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PRESS RELEASE

The Soufan Center Launches 'Mapping Insecurity' Project

A new project will allow users to follow the law enforcement response to the 6 January insurrection at the Capitol

LINK TO PROJECT

(New York, NY – January 21, 2021) The Soufan Center (TSC) is pleased to announce the launch of a new project called 'Mapping Insecurity: Tracking Domestic Violent Extremism.' An interactive tracker and resource library, the 'Mapping Insecurity' project will allow users to follow the law enforcement response to the 6 January insurrection at the Capitol, and access a consolidated collection of research, briefings and interviews.

The 'Mapping Insecurity' project builds on longstanding work by The Soufan Center to highlight the domestic terrorist threat posed domestic violent extremists, including white supremacists and antigovernment groups. The resource library brings together a collection of seminal publications, briefings and interviews by The Soufan Center team. The interactive map tracks arrests across the United States relating to the 6 January insurrection at the Capitol, drawing on primary data provided by U.S. government sources, and will be updated to reflect the broader domestic violent extremist threat.

"For several years The Soufan Center has been warning about the domestic terrorism challenge. The 6 January incursion on the Capitol was only able to take place because we have continuously failed to take the threat from far-right domestic extremists and white supremacists seriously," said Ali Soufan, Founder of The Soufan Center. "We've long had a double standard in counterterrorism and I hope this project will assist us in effectively mapping and understanding this threat."

"This resource provides a 'one-stop-shop' to better understand this threat. Getting a better sense of how it looks within the United States and also its international dimensions will be critical to developing effective policy and law enforcement responses," added Naureen Chowdhury Fink, Executive Director of The Soufan Center.

ABOUT THE SOUFAN CENTER (TSC)

Based in New York, <u>The Soufan Center</u> is a non-partisan center dedicated to research, analysis and dialogue to increase awareness of global security issues in the United States and around the world. The Soufan Center is a 501c3 non-profit organization. Ali Soufan is the Founder of The Soufan Center; Naureen Chowdhury Fink is the Executive Director.

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