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San Francisco Man Arrested for Assaulting Law Enforcement and Other Offenses During Jan. 6 Capitol Breach

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U.S. Attorney's Office, District of
Columbia

WASHINGTON - A San Francisco man has been arrested for allegedly assaulting law enforcement and other offenses related to his alleged conduct during the Jan. 6, 2021, breach of the U.S. Capitol. His alleged actions and the actions of others disrupted a joint session of the U.S. Congress convened to ascertain and count the electoral votes related to the 2020 presidential election.

Frank Peter Molinari Giorgi Jr., 36, of San Francisco, California, is charged in a criminal complaint filed in the District of Columbia with felony offenses of assaulting, resisting, or impeding certain officers and obstruction of law enforcement during a civil disorder.

In addition to the felonies, Giorgi is charged with several misdemeanor offenses, including entering and remaining in a restricted building or grounds, disorderly and disruptive conduct in a restricted building or grounds, disorderly conduct in a Capitol building, engaging in physical violence in a restricted building or grounds, disorderly conduct in Capitol building, and act of physical violence in the Capitol grounds or buildings.

The FBI arrested Giorgi on Jan. 15, 2025, in San Francisco and he will make his initial appearance on Jan. 16, 2025, in the Northern District of California.

According to court documents, on Jan. 6, 2021, in Washington, D.C., Giorgi was allegedly observed by law enforcement officers in two separate incidents during the assault on the Capitol. Video footage and body-worn camera evidence captured Giorgi wearing different hats in each instance, but both depicted the same individual engaging in violent actions.

At approximately 2:29 p.m., it is alleged that Giorgi was seen on the Capitol's West Plaza wearing a black hooded sweatshirt, jeans, a gray and black backpack, and a bright red knit hat. Amid the chaos of breached police lines and retreating officers, Giorgi emerged from the crowd and charged at a Capitol Police officer.

Giorgi allegedly threw his body into the officer and struck them in the head with his hands. The officer managed to repel the attacker, after which Giorgi disappeared into the crowd. The FBI later released a photograph of him under the label "380-AFO" as part of their efforts to identify those involved in violence against law enforcement.

Later in the day, around 4:26 p.m., Giorgi reappeared on the Capitol's Upper West Terrace, this time wearing a yellow knit hat. As police officers worked to push back rioters and restore order, Giorgi moved through the crowd toward the police line while others nearby shouted, "Hold the line!" and linked arms to resist officers. Giorgi was allegedly seen pushing against officers and resisting their attempts to move rioters back. Moments later, he grabbed a police officer's head and neck, pulling the officer to the ground before walking away from the scene. This appearance was documented in photographs and video evidence under the label "327-AFO."

The FBI later identified Giorgi as both 380-AFO and 327-AFO.

This case is being prosecuted by the U.S. Attorney's Office for the District of Columbia and the Department of Justice National Security Division's Counterterrorism Section. Valuable assistance was provided by the U.S. Attorney's Office for the Northern District of California.

The case is being investigated by the FBI's San Francisco and Washington Field Offices. Valuable assistance was provided by the U.S. Capitol Police and the Metropolitan Police Department.

In the 48 months since Jan. 6, 2021, more than 1,583 individuals have been charged in nearly all 50 states for crimes related to the breach of the U.S. Capitol, including more than 600 individuals charged with assaulting or impeding law enforcement, a felony. The investigation remains ongoing.

Anyone with tips can call 1-800-CALL-FBI (800-225-5324) or visit tips.fbi.gov.

A complaint is merely an allegation, and all defendants are presumed innocent until proven guilty beyond a reasonable doubt in a court of law.

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