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Domestic Extremist Threats Face the Trump Admin

By Dean C. Alexander



The incoming Donald Trump administration faces an array of extremist and terrorist threats aligned with varied ideological doctrines, and confounding domestic, homegrown, and foreign

manifestations. The new administration will attempt to manage such challenges, but cannot eliminate them. After all, these forms of political violence have existed since time immemorial and will continue for generations.

The term domestic extremism means individuals or groups that follow a variant of ideologies that support the threat and/or use of violence for political, religious, or social objectives. One type of domestic extremism includes those who disdain others due to a person's immutable characteristics, such as race, ethnicity, national origin, religion, gender, gender identity and disability. Such bias, as exhibited in criminal acts, has been termed hate crimes. Lone wolves and cabals inspired by hate-based ideology, as well as those formally linked to a hate group, perpetrate such crimes.

Increasingly troublesome are recent attempts to ignite a "race war," in the United States, among them: the June 2015 Dylan Roof murder of nine parishioners at an African-American church in Charleston, South Carolina; October 2016 failed plot by a militia-hate aligned cabal that sought to bomb an apartment complex housing Somali immigrants in Garden City, Kansas;

and the November 2016 planned attack by an African American couple to kill police in Trussville, Alabama.

In November 2016, the FBI released hate crime statistics for 2015, noting that there were "5,850 criminal incidents and 6,885 related offenses that were motivated by bias against race, ethnicity, ancestry, religion, sexual orientation, disability, gender and gender identity." About 48 percent of the perpetrators of these crimes were white, 24 percent were black, with the race unknown for the remainder. The most frequent types of bias attack were based on race/ethnicity/ancestry (59.2 percent), religion (19.7 percent), and sexual orientation (17.7 percent).

The Department of Justice's Bureau of Justice Statistics estimated that in 2012 there was a 60 percent underreporting of hate crimes. Hate crimes are significantly underestimated due to victims not notifying police of such incidents and police departments failing to recognize the role of bias in selected crimes.

Those who advocate or threaten violence on behalf of single-issue themes—environmentalism, animal rights, and abortion rights, for instance—have been deemed domestic extremists. Too, individuals and groups aligned with antigovernment movements—be they militias, sovereign citizens, anarchists, or others—have been classified as American extremists.

Homegrown violent extremism (HVE) comprises U.S.-based individuals of whatever citizenship who are influenced by a foreign terrorist organization (FTO), but act independently of it. Presently, there are over sixty US government-designated FTOs that conduct terrorism internationally,

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and threaten US national security in one way or another. The majority of these FTOs are violent jihadists from the Middle East.

What does the future hold?

How the threat of extremism and terrorism will evolve in the coming years is somewhat unclear. On the home front, there is evidence to suggest that some hate-based supporters, including those aligned to white nationalism, seem emboldened by President-elect Trump's victory. The alt-right movement, and some hate groups, claimed that Trump's triumph was an affirmation of their ideals.

According to the Southern Poverty Law Center (SPLC), there were over 700 incidents of hateful harassment and intimidation in the two weeks since national elections. In a November 23, 2016, meeting the *New York Times*, President-elect Trump was quoted as saying, "I don't want to energize the group [alt-right], and I disavow the group. It's not a group I want to energize, and if it is energized, I want to look into it and find out why."

Interestingly enough, SPLC's figures show that the number of hate groups accelerated from 676 in 2001 to 926 in 2008 during the George W. Bush presidency. In 2000, the figure was 602. The number of hate groups actually fell overall during the Obama presidency. During his administration, there was an initial expansion of hate groups from 932 in 2009 to 1,018 in 2011. Those figures then declined dramatically to 784 in 2014, prior reaching 892 groups in 2015.

A white nationalist resurgence—political and otherwise—may spur other fringe elements of contrasting ideological spectrums to threaten or resort to violence. An escalation of hate crimes against minorities—particularly blacks, Hispanics, Muslims and the LGBT communities—could result in militancy among segments of the population at large.

Environmental and animal rights extremists may accelerate their unlawful actions should they believe the Trump administration as buttressing corporate interests over their goals. Perceived support by the new administration of energy interests, including oil drillings (e.g., Dakota Access Pipeline), might lead to expanded aggressiveness by radicals aligned with environmental and indigenous interests.

Anarchist activity could escalate due to the election of a billionaire. Yet, the perceived anti-globalism stance of the incoming administration may soften such perspectives. It remains to be seen whether pro-life judicial appointments to the US Supreme Court would precipitate violence by those in support of pro choice.

Southern Poverty Law Center figures for the 2015 noted 998 antigovernment "patriot" groups, of which 276 were characterized as militias. The number of these groups increased during the Obama administration, rising from 512 patriot groups (with 127 militias) in 2008. In 2012, these

figures reached an all-time high of 1,360 patriot groups (with 321 militias). By comparison, during George W. Bush's presidency, the levels of patriot groups and militia groups declined from 158 patriot groups (with 73 militias) in 2001 to 149 patriot groups (with 42 militias) in 2008.

The impact of the election of Trump on militias and sovereign citizens is difficult to discern at this point. One train of thought is that Trump's support of the Second Amendment may placate militias. However, anti-immigrant-focused militias may view President-elect Trump's call for deportation of illegal aliens and the building of a wall with Mexico as a confirmation of their goals. Some within that camp may take that as carte blanche to proceed with their anti-immigrant pursuits. Others may forgo hate crimes and wait for the government to deal with those issues on its own.

Sovereign citizens will likely view the incoming administration as the latest example of an illegitimate, de facto government that infringes upon true citizens.

The sovereign citizen movement will probably continue to experience natural growth, including a high frequency of belligerency and "paper terrorism," against police and other government employees, including judges and prosecutors.

It is probable that HVEs—violent jihadists in the main—will be prompted by calls from FTOs to carry out attacks in the United States and against American interests abroad. What has been perceived as anti-Muslim rhetoric during the presidential campaign could fuel an attractive narrative that violent jihadist groups and propagandists will propagate offline and online. Nonetheless, absent

this narrative, violent jihadists have been effective in carrying out terror attacks and attracting adherents for decades.

Analysis

There are many daunting domestic extremist and international terrorist threats that the United States and the global community will need to address in the coming years and beyond. These cataclysmic forces may challenge the very essence of governments, industry, non-profits, non-governmental institutions and the public at large.

Hopefully, President-elect Donald Trump and his national security team will succeed in managing the extensive perils that await them through effective policies in the political, diplomatic, military, economic, legal, law enforcement, strategic communications and other spheres. Additionally, it is possible that the Trump administration will face unexpected foreign policy and terrorism events akin to those that confounded President Bush (e.g., the 9/11 attacks) and President Obama (e.g., the Arab Spring).

If so, multiple policy options must be considered very careful as initial impulses for one approach may, in retrospect, prove less than ideal. Unfortunately, an errant policy may not be recognized for months or years afterwards, sometimes making a reversal in strategy quite difficult.



Teen Dating Violence Awareness Month

By: Darrell McCree, Intern

Consistently, around 1.5 million secondary school understudies across the country encounter physical abuse from a dating accomplice. It is likewise realized that 3 in 4 guardians have never conversed with their kids about aggressive behavior at home. In light of these disturbing realities, consistently amid the time of February backers join endeavors to bring issues to light about dating savagery, highlight promising practices, and urge groups to get included.

According to justsayyes.org, there are numerous assets accessible to give data and support to casualties and help specialist organizations and groups to diminish the predominance of dating brutality among youngsters. Anybody can get this going by bringing issues to light about the issue, saying something in regards to abuse when you see it and sorting out your group to have any kind of effect.

The National Resource Center on Domestic Violence and VAW.net has built up an Online Special Collection: Preventing and Responding to Teen Dating Violence. As of late this Special Collection underlines shared and multilevel ways to deal with the counteractive action of and reaction to youngster dating brutality. VAW.net says current year's overhauls incorporate



extra assets for instructors and school-based experts. Another area to bolster the endeavors of pregnancy avoidance promoters and juvenile sexual wellbeing professionals in tending to pre-adult relationship manhandle.

More than 1 in 10 children who have been out on the town have likewise been physically abused by a sweetheart in the most recent year. Youngster Dating Violence Awareness Month

is a national push to bring issues to light and shield adolescents from brutality.

You can have any kind of effect: Encourage schools, group based associations, guardians, and high schoolers to meet up to anticipate youngster dating savagery. With one in three youngsters encountering some type of abuse from a dating accomplice, right

now is an ideal opportunity to have discussions about dating savagery with the high schoolers in your life. Regardless of the possibility that you don't see the notice signs, figuring out how to make sound connections and keep away from injurious ones are abilities that will endure forever. Furthermore, if your children is encountering misuse, it's critical to know how to offer assistance.

Click [HERE](#) for more information.

Protests Around the Country

By Amy Lanega, Research Assistant

After Donald Trump's inauguration, protests have erupted across the country. In Chicago, protesters demonstrated throughout the streets. The protesters assembled across the Chicago River from the Trump Tower. The police stopped the protesters before they could reach the Trump Tower. Police arrested 16 people and they will be charged with disorderly and reckless conduct to aggravated battery.

In downtown Washington, blocks from the inaugural parade route, people demonstrated. The protesters were equipped with crowbars, threw objects at people, and damaged storefronts and vehicles. The protest had to be broken up with the use of pepper spray and stun grenades. Six officers received minor injuries from the protest. Officers ended up arresting 216 people.

Near the Capitol, there were several demonstration that were peaceful and the protestors held up signs. However, near the National Mall, a group of 100 protestors damaged windows of downtown business. Later that day, the group of protestors increased. They tried to cross police lines. Police used batons, pepper spray, and stun grenades to break up the crowd. Protesters threw bricks and concrete at the police and rolled large trashcans. Ninety-five people were arrested and face

charges of vandalism and rioting. A couple of officers received minor injuries and was taken to the hospital.

In Portland Oregon, demonstrators blocked traffic, they were armed with clubs sticks, and threw objects at officers. Six people were arrested. In Nashville, protesters chained themselves to the doors of the Capitol building and there was a 10 minutes silent protest at a park. In New Orleans, protesters sprayed painted graffiti, smashed police vehicles and broke the windows. Fifteen people were arrested and two officers were injured. These are just a few examples of protests. With the continuing of protesting across the country law enforcement are working together to keep the peace and ensure the safety of the citizens and fellow law enforcement officers.

According to the Trump Administration, "Our job is not to make life more comfortable for the rioter, the looter, or the violent disrupter. Our job is to make life more comfortable for parents who want their kids to be able to walk the streets safely. Or the senior citizen waiting for a bus. Or the young child walking home from school."

The Leadership Fellow

The Illinois Law Enforcement Training and Standards Board (ILETSB) Executive Institute announces The Leadership Fellow: A Visiting Fellow Program that allows law enforcement leaders to immerse themselves in a collaborative environment of training development, technical assistance, and research.

The ILETSB Executive Institute Leadership Fellow program creates a collaborative working relationship among the Fellow, the Executive Institute, the home agency, and other criminal justice professionals throughout the state of Illinois. The Fellow will gain a broader understanding and knowledge of training and standards at the state level while gaining valuable leadership tools and guidance to take back to his or her home agency.

The duration of the fellowship is approximately three to six months depending on the goals of the Fellow and the projects determined within the fellowship plan. The timeframe will be agreed upon by the Executive Institute and the home agency and may be flexible based on the magnitude of projects and potential goals.

To learn more about The Leadership Fellow, click [here](#) for a brochure with more details and the application process. Please contact Dr. Joanne Kurt-Hilditch via email at j-kurt-hilditch@wiu.edu for further information.

2017 Women in Criminal Justice Conference

The Women in Criminal Justice Conference will be held April 5-6, 2017, at the Bloomington-Normal Marriott Hotel and Conference Center. Please save the date on your calendars. The theme this year will be "Building Your Toolkit." We are considering presentations and exhibitors at this time. Please visit the Exhibitor Prospectus and Call for Presentations for more information.

Click [HERE](#) for the full Exhibitor Prospectus.

Grant Opportunities

Research and Evaluation on Domestic Radicalization to Violent Extremism- Discover what leads to radicalization and how it is similar to other extreme violence.

Strengthening the Medical Examiner-Coroner System Program- Strengthen the Medical Examiner-Coroner system.

Research and Evaluation Solicitation- Research and evaluate approaches to combatting domestic violence, sexual assault, dating violence, and stalking.

Travel Ban

By Anna Balek, Research Assistant

On January 27th, President Trump signed an executive order that temporarily banned travel from seven countries. The executive order is a temporary 90 day ban of people who are entering into the U.S. from Iraq, Syria, Iran, Libya, Somalia, Sudan, and Yemen. The order will standstill entrance of refugees into the U.S. to improve the vetting and security screening process. The Department of Homeland Security (DHS) put a temporary freeze of trips to interview refugees that want entry into the U.S. As a result of this executive order, local and federal law enforcement are working closely to ensure safety and order of the public.

According to the DHS, about 375 travelers had been affected by the order, 109 of whom were in transit and were denied entry to the United States. Another 173 were stopped by airlines before boarding. About 81 people have been granted special waivers which were allowed entrance into the U.S. Of those travelers 18 people were believed to be detained and 14 remained in custody at O'Hare Airport in Chicago, IL.

While DHS was following the executive order by President Trump many protesters gathered at O'Hare Airport to protest the order.

The DHS issued a statement about the order, "The president's Executive Orders remain in place—prohibited travel will remain prohibited, and the U.S. government retains its right to revoke visas at any time if required for national security or public safety. The president's Executive Order affects a minor portion of international travelers, and is a first step towards reestablishing control over America's borders and national security".

Click [HERE](#) to read the full executive order that was put into place by President Trump.

Police Executive Role in the 21st Century

Session M-224

The Police Executive Role in the 21st Century is a comprehensive and challenging program designed to guide law enforcement leaders in the right direction with professional development necessary for successful management and leadership of today's law enforcement agency. Participants will be challenged to think strategically and with vision to take their organization to the next level.



When

Week 1: March 27-30, 2017
 Week 2: April 24-27, 2017
 Week 3: May 15-18, 2017

Where

Peoria County Sheriff's Office
 301 N. Maxwell Road
 Peoria, Illinois

Registration Deadline: March 11, 2017

Registration Required. Enrollment is limited!

Tuition Free!

Tuition and Lodging

Tuition and lodging* for Illinois local law enforcement is provided by the ILETSSB Executive Institute. A non-refundable administrative fee (\$150) is due for persons accepted into the class by February 15, 2016.

*Some exceptions may apply.

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Register Now!

Illinois First-Line Supervisor Institute on Violence Against Women

The ILETSSB Executive Institute is proud to announce the Illinois First-Line Supervisor Institute on Violence Against Women. The Illinois Institute curriculum focuses attention on resources for developing capacity and commitment of law enforcement to address crimes of violence against women. Please join our initiative to effectively prevent and address Violence Against Women Crimes.

Fairview Heights

March 28-30, 2017

Naperville

April 25-27, 2017

Tuition Free!

Registration Deadline:

Fairview Heights: March 2, 2017

Naperville: March 17, 2017

Registration Required. Enrollment is limited!

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Click on cities to register.

Effective Police Supervision Transformation to Leadership

This course focuses on the first-line supervisors' function, effectiveness, proficiency and influence on creating an effective criminal justice agency. A hybrid learning experience, participants will meet for three weeks of traditional classroom instruction with individual and group participation, online learning modules and written assignments including case studies, the SARA model, personal leadership philosophy, and comprehensive supervision plans. Persons successfully completing the course will receive 200 hours of training credit.

When

Week 1: April 17-20, 2017

Week 2: May 22-25, 2017

Week 3: June 19-22, 2017

Where

SRC Outreach Center

2500 E. Jackson Street

Macomb, IL 61455

Registration Deadline: March 22, 2017

Registration Required. Enrollment is limited!

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New Chiefs' of Police Orientation

This course presents concepts, strategies, and information necessary for new police chiefs to efficiently and effectively lead their organization. The successful police chief must be many things to many people and sets the tone for the organization. The chief's role calls for an awareness of multiple constituencies and agendas.

When

April 17-20, 2017

Where

Crowne Plaza Hotel

3000 S. Dirksen Parkway

Springfield, IL 62703

Registration Deadline: May 3, 2017

Registration Required. Enrollment is limited!

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2017 Women in Criminal Justice Conference Building Your Toolkit

April 5 - 6, 2017
Bloomington-Normal Marriott
Convention Center & Hotel

The ILETSB Executive Institute is pleased to announce the 2017 Women in Criminal Justice Conference. This event brings together executives, managers, and supervisors to examine the critical issues that challenge today's criminal justice agencies. The theme, *Building Your Toolkit*, emphasizes the need to develop strong knowledge, skills, and abilities related to work in the criminal justice field today. The focus this year includes:

- Building Relationships for Mentoring, Advising, and Training
- The Pillars to Success in Recruitment, Selection, and Retention of Criminal Justice Employees
- Women in Leadership Roles
- Career Planning for Women Working in Criminal Justice Professions
- Collaborations Between Researchers and Practitioners for Successful Criminal Justice Partnerships

Keynote Speakers:

Sheriff Lupe Valdez, Dallas County (TX) Sheriff

Carolyn Gurski, Chief of Public Safety
Illinois Department of Corrections

Dr. Olivia Johnson, Founder, Blue Wall Institute
First Responder Wellness Training



EVENTS AT A GLANCE

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 5	THURSDAY, APRIL 6
8:00 AM - 7:00 PM Exhibits Set Up	6:00 am - 7:00 am Sunrise Yoga
10:00 am Opening Ceremony and Welcome	7:15 am - 8:00 am Continental Breakfast
10:30 am - 11:45 am Sheriff Lupe Valdez	8:00 am - 9:15 am Breakout Sessions
11:45 am - 1:00 pm Lunch & Speaker	9:30 am - 11:00 am Panel Session
1:00 pm - 2:15 pm Breakout Sessions	11:15 am - 12:30 pm Dr. Olivia Johnson
2:30 pm - 3:45 pm Breakout Sessions	
4:00 pm - 5:15 pm Breakout Sessions	
5:15 pm - 6:30 pm Networking Reception	
7:00 pm - 8:00 pm Yoga	

BREAKOUT SESSIONS

- Training Today's Police
- Resiliency and Self Care
- Using Forensic Psychology in Policing
- Leading Inside the Walls
- Defining Leadership
- Taking Charge & Taking Steps to Equalize the Field
- Handling Eyewitness Evidence
- Auto Theft in the 21st Century: Current Trends
- Training the Imposter
- The Positive and Negative Effects of Implicit Bias
- Leading from the Inside-Out with Energy Leadership
- Corrections "Professionals": Getting the Best from Staff

LODGING INFORMATION

FREE Lodging the evening of April 5th for Illinois Practitioners!

Must live 40 miles or more from the conference site.

*Door Prizes
Networking
National Speakers
Breakout Sessions
Exhibitors*



Registration Fees	Early Bird Ends March 10	Regular
Single Registrant Also first registrant in group	\$75.00	\$100.00
Group Registration Must be from same agency	\$60.00	\$85.00
Out-of-State and Federal	\$100.00	\$125.00
Full Time Student Not working in CJ Field	\$50.00	\$60.00
Confirmed Conference Speakers	\$37.50	\$37.50

REGISTER ONLINE

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Cancellation – Paid registrants will be reimbursed 50% of the registration fee if the cancellation is received on or before March 21, 2017. Cancellations after March 21, 2017 or no-shows will not be reimbursed. Registrants with an unpaid registration fee (purchase order) and who cancel on or before March 21, 2017 will be assessed 50% of the registration fee. Registrants with unpaid registration fees (purchase order) who are no-shows will be assessed the full registration fee. All no-shows will be assessed lodging if a room was previously requested.



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- Has interactive learning activities;
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- Meets current statutory requirements;
- Has a library of relevant topics for law enforcement;
- Tracks and retains officer training records;
- Provides a Certificate of Completion for training records.

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Student Introductions



Anna Balek is a graduate assistant at the Executive Institute. She is a graduate student in the Law Enforcement and Justice Administration program at Western Illinois University (WIU). She graduated with a Bachelor's Degree in Law Enforcement and Justice Administration with a minor in Psychology in July of 2016 from WIU. Anna is from Hickory Hills, IL. She currently holds the president position with the WIU Chapter-ASIS Security Organization. After graduation, Anna wants to work with human victims in the law enforcement field in the Chicagoland area.



Darrell is currently an intern for the Executive Institute at Western Illinois University (WIU). He is a member of the Army National Guard and will finish his Bachelors in Law Enforcement and Justice Administration in May 2017. After his internship, he would be furthering his education with goals of eventually receiving his doctorate. He also has an enthusiasm for the professional openings inside the Sociology Outreach department. Darrell also will be continuing in the National Guard after graduation.