Good afternoon all.

I have included the most recent information we have regarding events on 01/20/21. At this point, we do not have any information that Snohomish County or Everett are targets for protest. That could change! This is for situational awareness only at this point. We are not standing up ALERT at this stage. I have also included a link to recent Fusion Center information. It is at the bottom of the page.

Chief Templeman sat in on a US Conference of Mayors/Major Cities Police Chiefs virtual meeting on 1/11/21 to discuss the riot at the US Capitol yesterday as well as the potential for ongoing civil unrest related to the election outcome and upcoming Presidential Inauguration.

The following is a quick, high level overview of what was discussed, as well as my own recommendations.

**US Capitol Incident:**
- 68 arrests
- 5 arrest for firearm violations (total of 6 firearms recovered)
- Most arrests were for curfew violations (some for resisting and assaults on officers)
- 56 DC Metro police officers injured, mostly minor (pepper spray exposure, concussions)
- 1 female adult shot and killed by police
- 3 other medical-related deaths
- Live explosive devices were located on the US Capitol grounds

**Other activity in the United States on 1/6:**
- Most events on 1/6 were tied to pro-Trump, anti-fascist movements
- Demonstrations ranged in size from 25 to more than 2,000, but the average was around 200
- Many included vehicle caravans (including ours here in Everett) – acknowledgment that vehicle caravans add a layer of complexity for law enforcement planning
- Crowds did contain a mixture of Proud Boys and Antifa members
- In Columbus, OH, Proud Boys members were bussed in, indicating pre-planning
- Vast majority of demonstrations were peaceful

**Takeaways moving forward:**
- Law enforcement should be prepared for a continuation of demonstrations and other “pop-up” events, expect more protests
- There will be a strong law enforcement presence in DC, so extra attention should be paid to local capitols and local government facilities
- Concern for conflicts between protesters and counter-protesters – these are the most volatile
- Typically these demonstrations included participants that are carrying firearms, many open carry (including our event here in Everett)
- Regional information sharing is critical (Fusion Centers too)
- Pay attention to officer-wellness – many officers are fatigued due to all the demonstration activity in 2020, many are getting injured
- Was connection made to domestic terrorism in that it is both real and perceived grievances that are driving people and groups to take violent and extreme actions
Pay attention for the potential of explosives (pipe bombs)

While it can be argued, the major cities police chiefs strongly believed that what we saw yesterday was a combination of failed leadership by the US Capitol Police and a failure to plan. Much of the intel about the number of participants and the potential for violence was available via open source information, and for whatever reason, the US Capitol Police did not appear to be fully prepared for what they encountered.

Lesson for us is that we need to be extra vigilant over the next several weeks, and work closely with our regional intel partners and the fusion center to learn of any upcoming planned demonstrations in our area. As we always do, we should prepare for the worst and hope for the best. This means ops plans (when we have time) and deployment of adequate resources. I see us following a very similar plan as we did earlier this summer during the demonstrations over George Floyd and social injustice. We should also make sure that our ALERT team members have situational awareness and are prepared to deploy should the need arise.

(U) Product via NWWARN:
21-0008 WSFC – Situational Awareness Bulletin – Inauguration Events – 13Jan2021 (U-LES)
(U) The Washington State Fusion Center (WSFC) is providing the attached Situational Awareness Bulletin as a product for your situational awareness. The bulletin is available in the link above.
(U) SUMMARY: Situational Awareness Bulletin regarding upcoming inauguration events, given their recent media coverage. Given the dynamic and ever-changing nature of events, complete event information and updates can be accessed by joining our HSIN-Connect Law Enforcement Situation Room. If you would like access please email intake@wsfc.wa.gov. See product for more details...

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