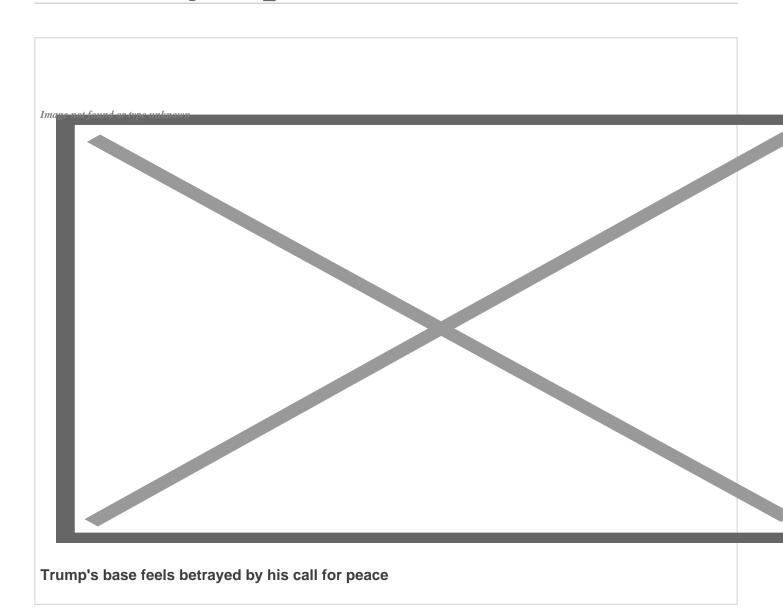
Trump's base feels betrayed by his call for peace



Washington, January 18 (RHC)-- Far-right extremists are reportedly furious with Donald Trump, calling him a "traitor" and a "coward," after the outgoing president pleaded for calm following his impeachment for inciting the violent storming of the U.S. Capitol last week, according to a report.

Faced with unprecedented backlash after he goaded his supporters to march on Congress, Trump released a video message in recent days, calling for peace and no more violence as preparations get underway for the January 20 inauguration of President-elect Joe Biden.

"I unequivocally condemned the violence that we saw last week. Violence and vandalism have absolutely no place in our country, and no place in our movement," Trump said in the recorded message.

Trump's once-ardent backers feel betrayed and abandoned by the president, who incited them to "fight like hell" in order to overturn his election defeat. A review of thousands of messages across multiple social media platforms by Huffington Post has revealed that the tone against the president is shifting among his base. Some have gone so far as calling for Trump's arrest and execution.

A growing number of Trump supporters, who might hope to disrupt Biden's inauguration, are denouncing the outgoing president and rejecting his recent calls for peace, HuffPost said. "Alarmingly, many of those who are irate about Biden's supposed electoral theft are still plotting to forcibly prevent him from taking office – with or without Trump's help," it added.

"We don't follow you," another Telegram user wrote, addressing Trump, following the release of his video message. "Be quiet and get out of our way."

The Proud Boys, a pro-Trump neo-fascist group that helped storm the Capitol, also posted a message with Trump's video that said> "The Betrayal of Trumpist base by Trump himself continues."

Law enforcement authorities are urgently warning of armed protests being planned by far-right extremists and white supremacists in all 50 state capitals in the run-up to Biden's inauguration. The Capitol complex has been locked down and over 20,000 members of the National Guard have been deployed in Washington to assist with the security.

A new joint intelligence bulletin from the FBI, Department of Homeland Security and U.S. National Counterterrorism Center has warned that politically-motivated extremists will likely pose the greatest domestic terrorism threats this year.

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