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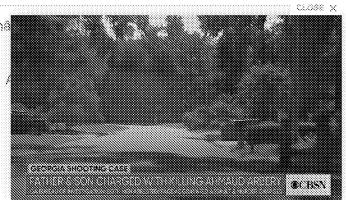
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'I'm in your house' | Armed group condemns systemic and overt racism, marches to Stone Mountain

The mountain, known for its massive Confederate memorial carving and hiking trails, was also the location of the rebirth of the KKK in 1915.



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STONE MOUNTAIN, Ga. — A group of demonstrators marched into Stone Mountain Park on Saturday afternoon, according to park authorities.

The group, known as the Not F***ing Around Coalition (NFAC) was comprised of about 100 to 200 people, all dressed in black.

Shortly after 2 p.m., Bankhead said the group was allowed to come into the park and entered from the West Gate. They then headed toward the lawn area of the park, where the large Confederate carving of Jefferson Davis, Robert E. Lee and Stonewall Jackson on the north face of the mountain can be viewed.



The group then went to Memorial Hall during their time at the park.

In a video shared online, one member of the group also spoke about the reason they chose the location, describing the park to fellow members of the group as the "birthplace of the Ku Klux Klan" - referring to how it was restarted atop the mountain in 1915.

"I want the heart of the Ku Klux Klan to hear me no matter where the f*** you are," he said. "I'm in your house. Where you at? You made a threat. We don't threaten."

Photos | Demonstrators amass at Stone Mountain Park

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Demonstrators at Stone Mountain Park on July 4, 2020

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The group ultimately left with an escort by park police. Police said they had no issues with the group during their time in the park.

"It's a public park, state park," Bankhead said. "We have these protests on both sides of the issue from time to time. We respect people's first amendment rights to exercise those rights."

"We understand the sensitivity of the issues here at the park and the dark past so we respect that and allow them to come in," he said. "As long as it's peaceful, which it has been, then that's fine."

Bankhead said that both the north and west entrances to the park were closed and no one else was being admitted during the demonstration. Those in the park were allowed to hike and walk but no attractions were open.

The event at Stone Mountain is only one of a number of demonstrations scheduled for the Fourth of July in and around metro Atlanta.

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Traditionally, for the Fourth of July, a large laser show and fireworks display take place at dusk with the carving as a backdrop.



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STONE MOUNTAIN, GA – On Saturday, July 4, a group of "100% black" people named the "Not Fucking Around Coalition" (NFAC) marched through Stone Mountain Park armed and escorted by police.

The founder of the group, who calls himself Grand Master Jay, spoke with Newsweek over the phone Sunday. Jay said:

"We are a Black militia. We aren't protesters, we aren't demonstrators. We don't come to sing, we don't come to chant. That's not what we do."

What do they do then? Well, on Independence Day, Jay said:

"Our initial goal was to have a formation of our militia in Stone Mountain to send a message that as long as you're abolishing all these statues across the country, what about this one?"

In Stone Mountain, Georgia earlier today
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The statue he's referring to is the nation's biggest Confederate monument near Atlanta.

The Confederate monument is a sculpture of the Confederate President Jefferson Davis and Southern generals Robert E. Lee and Stonewall Jackson.

The NFAC met at this nine-story monument made of a transparent crystalline mineral to start their march. The NFAC gathered with about 1,000 members, each one armed with ammunition and a rifle.

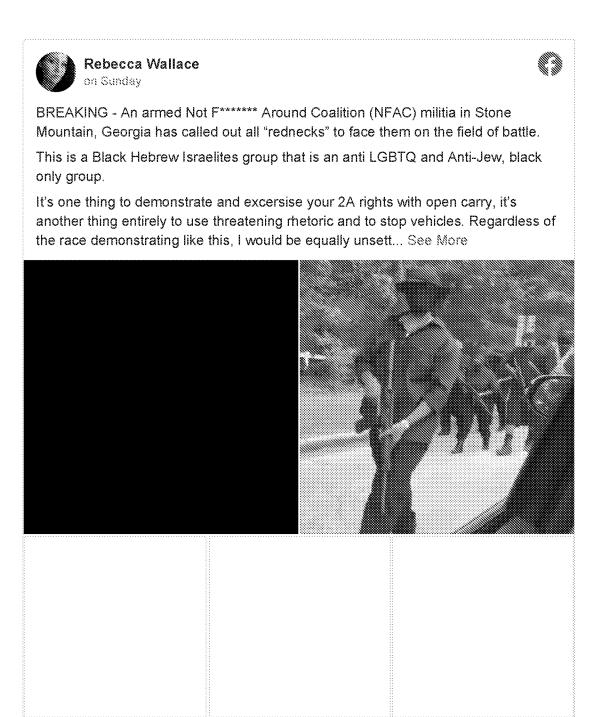
They were challenging the white nationalist groups in the area to come out and fight.

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One protester used a PA system and shouted:

"I don't see no white militia, the boogie [boogaloo] boys, the three percenters and all the rest of these scared-ass rednecks. We here, where fuck you at? We're in your house."



Jay mentioned that the NFAC is not affiliated with the Black Lives Matter.

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Earlier in the day, the NFAC were seen alongside demonstrators who were headed to a rally for Rayshard Brooks, who was killed by police at a Wendy's. Brooks' sister to the rally requested the NFAC provide her a "security escort" to the rally.

Jay commended the police for showing support to the all-black militia in exercising their Constitutional rights on July 4th.

The Stone Mountain Park main thoroughfare is Robert E. Lee Boulevard. The street was named after the Confederate general who led the South in the Civil War.

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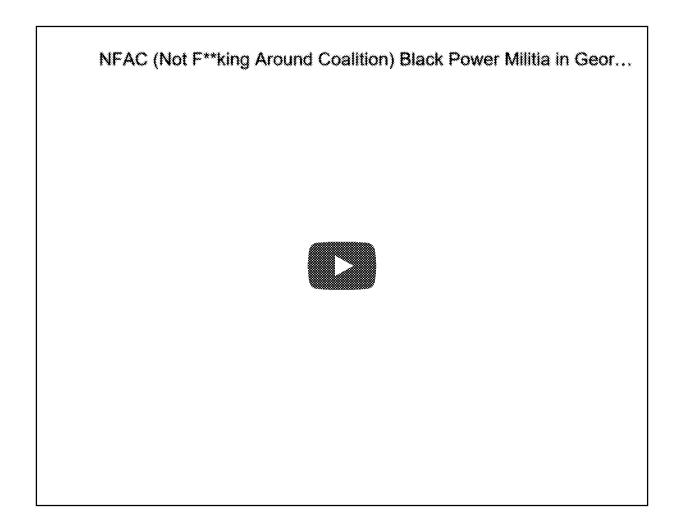
Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the park had been closed, but it reopened for the 4th of July holiday weekend. Requests to remove or alter the monument have surfaced again because of the mass protests and rioting around the nation.

The monument motivated the birth to the Ku Klux Klan and has been a site for white nationalist rallies.

A spokesman for the Stone Mountain Memorial Association, John Bankhead, confirmed that the Confederate monument is a usual meeting place for groups.

WXIA-TV reported he also said:

"It's a public park, a state park. We have these protests on both sides of the issue from time to time. We respect people's First Amendment right. We understand the sensitivities of the issue here at the park ... so we respect that and allow them to come in as long as it's peaceful, which it has been."



During the march, the leaders of the NFAC militia halted the formation to call out to the local white supremacists and far-right Second Amendment advocates to "stop hiding."

Other members chanted: "Black Lives Matter, Black Power, Hands up, don't shoot."

Jay said:

"We will not allow the murder of another black person, whether it be by white people or black people. I am not fucking around."

Lest you think he's just a regular protester speaking in anger, Jay also said:

"It was all Black ... there were no brown people, no white people... everyone was Black. I am not a protester, I am the commanding general of my militia, we were swearing in new members."

Jay also mentioned they're planning another "show of force" In Phoenix on Saturday.

Organizers of the march want change and say they will "no longer be ignored."

One of them said:

"We want change that's really going to permanently help us, we don't want [any] little change, we want some real change."

Another organizer said:

"It's life or death out here, that's why we're out here, day by day, practicing our Second Amendment right just like the white folks do."

Videos of the NFAC march were featured on a Youtube channel called Chaos

Stream Network. The caption for the video covering this particular march was titled:

"Coming near you to slaughter white families. We all know were this is going."

Newsweek reported that when the militia members were asked who the group was by a motorist driving by, a member replied with a question asking how the motorist felt about slavery reparations.

The largest armed Black crowd I've ever seen in my life just crossed the front of my house in Stone Mountain. Bigger than any Black Panther engagement I've ever encountered #July4th2020 pic.twitter.com/4iH5qx77Ee

— Jollof Rice Brand Ambassador (@_King_Akin) July 4, 2020

Many members of NFAC were apparently outraged by being compared to the Black Panthers, who were a marxist group from the 1960's to the early 1980's who open-carried and challenged alleged police brutality.

Violence often accompanied their demonstrations, they tortured a man who they thought was an informant, and even killed an Oakland, CA Police Officer.

Since the Black Panthers are currently trending on Twitter, I'm going to do a long and completely documented thread with a number of things that the media does NOT want you to know

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NFAC supporters accused Twitter users of being racist for comparing this group to the Black Panthers.

Here's a picture of a Black Panther militia member marching

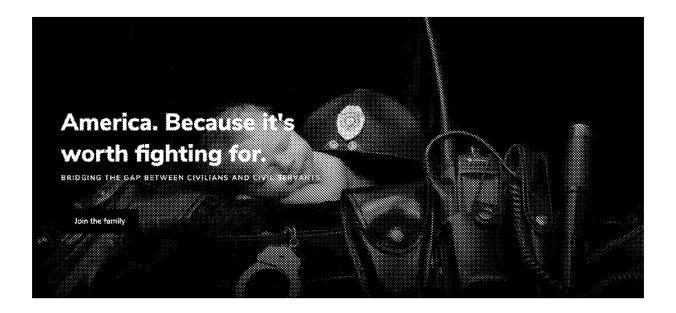
One user stated:

"The Black Panthers haven't existed since the 80s, and White people who label every militant Black man as a Black panther are being racist as hell. It basically negates the rest of your message about inclusion and diversity. Seriously, it's ignorant."

Another user said:

"NFAC: Not Fucking Around Crew, gathered at Stone Mountain State Park. A known place of Ku Klux Klan rallies. Of course racist on Twitter have a problem with it. They're not the Black Panthers! It's always a problem when Black people use their 2nd amendment rights."

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A third commenter said:

"Black Panthers' is trending because everybody thinks 'Black people with guns = Black Panthers'. The group is the NFAC. No relation."

And yet another:

"You pieces of sh** keep calling any armed gathering of BLACK MEN Black Panthers knowing that's not what they are. The fear of a BLACK MAN keeps you up at night. A BLACK MAN using the 2nd Amendment gives you nightmares."

One more said:

"Dear EVERY SINGLE DUMBASS calling #NFAC the "Black Panthers" or anything that is a misrepresentation of peace and protection for the Black community. Go suck your mother and open your ears when you done!

@realDonaldTrump friends and family #KKK made a threat and here's a response."

It's unknown what threat the user was referring to.

Here are photos of the Black Panthers pulled from Youtube videos:



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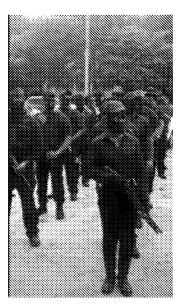


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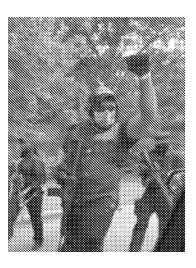


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And here are screenshots from the NFAC this weekend:



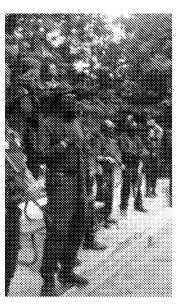
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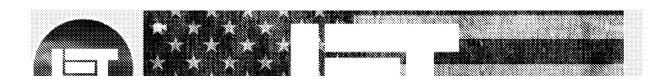
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Heavily armed Black Panthers target Confederate monument used by KKK and American flag is burned in Washington DC and near Trump Tower as Fourth of July protests sweep the country

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More than a hundred heavily armed Black Panthers descended on the country's largest Confederate monument to demand its removal, while demonstrators burned American flags near Trump Tower as tens of thousands across the country attended Fourth of July protests.

On Saturday, as Donald Trump hosted hundreds at the White House for a July Fourth fireworks display, thousands of Americans ditched their traditional cookouts and celebrations for rallies and sit-ins, including a march in Washington DC in the searing 90-degree heat near the National Mall.

Flag burnings were also seen in Washington, as well as in New York City outside the Trump Tower, and on Trump's Hollywood Walk of Fame star.

And at the nation's biggest Confederate monument, which has been used as a meeting place by the KKK, the Black Panthers gathered to demand the removal of the racist sculpture.

In Georgia, as many as 100 reported members of the Black Panther Party descended into Stone Mountain Park as calls to remove the Stone Mountain Confederate Memorial boomed.

Stone Mountain Confederate Memorial, a nine-story-high base-relief sculpture carved into a sprawling rock face northeast of Atlanta, is perhaps the South's most audacious monument to its pro-slavery legacy still intact.

Despite long-standing demands for the removal of what many consider a shrine to racism, the giant depiction of three Confederate heroes on horseback still towers ominously over the Georgia countryside, protected by state law.

It, as well as many other Confederate statues, have become a debate between Americans who argue they celebrate hate ideologies and those who believe it honors the traditions of the South.

Photos taken at Stone Mountain Park showed a crowd of armed Black Panther Party members hidden behind various face coverings on Saturday.

The Black Panther Party, originally named the Black Panther Party for Self-Defense, was founded in Oakland, California, by then-college students Bobby Seale and Huey Newton in 1966.

Heavily armed Black Panthers target Confederate monument used by KKK and American... Page 3 of 3

The political group was initially founded to monitor the behavior of Oakland Police

Department officers, who were accused of police brutality, with armed civilian patrols

called 'copwatching.'

More than 50 years later, the current protests over police brutality have picked up

where the founders left off after the death of George Floyd and several other Black

Americans by law enforcement.

'Here we are in Atlanta, the birthplace of the Civil Rights Movement and still we have

the largest Confederate monument in the world,' said Gerald Griggs, a vice president of

the Atlanta chapter of the NAACP civil rights group, which staged a march last week

calling for the carving to be scraped from the mountainside.

'It's time for our state to get on the right side of history.'

Stone Mountain has long held symbolism for white supremacists. The Ku Klux Klan, a

hate group that was formed by Confederate Army veterans and has a history of

lynchings and terror against Black people, held its rebirth ceremony atop mountain in

1915 with flaming crosses.

Longer than a 100-yard American football field, it features the likenesses of Jefferson

Davis, the president of the 11-state Confederacy, and two of its legendary military

leaders, Robert E. Lee and Thomas 'Stonewall' Jackson, notched in a relief 400 feet

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There may also be some overlap with the New Black Panther Party. The NBP has no connection with the original Black Panthers, which was a revolutionary socialist organisation.

The founder and leader of the NFAC is Grand Master Jay. His real name has not been confirmed at this time.

According to some information circulating online he has made antisemitic statements and ascribes to the "Illuminati" conspiracy theory.

The groups aims are to create a black nation in Texas, following in the footsteps of the Black separatist tradition in the US in which similar demands have previously been made.

The economic foundation of the new state would be based on reparation payments from the US government.

NFAC says it is not affiliated with the US Black Lives Matter organisation or the wider movement.

Some reports suggest that the organisation has a number of white members. However, this is not readily apparent from the video footage seen by BLMM correspondents. Word from the avowed leader of the militia also contradicts those reports, given that Jay describes the militia as "100% Black".

It is not known how homogenous the militia is beyond the vague black separatist impulses.

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The strongest organisational footprint of the separatist tradition is represented by the Nation of Islam (NoI).

There are no known links between the politically conservative NoI and the NFAC.

Black separatism has developed as a reaction against white racism but the "Back to Africa" slogan – or the independent state idea (it was the Black Belt before the NFAC came up with Texas) on the territory of the US – was more an ideological crutch than a serious realisable goal; it was a way of signalling a rejection of white America and the systemic and violent racism American society perpetuated.

The Black Hebrew Israelites have been blamed for inspiring the racist attacks on Jewish people that have taken place in New Jersey and New York.

Reports from the interactions of NFAC militia members with regular BLM protesters in the park to which the militia marched, suggest that the Black Hebrew Israelites are not influential, among the rank and file at any rate.



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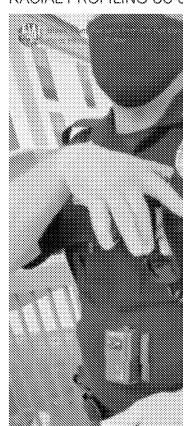
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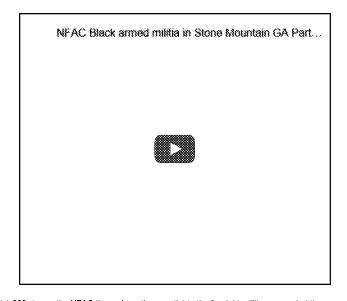
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From Newsweek:

NFAC Founder Grand Master Jay told Newsweek via phone Sunday that the militia members at Stone Mountain on Saturday were "100 percent black" and they are not affiliated with Black Lives Matter. "We are a black militia. We aren't protesters, we aren't demonstrators. We don't come to sing, we don't come to chant. That's not what we do," he said.

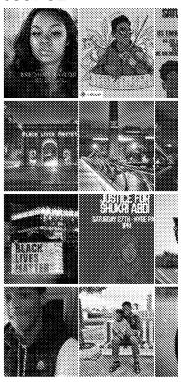
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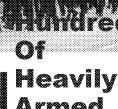
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Videos taken at Stone Mountain Park on Saturday showed a large line of armed Black Panther Party members making their way to the monument which is a favorite gathering spot for local KKK members.

Here are some of the scenes from today's protest:

Update: This group refers to itself as the NFAC "the Not Fuckin Around Coalition." (

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Some context: My family and I were going to Stone Mountain Park today and stumbled upon this protest. A little further down the road were Trump supporters motorcycles with MAGA flags.

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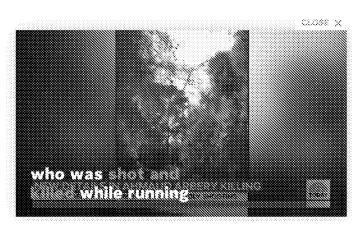
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Armed Black Militia Challenges White Nationalists at Georgia's Stone Mountain Park

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bout 1,000 heavily armed militia, all of whom were Black, marched through Georgia's Stone Mountain Park on Saturday, challenging white nationalist groups in the area to either come out and fight or join them in demonstrating against the government.

Stone Mountain State Park officials said the Black militia group was peaceful, orderly and escorted by police as they called for the removal of the country's largest Confederate monument near Atlanta.

Videos posted to social media show the group, the "Not F**king Around Coalition" (NFAC), meeting at the massive nine-story quartz sculpting that depicts former Confederate president Jefferson Davis and Southern generals Robert E. Lee and Stonewall Jackson.

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NFAC Founder Grand Master Jay told News militia members at Stone Mountain on Satur



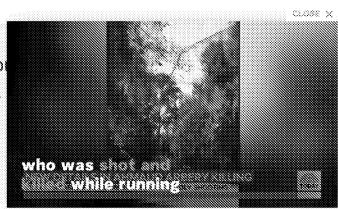
chant. That's not what we do, he said.

The NFAC head explained why several videos show the militia members alongside demonstrators earlier in the day before heading to Stone Mountain. Grand Master Jay told *Newsweek* the sister of Rayshard Brooks, who was killed outside an Atlanta Wendy's by police last month, requested the NFAC militia provide her with a security escort to a downtown rally that began at the site of her brother's death.

"Our initial goal was to have a formation of our militia in Stone Mountain to send a message that as long as you're abolishing all these statues across the country, what about this one?" Grand Master Jay said, referencing the massive Confederate carving.

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He added that he must commend Stone Moi Black militia support as they exercised their



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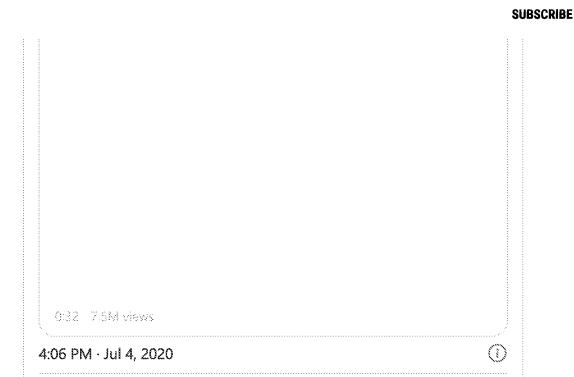
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The coalition of Black militia met at the monument, which is historically tied to the birth of the Ku Klux Klan and has more recently been the site of white nationalist rallies. Leaders of the militia frequently halted the protest to challenge local white supremacists and far-right Second Amendment advocates to "stop hiding."

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"I don't see no white militia, the boogie [boogaloo] boys, the three percenters and all the rest of these scared-ass rednecks. We here, where the f**k you at? We're in your house," one protester <u>said</u> into a PA system during the Stone Mountain Park march.

John Bankhead, a spokesman for the Stone said the protests were orderly and acknowle

told WXIA-TV. "We understand the sensitivities of the issue here at the park ... so we respect that and allow them to come in as long as it's peaceful, which it has been."

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Newsweek reached out to Stone Mountain Park officials for additional remarks.

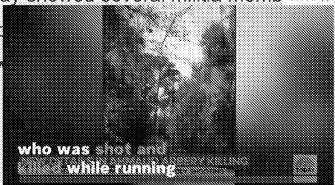
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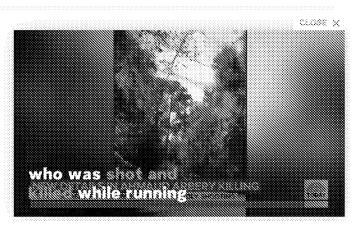


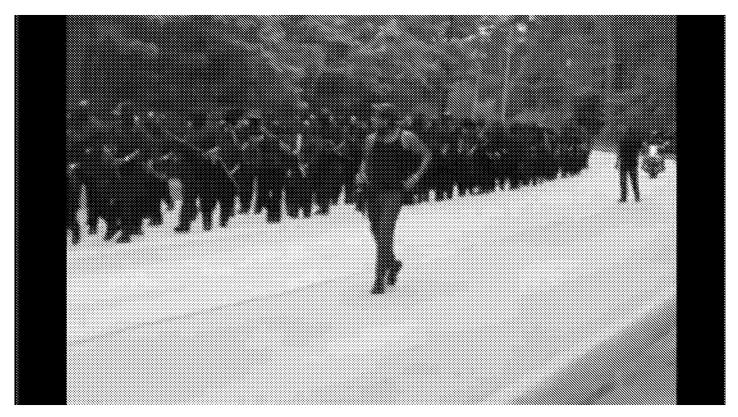
little change, we want some real change," one of the organizers said, noting that many Black civil rights groups have been marching for change since the 1960s and have largely been ignored.

The park runs along Robert E. Lee Boulevard, named for the Confederate general who led the South during the Civil War. It reopened for the July 4 weekend after weeks of closure due to the coronavirus pandemic. Calls to remove or alter the massive Confederate monument have been reignited in the wake of George Floyd's May 25 death in Minneapolis.

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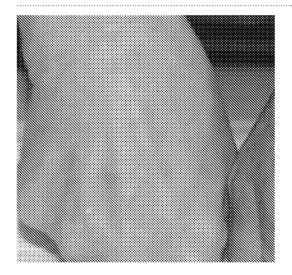


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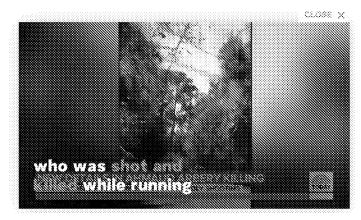
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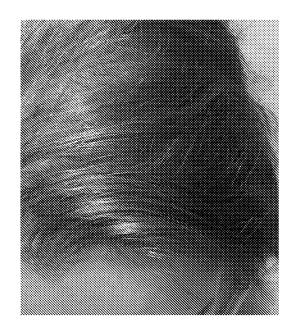
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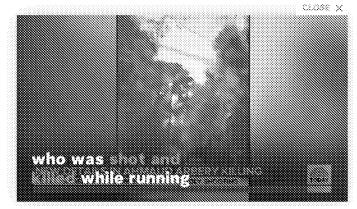


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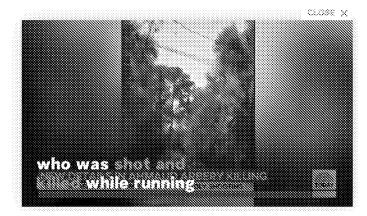


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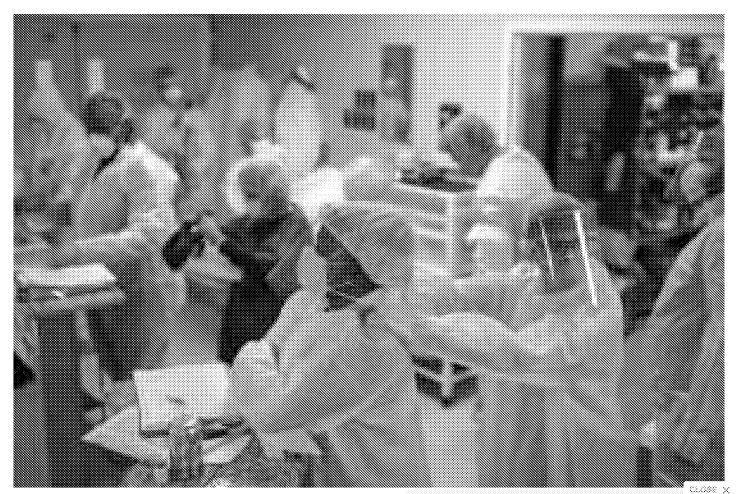
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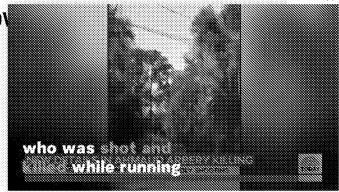
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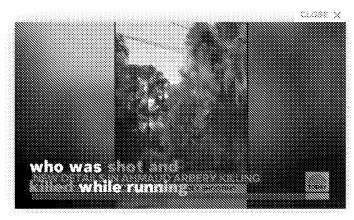


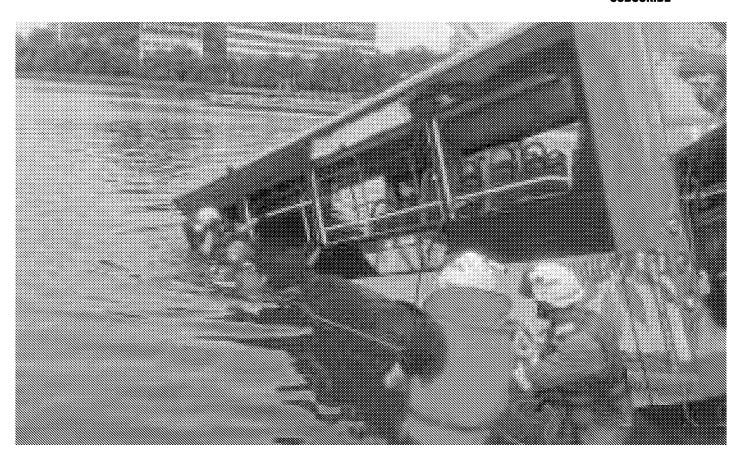
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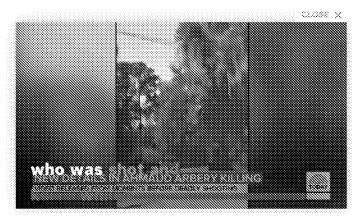


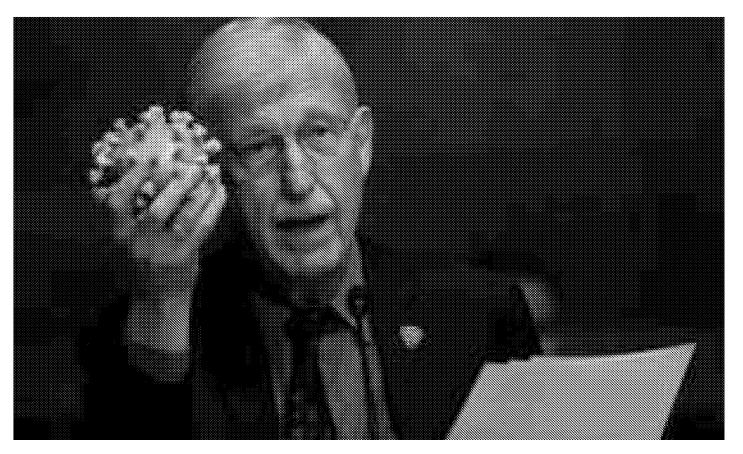
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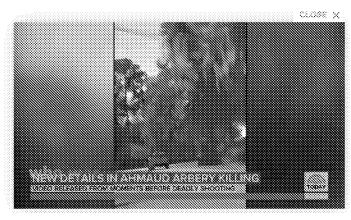


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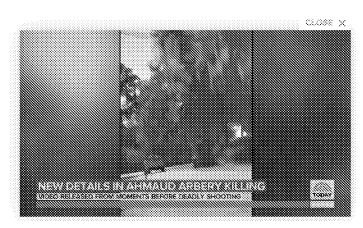


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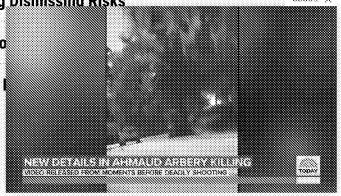
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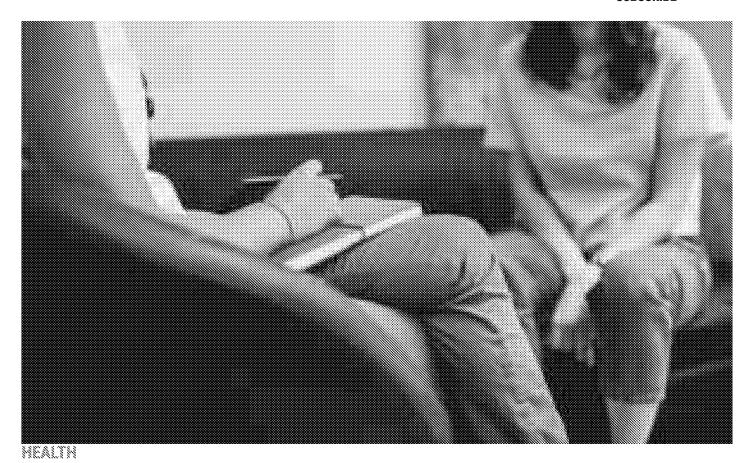
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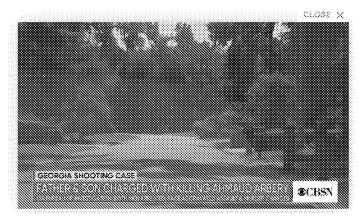
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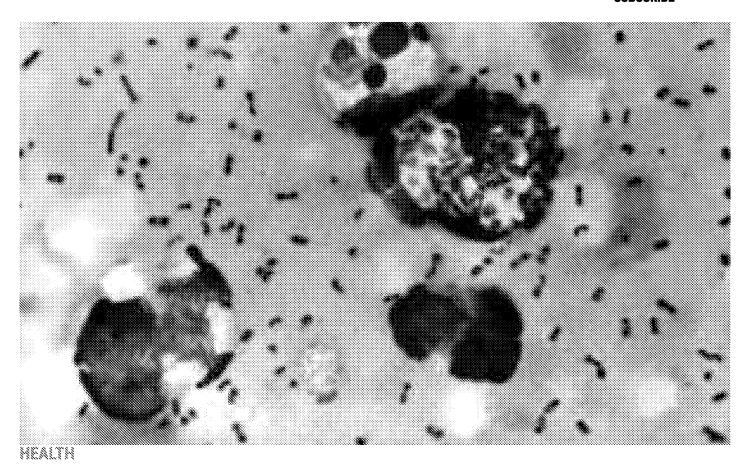




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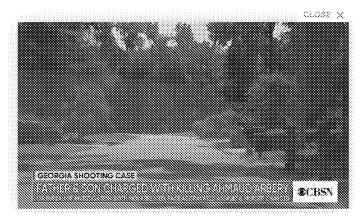
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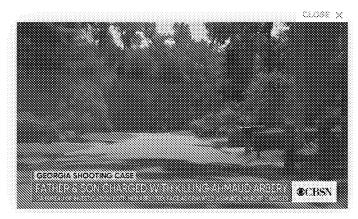
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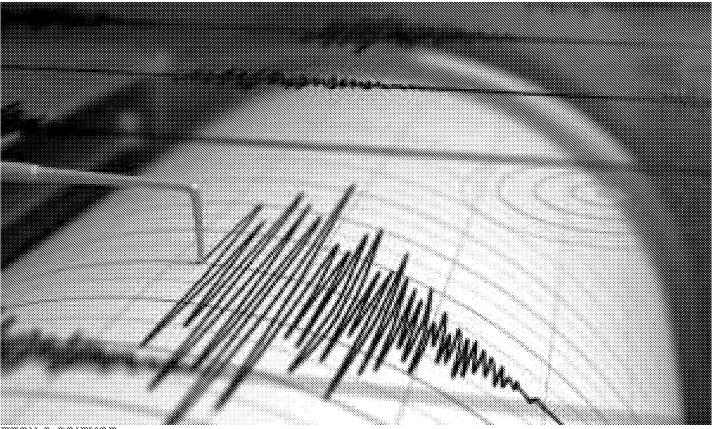




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