

DHS: Extremists used TikTok to promote Jan. 6 violence | POLITICO

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Federal officials warned law enforcement agencies this spring that domestic extremists had used TikTok in the lead-up to the Jan. 6 riots on the Capitol, including by promoting bringing guns to Washington that day, according to an internal government document — highlighting authorities' growing concern over violent content on the video app.

In [the April 19 briefing](#) reviewed by POLITICO, the Department of Homeland Security's Office of Intelligence and Analysis said American extremists used the Chinese-owned social media platform to recruit people to their causes, as well as share "tactical guidance" for terrorist and criminal activities.

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