

Law Enforcement Bracing for Massive Election Riots

The fact that law enforcement officials across the nation are expecting widespread violence following the election should chill every American to the core. As I keep repeating, violence is not going to solve anything, but much of the population is not listening to voices such as mine anymore.

Authorities have decided to “plan for the worst” because everyone can see what is potentially coming. But if we can’t hold a presidential election without violence, how much longer can our system possibly last? No matter who ends up winning, the election of 2020 will tell us a lot about how far America has already fallen.

Thankfully, officials in most major cities do not have their heads stuck in the sand and are preparing for massive riots following the election. In New York, the police department is literally “training every day” to deal with the riots and protests that they are anticipating.

In Los Angeles, officers are being told that “they may need to reschedule” their vacations to be available for whatever may happen.

In so many instances, law enforcement agencies are pointing to the riots that erupted in the aftermath of the death of George Floyd as the type of scenario that they want to be prepared for this time around.

Even down in Texas, authorities in multiple cities are admitting that “they are planning for potential unrest around the Nov. 3 election.”

Of course in some cities the violent protests never seem to end.

Four years ago, chaos erupted in Portland when Donald J. Trump won the election, and the city has been wracked by civil unrest ever since.

In Minneapolis, shell-shocked officials continue to deal with an unprecedented wave of crime and violence, and the spokesman for the police told the press that their approach for this upcoming election is to “plan for the worst.”

That is a good word for all of us.

We can continue to hope that peace will prevail, but if you aren't planning for the worst you are definitely making a big mistake.

At this point, even the Justice Department is preparing.

“Bracing for possible civil unrest on Election Day, the Justice Department is planning to station officials in a command center at FBI headquarters to coordinate the federal response to any disturbances or other problems with voting that may arise across the country, officials told *The Washington Post*. “Though the Justice Department monitors elections every year to ensure voters can cast their ballots, officials' concerns are more acute this year that toxic politics, combined with the potential uncertainty surrounding vote tallies, could lead to violent demonstrations or clashes between opposing factions.”

I sincerely hope authorities will be successful in minimizing unrest.

Any sort of political violence should break all of our hearts, because that should never happen in this country.

Unfortunately, an increasing number of Americans are convinced that things in this nation will soon take a very chaotic turn. In fact, one recent poll found that 61% of Americans believe we are heading toward another civil war.

The poll, which included results from the “Back-to-Normal Barometer” survey, was conducted by three firms: Engagious, Sports and Leisure Research Group and ROKK Solutions.

Those numbers are shocking, and they are consistent with other surveys I have seen.

Anger and hatred have been building up in our country for years, and it appears that we are about to reach a crescendo.

I will continue to speak out against rioting, looting and all forms of political violence, and many other influential voices are doing so as well.

But there are also many voices stirring up more anger and more hatred with each passing day. It looks like it is going to be a pivotal time in our history, and the more bitterly the election results are contested the worse the chaos is likely to be. {eoa}

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