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Washington, March 23 (RHC)-- Federal investigators are weighing whether to charge people who joined the January 6th insurrection at the U.S. Capitol with seditious conspiracy — the crime of seeking to

overthrow the government.

The U.S. Justice Department hasn't successfully prosecuted a sedition case in over two decades. This comes as prosecutors are preparing to discuss plea deals with some 300 suspects charged over the January 6th assault, which left five people dead.

Earlier this week, Wisconsin Republican Senator Ron Johnson made headlines when he falsely claimed the January 6 rioters were not violent. Johnson said: "One of the reasons I'm being attacked is because I very honestly said I didn't feel threatened on January 6th. I didn't. There was much more violence on the House side. There was no violence on the Senate side."

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