ANTIFA/ANTI-ANTIFA
FIGHTING IN THE STREETS

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Recent political events have thrust opposing groups of extremists to the forefront, of particular concern to law enforcement since their tactics often lead to violence, bodily harm, property destruction and attacks against police. These groups go way beyond any peaceful demonstrators or protesters; in fact, they often convert peaceful, lawful protest into violent confrontations.

On Sat., April 8, 2017, a small group of protesters identifying as the Alt-Right gathered in front of the White House to vocally oppose the bombing of Syria by American military forces. Counterprotesters began an equally vocal, but peaceful, shouting match with the group, which was led by the well-known white supremacist Richard Spencer. Members of Antifa, one wearing a red mask, moved in quickly, hitting members of a film crew with a rolled up banner and shouting, “No Nazis, no KKK, no fascist USA.” Other Antifa carried communist flags and signs that read “the future is feminist.”

Scuffling ensued between the two groups, requiring the police to create a barrier to keep the two groups apart. Obscenities were hurled between the groups of protesters. “F-ck you, Nazi” evoked the response, “Get a job, Commie!”

On Inauguration Day in Washington, D.C., Antifas infiltrated peaceful protests to inflict violence, destruct property, and erect barricades to disrupt flow of traffic. On Feb. 1, 2017, approximately 150 Antifas practicing black bloc tactics stormed police barricades in Berkeley, Calif., launched fireworks and torched a portable police spotlight as they successfully disrupted a campus speech by Alt-
Speeches by white supremacist Spencer at Texas A&M on Dec. 6, 2016 and at Auburn (Ala.) University on April 18, 2017 were met by hundreds of protestors, including Antifa supporters. Three people were arrested in Auburn, where police required masked protesters to remove their masks under a state law originally enacted to prevent Ku Klux Klan members from hiding their identities. At Texas A&M police in riot gear forcefully removed a mob of protestors from the student union. Two arrests were made. A separate “silent protest” was also held in the school’s Rudder Plaza. One protester, a college student, told the local press: “Last time Nazis took over in the world there wasn’t all this love and hugs that got rid of them, it was the communists. It was the anti-fascist fighters.”

Antifa (short for anti-fascist) is an alliance between anarchists and communists to confront and defeat fascists and white supremacists by whatever means necessary. It is the most aggressive and militant response to the 2016 national elections. The Antifas claim they are opposed to fascism in all its
forms—sexism, racism, homophobia, government corruption, and Islamophobia.

As organizers from anti-fascist research and news site Antifa NYC told leftist The Nation magazine: “Antifa combines radical left-wing and anarchist politics, revulsion at racists, sexists, homophobes, anti-Semites, and Islamophobes, with the international anti-fascist culture of taking the streets and physically confronting the brownshirts of white supremacy, whoever they may be.”

This Antifa coalition has existed for as long as fascism has—the Italian Arditi del Popolo (People’s Squads) rose to fight Mussolini in 1921, even when the Socialist and Communist Parties refused to support them. In 1924, anarchist lumberjacks allied with the Industrial Workers of the World waged a “drawn battle” with a Ku Klux Klan recruitment drive in Greenville, Maine. Antifas have been opposing and counter-protesting white supremacist and neo-Nazi extremists for years, sometimes resulting in violence and attacks on police, but the presidential campaign and election of 2016 ramped up the rhetoric and the purposefulness of the so-called Antifas, who now see the object of their scorn occupying the highest level of government. Much of the confrontations are carried out over Internet chat sites and social media. A popular meme online is to “bash the fash (fascist).”

Opposing the Antifa are the Anti-Antifa, a loose collection of white supremacists, neo-Nazis, white nationalists, Ku Klux Klanners, white identity groups, and a group called the Alt-Right. The Alt-Right is short for alternative right-wing. Basically, Alt-Right refers to extreme right-wingers who reject traditional conservatism in favor of a white or European national identity hostile to non-whites and Jews in particular. In foreign policy and relations, they tend to be isolationists. One
of the basic tenets of Alt-Right politics is to label traditional conservatives as emasculated or effeminate. See page 9 for a detailed explanation of Alt-Right groups.

So it’s the anarchists versus the nationalists, the communists versus the Nazis, the left-wing extremists versus the right-wing extremists, and the confrontations are becoming more violent and destructive.

"American anti-fascists have been fighting a mostly quiet conflict with domestic Nazis at punk rock venues and small white-nationalist gatherings for decades, but, as fascists have snuck their collective jackboot into the curved door of the Oval Office, the struggle has reached the mainstream," according to an article in Pacific Standard magazine.

The colors, signs, and symbols of Antifa and Anti-Antifa (see pages 5-6 and 10-15) are similar and sometimes based on the other side's, which can lead to confusion if details are not scrutinized. The anarchists wave a black flag, while the communists prefer the red flag. Antifas combine the two.

Antifas and Anti-Antifas each try to use social

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Antifa-Left Wing
Anarchists

WARNING:
Fascism may cause blunt trauma and/or violent death symptoms. Includes loss of freedom, vilification of minorities, and increased militarism. If fascism gets into your eyes, flush them immediately. Do not ingest. Keep away from children and pets.

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media to their advantage. During an on-camera
interview at the inauguration, Alt-Right leader
Richard Spencer was punched in the face by an
Antifa agitator and the resulting Antifa propaganda
video went viral, with a video game created for
virtual punchers.

The “Good Night White Pride” mantra stems
from a 1998 incident in Ann Arbor, Mich. in which
an 18-year-old anti-racist kicked a KKK protester
in the head, a violent moment caught by a news
photographer. The photo has been used in logos,
posters, banners, and other Antifa graphics.

Both sides also participate in doxing, the Internet­
based practice of researching and broadcasting
private or identifiable information (especially
personally identifiable information) about an
individual or organization. (See ROCIC Special
Research Reports “CyberTrends” and also “Phishing:
Don’t Take the Bait.”) The methods employed to
acquire this information include searching publicly
available databases and social media websites (such
as Facebook), hacking, and social engineering.

Antifas often employ black bloc tactics during
their protests. A perfect example of successful
Antifa black bloc attacks occurred at the Berkeley
protest when right-winger Milos Yiannopoulos
was slated to speak at the University of California
(site of the free speech movement of the 1960s).
Yiannopoulos is a gay Jewish provocateur and a
controversial Breitbart News editor. In a previous
talk at University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee,
Yiannopoulos mocked a transgender student, and
California administrators had warned that he might
use the Berkeley appearance to target individual
undocumented students in hopes of getting them
deported.

On Feb. 1, 2017, hours before Yiannopoulos
was about to speak, approximately 150 marchers
gathered off campus where Antifa told them to
meet. They dressed in all black outfits, with many
wrapping T-shirts around their faces, leaving
slits for the eyes. Some wear black between layers
of “civilian” clothes so they can slip in and out of
their protester ensembles. They often carry gear
that is defensive (masks to protect against tear gas),
offensive (Molotov cocktails), or both (a placard that
can double as a shield). A person with a megaphone
told the group the route they’d be marching, and
they set off toward campus, many carrying banners
and flags and projectiles. Along the way, they
chanted, “No borders, no nations, f-ck deportation.”

About one thousand protesters shouted “Shut it
down” at the student union, site of the Yiannopoulos
speech, when the black bloc arrived. The Antifas
quickly and efficiently stormed the multi-layered
police barricades that kept the crowd away from
the entrances of student union. Sequined pink flags
were revealed to be mounted on fireworks, which
were launched at the building. Others smashed
windows with the disassembled police barricades.
A portable police spotlight was toppled, graffitied,
and eventually torched. They clashed with the
police and Yiannopoulos supporters. They set fires,
threw Molotov cocktails and smashed windows.
One of them pepper-sprayed a woman as a reporter
interviewed her. Off campus, they vandalized shops
and halted traffic. At around 9 pm, the university
canceled the event, but the demonstrations
continued for several hours, until those dressed in
black slipped into the night. Campus police made
just one arrest.

The Antifas attack storefronts and clash with
police in a “hit and run” style, wrote University of San
Francisco associate professor Jeffrey Paris. There is
no formal network of people and no set principles,
just a belief that demonstrating peacefully doesn’t
accomplish nearly as much as a flash of rage.

The German press coined the term black
bloc in the 1980s, when activists in that country
demonstrated for squatters’ rights and other causes.
In 1987, the New York Times described a German
black bloc as “a radical and embittered fringe” that
burned cars, smashed windows and hurled bottles
and firecrackers. Activists went on to use the black
bloc strategy in Canada, Brazil, the United Kingdom,
Italy, Switzerland and, during the Arab Spring, in
Egypt. In the early 1990s, it appeared in the United
States during protests against the Gulf War, and in
1999 it gained traction during the famous World
Trade Organization conference in Seattle, when
activists used sledgehammers, eggs filled with glass-
etching solution, and other equipment.

“The rulebook has been thrown out,” said one of the protesters at Berkeley. “It’s absolutely acceptable to use violence. They are 100 percent certain to use it against us.”

“This was a group of agitators who were masked up, throwing rocks, commercial-grade fireworks, and Molotov cocktails at officers,” said U.C.-Berkeley Police Sgt. Sabrina Reich in a news report.

The physical violence may have been directed at police officers, stated the conservative Washington Times, but the mob of Antifa terrorists that violently attacked the [student union ...] were as much declaring war on the ideology of the man for whom the building is named and its citizens. America’s left was sending a message: Violence is the answer.

Some argue the meaning of “violence.” An anonymous Antifa online post argues that destruction of property and vandalism is not violence, but things such as not having healthcare and poverty are violence.

“Our side is growing and also prepared to be more politically militant and support more militant struggle,” Yvette Felarca, a leader of the Antifa terrorist organization, By Any Means Necessary, told Al Jazeera. “If the movement continues building as large and as powerfully in this direction, we can defeat Trump, his entire racist agenda, and get him out without waiting for the next election.”

Black-clad Antifa activists in Sacramento, California, made national headlines in June 2016 when they faced off against a white nationalist group, the Traditionalist Workers Party, in a melee at the state capitol that sent 10 people to the hospital.

“We see folks employ the black bloc tactics en masse like that basically anywhere where you have either a conservative cause, such as what we had with the Milo event in Berkeley, or any time you have a guaranteed media presence, such as political conventions, G-8 summits,” said Kory Flowers, a police sergeant in Greensboro, North Carolina, and an expert on extremist groups. “Half of these folks don’t know the particulars about the cause.”

Stephen Zunes, a University of San Francisco professor who has studied social movements, told the San Francisco Chronicle something similar in 2003. “They’re basically hooligans looking for a mass rally to ride the coattails of. They don’t have a political agenda. And the worst thing is that they don’t have any leaders you can negotiate with.”

According to an article in The Blaze:

“The anti-fascist group at Clemson University has been openly promoting violence and destruction on campus against what they are calling ‘fascists,’ and ‘Nazis,’ causing many students to worry for their own safety.

“According to Campus Reform, an Antifa group calling itself ‘Upstate Antifa’ had posted Clemson University campus in South Carolina with fliers bearing a picture of a fist punching a swastika, with the message ‘Fighting fascism is a social duty, not an anti-social crime.’

“Below the image, written by hand appear the words ‘Support your local Antifa group, and take a stand against racism, misogyny, and xenophobia! Unite!’ It then gives the address for the group’s Facebook page. Before that, a similar poster was spotted on a park bench near a church that read ‘Fascism is not to be debated. It is to be smashed.’

“A recent demonstration of force in Phoenix, Arizona, was so unsettling it left liberal Phoenix New Times columnist Stephen Lemons wondering if “bloodshed is on the horizon.”

“In hindsight, it occurs to me that if a left-wing militia and a right-wing militia ... cross paths at a future demonstration, there very easily could be bloodshed,” Lemons wrote. “Both sides are loaded for bear. And I get the feeling both sides can rationalize their behavior after the fact, even if it comes down to killing someone.”
Alt-Right or Alternative Right Stresses White Supremacy

People who identify with the Alt-Right regard mainstream or traditional conservatives as weak and impotent, largely because they do not sufficiently support racism and anti-Semitism. Alt-Righters frequently disparage the conservative movement by using the derogatory term “cuckervative,” a combination of “conservative” and “cuckold.” This term is used by white supremacists to describe a white Christian conservative who promotes the interests of Jews and non-whites over those of whites. However, not every person who identifies with the Alt-Right is a white supremacist.

White supremacist Richard Spencer, who runs the National Policy Institute think tank, coined the term “Alternative Right” for an online publication that debuted in 2010. The online publication changed hands in 2013 when Spencer shut it down. It was soon re-launched by Colin Liddell and Andy Nowicki, who were former writers for Alternative Right. Spencer went on to found another online journal, Radix. Both Alternative Right and Radix act as forums for racists, anti-Semites, and others who identify with the Alt-Right.

Alt-Right adherents identify with a range of different ideologies that put white identity at their centers. Many claim themselves as Identitarians, a term that originated in France with the founding of the Bloc Identitaire movement and its youth counterpart, Generation Identitaire. Identitarians espouse racism and intolerance under the guise of preserving the ethnic and cultural origins of their respective counties. American Identitarians such as Richard Spencer claim to want to preserve European-American (i.e., white) culture in the U.S. As Michael McGregor, a writer and editor for Radix, wrote, Identitarians want “the preservation of our identity—the cultural and genetic heritage that makes us who we are.” Identitarians reject multiculturalism or pluralism in any form.

Others in the Alt-Right identify as so-called radical traditionalists, people who want to preserve what they claim are traditional Christian values but from a uniquely white supremacist perspective. The Traditionalist Youth Network is a group that espouses a white supremacist form of Christianity and promotes “family and folk” and separation of the races.

There are people with other beliefs who fall under the umbrella of the Alt-Right but all share a fixation on white identity as central to their ideology. However they define themselves, Alt-Righters reject egalitarianism, democracy, universalism, and multiculturalism.

A number of Alt-Righters are also blatantly anti-Semitic and blame Jews for allegedly promoting anti-white policies such as immigration and diversity.

The Alt-Right is an extremely loose movement, made up of different strands of people connected to white supremacy. One body of adherents is the ostensibly “intellectual” racists who create many of the doctrines and principles of the white supremacist movement. They seek to attract young educated whites to the movement by highlighting the achievements and alleged intellectual and cultural superiority of whites. They run a number of small white supremacist enterprises that include think tanks, online publications, and publishing houses. These include Radix and Washington Summit Publishers, both run by Richard Spencer; Counter Currents Publishing, run by Greg Johnson; American Renaissance, run by Jared Taylor; and The Right Stuff, a political and social blog with a number of contributors. Another strand of the Alt-Right consists of younger racists savvy with social media and Internet communications.

Alt-Righters like to use terms such as “culture” as substitutes for more lightning-rod terms such as “race,” or promote “Western Civilization” as code for white culture or identity. They do not make explicit references to white supremacy such as the “14 words,” a slogan used by neo-Nazis and other hardcore white supremacists. The “14 words” refers to the expression, “We must secure the existence of our people and a future for white children.” Even though Alt-Righters share the sentiment behind the “14 words,” they’re more inclined to talk about preserving European-American identity.

Though the Alt-Right is not a movement, per se, the number of people who identify with it is growing. It includes a number of young people who espouse racist and anti-Semitic beliefs. It has a loud presence online. The intellectual racists who identify as part of the Alt-Right also run a growing number of publications and publishing houses that promote white supremacist ideas. Their goal is to influence mainstream whites by exposing them to the concept of white identity and racial consciousness.

Source: Anti-Defamation League CEO Jonathan Greenblatt
Antifa and Anti-Antifa emblems initially appear similar. Anti-Antifa groups have appropriated some of Antifa’s symbolism for several reasons: displaying openly Nazi symbols is illegal in many countries; to ridicule what the symbols represent; and to mimic the success of left-wing movements. Antifa and Anti-Antifa symbols appear as logos, flags, tattoos, patches, graffiti, signs, stickers, and on clothing. Logos are similar so it can be easy to misinterpret which group individuals are affiliated with.

**Antifa Symbols**

The Antifa emblem consists of a black circle with red and black flags in the center. Distinguishing attributes include the words Antifa or Antifascist Action (in various languages) written on the black circle. Sometimes the name or specific location of a specific group is written. The positions of the black and red flags can differ. The origin of the symbol is the 1932 German communist paramilitary movement Antifaschistische Aktion logo that depicted the circle and the flags facing right in red. Three arrows in a circle is another popular Antifa symbol and sometimes appears on the flag. The symbol of three arrows pointing southwest (to the lower left) inside a circle originated with the German 1930’s antifascist group Iron Front. It was designed to easily cover Nazi swastikas. The Antifa international website claims that the arrows currently stand for equality, fraternity, and solidarity.

**Anti-Antifa Symbols**

Anti-Antifa emblems consist of a black circle with red and black flags in the center that are identical to the Antifa logo. Distinguishing attributes include variations of the words and symbols on the flags. Anti-Antifa groups replace the words Antifa Action with expressions such as Anti-Antifa Action and the names and/or geographic locations of their group. The Celtic Cross is often depicted on the black flag and the swastika on the red flag. Anti-Antifa graphics have included the No symbol (a circle with a red diagonal line through it) encircling the Antifa symbol and other popular white supremacist symbols. The swastika is the symbol of the Nazi Party in Germany. It is the most identifiable symbol of white supremacy in the world. The Celtic Cross (equal armed version) is one of the most common white supremacist symbols in use. It signifies white racial purity.

Antifa and Anti-Antifa Good Night Symbols

The Good Night White Pride, aka GNWP logo, originated from an actual incident in Ann Arbor, Mich. On May 9, 1998, the KKK rallied and clashed with anti-racist counter-protesters. A photo of Harlon Jones, 18, an anti-racist kicking a KKK member in the head, became the iconic silhouette image of the logo. Good Night symbols appear as logos, flags, tattoos, patches, graffiti, signs, stickers, and on clothing. There are many significant variations, and sometimes affiliations can be confusing.

Antifa: Left-Wing Anarchists

White Pride signifies white nationalist ideology. The symbol on the victim is usually a swastika or other white supremacist emblem to indicate who is losing the fight. Variations include multiple offenders and attack positions. Variations include Good Night Alt-Right and Good Night Right Side.

Anti-Antifa: Right-Wing Nationalists

Red Side signifies socialist, communist, and left-wing ideologies. The symbol on the victim is usually a five-pointed red star or identifier of an Antifa group. Image variations include multiple offenders and attack positions. Text variations include Good Night Anti-White, Good Night Left Side, aka GNLS, and Good Night Antifa Scum.

Antifa Symbols

New York City  Philadelphia  Berkeley, CA  Portland, OR

Fort Pierce, FL  Philadelphia  Knoxville, TN  Bay Area, CA

1930s Logo  Sydney, Australia  Catalan Countries  Brittany, France

Norway  London, England  Sicily, Italy  France

Anti-Sexist  Anti-Speciesism  Anonymous  Anti-Homophobia

Support Antifa Prisoners  Queer Antifa  Antifa Torch Network  Basque Vegan

Anti-Antifa - Autonomous Nationalists (AN)

The Autonomous Nationalists (AN) are a new generation of primarily German neo-Nazis who have adopted the far left’s organizational concept of autonomous activism, black bloc tactics and symbolism as part of a “Third Position” ideology and as a method to appeal to nationalist youth by mirroring the subculture of global justice movements. In addition to the Antifa logo, the AN has appropriated some of the most popular left-wing symbols including the iconic image of Che Guevara and the Palestinian keffiyeh scarf. Their emblems include variations of the Antifa logo, typically with the words Autonomous Nationalists (in local languages) and the name of the city or region. A common symbol of AN is the red crossed hammer and sword which originated with the 1930 group the Black Front, which advocated a more radical anti-capitalist and worker-based form of Nazism, a precursor of Third Position politics. AN is active in Anti-Antifa actions. They are extremely violent and have targeted Antifa protestors.
Antifa Hooligans: Left-Wing Ultras

Football hooliganism involves conflict between association football clubs, aka soccer, for the purpose of intimidating and physically attacking supporters of other teams. Certain teams have long-standing rivalries with other clubs. Violence may take place before, during, or after matches and in extreme cases, hooligans, police, and bystanders have been killed. Ultras are similar to hooligans in that they are renowned for ultra-fanatical support. Although the terms are often used interchangeably, the main goal of hooligan clubs is to fight hooligans of other clubs, while the main focus of ultras is generally to support their own team. Ultras are more influenced by political ideas and some embrace extreme political ideologies ranging from white nationalists to anti-fascist. Their political views are evident in their banners, signs, gestures, and graffiti.

Some left-wing radical ultras are commonly referred to as Antifa Ultra or Antifa Hooligans. They display Antifa flags and other socialist and communist symbols, such as Che Guevara, red stars, and red flags in their emblems and banners at stadiums.

Anti-Antifa Hooligans: Right-Wing Ultras

Anti-Antifa football clubs openly display white supremacist symbols and neo-Nazi flags during matches. A common expression on banners and signs is “100% Anti-Antifa.” Some far-right ultra fans have performed Nazi salutes at soccer games.

ROCIC Can Assist Officers with Investigations

ROCIC Training and Officer Safety Resources

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ANTIFA ARRESTS:
Time Frame: October 26, 2016 – February 11, 2017
Locations: Texas State Capitol, UT Austin Campus, TAMU Campus-College Station, Blue Cat Café

(Where possible, I have tried to indicate the arrested subject’s antifa group affiliation; however, several of the subjects have indeterminate affiliation. These subjects do, however, demonstrate solidarity by showing up in support of various antifa events/activities.)

- Affiliation: RSF – Antifa 3
  - UTPD Arrest - 10/26/2016
  - Location: UT Campus
  - Charge(s): Graffiti-Pecuniary Loss

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- Affiliation: RSF – Antifa 3
  - UTPD Arrest - 10/26/2016
  - Location: UT Campus
  - Charge(s): Graffiti – Pecuniary Loss

- Affiliation: RGA
  - TXDPS Arrest (?) – 11/13/2016
  - Location: Texas State Capitol – Anti-Trump Rally
  - Charge(s): Interfering with Duties of a Public Servant; Hindering Apprehension; Assault on a Public Servant

- Affiliation: Anti-LE – unaffiliated Antifa sympathizer
  - TXDPS Arrest (?) – 11/13/2016
  - Location: Texas State Capitol – Anti-Trump Rally
  - Charge(s): Evading Arrest; Resisting Arrest; Assault (on a news photographer)

- Affiliation: Anti-LE – unaffiliated Antifa sympathizer
  - TXDPS Arrest (?) – 11/13/2016
  - Location: Texas State Capitol – Anti-Trump Rally
  - Charge(s): Resisting Arrest; Interfering with Duties of a Public Servant
- Affiliation: Anti-LE - unaffiliated Antifa sympathizer
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- Location: Texas State Capitol – Anti-Trump Rally
- Charge(s): Resisting Arrest; Hindering Apprehension

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- Location: Texas State Capitol – Anti-Trump Rally
- Charge(s): Resisting Arrest; Interfering with Duties of a Public Servant

- Affiliation: RATPAC
- TXDPS Arrest (?) – 11/13/2016
- Location: Texas State Capitol – Anti-Trump Rally
- Charge(s): Assault on a Public Servant

- Affiliation: RGA
- TXDPS/APD Arrest – 11/13/2016
- Location: Texas State Capitol – Anti-Trump Rally
- Charge(s): Agg Assault-Deadly Weapon (on a Trump supporter); Resisting Arrest; Evading Arrest
  - I have the arrest report on file

- Affiliation: Anti-LE - unaffiliated Antifa sympathizer
- TXDPS Arrest (?) – 11/19/2016
- Location: Texas State Capitol – Smash Fascism Rally
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- Charge(s): Assault

- Affiliation: RGA
- TXDPS Arrest (?) – 11/19/2016
  - Location: Texas State Capitol – Smash Fascism! Rally
  - Charge(s): Interfering With Duties of a Public Servant

- Affiliation: Anti-LE – unaffiliated Antifa sympathizer
- TAMU PD Arrest – 12/06/2016
  - Location: TAMU-College Station
  - Charge(s): Assault on a Public Servant, Resisting Arrest, Interference With the Duties of a Public Servant

- Affiliation: Anti-LE – unaffiliated Antifa sympathizer
- TAMU PD Arrest – 12/06/2016
  - Location: TAMU-College Station
  - Charge(s): Resisting Arrest, Evading Arrest

- Affiliation: Anti-LE – unaffiliated Antifa sympathizer
- TXDPS – Detained & Released – 12/06/2016
  - Location: TAMU-College Station
  - Issued a CTW

- Affiliation: RGA
- APD Arrest – 02/11/2017
  - Location: Blue Cat Café (1500 E Cesar Chavez St)
  - Charge(s): Assault with Bodily Injury (on a bystander); Disturbance-Other; Evading-Foot; Criminal Mischief
  - I have the APD Report on file
The CFIX and the OCIAC assess that the recognition of common online indicators (i.e. use of specific images, emojis, terminology, etc.), combined with the ability to understand the methodology used by DVEs on social media and how it influences the behavior of their supporters could potentially aid law enforcement in identifying potential DVEs in their area of responsibility. Propaganda made available on SMS and MMAs by DVEs continues to provide the instructional and/or motivational support that can assist them, or their supporters, in becoming operational and carrying out acts of violence within the United States.

(U//FOUO) Scope: This Joint Reference Aid (JRA) is the eighth in a series on "Extremist Use of Social Media: ANTIFA and ANTI-ANTIFA Movements". This series was created by the CFIX and OCIAC to provide a snapshot of how Social Media Sites (SMS) and Mobile Messaging Applications (MMAs) continue to be an effective propaganda, communications, recruitment and operational planning tool for Domestic Violent Extremists (DVEs) and their supporters.

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- Sharing of propaganda for the purposes of outreach, recruitment, and increasing general awareness.
- Sharing of violent protest tactics, such as Black Bloc, where masked individuals dress in all black to blend in and conduct acts of vandalism, property destruction, and general violence.
- Track, monitor, discuss, and sharing perceived white nationalist activities and the corresponding response from the ANTIFA and ANTI-ANTIFA movements.
- ANTIFA and ANTI-ANTIFA groups may form and become more active by pulling from existing groups and welcoming members of the same ideology.

(U//FOUO) ANTIFA and ANTI-ANTIFA movements have increased in popularity and public presence for the past year due to the widely publicized violent protests across the U.S. Both movements are considered part of the leaderless anarchist ideology, but on opposing sides. The ANTIFA can be considered left-wing anarchism and the ANTI-ANTIFA can be considered right-wing anarchism. When individuals within these two movements organize and engage in public activities, violence often ensues between the groups or to public property.

(U//FOUO) Identifying individuals with or supporting the ANTIFA movement have historically targeted individuals and locations perceived as white supremacist, white nationalist, and anti-immigration. Individuals who identify with or support the counter movement ANTI-ANTIFA target perceived ANTIFA activities for the purposes of protecting first amendment rights, while not necessarily identifying with or supporting white supremacist, white nationalist, and anti-immigrant agendas. It is important to note individuals who identify with either group will use Social Media Sites (SMS) to research and identify the opposing movement's activities.

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(U//FOUO) The Anti-Fascist (ANTIFA) and ANTI-ANTIFA movements utilize SMS in order to gather and share information on individuals and supporters of opposing movements and ideologies for potential targeting. The following tradecraft is commonly used to gather information on potential targets:

- Identifying individuals of perceived white supremacists, ANTI-ANTIFA posting identifications of perceived ANTIFA members and supporters or the posting the identities of law enforcement officers with whom they have grievances.
- Utilizing live-streaming videos, updates on law enforcement and counter-movement activities, locations, information, and tactics.

(U//FOUO) Internationally Inspired Groups

(U//FOUO) ANTIFA and ANTI-ANTIFA groups based in the U.S. have historically drawn inspiration from and follow international anarchist groups and their activities. While the targets and violent tactics vary among both the U.S.-based and international groups, the ideology is similar. U.S.-based individuals and groups will use SMS in the following ways:

- Communicate with, post and share propaganda, follow trending activities, and protest tactics and techniques which proved successful during international events.
- Propaganda and symbolism shared on SMS by U.S.-based groups is similar to that put out by international groups.

(U//FOUO) Joint Reference Aid #15

31 May 2017

CFIX Cyber@cfcll.net | OCIAC@ociac.ca.gov
Sounds fine, I’ll be calling in remotely but should be fine for the whole call today.

From:  
Sent: Thursday, July 13, 2017 10:38 AM
To: DHS I&A (B)(6)
Cc: DHS I&A (B)(6); @hq.dhs.gov
Subject: RE: Antifa Violence FARs - Merger Proposal

DHS I&A (B)(6)

will be sending out a calendar invitation with the call-in details soon, but we are confirmed for 4:30pm (Eastern) today for this teleconference with both of them and (Southwest RD). (Central RD) may join, but has a conflict at that time.

Thanks!

VR,

DHS I&A (B)(6)

Department of Homeland Security
Phone: @hq.dhs.gov

From:  
Sent: Thursday, July 13, 2017 9:41 AM
To: DHS I&A (B)(6); @hq.dhs.gov
Cc: DHS I&A (B)(6);@HQ.DHS.GOV>
Subject: RE: Antifa Violence FARs - Merger Proposal

Thanks,
I'm good for it

Should be able to dial in from my bus ride home so it shouldn't present a problem for me, since I doubt it's going to be an extremely long call.

are proposing 4:30pm tomorrow for this teleconference. Let me know if that works for you – I realize it’s late in the day, so I told them to hold off on sending a calendar invitation until I checked with you.

Thanks

VR,
From: [DHS I&A (B)(6)]
Sent: Wednesday, July 12, 2017 2:42 PM
To: [DHS I&A (B)(6)]
Subject: RE: Antifa Violence FARs - Merger Proposal

They’re still trying to determine a good date/time among themselves – I should have an answer by the end of today or tomorrow at the latest.

VR,

[DHS I&A (B)(6)]

Department of Homeland Security
Phone: [DHS I&A (B)(6)]
[DHS I&A (B)(6)]@hq.dhs.gov

From: [DHS I&A (B)(6)]
Sent: Wednesday, July 12, 2017 2:13 PM
To: [DHS I&A (B)(6)], [DHS I&A (B)(6)]
Subject: RE: Antifa Violence FARs - Merger Proposal

Hi

I’m still waiting to hear from [DHS I&A (B)(6)] regarding a time that works for them. They said they would let me know earlier this week, and were shooting for a call to be scheduled late this week. I’ll follow up with them.

VR,

[DHS I&A (B)(6)]

Department of Homeland Security
Phone: [DHS I&A (B)(6)]
[DHS I&A (B)(6)]@hq.dhs.gov

From: [DHS I&A (B)(6)]
Sent: Wednesday, July 12, 2017 2:12 PM
To: [DHS I&A (B)(6)], [DHS I&A (B)(6)]
Subject: Antifa Violence FARs - Merger Proposal

Hello [DHS I&A (B)(6)], I talked with [DHS I&A (B)(6)] earlier today and as things stand out, I thought I’d touch bases with you to determine if we’ve been able to nail a time down to run through this yet?
Thanks, VR,

DHS I&A (B)(6)
Department of Homeland Security
Phone: DHS I&A (B)(6)
DHS I&A (B)(6)@hq.dhs.gov

From: DHS I&A (B)(6)
Sent: Friday, July 7, 2017 3:28 PM
To: DHS I&A (B)(6); DHS I&A (B)(6)@hq.dhs.gov; DHS I&A (B)(6)@hq.dhs.gov; DHS I&A (B)(6)@hq.dhs.gov; DHS I&A (B)(6)@hq.dhs.gov; DHS I&A (B)(6)@hq.dhs.gov; DHS I&A (B)(6)@hq.dhs.gov; DHS I&A (B)(6)@hq.dhs.gov; DHS I&A (B)(6)@hq.dhs.gov; DHS I&A (B)(6)@hq.dhs.gov; DHS I&A (B)(6)@hq.dhs.gov
Subject: RE: Antifa Violence FARs - Merger Proposal

Same here, my schedule is pretty open

DHS I&A (B)(6)
Analyst, Homeland Threats Division
Office of Intelligence and Analysis
U.S. Department of Homeland Security
DHS I&A (B)(6)

From: DHS I&A (B)(6)
Sent: Friday, July 7, 2017 1:42 PM
To: DHS I&A (B)(6); DHS I&A (B)(6)@hq.dhs.gov; DHS I&A (B)(6)@hq.dhs.gov; DHS I&A (B)(6)@hq.dhs.gov; DHS I&A (B)(6)@hq.dhs.gov; DHS I&A (B)(6)@hq.dhs.gov; DHS I&A (B)(6)@hq.dhs.gov; DHS I&A (B)(6)@hq.dhs.gov; DHS I&A (B)(6)@hq.dhs.gov; DHS I&A (B)(6)@hq.dhs.gov; DHS I&A (B)(6)@hq.dhs.gov
Subject: RE: Antifa Violence FARs - Merger Proposal

Thanks, VR,

DHS I&A (B)(6)
Department of Homeland Security
Phone: DHS I&A (B)(6)
DHS I&A (B)(6)@hq.dhs.gov

From: DHS I&A (B)(6)
Sent: Friday, July 7, 2017 1:35 PM
To: DHS I&A (B)(6); DHS I&A (B)(6)@hq.dhs.gov; DHS I&A (B)(6)@hq.dhs.gov; DHS I&A (B)(6)@hq.dhs.gov; DHS I&A (B)(6)@hq.dhs.gov; DHS I&A (B)(6)@hq.dhs.gov; DHS I&A (B)(6)@hq.dhs.gov; DHS I&A (B)(6)@hq.dhs.gov; DHS I&A (B)(6)@hq.dhs.gov; DHS I&A (B)(6)@hq.dhs.gov; DHS I&A (B)(6)@hq.dhs.gov

Late next week is fine for me.

Thanks,

VR,

Department of Homeland Security

I'm at the DAC down at ITA next week. Might be able to hop on there if it stays unclassified

Sounds good – thanks for clarifying! I’ll reach out to and find some dates that work for them next week. If you all have any dates and timeslots that are better for you next week, please let me know.
Once we have decided on a date and time, I’ll reserve a teleconference line.

Thanks!

VR,

[Department of Homeland Security]
[Phone: @hg.dhs.gov]

From: DHS I&A (B)(6)
Sent: Thursday, July 06, 2017 3:54 PM
To: DHS I&A (B)(6), DHS I&A (B)(6)
Cc: DHS I&A (B)(6), DHS I&A (B)(6)
Subject: RE: Antifa Violence FARs - Merger Proposal

DHS I&A (B)(6)

Apologies for being imprecise....I just meant a telecon. We can do it on this end in my office as I have speaker capability as long as we had a bridge number reserved.

Thanks again!

From: DHS I&A (B)(6)
Sent: Thursday, July 6, 2017 3:49 PM
To: DHS I&A (B)(6), DHS I&A (B)(6)
Cc: DHS I&A (B)(6)
Subject: RE: Antifa Violence FARs - Merger Proposal

DHS I&A (B)(6)

Ok, thanks! I am happy to set up a SVTC if necessary, but given that the topic is DT, is a secure VTC required?

I ask because I anticipate that at a minimum, the Southwest and Central RDs will want to participate in this discussion, and they are often in transit/TDY – and the IOs and any participating SLTT partners could be, as well. A teleconference will make it easier to find a mutually convenient date, and eliminates the SVTC room availability factor (as it stands right now, 202-M is only available for a few hour-long slots on Wednesday and Friday of next week).
If you all prefer to be in room together during this discussion, I am happy to find a room with teleconference capability at the NAC, and reserve a teleconference line.

It is up to you all – just wanted to discuss alternative options before I reach out to begin coordinating the logistics. I’m happy to arrange a SVTC is that is necessary or preferable.

Thanks!

Vr,


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Hi,

Thanks for herding the cats for us on this. I think we can go ahead and set up a SVTC with and whomever else needs to be present from their side. Can we aim for sometime next week?

Thanks!

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From: DHS I&A (B)(6)
Sent: Thursday, July 06, 2017 11:09 AM
To: DHS I&A (B)(6)@HQ.DHS.GOV>; DHS I&A (B)(6)@HQ.DHS.GOV>; DHS I&A (B)(6)@hq.dhs.gov>; DHS I&A (B)(6)@HQ.DHS.GOV>
Cc: DHS I&A (B)(6)@hq.dhs.gov>; DHS I&A (B)(6)@hq.dhs.gov>
Subject: RE: Antifa Violence FARs - Merger Proposal

Can we aim for sometime next week?

Thanks!
Of course, all of these options depend on your team’s willingness and bandwidth. Let me know your thoughts when you have a moment.

Thanks!

VR,

\[Email Address\]
FYSA

VR,

and the State and Local Partners would rather try to get theirs done as a solo act.

V/r

[Redacted], Southwest Regional Director – Field Operations
U.S. Department of Homeland Security – Office of Intelligence and Analysis
(C) DHS I&A (B)(6)
UnClass E-mail: [Redacted]
HSDN: [Redacted]

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We'd like to go solo.
Thank you.

V/R-

DHS I&A (B)(6)
Arizona Intelligence Officer
DHS I&A Field Operations
DHS I&A (B)(6) (cell)
DHS I&A (B)(6) (Desk - try cell first)
DHS I&A (B)(6) @hq.dhs.gov
DHS I&A (B)(6) @dhs.gov
DHS I&A (B)(6) @dhs.ic.gov

From: DHS I&A (B)(6)
Sent: Monday, June 26, 2017 10:57:17 PM
To: DHS I&A (B)(6)
Subject: FW: Antifa Violence FARs - Merger Proposal

Decision time, do you want to go alone or do you want to get on the train?

v/r

DHS I&A (B)(6), Southwest Regional Director
Field Operations - U.S. Department of Homeland Security
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UnClass E-mail: DHS I&A (B)(6) @dhs.gov
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Thanks, [REDACTED] - we understand, and anticipated that some centers with Antifa FARs already in progress might be reluctant. As you may be aware, the ARIC and JCIC have elected to continue with their own AOR-specific FAR on this topic.

For brevity's sake I will simply second what [REDACTED] said. He captured my concerns exactly.

Where I think we could make everyone's life simpler is to have a tone box for all localized FARs that would include a number of I&A approved bullets on Antifa or other domestic violent extremists. These would cover some of the generic background and analysis so fusion centers aren't reinventing the wheel in each product and can focus their energies on communicating the local picture.
DHS I&A (B)(6)  
DHS/I&A Field Ops  
DHS I&A (B)(6) (cell)

From: DHS I&A (B)(6)  
Sent: Friday, June 23, 2017 12:12:19 PM  
To: DHS I&A (B)(6)  
Cc: DHS I&A (B)(6)  
Subject: RE: Antifa Violence FARs - Merger Proposal  

ALCON,  
My RD is out today and he obviously holds the trump card so my comments are my comments.  

Additionally, they've been reluctant to partner with me/I&A in the past due to the time it takes to publish. Our FAR has already been submitted for first level review. I finally got them to the table and they ask every day what the status is. I'm not inclined to go this route or spend a silver bullet asking them to. I'm glad to revisit a broader look at the topic in the future.  
Have a great weekend.

ALCON,  
I'm responding to this email because it was first and includes all the recipients, but I have read the entirety of the responses thus far. My thoughts follow:

As you all are certainly aware one of my DT analysts just went over to the dark side and joined you out in the field. While he has been backfilled I have effectively maintained status quo instead of plussing up by one which was my original expectation. I am sympathetic to point as both of my DT guys have their own metrics they have to meet as well and therefore their time to work on FARs (especially several at once) will be limited. As much as I try to avoid managing by counting “beans in the jar” there is no getting around the quantitative component in everyone’s performance plans. Also, as we approach the
end of the FY we will undoubtedly get hit with several products from folks that waited until the last minute to write their FAR--although that surely doesn’t describe anyone on this email 😊. We simply don’t have the bandwidth to spend the time you may have been used to on these products if we keep them all separated out.

Having said all that, most of you know me and I want to help any way I can so feel free to let me know how I may do that. Happy to make calls, set-up SVTC’s, bring in one of our senior advisors, etc.

Thanks for your consideration,

Chief, Homegrown Violent Extremism Branch
DHS I&A/Homeland Threats Division

Comm: DHS I&A (B)(6)
NSTS: DHS I&A (B)(6)

From: DHS I&A (B)(6)
Sent: Friday, June 23, 2017 12:33 PM
To: DHS I&A (B)(6) r@HQ.DHS.GOV> DHS I&A (B)(6) @hq.dhs.gov>
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Cc: DHS I&A (B)(6) HQ.DHS.GOV>; DHS I&A (B)(6) @hq.dhs.gov>
DHS I&A (B)(6) HQ.DHS.GOV>
Subject: Antifa Violence FARs - Merger Proposal
This is just a proposal - we recognize that even if you all independently agree with this idea, that your respective fusion centers will need to be part of the dialogue and ultimately complicit in any merger of these FARs. Please let us know your initial thoughts when you have a moment.

Thanks!

Vr,

Department of Homeland Security
Phone: @hq.dhs.gov
All I can say is that you look pretty good in black.

Thank you,

Director
Homeland Threats Division
Office of Intelligence and Analysis
Department of Homeland Security

Funnily enough, there is the entertainment and media subsector of commercial facilities....(though I'm not sure what the membership is or if there would be a way to effectively track versions via serialization.)
Maybe they got a login?

So...has somebody just been forwarding Politico every single paper we’ve ever written on anarchists in the last 2 years?

FBI, Homeland Security warn of more ‘antifa’ attacks

Confidential documents call the anarchists that seek to counter white supremacists ‘domestic terrorists.’

By JOSH MEYER
09/01/2017 04:55 AM EDT
Protesters are pictured. | POLITICO
Protesters in black, associated with Antifa, shown at a "No-To-Marxism" rally Aug. 27 in Berkeley, California. The rally had been canceled, but still attracted attendees and demonstrators to Martin Luther King, Jr. Civic Park along with score of police in riot gear. | M. Scott Mahaskey/POLITICO
By Michael Grunwald
By Jeff Greenfield
Federal authorities have been warning state and local officials since early 2016 that leftist extremists known as “antifa” had become increasingly confrontational and dangerous, so much so that the Department of Homeland Security formally classified their activities as “domestic terrorist violence,” according to interviews and confidential law enforcement documents obtained by POLITICO.
Since well before the Aug. 12 rally in Charlottesville, Virginia, turned deadly, DHS has been issuing warnings about the growing likelihood of lethal violence between the left-wing anarchists and right-wing white supremacist and nationalist groups.

Previously unreported documents disclose that by April 2016, authorities believed that “anarchist extremists” were the primary instigators of violence at public rallies against a range of targets. They were blamed by authorities for attacks on the police, government and political institutions, along with symbols of “the capitalist system,” racism, social injustice and fascism, according to a confidential 2016 joint intelligence assessment by DHS and the FBI.

After President Donald Trump’s election in November, the anti-fascist activists locked onto another target — his supporters, especially those from white supremacist and nationalist groups suddenly turning out in droves to hail his victory, support crackdowns on immigrants and Muslims and to protest efforts to remove symbols of the Confederacy.

Those reports appear to bolster Trump’s insistence that extremists on the left bore some blame for the clashes in Charlottesville and represent a “problem” nationally. But they also reflect the extent that his own political movement has spurred the violent backlash.

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In interviews, law enforcement authorities made clear that Trump’s inflammatory rhetoric and policies — first as a candidate and then as president — helped to create a situation that has escalated so quickly and extensively that they do not have a handle on it.

“It was in that period [as the Trump campaign emerged] that we really became aware of them,” said one senior law enforcement official tracking domestic extremists in a state that has become a front line in clashes between the groups. “These anti-fascists were showing up with weapons, shields and bike helmets and just beating the shit out of people. … They’re using Molotov cocktails, they’re starting fires, they’re throwing bombs and smashing windows.”

Almost immediately, the right-wing targets of the anti-fascist attacks began fighting back, bringing more and larger weapons and launching unprovoked attacks of their own, the documents and interviews show. And the extremists on both sides have been using the confrontations, especially since Charlottesville, to recruit unprecedented numbers of new members, raise money and threaten more confrontations, they say.

“Everybody is wondering, 'What are we gonna do? How are we gonna deal with this?''' said the senior state law enforcement official. “Every time they have one of these protests where both sides are bringing guns, there are sphincters tightening in my world. Emotions get high, and fingers get twitchy on the trigger.”

Even before Charlottesville, dozens and, in some cases, hundreds of people on both sides showed up at events in Texas, California, Oregon and elsewhere, carrying weapons and looking for a fight. In the Texas capital of Austin, armed anti-fascist protesters attacked Trump supporters and white groups at several recent rallies, and then swarmed police in a successful effort to stop them from making arrests.

California has become another battleground, with violent confrontations in Berkeley, Sacramento and Orange County leading to numerous injuries. And anti-fascist counter-protesters initiated attacks in two previous clashes in Charlottesville, according to the law enforcement reports and interviews.
Rallies are scheduled over the next few months across the country, including in Texas, Oregon, Missouri and Florida. Authorities are particularly concerned about those in states where virtually anyone, including activists under investigation for instigating violence, can brandish assault rifles in public.

Tensions have gotten so heated that after activists traded accusations after Charlottesville, a rumor circulated online that antifa would try and shut down the massive Sturgis, South Dakota, motorcycle rally because there were too many Confederate flags and Trump signs. It wasn’t true, but it prompted an outpouring of pleas by attendees for anti-fascists to come so they could assault them. One displayed a “Sturgis Survival Kit” for potential antifa protesters, complete with a tourniquet, morphine, body cast and defibrillator.

“Both the racists and a segment of violent antifa counter-protestors are amped for battle in an escalating arms race, where police departments are outmaneuvered, resulting in increasingly violent dangerous confrontations,” said former New York City police officer Brian Levin, who has been monitoring domestic militants for 31 years, now at the Center for the Study of Hate and Extremism at California State University, San Bernardino. “It’s an orchestrated dance. The rallies spill over into social media and then even more people show up at the next rally primed for violent confrontation.”

In recent decades, authorities have focused almost exclusively on right-wing groups as the most likely instigators of domestic terrorist violence, especially since Timothy McVeigh blew up the Oklahoma City federal building in 1995, killing 168 people.

More recently, the antifa groups, which some describe as the Anti-Fascist Action Network, have evolved out of the leftist anti-government groups like “Black bloc,” protesters clad in black and wearing masks that caused violence at events like the 1999 Seattle World Trade Organization protests. They claim to have no leader and no hierarchy, but authorities following them believe they are organized via decentralized networks of cells that coordinate with each other. Often, they spend weeks planning for violence at upcoming events, according to the April 2016 DHS and FBI report entitled “Baseline Comparison of US and Foreign Anarchist Extremist Movements.”
Protesters in black, associated with Antifa, beat a man with a pole and shield during a "No-To-Marxism" rally Aug. 27 in Berkeley, California.

Dozens of armed anti-fascist groups have emerged, including Redneck Revolt and the Red Guards, according to the reports and interviews. One report from New Jersey authorities said self-described antifa groups have been established in cities including New York, Philadelphia, Chicago and San Francisco.

Some of the DHS and FBI intelligence reports began flagging the antifa protesters before the election. In one from last September, portions of which were read to POLITICO, DHS studied "recent violent clashes ... at lawfully organized white supremacist" events including a June 2016
rally at the California Capitol in Sacramento organized by the Traditionalist Workers Party and its affiliate, the Golden State Skinheads. According to police, counter-protesters linked to antifa and affiliated groups like By Any Means Necessary attacked, causing a riot after which at least 10 people were hospitalized, some with stab wounds.

At the Sacramento rally, antifa protesters came looking for violence, and “engaged in several activities indicating proficiency in pre-operational planning, to include organizing carpools to travel from different locations, raising bail money in preparation for arrests, counter-surveilling law enforcement using three-man scout teams, using handheld radios for communication, and coordinating the event via social media,” the DHS report said.

The intelligence assessments focus less on guns than handmade weapons used by antifa, with photos of members brandishing ax handles and shields, often with industrial-sized bolts attached to create crude bayonets. A senior state law enforcement official said, “A whole bunch of them” have been deemed dangerous enough to be placed on U.S. terrorism watch lists.

The FBI and DHS had no comment on that, or on any aspect of the assessments, saying they were not intended to be made public.

By the spring of 2016, the anarchist groups had become so aggressive, including making armed attacks on individuals and small groups of perceived enemies, that federal officials launched a global investigation with the help of the U.S. intelligence community, according to the DHS and FBI assessment.

The purpose of the investigation, according to the April 2016 assessment: To determine whether the U.S.-based anarchists might start committing terrorist bombings like their counterparts in “foreign anarchist extremist movements” in Greece, Italy and Mexico, possibly at the Republican and Democratic conventions that summer.

By ALEX ISENSTADT
Some of the antifa activists have gone overseas to train and fight with fellow anarchist organizations, including two Turkey-based groups fighting the Islamic State, according to interviews and internet postings.

In their April 2016 assessment, the DHS and FBI said the anarchist groups would likely become more lethal if “fascist, nationalist, racist or anti-immigrant parties obtain greater prominence or local political power in the United States, leading to anti-racist violent backlash from anarchist extremists.”

The assessment also said the anarchist groups could become more aggressive if they seek to "retaliat violently to a violent act by a white supremacist extremist or group," they acquire more powerful weapons or they obtain the financial means to travel abroad and learn more violent tactics.

Several state law enforcement officials said that all of those accelerating factors have come to pass. And recent FBI and DHS reports confirm they are actively monitoring “conduct deemed potentially suspicious and indicative of terrorist activity” by antifa groups.

But one of the internal assessments acknowledged several significant “intelligence gaps,” including an inability to penetrate the groups’ “diffuse and decentralized organizational structure,” which made it difficult for law enforcement to identify violent groups and individuals. Authorities also “lack information to identify the travel patterns linking U.S. and foreign anarchist extremists,” the assessment said.

The two agencies also said in their April 2016 assessment that many of the activities the groups engaged in “are not within the purview of FBI and DHS collection” due to civil liberties and...
privacy protections, including participating in training camps, holding meetings and communicating online.

In another assessment this past August, DHS warned about the potential for unprecedented violence at Charlottesville. The agency also acknowledged gaps in its understanding of antifa, saying it had only “medium confidence” in its assessments regarding both the affiliations among the various groups and the motivation of attackers.

Said one senior New Jersey law enforcement official following the antifa groups: “There’s a lot more we don’t know about these groups than what we do know about them.”
Thanks, DHS I&A (B)(6)

I’ll find out with teleconference line the IOs want to use, and I’ll just send out the calendar invitation so it’s locked in.

VR,

DHS I&A (B)(6)
Department of Homeland Security
Phone: DHS I&A (B)(6)
DHS I&A (B)(6)@hq.dhs.gov

From: DHS I&A (B)(6)
Sent: Thursday, July 13, 2017 11:17 AM
To: DHS I&A (B)(6)@hq.dhs.gov, DHS I&A (B)(6)@HQ.DHS.GOV
Cc: DHS I&A (B)(6)@HQ.DHS.GOV
Subject: RE: Antifa Violence FARs - Merger Proposal

Nope, but it’ll be coming shortly. I’ll pass it along if you don’t get the invite. And it’s all good if you just play it by ear.
From: DHS I&A (B)(6)
Sent: Thursday, July 13, 2017 11:15 AM
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I'm in training today, but get out around 4ish. I might be on my bike when it starts, but I might be able to when I get home. Do we have dial in information yet?

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Hi,

(B)(6) will be calling in too and I may or may not be on depending on my work load (don’t think there’s a need for both me and myself to dial in).

Feel free to join the call if you’re available at 4:30. But if you can’t, no worries whatsoever.

YR,

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To: DHS I&A (B)(6)
Subject: RE: Antifa Violence FARs - Merger Proposal

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Sent: Thursday, July 13, 2017 9:07 AM
To: DHS I&A (B)(6)
Subject: RE: Antifa Violence FARs - Merger Proposal

I'm good for it

From: DHS I&A (B)(6)
Sent: Thursday, July 13, 2017 6:32:58 AM
To: DHS I&A (B)(6)
Subject: RE: Antifa Violence FARs - Merger Proposal

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From: DHS I&A (B)(6)
Sent: Wednesday, July 12, 2017 9:03:55 PM
To: DHS I&A (B)(6)
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VR,

[Department of Homeland Security]
[Phone:]

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[Analyst, Homeland Threats Division]
[Office of Intelligence and Analysis]
[U.S. Department of Homeland Security]
Thanks, [Name]

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Thanks,

[Name]

DHS I&A (B)(6)
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If you have any days that are better or worse for you all late next week, just let me know. Thanks!

VR,

[Name]

DHS I&A (B)(6)
Department of Homeland Security
Phone: DHS I&A (B)(6)
DHS I&A (B)(6) @hq.dhs.gov

From: DHS I&A (B)(6)
Sent: Thursday, July 6, 2017 4:03 PM
To: DHS I&A (B)(6) @HQ.DHS.GOV; DHS I&A (B)(6) @hq.dhs.gov)
DHS I&A (B)(6) @HQ.DHS.GOV; DHS I&A (B)(6) @hq.dhs.gov>
Subject: RE: Antifa Violence FARs - Merger Proposal
I'm at the DAC down at ITA next week. Might be able to hop on there if it stays unclassified.

From: DHS I&A (B)(6)
Sent: Thursday, July 06, 2017 3:56:58 PM
To: DHS I&A (B)(6)
Cc: DHS I&A (B)(6)
Subject: RE: Antifa Violence FARs - Merger Proposal

Sounds good – thanks for clarifying! I’ll reach out to DHS I&A (B)(6) and find some dates that work for them next week. If you all have any dates and timeslots that are better for you next week, please let me know.

Once we have decided on a date and time, I’ll reserve a teleconference line.

Thanks!

VR,

Department of Homeland Security
Phone: DHS I&A (B)(6)
DHS I&A (B)(6)/@hq.dhs.gov

From: DHS I&A (B)(6)
Sent: Thursday, July 06, 2017 3:54 PM
To: DHS I&A (B)(6) @HQ.DHS.GOV>; DHS I&A (B)(6) @HQ.DHS.GOV>; DHS I&A (B)(6) @hq.dhs.gov>; DHS I&A (B)(6) @hq.dhs.gov
Cc: DHS I&A (B)(6) @HQ.DHS.GOV>
Subject: RE: Antifa Violence FARs - Merger Proposal

Apologies for being imprecise...I just meant a telecon. We can do it on this end in my office as I have speaker capability as long as we had a bridge number reserved.

Thanks again!

From: DHS I&A (B)(6)
Sent: Thursday, July 6, 2017 3:49 PM
To: DHS I&A (B)(6) @HQ.DHS.GOV>; DHS I&A (B)(6) @HQ.DHS.GOV>; DHS I&A (B)(6) @hq.dhs.gov>; DHS I&A (B)(6) @hq.dhs.gov

Ok, thanks! I am happy to set up a SVTC if necessary, but given that the topic is DT, is a secure VTC required?

I ask because I anticipate that at a minimum, the Southwest and Central RDs will want to participate in this discussion, and they are often in transit/TDY – and the IOs and any participating SLTT partners could be, as well. A teleconference will make it easier to find a mutually convenient date, and eliminates the SVTC room availability factor (as it stands right now, 202-M is only available for a few hour-long slots on Wednesday and Friday of next week). If you all prefer to be in room together during this discussion, I am happy to find a room with teleconference capability at the NAC, and reserve a teleconference line.

It is up to you all – just wanted to discuss alternative options before I reach out to begin coordinating the logistics. I’m happy to arrange a SVTC is that is necessary or preferable.

Thanks!

Yr,

Department of Homeland Security
Phone: @hg.dhs.gov

Hi

Thanks for herding the cats for us on this. I think we can go ahead and set up a SVTC with [b] (6) [b], and whomever else needs to be present from their side [b] (5) [b].
Can we aim for sometime next week?

Thanks!

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From: DHS I&A (B)(6)  
Sent: Thursday, July 6, 2017 11:09 AM  
To: DHS I&A (B)(6)@HQ.DHS.GOV; DHS I&A (B)(6)@HQ.DHS.GOV; DHS I&A (B)(6)@hq.dhs.gov  
Cc: DHS I&A (B)(6)  
Subject: RE: Antifa Violence FARs - Merger Proposal

Of course, all of these options depend on your team’s willingness and bandwidth. Let me know your thoughts when you have a moment.

Thanks!

VR,

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DHS I&A (B)(6)  
Department of Homeland Security  
Phone: DHS I&A (B)(6)@hq.dhs.gov
From: DHS I&A (B)(6)
Sent: Tuesday, June 27, 2017 3:43 PM
To: DHS I&A (B)(6), @HQ.DHS.GOV>; DHS I&A (B)(6), @HQ.DHS.GOV>; DHS I&A (B)(6), @HQ.DHS.GOV>; DHS I&A (B)(6), @hq.dhs.gov
Subject: RE: Antifa Violence FARs - Merger Proposal

OK, this is the one I was actually most concerned about. In their initial conversation with HQ, they had no examples of this activity in their AOR and didn’t seem to have any idea where to go from there.

I look forward to seeing what they come up with.

From: DHS I&A (B)(6)
Sent: Tuesday, June 27, 2017 3:31 PM
To: DHS I&A (B)(6), @HQ.DHS.GOV>; DHS I&A (B)(6), @HQ.DHS.GOV>; DHS I&A (B)(6), @hq.dhs.gov
Subject: FW: Antifa Violence FARs - Merger Proposal

FYSA

VR,

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Department of Homeland Security
Phone: DHS I&A (B)(6)
DHS I&A (B)(6), @hq.dhs.gov

From: DHS I&A (B)(6)
Sent: Tuesday, June 27, 2017 3:06:07 PM
To: DHS I&A (B)(6)
Subject: FW: Antifa Violence FARs - Merger Proposal

FW:

and the State and Local Partners would rather try to get theirs done as a solo act.

V/r

DHS I&A (B)(6), Southwest Regional Director – Field Operations
U.S. Department of Homeland Security – Office of Intelligence and Analysis
(C) DHS I&A (B)(6)
UnClass E-mail: DHS I&A (B)(6), @dhs.gov
HSDN: DHS I&A (B)(6), @dhs.gov
We'd like to go solo.
Thank you.

V/R-
Arizona Intelligence Officer
DHS I&A Field Operations
(Desk- try cell first)

From: DHS I&A (B)(6)
Sent: Monday, June 26, 2017 10:57:17 PM
To: DHS I&A (B)(6)
Subject: FW: Antifa Violence FARs - Merger Proposal

Decision time, do you want to go alone or do you want to get on the train?

v/r

Southwest Regional Director
Field Operations - U.S. Department of Homeland Security
UnClass E-mail: DHS I&A (B)(6) @dhs.gov
HSDN: DHS I&A (B)(6) @dhs.gov
Thanks!

VR,

Department of Homeland Security
Phone: @hq.dhs.gov

From: DHS I&A (B)(6)
Sent: Saturday, June 24, 2017 9:32 AM
For brevity’s sake I will simply second what [REDACTED] said. He captured my concerns exactly.

Where I think we could make everyone’s life simpler is to have a tone box for all localized FARs that would include a number of I&A approved bullets on Antifa or other domestic violent extremists. These would cover some of the generic background and analysis so fusion centers aren’t reinventing the wheel in each product and can focus their energies on communicating the local picture.

ALCON,
My RD is out today and he obviously holds the trump card so my comments are my comments.

Additionally, they’ve been reluctant to partner with me/I&A in the past due to the time it takes to publish. Our FAR has already been submitted for first level review. I finally got them to the table and they ask every day what the status is. I’m not inclined to go this route or spend a silver bullet asking them to. I’m glad to revisit a broader look at the topic in the future.

Have a great weekend.
ALCON,

I’m responding to this email because it was first and includes all the recipients, but I have read the entirety of the responses thus far. My thoughts follow:

As you all are certainly aware one of my DT analysts just went over to the dark side and joined you out in the field. While he has been backfilled I have effectively maintained status quo instead of plussing up by one which was my original expectation. I am sympathetic to your point as both of my DT guys have their own metrics they have to meet as well and therefore their time to work on FARs (especially several at once) will be limited. As much as I try to avoid managing by counting “beans in the jar” there is no getting around the quantitative component in everyone’s performance plans. Also, as we approach the end of the FY we will undoubtedly get hit with several products from folks that waited until the last minute to write their FAR--although that surely doesn’t describe anyone on this email 😁. We simply don’t have the bandwidth to spend the time you may have been used to on these products if we keep them all separated out.

Having said all that, most of you know me and I want to help any way I can so feel free to let me know how I may do that. Happy to make calls, set-up SVTC’s, bring in one of our senior advisors, etc.

Thanks for your consideration,

Chief, Homegrown Violent Extremism Branch
DHS I&A/Homeland Threats Division

From: DHS I&A (B)(6)
Sent: Friday, June 23, 2017 12:33 PM
To: @hq.dhs.gov; @hq.dhs.gov; @hq.dhs.gov; @hq.dhs.gov; @hq.dhs.gov; @hq.dhs.gov
Cc: @hq.dhs.gov; @hq.dhs.gov; @hq.dhs.gov; @hq.dhs.gov
Subject: Antifa Violence FARs - Merger Proposal

All of your regions currently have FARs on anti-fascist violence in the early stages of development and/or review. In consultation with DHS I&A (B)(6)
We do have precedent for this proposed approach, two prime examples being the recently published Rocky Mountain regional special event threat assessment FAR, and the regional anti-abortion trend analysis FAR (see attached), both of which played well in the SLTT arena and at I&A HQ.

We can discuss the mechanics of this proposal further via teleconference if you all are interested, but we are envisioning a multi-regional FAR broken down into sections addressing the specific anti-fascist violent extremist activity in each of your respective states, to include any observable dynamics unique to your individual AORs. We could invite other regions to participate and contribute to the data and drafting, or just keep it to your four AORs.

This is just a proposal - we recognize that even if you all independently agree with this idea, that your respective fusion centers will need to be part of the dialogue and ultimately complicit in any merger of these FARs. Please let us know your initial thoughts when you have a moment.

Thanks!

Vr,

[Signature]
TRENDING

L.A. Antifa Group Hangs Trump in Effigy, Calls for 'Revolutionary Violence' Against 'the Capitalist State'

BY DEBRA HEINE MAY 3, 2018

An antifa group in Los Angeles celebrated May Day by holding a small march, hanging a Trump effigy, and advocating for "revolutionary violence" against the "capitalist state" in order to "create real political power."

"We must carry out military actions against the enemies of the people!" a member of the L.A. cell of the Red Guards said in a speech published on the group's blog.

The Red Guards is a Maoist group that hopes to duplicate in the United States the anarchy and terror Chairman Mao's Red Guards inflicted on China during the Cultural Revolution of the 1960s and 1970s. The group also identifies as "antifascist" and has cells throughout the United States.
Hundreds of thousands of leftists throughout the world mobilized for the annual “International Workers’ Day” on May 1 to advocate for various social justice causes and celebrate communism.

Is ‘Antifa’ Antifascist?

While May Day protests in France, Turkey, Puerto Rico, and elsewhere turned violent, Wednesday’s protests in the United States tended to be relatively calm. As PJ Media reported, 22 police cruisers in Portland were vandalized yesterday. Additionally, three Red Guards members in Charlotte, North Carolina, and four Red Guards members in Kansas City, Missouri, were arrested for protest-related shenanigans. However, most American May Day protesters conducted their far-left activities in a peaceful manner.

The same cannot be said for the rhetoric of the protesters.
In the speech, the group advocated for targeted political violence against their perceived enemies and openly encouraged armed insurrection against the U.S. government.

Via Far Left Watch, here are some key quotes from the Red Guards speech in Los Angeles.

“We stand in solidarity with the Red Guards and principally Maoist collectives who are working towards the creation of the Maoist Party. We stand in solidarity with Maoist parties across the world who are committed to building socialism and fighting revisionism through People’s War!”
Here they make it clear that they seek to militarize the masses and create an army:

“What needs to be done is the concentric construction of the three weapons of revolution: the Maoist Party, the Maoist People’s Army, and the Maoist United Front. What needs to be done is to militarize the masses and all the pre-Party Maoist formations!”

Here they openly call for “military actions” against their enemies (basically anyone who is not a communist):

“We must prepare today, yesterday and tomorrow for the prolong confrontation, the protracted war, against the capitalist state. We must carry out military actions against the enemies of the people!”

They then declare war on a bunch of different groups of people and follow that up with several quotes about how they are committed to revolutionary violence:

1. “Our country’s working class knows only two roads: barbarism or socialism. And both require violence but only in the latter is that violence revolutionary and mastered by the proletariat, its Party and the masses.”

2. Our task is clear: only through revolutionary violence can the masses create real political power!

3. The masses are fighting back and we will guide them toward victory through revolutionary violence and warfare!
Here is a brief history lesson on Chairman Mao's Cultural Revolution, courtesy of Chinese historian Song Yongyi, who said the widespread phenomenon of mass killings of the time consisted of five types:

1. Mass terror or mass dictatorship encouraged by the government—victims were humiliated and then killed by mobs or forced to commit suicide on streets or other public places.
2. Direct killing of unarmed civilians by armed forces.
3. Pogroms against traditional “class enemies” by government-led perpetrators such as local security officers and militias.
4. Killings as part of political witch-hunts (a huge number of suspects of alleged conspiratorial groups were tortured to death during investigations.
5. Summary execution of captives, that is, disarmed prisoners from factional armed conflicts.

The most frequent forms of massacres were the first four types, which were all state-sponsored killings. The degree of brutality in the mass killings of the Cultural Revolution was very high. Usually, the victims perished only after first being humiliated, struggled, and then imprisoned for a long period of time.” Because the death toll is considered a Chinese “state secret,” no one knows for sure how many people died during the Cultural Revolution. Estimates by various scholars range from 500,000 to 8 million.

It not hard to see why Far Left Watch considers the Red Guards -- which would like to see that horrific history repeated in the United States -- to be a legitimate threat to public safety. Citizens can submit a tip about FLW's investigation to the FBI.

Antifa: There Are No Good Outcomes for You

States With The Highest Rate Of Gun Ownership, Ranked
CBS News

[Gallery] This Is What Vikings Were Actually Like
Discoverytheword

15 Photos From Israel That Will Make You Think Again
DailyForest

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Hi [B] [6]

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[D] [6],

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[D] [6]

[D] [6]
Analyst, Homeland Threats Division
Office of Intelligence and Analysis
U.S. Department of Homeland Security

[D] [6]

[D] [6]

From: [D] [6]
Sent: Thursday, July 13, 2017 10:38 AM
To: [D] [6] @hq.dhs.gov>; HQ.DHS.GOV>
Cc: [D] [6] @HQ.DHS.GOV>
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[D] [6]

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Sent: Friday, July 07, 2017 11:33 AM  
To: [b] (6)  
Cc: [b] (6)  
Subject: RE: Antifa Violence FARs - Merger Proposal

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By JOSH MEYER
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Federal authorities have been warning state and local officials since early 2016 that leftist extremists known as “antifa” had become increasingly confrontational and dangerous, so much so that the Department of Homeland Security formally classified their activities as “domestic terrorist violence,” according to interviews and confidential law enforcement documents obtained by POLITICO.

Since well before the Aug. 12 rally in Charlottesville, Virginia, turned deadly, DHS has been issuing warnings about the growing likelihood of lethal violence between the left-wing anarchists and right-wing white supremacist and nationalist groups.

Previously unreported documents disclose that by April 2016, authorities believed that “anarchist extremists” were the primary instigators of violence at public rallies against a range of targets. They were blamed by authorities for attacks on the police, government and political institutions,
along with symbols of “the capitalist system,” racism, social injustice and fascism, according to a confidential 2016 joint intelligence assessment by DHS and the FBI.

After President Donald Trump’s election in November, the antifa activists locked onto another target — his supporters, especially those from white supremacist and nationalist groups suddenly turning out in droves to hail his victory, support crackdowns on immigrants and Muslims and to protest efforts to remove symbols of the Confederacy.

Those reports appear to bolster Trump’s insistence that extremists on the left bore some blame for the clashes in Charlottesville and represent a “problem” nationally. But they also reflect the extent that his own political movement has spurred the violent backlash.

In interviews, law enforcement authorities made clear that Trump’s inflammatory rhetoric and policies — first as a candidate and then as president — helped to create a situation that has escalated so quickly and extensively that they do not have a handle on it.

“It was in that period [as the Trump campaign emerged] that we really became aware of them,” said one senior law enforcement official tracking domestic extremists in a state that has become a front line in clashes between the groups. “These antifa guys were showing up with weapons, shields and bike helmets and just beating the shit out of people. ... They’re using Molotov cocktails, they’re starting fires, they’re throwing bombs and smashing windows.”

Almost immediately, the right-wing targets of the antifa attacks began fighting back, bringing more and larger weapons and launching unprovoked attacks of their own, the documents and interviews show. And the extremists on both sides have been using the confrontations, especially since Charlottesville, to recruit unprecedented numbers of new members, raise money and threaten more confrontations, they say.

“Everybody is wondering, ‘What are we gonna do? How are we gonna deal with this?’” said the senior state law enforcement official. “Every time they have one of these protests where both sides are bringing guns, there are sphincters tightening in my world. Emotions get high, and fingers get twitchy on the trigger.”

Even before Charlottesville, dozens and, in some cases, hundreds of people on both sides showed up at events in Texas, California, Oregon and elsewhere, carrying weapons and looking for a fight. In the Texas capital of Austin, armed antifa protesters attacked Trump supporters and white groups at several recent rallies, and then swarmed police in a successful effort to stop them from making arrests.

California has become another battleground, with violent confrontations in Berkeley, Sacramento and Orange County leading to numerous injuries. And antifa counter-protesters initiated attacks in two previous clashes in Charlottesville, according to the law enforcement reports and interviews.

Rallies are scheduled over the next few months across the country, including in Texas, Oregon, Missouri and Florida. Authorities are particularly concerned about those in states where virtually anyone, including activists under investigation for instigating violence, can brandish assault rifles in public.

Tensions have gotten so heated that after activists traded accusations after Charlottesville, a rumor circulated online that antifa would try and shut down the massive Sturgis, South Dakota, motorcycle rally because there were too many Confederate flags and Trump signs. It wasn’t true, but it prompted an outpouring of pleas by attendees for anti-fascists to come so they could assault them. One displayed a “Sturgis Survival Kit” for potential antifa protesters, complete with a tourniquet, morphine, body cast and defibrillator.
“Both the racists and a segment of violent antifa counter-protestors are amped for battle in an escalating arms race, where police departments are outmaneuvered, resulting in increasingly violent dangerous confrontations,” said former New York City police officer Brian Levin, who has been monitoring domestic militants for 31 years, now at the Center for the Study of Hate and Extremism at California State University, San Bernardino. “It’s an orchestrated dance. The rallies spill over into social media and then even more people show up at the next rally primed for violent confrontation.”

In recent decades, authorities have focused almost exclusively on right-wing groups as the most likely instigators of domestic terrorist violence, especially since Timothy McVeigh blew up the Oklahoma City federal building in 1995, killing 168 people.

More recently, the antifa groups, which some describe as the Anti-Fascist Action Network, have evolved out of the leftist anti-government groups like “Black bloc,” protesters clad in black and wearing masks that caused violence at events like the 1999 Seattle World Trade Organization protests. They claim to have no leader and no hierarchy, but authorities following them believe they are organized via decentralized networks of cells that coordinate with each other. Often, they spend weeks planning for violence at upcoming events, according to the April 2016 DHS and FBI report entitled “Baseline Comparison of US and Foreign Anarchist Extremist Movements.”
Protesters in black, associated with Antifa, beat a man with a pole and shield during a "No-To-Marxism" rally Aug. 27 in Berkeley, California.

Dozens of armed anti-fascist groups have emerged, including Redneck Revolt and the Red Guards, according to the reports and interviews. One report from New Jersey authorities said self-described antifa groups have been established in cities including New York, Philadelphia, Chicago and San Francisco.

Some of the DHS and FBI intelligence reports began flagging the antifa protesters before the election. In one from last September, portions of which were read to POLITICO, DHS studied "recent violent clashes ... at lawfully organized white supremacist" events including a June 2016
rally at the California Capitol in Sacramento organized by the Traditionalist Workers Party and its affiliate, the Golden State Skinheads.

According to police, counter-protesters linked to antifa and affiliated groups like By Any Means Necessary attacked, causing a riot after which at least 10 people were hospitalized, some with stab wounds.

At the Sacramento rally, antifa protesters came looking for violence, and “engaged in several activities indicating proficiency in pre-operational planning, to include organizing carpools to travel from different locations, raising bail money in preparation for arrests, counter-surveilling law enforcement using three-man scout teams, using handheld radios for communication, and coordinating the event via social media,” the DHS report said.

The intelligence assessments focus less on guns than handmade weapons used by antifa, with photos of members brandishing ax handles and shields, often with industrial-sized bolts attached to create crude bayonets. A senior state law enforcement official said, “A whole bunch of them” have been deemed dangerous enough to be placed on U.S. terrorism watch lists.

The FBI and DHS had no comment on that, or on any aspect of the assessments, saying they were not intended to be made public.

By the spring of 2016, the anarchist groups had become so aggressive, including making armed attacks on individuals and small groups of perceived enemies, that federal officials launched a global investigation with the help of the U.S. intelligence community, according to the DHS and FBI assessment.

The purpose of the investigation, according to the April 2016 assessment: To determine whether the U.S.-based anarchists might start committing terrorist bombings like their counterparts in “foreign anarchist extremist movements” in Greece, Italy and Mexico, possibly at the Republican and Democratic conventions that summer.

Some of the antifa activists have gone overseas to train and fight with fellow anarchist organizations, including two Turkey-based groups fighting the Islamic State, according to interviews and internet postings.

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Several state law enforcement officials said that all of those accelerating factors have come to pass. And recent FBI and DHS reports confirm they are actively monitoring “conduct deemed potentially suspicious and indicative of terrorist activity” by antifa groups.

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To: [b] [6]  
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Subject: RE: Antifa apocalypse? Anarchist group's plan to overthrow Trump 'regime' starts Saturday | Fox News

Good morning Rich, we are aware of a number of planned demonstrations across the country this weekend. Our regions are working with their law enforcement partners to gain additional information and to determine if any of our federal facilities will be impacted. We will send you our analysis this afternoon.

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Does this have any validity and if so, are you planning any mitigation efforts?

Hi [b][6]

Please see my 1st level edits attached. I'll need to take a second look at it after you’ve addressed my comments, but if you’d like to discuss anything in here first please feel free to give me a call. Thanks.

Best,

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SUBJECT: ANTIFA FAR For First Level Review

pls see a draft FAR attached for first level review,
Thanks,