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your story “Trump Supporters Storm U.S. Capitol, Clash With Police” is date-stamped January 6, 2021 at 9:30 AM, which is 2.5 hours BEFORE President Trump spoke at the Ellipse and 4 hours BEFORE any procession to the Capitol. #fakenews

January 6, 2021, at 11:44 AM Eastern Time: The President arrives to speak.

January 6, 2021 at 12:05 PM, an hour past the scheduled start time, the President took to the podium. Again, your story was posted before anything happened. Why and how?

The crowd was reverent, not violent, mostly taking photos to capture the historic moment after waiting in frigid weather for so long.

During his speech, @POTUS says “I will march with you to the Capitol.” Here are 4 images of the President during that speech. He clearly told the crowd they would go together, peacefully but firmly, to make sure Congress did its job.

Why was this important for him to say? Because @VP Mike Pence might not send the contested Electoral College votes back to the states. The message was to elected officials: The people will remember what you do today.