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Please see the embedded note from A/DUSIEO

There has been a change in lexicon related to the events we have been experiencing over the past several days

Although the reference in her note refers to disseminated production best practice dictates that we should use this same lexicon in the reporting we have been doing

Please initiate the shift, as appropriate, to this lexicon on subsequent reports..

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All,

Please start using the definition below in anything disseminated on violent protests.

~~(U//FOUO)~~ Violent Opportunists Illicit actors who may or may not hold violent extremist ideological beliefs, but seek to exploit opportunities in non-violent protests to engage in unlawful violence against federal, state, or local government and law enforcement personnel or facilities, as well as other critical infrastructure, that either poses a danger to human life, threat of potential destruction of the critical infrastructure, or would be so disruptive as to endanger the minimal operations of state and local governments to respond. These actors may capitalize on violent extremist narratives often espoused by organized DVE movements, such as anarchist extremists or racially motivated violent extremists, to justify violent activities that may potentially destroy government critical infrastructure at the state, local and federal levels, and may attempt to incite others to violence to provide cover for their own illicit activities. Their primary motivations may be influenced by a variety of criminal objectives and goals.

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