the segregationist Democrat senator
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Scott is a singular figure in American politics: the only Black Republican in the U. S. Senate, and one of only 10 Black senators in American history. He has spoken on the Senate floor about his experiences of being discriminated against because of the color of his skin.

After George Floyd's killing this year, Scott said that "to suggest that there aren't racial challenges and patterns is for someone to be blind. " He told Yahoo News at the time that "if you have a system that leads to an unjust outcome, and that system is a system of authority. " That does not lead to a society of order. It leads towards a society of chaos. "

But Scott, who was elected to office in a conservative Southern state by mostly white voters, has avoided using the term "systemic racism. "

On Monday night, Scott blamed Democrats for unrest in American cities like Portland, rather than "unjust systems. " He also blasted Democrats for what he said was a bad-faith effort to reform policing after of Floyd's killing.

Scott has not spared Trump from criticism in the past, although he is usually more restrained in his comments.

Scott said Trump's tweets in June that "When the looting starts, the shooting starts" and other inflammatory comments posted on Twitter by the president were "not constructive. " He also spoke directly to the president about his views on the matter.

Scott has also criticized the president's use of federal officers to attack peaceful protesters so he could stage a photo op at a church across from the White House.

In 2017, when Trump said that "very fine people" were among those marching in Charlottesville, Va., chanting anti-Semitic and racist slogans, Scott also called out the president, saying that Trump's "moral authority" had been "compromised. ".

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