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My rage has not abated, it has grown. I worked on the Hill on 9/11 & when 2 police officers were tragically killed by a madman with a gun--surprise attacks that lead to dramatic security increases. BILLIONS have been spent to protect OUR house-the people's house. And yet...1/

This attack--planned in plain site by a bunch of morons who had merch!--was carried out with little resistance. Think about it, the seditious mob brought and built a gallows and platform with 6x6 beams at OUR capitol. This required some planning. 2/

https://t.co/28i2Z71deE

They had ladders! Are you telling me they walked up with ladders and no one thought, "uh oh, shit's getting real?"

■ Eric Lee/Bloomberg/Getty Images 3/



They had zip ties and flex cuffs to handcuff people! Who were they planning to take hostage and thank god they were not successful. 4/



The had SLEDGEHAMMERS??? 5/
https://t.co/MmLVHWURzQ

I have been to every kind of protest you can imagine in DC-its part of DC life-#climatechange, women's rights, gun control, and nobody ever brought a ladder to storm the Capitol. In fact, nobody ever tried to storm the Capitol at all. Nobody.

■Bryan Woolston / Reuters 6/



Hell, I even went to the first Million Man March in 1995, when a million BLACK men came to DC. Guess what? NOBODY had a ladder or a sledgehammer or zip ties and nobody tried to stage an invasion. If they had, we all know what would have happened. 7/

https://t.co/p7KsaLacJR

Meanwhile, my former colleagues had to evacuate with their hands up. Staff literally running for safety from white seditionists. Those I have talked to continue to process fear, rage, and sadness. This trauma is real.

■Amanda Voisard/For The Washington Post/Getty Images 8/

