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In the final two weeks of the 2020 presidential election, Republican operatives spread a recontextualized video of candidate Joe Biden they took out of a larger interview and claimed it showed the candidate bragging about running the "biggest voter fraud organization this country has ever seen." This claim was quickly debunked, but was amplified by influencers and media personalities and adopted by administration officials to sow distrust around election integrity in furtherance of the voter fraud narrative President Donald Trump and his allies had been seeding in the electorate for a year, and which ultimately led to a violent insurrection at the U.S. Capitol Building.

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