The 2016 Summer Olympics created an opportunity to demonstrate data integration capabilities to monitor civil unrest and other activities that had the potential to disrupt an international event. LAS played a key role in I&W and big data efforts in the context of the 2016 Rio Olympics. RASOR, an LAS mission-specific effort, brought together government cadre from the Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics (STEM) and non-STEM (social and behavioral sciences) domains, from mission and research components, as well as academic and industry sectors from the Research Triangle Park area and beyond.

Academic Partner Efforts
Identify trends and patterns of social unrest in Brazil and Rio de Janeiro
Synthesize social media reporting to assess and uncover:
-- Networks of influence
-- Campaign mobilization tactics
-- Indications of future protests
Drive the data flow through:
-- Database of social unrest (I&W)
-- Protest group social media rolodex