

Democrats intensify calls for “unity” in aftermath of fascistic insurrection in Washington D.C.

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Two days before Inauguration Day, and less than two weeks after a fascistic insurrection incited by President Donald Trump in Washington DC, the Democrats are intensifying their calls for “unity” and “bipartisanship” with the Republican Party.

In news interviews on the Sunday talk shows, top surrogates for President-elect Joe Biden stressed that their number one priority is to “move forward” in collaboration with Trump's Republican Party co-conspirators.

In particular, the incoming Biden administration wants to move quickly to win Senate confirmation of cabinet officials essential to the economic and geostrategic interests of the American ruling class. This includes retired General Lloyd Austin, a former Iraq War commander and Raytheon board member, as secretary of defense and former Federal Reserve Chair Janet Yellen as treasury secretary.

In an interview on CNN's “State of the Union” program on Sunday, Biden's incoming chief of staff, Ron Klain, made it clear that all those who conspired with Trump to overturn the election, including Republican Senators Josh Hawley (Missouri) and Ted Cruz (Texas), would be welcome at inauguration proceedings on January 20.

Klain told host Jake Tapper that it was “more important” that those who attended the inauguration listen to the “message Joe Biden will have for the country... and that's going to be the message of moving this country forward. It's a message of unity. It's a message of getting things done.”

Klain added, “There are people in both parties we can work with to move this agenda forward.” He said that Republicans might “disagree with us on a lot of things,

on tax policy, health care, whatever. But we are going to try to work hard with people in both parties.”

Klain's call for unity comes as more revelations confirm the high-level coordination between Capitol Police, the FBI and the military in facilitating the storming of the Capitol. Over the weekend, the *Washington Post* reported on a leaked 12-page intelligence report from the Capitol Police, prepared on January 3, that described in detail the scenario that would play out three days later.

“Unlike previous post-election protests,” the report notes, “the targets of the pro-Trump supporters are not necessarily the counter-protesters as they were previously, but rather Congress itself is the target on the 6th.”

The report noted the unique danger presented by the January 6 rally due to the size of the crowds, the abundance of lethal weapons and the substantial support within the state. It warned that the “Stop the Steal” protests were “promoted by President Trump himself,” and that they had “several high profile speakers, including Members of Congress.”

The memo concluded, “Stop the Steal's propensity to attract white supremacists, militia members and others who actively promote violence may lead to a significantly dangerous situation for law enforcement and the general public alike.”

Two unnamed sources confirmed to the *Post* that the “intelligence memo was shared to all Capitol Police command staff by the intelligence unit's director, Jack Donohue.” The effective stand-down of the police on the day of January 6 made possible the storming of the Capitol by the fascists, with the aim of taking hostages.

As of this writing, some 32 current police officers

from 17 states have been identified as participating in the rally. In DC, police have arrested at least three on weapons charges after they tried to enter the militarized “Green Zone” around the Capitol. Armed right-wing fascists, including Boogaloo elements, congregated, albeit in small numbers, in capitals across the Midwest on Sunday, including in Lansing, Michigan and Columbus, Ohio.

In justifying his calls for “bipartisanship” and “unity,” Klain pointed to the results of the November election. Even though Biden won more votes than any other presidential candidate in US history, and the Democrats maintained control of the House of Representatives and won control of the Senate, he insisted that the results demonstrated the need to “find a way for Democrats and Republican to get things done.”

On the same program, incoming Senate Majority Whip Dick Durbin of Illinois said that he would not attempt to pressure fellow Democrats to convict Trump on the impeachment charges passed in the House. It will be up to “members... to follow their own conscience,” he said. Durbin cited precedent, noting that he did not whip the votes for previous impeachment trials in which he participated. However, in the previous impeachments, the subject matter was not the attempted overthrow of a presidential election and, with it, democratic forms of rule.

In response to Tapper inquiring if Durbin and the Democrats had any plans to censure or expel Trump’s co-conspirators in the House and Senate, Durbin said he had not “heard that suggested.” Durbin opined that the matter should be referred to the Senate Ethics Committee “and they should take the necessary action, in light of the complicity of the individual.”

In a separate interview on NBC’s “Meet the Press,” former Democratic presidential candidate and current senator Cory Booker also sought to prop up his “Republican colleagues,” telling his interviewer that there are “good people who I serve with in the United States Senate,” and that “we tend to vilify people who are not in our political party too much in this country.”

The Democrats, a party of Wall Street and the military, are seeking to cover up the complicity of the Republican Party in the coup attempt with the aim of reaching an accommodation with Trump’s co-conspirators in order to enact their shared class agenda

and prevent a massive social explosion from below.



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