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Fox's midterm engagement strategy is telling its viewers that Democrats are coming to kill them https://t.co/vdZD8Nu6xX



As usual, the network's commentators are taking cues from Trump, who argued Saturday that Democrats were "an angry left-wing mob" that is "too extreme and too dangerous to govern.

Tomi Lahren said this morning that "The average citizen, if you're on the right, should be concerned and in danger." Sebastian Gorka chimed in that Democrats had "normalized violence in America."

Sean Hannity says the choice for voters is between "mob rule or law and order." Laura Ingraham says its "Mob rule or the rule of law? Perpetual rage or real results?" Tucker Carlson compared Democrats to the Hutus before the Rwandan genocide.

We're well past the already-risible claim that Democrats were the "party of crime," unwilling to protect voters from danger. Now, the argument from Trump and his propagandists is that the Democrats *are* the danger.

Expect Fox to pull out all the stops over the next month in order to maintain congressional Republicans’ majority and protect Trump from meaningful oversight. That's what they do. #fin