement the CDC's March 20th order restricting the entry of certain individuals into the United States undertaken to prevent the spread of COVID-19.

~~FOR OFFICIAL USE ONLY~~

ATTACHMENT G: Questions & Answers

Questions they may Ask

- QUESTION: Will DHS be requesting additional funds to cover the costs of supporting law enforcement during the civil unrest?

(b)(5)

- QUESTION: Would you share a copy of the OIDO operational framework with me or my staff?

(b)(5)

- QUESTION: When will you appoint the Ombudsman, recognizing that \$500,000 is being withheld from the Department until the appointment is made?

(b)(5)

- QUESTION: Will you be publicly posting the position of Ombudsman?

(b)(5)

- QUESTION: Would you share a list of the candidates you are considering for the position of Ombudsman?

(b)(5)

- QUESTION: Why has the Department not been more forthcoming on progress made regarding the OIDO?

(b)(5)

- QUESTION: Is there a major obstacle in setting up the OIDO? Why is it taking so long?

(b)(5)

Congress of the United States
Washington, DC 20515

May 12, 2020

Acting Secretary Chad Wolf
Department of Homeland Security (DHS)
301 7th Street SW, Mail Stop 0501
Washington, DC 20528-0150

RECEIVED

By ESEC at 11:15 am, May 13, 2020

Dear Acting Secretary Wolf:

We are writing to express our concern about recent reports that vape shops are considering requesting to be classified as essential businesses and included on your agency's "Essential Critical Infrastructure Workforce" advisory list.

Public health officials have noted that behaviors that weaken the lungs, such as smoking and vaping, place individuals at a higher risk for developing more severe COVID-19 complications. Therefore, given the negative impact vaping can have on lung health and potential COVID-19 complications, including findings that flavored tobacco products can exacerbate lung infections, we strongly urge you to reject any proposal to classify vape shops as an essential business and to refrain from offering any guidance to prioritize the reopening of vape shops prior to the reopening of other non-essential businesses.

The urgency of our request also takes into account the worsening epidemic of youth e-cigarette use in America, and the fact young people are particularly drawn to flavored tobacco products. Studies have shown the ingredients in vaping liquids, especially in flavored electronic cigarettes, can affect cell function in the airways and suppress the lungs' ability to fight infections like COVID-19.

Vape shops remain a popular source for kids to access e-cigarettes. For example, a study in *JAMA Pediatrics* found that in California, 44.7% of tobacco and vape shops sold e-cigarettes to underage buyers. Delaying the opening of these businesses will help protect our youth from COVID-19 complications.

Vape shops continue to argue they should be classified as an essential business because they sell products that may help cigarette smokers quit. Yet, there is limited evidence to indicate that e-cigarettes help adults quit. Moreover, a recent study found that teens who vape are more likely to start smoking tobacco products than are teens who don't use electronic cigarettes. U.S. Surgeon General Jerome Adams stated in a comprehensive report on tobacco cessation issued earlier this year, "there is presently inadequate evidence to conclude that e-cigarettes, in general, increase smoking cessation." CDC and other leading public health authorities have reached the same conclusion. Furthermore, the Food and Drug Administration has not approved any e-cigarette as a tobacco cessation device.

It is critical that businesses that do not serve a truly essential function not be designated as essential establishments. Clearly, vape shops that sell products that could worsen COVID-19 complications, and attract kids to flavored addictive products that contain specific risks for worsening lung infections, should not be classified as an essential business or allowed to reopen prior to other businesses.

At a time of rising death and illness from the coronavirus, our nation needs to do everything possible to protect Americans' lungs. One of the best ways is to encourage all Americans not to vape or smoke. We urge you to continue to refrain from including vape shops on your "Essential Critical Infrastructure Workforce" advisory list and to reject any efforts to prioritize their opening ahead of other non-essential business establishments.

Sincerely,



LUCILLE ROYBAL-ALLARD
Member of Congress

ALMA S. ADAMS, Ph.D
Member of Congress

NANETTE DIAZ BARRAGÁN
Member of Congress

STEVE COHEN
Member of Congress

TJ COX
Member of Congress

ROSA L. DELAURO
Member of Congress

TED DEUTCH
Member of Congress

ELIOT L. ENGEL
Member of Congress

ADRIANO ESPAILLAT
Member of Congress

BRIAN FITZPATRICK
Member of Congress

EDDIE BERNICE JOHNSON
Member of Congress

RAJA KRISHNAMOORTHY
Member of Congress

NITA M. LOWEY
Member of Congress

JAMIE RASKIN
Member of Congress

DEBBIE WASSERMAN SCHULTZ
Member of Congress

Page 067

Withheld pursuant to exemption

(b)(5)

of the Freedom of Information and Privacy Act



MEDIA MEMORANDUM FOR THE ACTING SECRETARY

EVENT: Sunday Shows Briefing Memo
DATE: Sunday, June 7th
LOC: Koru Village
TYPE: Remote Interview
TAPED/ LIVE: ABC This Week (Taped), Fox News Sunday (Live)
INTERVIEWERS: Martha Raddatz, Chris Wallace
APPROVED: Tyler Houlton

PURPOSE:

You will participate in two 15 mins TV interviews on ABC This Week with Martha Raddatz and Fox News Sunday with Chris Wallace to discuss the protests across the country and the federal government response.

ABC THIS WEEK INTERVIEW DETAILS (8 Mins Interview):

Topics:

- Protests & federal government response
- Addressing systemic racism
- 2020 campaign cyber attacks

Other Guests:

- D.C. Mayor Muriel Bowser
- Rep. Val Demings
- “Do You Buy That”—Nate Silver
- (b)(6)

FOX NEWS SUNDAY INTERVIEW DETAILS (8 Mins Interview):

Topics:

- Latest on the protests/violence by rioters
- National Guard/how many states deployed troops
- Evidence of organized violence?
- Deployment of active duty military

Other Guests:

- (b)(6) and (b)(6)
- Panel: (b)(6) and (b)(6)

Note: please do not wear green, the networks will use a green screen.

ATTACHMENT(S)

- A. Interviewers Biographies
- B. Questions & Answers

—FOR OFFICIAL USE ONLY—

ATTACHMENT A: Interviewers Biographies



Martha Raddatz
ABC
This Week

Martha Raddatz is ABC News chief global affairs correspondent and co-anchor of “This Week with George Stephanopoulos.” She has covered national security, foreign policy and politics for decades – reporting from the Pentagon, the State Department, the White House and conflict zones around the world.

She began covering war during the crisis in Bosnia in the late 1990s, but it is Iraq and Afghanistan where she has spent most of her time overseas. Even during her stint as White House correspondent during President George W. Bush’s administration, she continued to make regular trips into war-torn Iraq.

Raddatz embedded with U.S. forces during dozens of trips abroad, from the sands of Al Anbar province to the mountains of the Hindu Kush. She is the only television reporter allowed to fly in an F-15 fighter jet on combat missions over Afghanistan, spending nearly 10 hours in the air on two separate missions. In 2011 she reported exclusive details on the raid that killed Osama Bin Laden. That same year she was one of the few reporters on the last major convoy out of Iraq. She also had an exclusive interview on the USS Kearsarge off the coast of Libya with the Marines who helped rescue two American pilots who had gone down in Libya. In 2012, Raddatz was on a U.S. destroyer as it made its way through the Strait of Hormuz. Raddatz reported exclusively from the USS George H.W. Bush, covering the airstrikes against ISIS in Syria and Iraq in 2014, and again in March 2016 from the USS Truman. In 2015, she was granted exclusive access to the anti-ISIS command center at an undisclosed location in the Middle East and anchored “This Week” from an air base from which drone warfare is conducted.

In addition, her reporting trips have taken her to Yemen, Iran, Pakistan, Israel, Jordan, Saudi Arabia, India, Turkey, Libya, Oman, the United Arab Emirates and numerous countries in Africa and Asia.

She received four Emmy Awards, including an Emmy for being on the team covering the inauguration of Barack Obama, the attacks of September 11th and the killing of Osama Bin Laden. She was also the recipient of the 2007 International Urbino Press Award, the 2005 Daniel Pearl Award from the Chicago Journalists Association, and a 1996 Overseas Press Club Award for her live coverage of the assassination of Yitzhak Rabin. In 2007 the White House Correspondents’ Association awarded her the Merriman Smith Memorial Award for excellence in Presidential news coverage under deadline pressure.



Chris Wallace
Fox News
Fox News Sunday

Chris Wallace is the anchor of *FOX News Sunday* (FNS), Fox Broadcasting Company's Sunday morning public affairs program. He joined FOX News Channel (FNC) in 2003 and is based in Washington, D.C. In 2014, he marked his 50th year in the broadcasting industry. [Read More](#)

Throughout his 14 years at FNC, Wallace has participated in coverage of nearly every major political event and has also secured several high-profile interviews with dignitaries and U.S. leaders. He interviewed President Donald Trump for his first interview since being elected, which garnered record ratings for the show. Wallace also became the first journalist from Fox News to moderate a general election presidential debate on October 19th, 2016 at the University of Nevada, Las Vegas. He received notable praise from both sides of the aisle for his tough questioning of both presidential candidates at the third and final debate of the 2016 election.

Throughout his 50-plus years in broadcasting, Wallace has won every major broadcast news award for his reporting, including three Emmy Awards, the Dupont-Columbia Silver Baton, the Peabody Award and the Sol Taishoff Award for Broadcast Journalism, which was awarded to him by the National Press Foundation. Most recently, he received the ICFJ Founders Award for Excellence in Journalism, for "his unbiased, piercing approach to interviews."

Before joining FNC, Wallace worked at ABC News for 14 years where he served as the senior correspondent for *Primetime Thursday* and a substitute host for *Nightline*. During his tenure with ABC News, Wallace hosted multiple groundbreaking investigations and received numerous awards for his work.

Prior to joining ABC News, Wallace served as NBC's Chief White House correspondent from 1982-1989. While at NBC, he covered the 1980, 1984 and 1988 presidential campaigns as well as the Democratic and Republican conventions in those years. Wallace moderated *Meet the Press* from 1987-1988, making him the only person to have hosted two Sunday talk shows. He also anchored the Sunday edition of *NBC Nightly News* from 1982-1984 and 1986-1987. Wallace began his career with NBC at WNBC-TV (NBC 4) in New York in 1975.

Page 071

Withheld pursuant to exemption

(b)(5)

of the Freedom of Information and Privacy Act

Page 072

Withheld pursuant to exemption

(b)(5)

of the Freedom of Information and Privacy Act

Page 073

Withheld pursuant to exemption

(b)(5)

of the Freedom of Information and Privacy Act

Page 074

Withheld pursuant to exemption

(b)(5)

of the Freedom of Information and Privacy Act

Page 075

Withheld pursuant to exemption

(b)(5)

of the Freedom of Information and Privacy Act

Page 076

Withheld pursuant to exemption

(b)(5)

of the Freedom of Information and Privacy Act

Page 077

Withheld pursuant to exemption

(b)(5)

of the Freedom of Information and Privacy Act

Page 078

Withheld pursuant to exemption

(b)(5)

of the Freedom of Information and Privacy Act

Page 079

Withheld pursuant to exemption

(b)(5)

of the Freedom of Information and Privacy Act

From:	HOULTON, TYLER (b)(6)
To:	(b)(6)
CC:	(b)(6)
Subject:	Re: Domestic Terrorism TPs
Date:	2020/06/06 12:12:57
Priority:	Normal
Type:	Note

-others. OPA you ultimately get to decide what edits to take. As expected, this turned into another gong show with too many cooks in the kitchen

From: (b)(6)
Sent: Saturday, June 6, 2020 11:47 AM
To: (b)(6) Groven, Philip; (b)(6) Luke, Adam; DOBITSCH, STEPHANIE; PETERLIN, MEGHANN; COOPER, NTINA; D'Antonio, Christopher; Havranek, John; Kronisch, Matthew; (b)(6) Murphy, Brian; Kaplan, Sam; (b)(6)
Cc: (b)(6) HOULTON, TYLER
Subject: RE: Domestic Terrorism TPs

Adding (b)(6)

From: (b)(6)
Sent: Saturday, June 6, 2020 11:28 AM
To: (b)(6) Groven, Philip
(b)(6) Adam
(b)(6) DOBITSCH, STEPHANIE (b)(6)
PETERLIN, MEGHANN (b)(6) COOPER, NTINA
(b)(6) D'Antonio, Christopher (b)(6)

Havranek, John (b)(6) Kronisch, Matthew
(b)(6) Murphy, Brian
(b)(6) Kaplan, Sam (b)(6)
Cc: (b)(6)
(b)(6) HOULTON, TYLER (b)(6)

Subject: RE: Domestic Terrorism TPs

Hi all- AS1 made edits last night, can you please fact check. We need a final copy by 12:30pm so he can start prepping.

Thank you all for your help on this.

Civil Unrest:

Q: How do you feel about what happened to George Floyd?

(b)(5)

Q: Is the outrage against police legitimate?

(b)(5)

Q: Are these “protests” or are they riots?

(b)(5)

(b)(5)

Q: Why do you need such a massive police and law enforcement presence?

(b)(5)

Q: What is your path forward?

(b)(5)

Q: Are foreign actors playing a role here?

(b)(5)

Q: Has DHS arrested anyone?

(b)(5)

Q: Who is behind the protests?

(b)(5)

Q: Are white supremacists involved?

(b)(5)

Q: Are cities safer today (Sunday) than last week? Activity Saturday night will have impact on this

(b)(5)

Q: What are your thoughts on Mattis/Kelly criticism of POTUS?

(b)(5)

Q: Do you support the Insurrection Act?

(b)(5)

Q: Was POTUS walk to St Johns church a photo op?

(b)(5)

Q: Did secret service tear gas protesters for the church photo op?

(b)(5)

Q: What specifically is DHS doing to stop the violence?

(b)(5)

Q: What do you think about Tom Cotton's oped?

(b)(5)

Q: Has POTUS been a uniter or divider during the civil unrest?

(b)(5)

Q: Democrats are calling for the defunding of police in different cities, your reaction? How does that help?

(b)(5)

Q: According to a ABC News/Ipsos poll published Friday 66% of Americans disapprove of Republican President Donald Trump's handling of the response to Floyd's death, do you agree?

(b)(5)

Q: How do you respond to DC's Mayor Bowser calling for the withdrawal of military and federal law enforcement?

(b)(5)

Q: Are the protests domestic terrorism?

(b)(5)

Q: Are you seeing white supremacists committing violence as well?

(b)(5)

Reopening the Economy

Q: What's the status of the reopening of the economy?

(b)(5)

Q: Is there anything new DHS is doing to support the reopening of the economy?

(b)(5)

(b)(5)

Election Security

Q: Google confirmed on Thursday that Chinese hackers are targeting personal email accounts of members of the Biden campaign, what is DHS doing?

(b)(5)

Q: What is DHS doing on election security?

(b)(5)

Q: Is DHS concerned about Vote by Mail and would you recommend ending that process?

(b)(5)

(b)(5)

Q: Is DHS working with both political parties to prevent cyber-attacks?

(b)(5)

Q: Should we expect changes because of COVID-19?

(b)(5)

Tropical Storm

Q: Is DHS/ FEMA tracking Cristobal?

(b)(5)

(b)(5)

Q: What is DHS doing?

(b)(5)

From: (b)(6)
Sent: Friday, June 5, 2020 6:03 PM
To: Groven, Philip (b)(6); Luke, Adam (b)(6); DOBITSCH, STEPHANIE (b)(6); PETERLIN, MEGHANN (b)(6); COOPER, NTINA (b)(6); D'Antonio, Christopher (b)(6); Havranek, John (b)(6); Kronisch, Matthew (b)(6); Murphy, Brian (b)(6);
Cc: (b)(6)
Subject: RE: Domestic Terrorism TPs

Clear with Meghann's edits.

OPA – thank you for your hard work coordinating this and pulling together.

I&A, OPS, PLCY, OGC, and others – thank you so much for the content.

V/r,

(b)(6)
Office of the Secretary
Department of Homeland Security
(b)(6)

From: Groven, Philip (b)(6)
Sent: Friday, June 5, 2020 5:55 PM
To: (b)(6) Luke, Adam
(b)(6) DOBITSCH, STEPHANIE (b)(6)
PETERLIN, MEGHANN (b)(6) COOPER, NTINA
(b)(6) D'Antonio, Christopher (b)(6)
Havranek, John (b)(6) Kronisch, Matthew
(b)(6)
(b)(6) Murphy, Brian (b)(6)
Cc: (b)(6)
(b)(6)
Subject: Re: Domestic Terrorism TPs

I&A clears. Thank you

From: (b)(6)
Sent: Friday, June 5, 2020 5:22:34 PM
To: Luke, Adam (b)(6) DOBITSCH, STEPHANIE
(b)(6) PETERLIN, MEGHANN (b)(6)
Groven, Philip (b)(6) COOPER, NTINA (b)(6)
D'Antonio, Christopher (b)(6) Havranek, John
(b)(6) Kronisch, Matthew (b)(6)
(b)(6)
Murphy, Brian (b)(6)
Cc: (b)(6)
(b)(6)
Subject: RE: Domestic Terrorism TPs

OGC, PLCY, and I&A,

OPA needs clearance on the attached Q and As before the AS1 media prep tomorrow at 4 pm for the Sunday shows.

Please send back only necessary edits.

Thanks all!

Sender:	HOULTON, TYLER (b)(6)
	(b)(6)
Recipient:	(b)(6)
	Gountanis, John (b)(6)
	(b)(6)
Sent Date:	2020/06/06 12:12:54
Delivered Date:	2020/06/06 12:12:57

From:	(b)(6)
To:	HOULTON, TYLER (b)(6) (b)(6) Gountanis, John (b)(6) (b)(6)
CC:	(b)(6)
Subject:	Re: Domestic Terrorism TPS
Date:	2020/06/06 12:17:33
Priority:	Normal
Type:	Note

Agreed. As was the process yesterday to clear three bullets on DT. Thanks.

Get [Outlook for iOS](#)

From: HOULTON, TYLER (b)(6)

Sent: Saturday, June 6, 2020 12:12 PM

To: (b)(6) Gountanis, John; (b)(6)
(b)(6)
Cc: (b)(6)
Subject: Re: Domestic Terrorism TPs

-others. OPA you ultimately get to decide what edits to take. As expected, this turned into another gong show with too many cooks in the kitchen

From: (b)(6)
Sent: Saturday, June 6, 2020 11:47 AM
To: (b)(6) Groven, Philip; (b)(6) Luke, Adam;
DOBITSCH, STEPHANIE; PETERLIN, MEGHANN; COOPER, NTINA; D'Antonio,
Christopher; Havranek, John; Kronisch, Matthew; (b)(6) Murphy, Brian;
Kaplan, Sam; (b)(6)
Cc: (b)(6) TYLER
Subject: RE: Domestic Terrorism TPs

Adding (b)(6)

From: (b)(6)
Sent: Saturday, June 6, 2020 11:28 AM
To: (b)(6) Groven, Philip
(b)(6) Luke, Adam
(b)(6) DOBITSCH, STEPHANIE (b)(6)
PETERLIN, MEGHANN (b)(6) COOPER, NTINA
(b)(6) D'Antonio, Christopher (b)(6)
Havranek, John (b)(6) Kronisch, Matthew
(b)(6) Murphy, Brian
(b)(6) Kaplan, Sam (b)(6)
Cc: (b)(6)

(b)(6)

HOULTON, TYLER

(b)(6)

Subject: RE: Domestic Terrorism TPs

Hi all- AS1 made edits last night, can you please fact check. We need a final copy by 12:30pm so he can start prepping.

Thank you all for your help on this.

Civil Unrest:

Q: How do you feel about what happened to George Floyd?

(b)(5)

Q: Is the outrage against police legitimate?

(b)(5)

Q: Are these “protests” or are they riots?

(b)(5)

Q: Why do you need such a massive police and law enforcement presence?

(b)(5)

Q: What is your path forward?

(b)(5)

Q: Are foreign actors playing a role here?

(b)(5)

Q: Has DHS arrested anyone?

(b)(5)

Q: Who is behind the protests?

(b)(5)

Q: Are white supremacists involved?

(b)(5)

Q: Are cities safer today (Sunday) than last week? Activity Saturday night will have impact on this

(b)(5)

Q: What are your thoughts on Mattis/Kelly criticism of POTUS?

(b)(5)

Q: Do you support the Insurrection Act?

(b)(5)

(b)(5)

Q: Was POTUS walk to St Johns church a photo op?

(b)(5)

Q: Did secret service tear gas protesters for the church photo op?

(b)(5)

Q: What specifically is DHS doing to stop the violence?

(b)(5)

Q: What do you think about Tom Cotton's oped?

(b)(5)

(b)(5)

Q: Has POTUS been a uniter or divider during the civil unrest?

(b)(5)

Q: Democrats are calling for the defunding of police in different cities, your reaction? How does that help?

(b)(5)

Q: According to a ABC News/Ipsos poll published Friday 66% of Americans disapprove of Republican President Donald Trump's handling of the response to Floyd's death, do you agree?

(b)(5)

Q: How do you respond to DC's Mayor Bowser calling for the withdrawal of military and federal law enforcement?

(b)(5)

Q: Are the protests domestic terrorism?

(b)(5)

(b)(5)

Q: Are you seeing white supremacists committing violence as well?

(b)(5)

Reopening the Economy

Q: What's the status of the reopening of the economy?

(b)(5)

Q: Is there anything new DHS is doing to support the reopening of the economy?

(b)(5)

Election Security

Q: Google confirmed on Thursday that Chinese hackers are targeting personal email accounts of members of the Biden campaign, what is DHS doing?

(b)(5)

(b)(5)

Q: What is DHS doing on election security?

(b)(5)

Q: Is DHS concerned about Vote by Mail and would you recommend ending that process?

(b)(5)

(b)(5)

Q: Is DHS working with both political parties to prevent cyber-attacks?

(b)(5)

Q: Should we expect changes because of COVID-19?

(b)(5)

(b)(5)

Tropical Storm

Q: Is DHS/ FEMA tracking Cristobal?

(b)(5)

Q: What is DHS doing?

(b)(5)

(b)(5)

From: (b)(6)

Sent: Friday, June 5, 2020 6:03 PM

To: Groven, Philip (b)(6)

(b)(6) Luke, Adam (b)(6) DOBITSCH, STEPHANIE

(b)(6) PETERLIN, MEGHANN (b)(6)

COOPER, NTINA (b)(6) D'Antonio, Christopher

(b)(6) Havranek, John (b)(6)

Kronisch, Matthew (b)(6)

(b)(6) Murphy, Brian (b)(6)

Cc: (b)(6)

(b)(6)

Subject: RE: Domestic Terrorism TPs

Clear with Meghann's edits.

OPA – thank you for your hard work coordinating this and pulling together.

I&A, OPS, PLCY, OGC, and others – thank you so much for the content.

V/r,

(b)(6)

Office of the Secretary

Department of Homeland Security

(b)(6)

From: Groven, Philip (b)(6)

Sent: Friday, June 5, 2020 5:55 PM

To: (b)(6) Luke, Adam

(b)(6) DOBITSCH, STEPHANIE (b)(6)

PETERLIN, MEGHANN (b)(6) COOPER, NTINA

(b)(6) D'Antonio, Christopher (b)(6)

Havranek, John (b)(6) Kronisch, Matthew

(b)(6)

(b)(6) Murphy, Brian (b)(6)

Cc: (b)(6)

(b)(6)

Subject: Re: Domestic Terrorism TPs

I&A clears. Thank you

From: (b)(6)

Sent: Friday, June 5, 2020 5:22:34 PM

To: Luke, Adam (b)(6) DOBITSCH, STEPHANIE

(b)(6) PETERLIN, MEGHANN (b)(6)
Groven, Philip (b)(6) COOPER, NTINA (b)(6)
D'Antonio, Christopher (b)(6) Havranek, John
(b)(6) Kronisch, Matthew (b)(6)
(b)(6)
Murphy, Brian (b)(6)
Cc: (b)(6)
(b)(6)

Subject: RE: Domestic Terrorism TPs

OGC, PLCY, and I&A,

OPA needs clearance on the attached Q and As before the AS1 media prep tomorrow at 4 pm for the Sunday shows.

Please send back only necessary edits.

Thanks all!

	Sender:	(b)(6)
		HOULTON, TYLER (b)(6)
		(b)(6)
	Recipient:	Gountanis, John (b)(6)
		(b)(6)

	(b)(6)
Sent Date:	2020/06/06 12:17:32
Delivered Date:	2020/06/06 12:17:33

From:	HOULTON, TYLER (b)(6)
	(b)(6)
To:	(b)(6)
	Gountanis, John (b)(6)
CC:	(b)(6)
	(b)(6)
Subject:	Re: Domestic Terrorism TPs
Date:	2020/06/06 12:18:48
Priority:	Normal
Type:	Note

PLCY always has good input but their responses are better suited for a forum than Sunday shows.

From: (b)(6)

Sent: Saturday, June 6, 2020 12:17:32 PM

To: HOULTON, TYLER (b)(6)

(b)(6) Gountanis, John (b)(6)

(b)(6)

Cc: (b)(6)

(b)(6)

Subject: Re: Domestic Terrorism TPs

Agreed. As was the process yesterday to clear three bullets on DT. Thanks.

Get [Outlook for iOS](#)

From: HOULTON, TYLER (b)(6)

Sent: Saturday, June 6, 2020 12:12 PM

To: (b)(6) Gountanis, John; (b)(6)

(b)(6)

Cc: (b)(6)

Subject: Re: Domestic Terrorism TPs

-others. OPA you ultimately get to decide what edits to take. (b)(5)

(b)(5)

From: (b)(6)

Sent: Saturday, June 6, 2020 11:47 AM

To: (b)(6) Groven, Philip; (b)(6) Luke, Adam;
DOBITSCH, STEPHANIE; PETERLIN, MEGHANN; COOPER, NTINA; D'Antonio,
Christopher; Havranek, John; Kronisch, Matthew; (b)(6) Murphy, Brian;
Kaplan, Sam; (b)(6)

Cc: (b)(6)

Subject: RE: Domestic Terrorism TPs

Adding (b)(6)

From: (b)(6)

Sent: Saturday, June 6, 2020 11:28 AM

To: (b)(6) Groven, Philip

(b)(6) Luke, Adam

(b)(6) DOBITSCH, STEPHANIE (b)(6)

PETERLIN, MEGHANN (b)(6) COOPER, NTINA

(b)(6) D'Antonio, Christopher (b)(6)
Havranek, John (b)(6) Kronisch, Matthew
(b)(6) Murphy, Brian
(b)(6) Kaplan, Sam (b)(6)
Cc: (b)(6)
(b)(6)

Subject: RE: Domestic Terrorism TPs

Hi all- AS1 made edits last night, can you please fact check. We need a final copy by 12:30pm so he can start prepping.

Thank you all for your help on this.

Civil Unrest:

Q: How do you feel about what happened to George Floyd?

(b)(5)

Q: Is the outrage against police legitimate?

(b)(5)

(b)(5)

Q: Are these “protests” or are they riots?

(b)(5)

Q: Why do you need such a massive police and law enforcement presence?

(b)(5)

Q: What is your path forward?

(b)(5)

(b)(5)

Q: Are foreign actors playing a role here?

(b)(5)

Q: Has DHS arrested anyone?

(b)(5)

Q: Who is behind the protests?

(b)(5)

Q: Are white supremacists involved?

(b)(5)

Q: Are cities safer today (Sunday) than last week? Activity Saturday night will have impact on this

(b)(5)

Q: What are your thoughts on Mattis/Kelly criticism of POTUS?

(b)(5)

(b)(5)

Q: Do you support the Insurrection Act?

(b)(5)

Q: Was POTUS walk to St Johns church a photo op?

(b)(5)

Q: Did secret service tear gas protesters for the church photo op?

(b)(5)

Q: What specifically is DHS doing to stop the violence?

(b)(5)

(b)(5)

Q: What do you think about Tom Cotton's oped?

(b)(5)

Q: Has POTUS been a uniter or divider during the civil unrest?

(b)(5)

Q: Democrats are calling for the defunding of police in different cities, your reaction? How does that help?

(b)(5)

Q: According to a ABC News/Ipsos poll published Friday 66% of Americans disapprove of Republican President Donald Trump's handling of the response to Floyd's death, do you agree?

(b)(5)

Q: How do you respond to DC's Mayor Bowser calling for the withdrawal of military and federal law enforcement?

(b)(5)

Q: Are the protests domestic terrorism?

(b)(5)

Q: Are you seeing white supremacists committing violence as well?

(b)(5)

Reopening the Economy

Q: What's the status of the reopening of the economy?

(b)(5)

(b)(5)

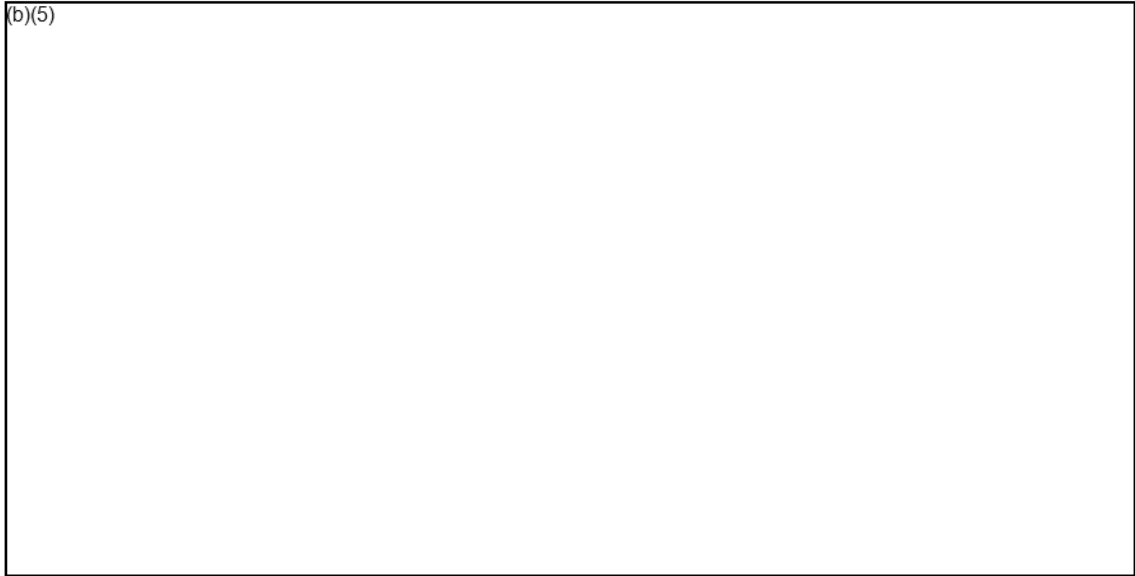
Q: Is there anything new DHS is doing to support the reopening of the economy?

(b)(5)

Election Security

Q: Google confirmed on Thursday that Chinese hackers are targeting personal email accounts of members of the Biden campaign, what is DHS doing?

(b)(5)



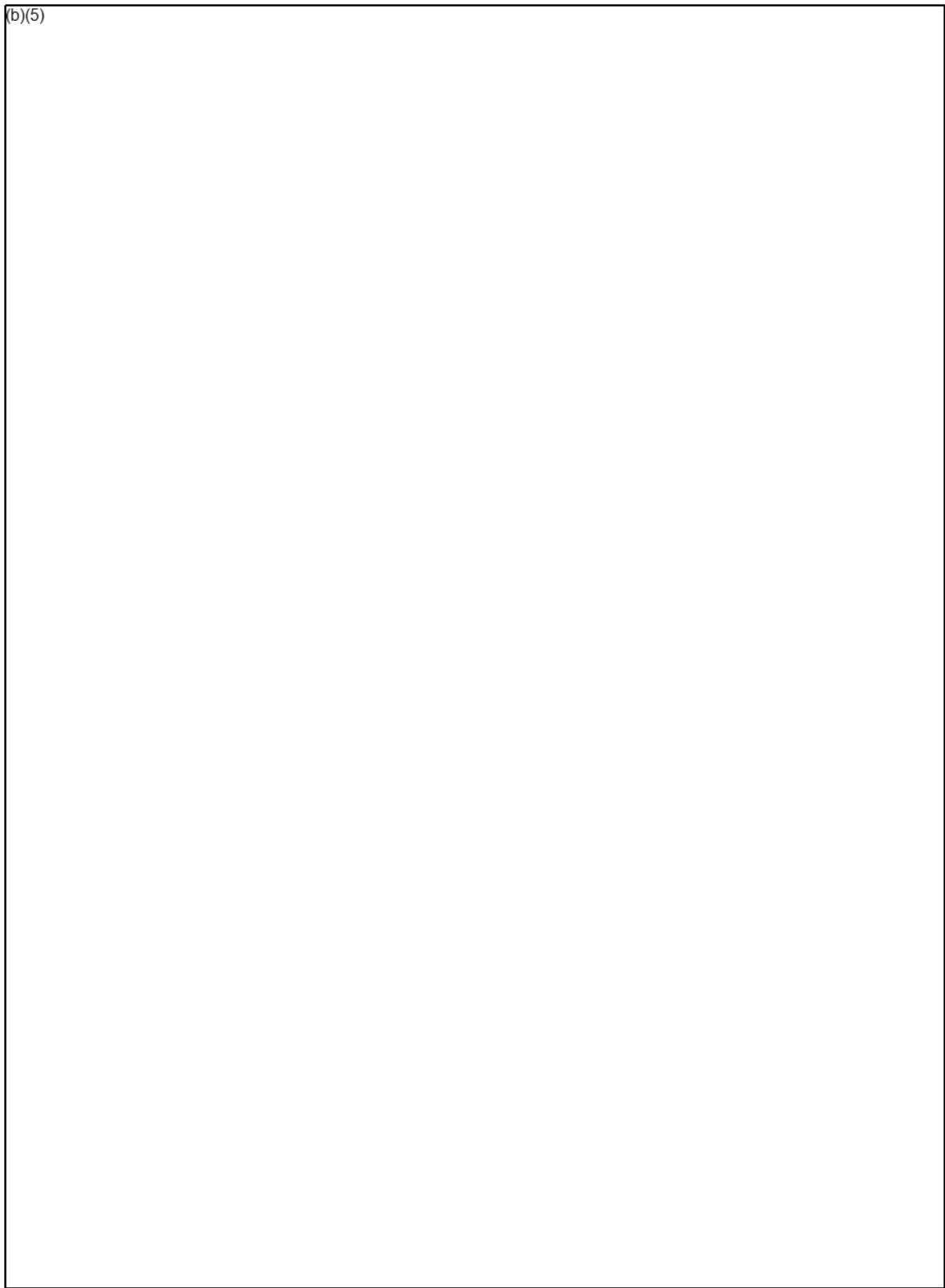
Q: What is DHS doing on election security?

(b)(5)



Q: Is DHS concerned about Vote by Mail and would you recommend ending that process?

(b)(5)



Q: Is DHS working with both political parties to prevent cyber-attacks?

(b)(5)

Q: Should we expect changes because of COVID-19?

(b)(5)

Tropical Storm

Q: Is DHS/ FEMA tracking Cristobal?

(b)(5)

(b)(5)

Q: What is DHS doing?

(b)(5)

From: (b)(6)

Sent: Friday, June 5, 2020 6:03 PM

To: Groven, Philip (b)(6)

(b)(6) Luke, Adam (b)(6) DOBITSCH, STEPHANIE

(b)(6) PETERLIN, MEGHANN (b)(6)

COOPER, NTINA (b)(6) D'Antonio, Christopher

(b)(6) Havranek, John (b)(6)

Kronisch, Matthew (b)(6)

(b)(6) Murphy, Brian (b)(6)

Cc: (b)(6)

(b)(6)

Subject: RE: Domestic Terrorism TPs

Clear with Meghann's edits.

OPA – thank you for your hard work coordinating this and pulling together.

I&A, OPS, PLCY, OGC, and others – thank you so much for the content.

V/r,

(b)(6)

Office of the Secretary

Department of Homeland Security

(b)(6)

From: Groven, Philip (b)(6)

Sent: Friday, June 5, 2020 5:55 PM

To: (b)(6) Luke, Adam

(b)(6) DOBITSCH, STEPHANIE (b)(6)

PETERLIN, MEGHANN (b)(6) COOPER, NTINA

(b)(6) D'Antonio, Christopher (b)(6)

Havranek, John (b)(6) Kronisch, Matthew

(b)(6)

(b)(6) Murphy, Brian (b)(6)

Cc: (b)(6)

(b)(6)

Subject: Re: Domestic Terrorism TPs

I&A clears. Thank you

From: (b)(6)

Sent: Friday, June 5, 2020 5:22:34 PM

To: Luke, Adam (b)(6) DOBITSCH, STEPHANIE

(b)(6) PETERLIN, MEGHANN (b)(6)

Groven, Philip (b)(6) COOPER, NTINA (b)(6)

D'Antonio, Christopher (b)(6) Havranek, John

(b)(6) Kronisch, Matthew (b)(6)

(b)(6)

Murphy, Brian (b)(6)

Cc: (b)(6)

(b)(6)

Subject: RE: Domestic Terrorism TPs

OGC, PLCY, and I&A,

OPA needs clearance on the attached Q and As before the AS1 media prep tomorrow at 4 pm for the Sunday shows.

Please send back only necessary edits.

Thanks all!

Sender: HOULTON, TYLER (b)(6)

	(b)(6)
	(b)(6)
	Gountanis, John (b)(6)
Recipient:	(b)(6)
Sent Date:	2020/06/06 12:18:47
Delivered Date:	2020/06/06 12:18:48