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How the Current Anti-cop Attitude Affects Me and How I Do My Job

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I will admit that I'm looking over my shoulder these days. I do try to maintain a hyper vigilance in my surroundings. I see these new anti-cop groups as a lot like the ones in the 60's and 70's. During the 1970's over 200 cops were killed in the line of duty every year. I grew up in that time and remember how it seemed that a law enforcement officer was killed every other day.

But I will say, many more people of late have walked up to me and told me that they appreciate the job I do. I see in their eyes the concern for me and our nation. That gives me hope. I don't know what tomorrow will bring. But you can rest assured I will face that challenge leaning forward as all paratroopers do. I will continue to do the job I swore to do to the best of my ability. Stay frosty brothers and sisters and don't let the bastards get you down. Stay safe.