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BREAKING: Big [@TheJusticeDept](#) move against [#ProudBoys](#). 5 new conspiracy arrests for actions at [#Capitol](#).

Mention of the use of fluorescent orange recognition tape, movement as a group. Developing story.

h/t [@FPWellman](#)

Story via [@davidgshortell](#) [@CNN](#). <https://t.co/lvCBe1QqOR>

(CNN) — The Justice Department unsealed conspiracy charges against five people associated with the [Proud Boys](#) on Thursday in the latest and largest move against the far-right group's coordinated role in the insurrection last month.

The five are charged with conspiracy and some are accused of leading crowds as they pushed through multiple police lines to make their way into the Capitol building on January 6. They were arrested early Thursday.

According to a criminal complaint, the group "moved closely to each other" once inside the building and each wore pieces of fluorescent orange tape affixed to their clothing or gear.

While we wait on docs, I recommend revisiting this excellent [@WSJ](#) visual investigation of the [#ProudBoys](#) coordinated role in the [#Capitol](#) siege.

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