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Who Was Involved in Pavel Durov's Arrest?

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so this feels like uh you know there been a lot of arrests in the last few

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years including of a number of people I know you know get arrested for political reasons but the jailing of the founder

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and owner of telegram feels like a pivot point it feels like a moment in history

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and probably a harbinger of you know the next few years or decades I hope I'm wrong um so the question is like what is

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this how did this happen France arrests him on a fuel stop he's a French citizen by the way but he lives in Dubai um

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arrests him that's a big step very hard for a bystander without knowledge being

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me to believe that macron could or would have done that without the encouragement

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or at least agreement of the Biden Administration you were the first person I thought of um got you here as fast as

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we could so I'm going to just stand back and I would very much like to hear you explain what you think happened in this

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arrest how it happened what it means who is involved well we don't know yet um

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and part of what I've been talking about which is the suspected role of the US

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Embassy in the arrest or as as you put it I think perfectly we don't know if it was participation or approval or nothing

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and I'll play Devil's Advocate against my own my own argument here but I feel compelled to make this argument because

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we're not getting the answer from the Congress who should be getting it for us which is to say that an entity like the

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house Foreign Affairs committee if it was committed to free speech would be interrogating whether or not there was a

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US Embassy back channel to French law enforcement or French intelligence or the French government in terms of doing

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this because this is a pattern of practice that the US Embassy has pursued all over the world and particularly in

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Europe uh through you know Brands branding like anti-corruption or whatnot

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you know this is something you know even dating back to Norm Eisen when when he was the ambassador to the Czech Republic

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you know championing these sort of corruption anti-corruption reforms uh from the Czech government to arrest the

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you know the politicians who have essentially opposed the state department agenda there this is very common if you

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go to places like the Journal of democracy which is the academic journal for uh for the National Endowment for

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democracy which is a very probably the most notorious CIA cutout in the whole arsenal they have whole academic

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journals on uh how to push the Poland government to arrest uh the politicians

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from the pis party from the Law and Order party uh especially in in the judicial system to arrest them yes yes

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to to mass arrest the we have we have a concept in American statecraft called transitional

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Justice which is this idea that essentially after the US overthrows a country we make we arrest all of the

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opposition politicians opposition judges uh opposition journalists propaganda

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spreaders in order to stop the reemergence of threats to

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democracy no I'm not J you make it a one- party state so it can be a democracy right well this is this

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China pushing this or the unit just to be clear United States this is the United States and we do that to to

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stabilize the Democratic institutions and effectively make it cheaper for the United States to manage because you

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don't need to manage the constant recurring threat of the party you just vanquished so this is this was something

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that that the US state department was spearheading years before Trump got into

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office and it was so effective that these same cast of characters are back for Trump normis was the one who

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spearheaded you know the impeachment he drafted articles of impeachment before Trump was even uh even took the oath of

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office and also led the uh you know elements of the the 2019 Ukraine

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impeachment uh the lawfare that's currently being done with the 90 plus felonies against Trump so this is this

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is a instrument of statecraft the use of prosecutions in order to bring leverage

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against and to get rid of pesky people who oppose the state Department's

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priorities but in the specific case of telegram there's there's lot going on here let ask you to pause really quick

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we could know a lot more about the bid administration's involvement through the US Embassy in Paris if a single house

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committee controlled by Republicans would just jump on it I think that's what you said earlier yes yes absolutely

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and the problem is is our Congress is not sticking up for us as as this is

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happening all over the world just this year you know the drama around Brazil

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has been a huge issue for Elon Musk and x and one you know the house held a

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hearing on it and then the the house Foreign Affairs committee title the hearing was Brazil a crisis of democracy

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rule of law and governance question mark but they did not interrogate the the US

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state Department's role in censorship in Brazil it was actually the US state department who capacity built spending

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tens of millions of dollars the entire censorship ecosystem in Brazil they spent tens of millions of dollars paying

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Brazilian journalists Brazilian censors Brazilian fact Checkers uh even members

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of the of the legal scholarship associated with Brazil's uh censorship

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court and effectively pressured through that NGO soft power swarm Brazil to set

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up the entire censorship architecture it now has they set that up why would the US government which represents the US

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Constitution and democracy be trying to end de you can't have democracy with censorship of by definition so why would

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we be trying to end democracy in country after country like what is the point of that well this is one of the great

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ironies of American statecraft in the post 2016 era uh Free Speech has been an

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instrument of statecraft since for for for us diplomacy military and intelligence purposes since the 1940s

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Free Speech around the world has been something we've championed in part because we believe it but uh in part in

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large part I should note uh because this this is how you can capacity build

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resistance movements or political movements or paramilitary movements in countries that the US state department

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seeks to attain political control over if there's no free speech then there's no political movement that you can

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capacity build to regime change the government or to maintain elements of control over the existing government and

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so this is why the state department capacity built all these NOS the USA does it as well like Freedom House and

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and whole wing of for example the 26 NOS who condemned Russia for attempting to

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ban Telegram in uh in 2018 you why would 26 US government funded NOS all say that

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Russia was attacking free speech in Russia by threatening to block telegram well was because the US state department

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was using telegram as through its the power of its encrypted you know chat and

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all the functionality and the fact that so much of Russia was using it to F protest and riots within Russia just as

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they did in bellarus just as they did in Iran just as they did in Hong Kong just as they attempted to do in China so

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telegram is this very very powerful vehicle for the US state department to be able to mobilize protest to be able

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to Galvanize political support against authoritarian countries this is why the US government loved telegram so much

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from 2014 to 2020 because it was this powerful way to evade State Control

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control over Media or state surveillance over private chats because of the the

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private functions Anonymous foring all these unique features of telegram allow it to have USF funded political groups

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or political dissidents get tens of thousands of people to their cause with relative impunity it's it's it's

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effectively Unstoppable by a regime like Lucas shenko in the summer of 2020 when

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when the US government was you know effectively orchestrating a color revolution in bellarus and let me just

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take a sip for a second telegram was the main channel for

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that the National Endowment for democracy was actually paying the main administrators of the telegram channels

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who were orchestrating those riots those protests not not employees of telegram

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but people by Channel administrators the people people are using it or organizing others to use it right right PE you know

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you would get a telegram Channel with you know a million people in it and the

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administrator of it would be on National Endowment for democracy payroll and the National Endowment for democracy you

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know even the head of it which is it's a CIA cutout it was basically created when you know in a letter from the CIA

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director William Casey in 1983 as a means for the CIA to get control uh get

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functions back that it had lost after the scandals of the of the church Committee hearing in 1975 1976 the rean

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administration wanted to be able to get back the powers that the that the Democrats in the late

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1970s uh considered to be human rights abuses and too much Cloak and Dagger stuff so they put it under the banner of

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the National Endowment for democracy as a public facing NGO with the CIA back Channel again the CIA called for this

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and the founders of uh of the National Endowment for democracy even openly you know even openly say that they do what

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the they do now at the CIA used to do but they have a it was literally scrubbed from the from the legislative

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uh from the the original bill that the that the CIA would not coordinate it I mean this is this it's one it's one of

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the most prolific CIA cutouts in the Arsenal and they they were the ones who were paying the telegram Channel

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administrators who were who were organizing these you know the attempt to overthrow the the Belarusian government

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and I'm not even weighing in on you know the normative question about whether or not that's a good or bad thing I will

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it's terrible all I care about is freedom of speech on the internet but what what people have to understand and

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this is the point I've been screaming into the wind for eight years now is that internet censorship is not some

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domestic event done by domestic actors uh you know intermediated by a domestic

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government and and domestic Tech platform policies internet censorship came to the United States and has been

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exported around the world because free speech is a casualty of a proxy war of

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the blob against populism and what I mean by the blob is our foreign policy establishment which is primarily

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concentrated within the US state department the US intelligence services like the CIA the Pentagon us a and and

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the soft power swarm Army that we have through our ngos and state department C

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CIA us a funded um Civil Society institutions and what happened was is

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we've had this long range plan to seize Eurasia you Russia has \$75 trillion

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worth of Natural Resources in it the United States only has 45 trillion I mean just to put in perspective how Bountiful you know this the region that

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we're so preoccupied with is and if you recall you know no no less than Lindsey

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Graham you know frustrated at the lack of Republican political support for Ukraine Ukraine Aid uh finally implored

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sort of took the mask off a few months ago and said listen even you don't believe in democracy Ukraine's Got \$4

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trillion worth of of Natural Resources so even if it's just for cynical

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self-serving purposes the US should support the war in Ukraine in order to control \$14 trillion worth of mineral

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wealth and oil and gas wealth and this is this is the story of Eurasia after

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the after 1990 the US the UK and partners in NATO

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set on set on a quest to take political control over the territories of the former Soviet Union and were very

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successful until Vladimir Putin Rose to power and began to assert energy

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diplomacy as a means for Russia to reassert political influence over Central and Eastern Europe this is one

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of the reasons that the nordstream pipeline was you know the absolute ey of

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uh of The Blob of our foreign policy establishment because those financial interlinkages to Europe were allowing

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Russian influence over its politics over its economy it fostering uh diplomatic

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ties all these things which which are flying the face of this longrange plan to seize Eurasia and so you know with

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the nordstream case you had you know sanctions on it prior prior

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to it being blown up uh you know it came out in in essentially leaked documents from

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something called the Integrity initiative that uh that the UK foreign office had been you know basically

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orchestrating orchestrating PR campaigns to get the nordstream pipeline killed in

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2015 uh and so you know it being blown up uh is is

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no surprise uh you know and but it but understand it's because of Russia's

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energy diplomacy with Europe which is what gave rise to this whole need to

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kill Russia's energy connections and let if I can just flush this out a little bit if you can get rid of Russian energy

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relations with with Europe This was what the theory was that then you bankrupt Russia you also strip them of their

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military-industrial complex Russia is the military uh enemy of of the United

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States not just in Europe now but if you recall the Obama Administration tried to

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uh Tred to invade Tred to invade Syria and the only reason they were unable to do so is because Russia militarily

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backstopped the Assad government and it's the same thing in Africa you know Africa is one-third of the world's

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natural resource wealth there's a mad Scramble for the for the natural resources in Africa and Russia is the

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bane of both the US and French military forces there if you can bankrupt Russia

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through uh getting you know taking out gas prom and uh and its and its oil

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exports then you you get rid of Russia's ability to be an an armed supplier to the rebel groups there now get getting

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back to the telegram case telegram is an instrument of

How Telegram Is Used by the CIA

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statecraft and it's also an El an instrument of military and intelligence projection so on the statecraft side we

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just talked about how telegram has been the darling of the CIA the state department us Aid uh for operations

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stretching from bellarus to inside of Moscow to Iran to Hong Kong to China and all over the world because it's got a

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billion users and so it's very easy to get all the native population who you're

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trying to recruit to your political cause onto the channels they're already using and then also give them the

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anonymity and the and the you know encryption safety uh to be able to

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organize and express their political support safely relatively safely but the

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pro so the problem is because telegram is also an open playing field because

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pavl has not relinquished either to the United States or to Russia it has also allowed Russian propaganda to propagate

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and this is a problem right now in Ukraine uh just two weeks after your interview

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with Pavo the radio free Europe which is an an institution that was created by

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the CIA and it was run directly but for its first 20 years by the CIA just two

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weeks after your interview with pble called uh called you uh telegram a spy

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in every Ukrainian pocket and made the argument that that Ukraine needs to rest

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control over Telegram and and it laid out the following reasons for doing so it said that uh 70 75% of ukrainians

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currently use Telegram and they have been using telegram this is up from 20% just a few

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years ago because of Pav's solidarity with the concept of

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free speech it's been highly trusted for many years but they're not sure if there's a Russian back Channel now and

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they cite several reasons around Pav's uh potential financing uh from a from a

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bond raise several years ago that may have had Russian investors in it they cite the fact fact that Russian internal

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documents uh promote promote the use of telegram for its own military the fact

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that uh over 50% of Russia itself uses telegram the fact that the fact so the

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fact that the Russian military uses it safely and has no problem with it and the fact that uh there may be Russian

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financing of of pava this is the argument that they make that perhaps it was compromised perhaps the reason

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Russia dropped its attempt to ban telegram after the 2018 Affair may have

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been because an agreement was secretly reached and if that is the case then that would essentially make all of the

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military operations and all of the statecraft and and secret channels that

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Ukraine is currently using uh be spied on you know all Communications

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the entire war effort maybe the reason Ukraine is losing is because Russia knows everything Ukraine is doing we

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hear a lot from viewers about big Tech censorship and those reports are more frequent than ever right now censorship

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meaning shutting down your access to information not lies or misinformation

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but true things it's only the truth that they censor facts that get in the way of

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the lies are trying to tell you the net effect of this of course is interfering in the 2024 presidential elections

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that's why they're censoring more than ever now because the stakes are even higher you're probably not shocked by this but the specific example of it do

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throw you back a little bit we've seen screenshots and videos showing how we Google search to learn more about the

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attempted assassination on Donald Trump instead push users to information on Harry Truman or Bob Marley or the pope

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anything other than the relevant truth which is that they just shot Trump in the face they don't want you to know

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that because it might help Trump we've seen examples where Facebook marked true photos of a bloodied and defiant Trump

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as misleading somehow those pictures were a lie and then limited their visibility its AI assistant explicitly

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denied the shooting ever took place this is insanity but it's at the core of big Tech editorial policy which is denying

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the truth to you in order to control the outcome of this presidential election that's not democracy we've seen examples

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where a generic search for information about Donald Trump was automatically rephrased to show positive stories about

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kamla Harris instead is there any clear example of election

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interference so what do you do about it well parlor has been down this road

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parlor was pulled right off the internet for telling the truth but it's back and it's reaffirmed its lifelong unwavering

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commitment to free speech on parlor the Bill of Rights lives the first amendment

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is real you can say what you think because you're a human being and an American citizen and not a slave on

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parlor users can freely Express themselves tell the truth Express their conscience and connect with others who

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are doing the same and they will not be interfered with they will not be censored designed to support a wide

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range of viewpoints everyone is welcome on parlor parlor is committed to ensuring that everybody is heard and so

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it's become a place where independent journalis journalism is protected and respected it's protected because it's

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respected so as this censorship by big Tech intensifies standing up for your

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god-given right as an American to say what you think is essential we're on

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parlor that's why we're on parlor our handle is at ER Carlson and we encourage you to join us there you have the right

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to say what you believe so does every American and you can do it on parlor at the parl app today yeah I just can't get

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over the fact that the bid Administration the US government which you and I pay for which is supposed to

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be defending the freedom of speech above all other freedoms is encouraging its proxy

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government the Ukrainian government to like seize or take over a media Outlet I mean that's so why is that not illeg

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well I mean this has been part and parcel of our diplomacy for for decades

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but it's just criminal well if you recall when NATO um you know NATO's first use of

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military hard power in its entire history you know it was created in 1949

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the first time it ever fired an offensive bullet was in 1995 and

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199 well one of the things we did when we bombed when we bombed Yugoslavia was

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we took out its its state media propag uh it State media propaganda organ it

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State media channel state state TV at State radio broadcaster we bombed the

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headquarters of the media building and killed dozens of people in the process journalists yes and said that that was

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fair game because they were a key Noe in yugoslavia's war effort and so we killed

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their journalists in order to slow down their military so the whole idea that there's like a a free exchange of

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information or a battle of ideas and may the you know best idea win which is

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really kind of the foundation of American Civil Society I mean that's what this whole project is based on yes

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they don't mean it at all in fact and they're moving in exactly the opposite direction it's something sorry to sound so shocked but I am shocked I hate this

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it's something for 50 60 years was very useful to us when other countries did

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not have robust propaganda or Communications infrastructure themselves one of the reasons that voice of America

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and radio for Europe and radio Liberty and all those were so effective at the time was because other countries didn't

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really have their own uh developed native programming in radio or TV or

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print and so the ability to project that you know uh with limited options allowed

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saturation of the CIA narrative in those regions well I just I mean this is I

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don't really any desire to talk about it but I I can't even control myself since my my father was the director of The

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Voice of America and I grew up hearing about this um you know every day at the dinner table um you know the the whole

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idea was at least the public facing idea the publicly articulated idea was we're

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we're disseminating you know news and or news you know ideas information facts

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and allowing the populations of these countries access to this and they can make up their own mind I mean it really

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was part of at least publicly and I'm very aware you know I know it was more complicated

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than that but I I really believed that this was part of the battle of ideas and

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we were winning because we had better ideas well we allowed freedom of speech because we were winning and fair and this is this is the

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issue now which is everything changed in 2014 in terms of our Free Speech diplomacy toolkit we set up a swarm Army

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of pro of pro Free Speech NOS Civil Society institutions University centers

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journalists legal groups in order to pressure and Lobby all foreign countries around the world to create an open

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Society for journalists so that those could be penetrated by us statecraft and intelligence and until the free and open

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internet started to backfire on the state department that was the unequivocal position of the state

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because their ideas suck and nobody wants trans kids is the truth and they don't want any more freaking rainbow

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flags and maybe if you sold a product people liked like marbor or Big Macs or Levi jeans or

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Freedom um or like hot blonde girls or whatever you're selling maybe it's something that people actually want but

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if you're selling trism and you know gay race communism nobody actually wants that nobody wants that right well sry

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right well well if support is not earned it has to be installed and

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this exactly nicely put and this is one of the this is one of the of the great

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issues here which is that it's these very free speech institutions that were capacity built by the state department

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that have all Incorporated this censorship element so we still do have a lot of free speech diplomacy just two

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years ago we sanctioned the government Iran uh the government of Iran for having the tarity to censor its own

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internet this is so funny because you know our own Department of Homeland Security was doing the exact same thing

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to censor Americans to us to us you know so I mean technically the United States should be kicked off the dollar for uh

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you know for for doing you know exactly what we accuse foreign countries of doing but we selectively promote either

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Free Speech or censorship depending on what's most advantageous for political control in any particular country so for

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example if bolsonaro were to have Rose you know Rose to P back to Power in

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Brazil have no doubt about it you know Free Speech would be back on the menu and bolsonaro would be accused of

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censorship uh you know over you know jaywalking you know on a random street

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corner and we would be pumping up through Nos and and University centers

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and journalists on payroll we'd be pumping a \$100 million into into Brazil's Free Speech economy in order to

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create anti- bolsonaro sentiment that's right but you know one of the things beginning and I I come back to this

Domestic Policy Doesn't Exist

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Brazil Cas ask you pause One Last Time one of the things I've learned from you over the past couple of years I've learned a lot from you but one big

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picture idea that I didn't fully appreciate till I listened to you carefully was that our foreign policy

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drives our domestic policy there's no such thing as domestic policy exactly every country I didn't understand I grew

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up in a world where there was the foreign policy and like you overthrow MC or whatever maybe that's good for America you don't even think about it we're fighting the Soviets it's not a

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problem because we are an island of Freedom here in the United States and your reporting and Analysis suggests

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exactly what you just said there is no domestic policy everything that happens in this country is an outgrowth a function of our

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management of the world yes there's no such thing as domestic policy because every country's domestic policy is

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another country's foreign policy whatever you do in the United States or whatever any foreign country a foreign

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country wants to change its labor laws well guess what that impacts the bottom line of us corporations who employ labor

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pools there a foreign country wants to nationalize its graphite industry well guess what now America can't make

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pencils everything that every internal policy of every other country on Earth

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impacts the bottom line of some US national champion now our how the state department defines National interest is

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essentially the College of Corporations and financial firms that are US national

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champions so for example you know if uh if something happen if if Georgia or

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aeran does something that impacts the bottom line of Exxon Mobile or Chevron or halberton that becomes a state

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department priority in order to protect us national interests against this nationalization law that's happening in

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in Georgia or aeran and it's the same thing with every industry and

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so I do want I do want to get back to this this sort of exporting the First Amendment concept that was such a big

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part of American statecraft I think almost no one there's almost no better example of this than what happened with

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the state Department's Global engagement Center which is the main censorship artery of the US state department and

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also works with a lot of million of these censorship Nos and the and US Aid

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and this whole network it was it was set up by Rick stangle and you know Rick

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stangle you know would you say that the his job was to export the First Amendment former you know managing

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editor of Time Magazine and it's When Donald Trump was elected in 2016 you

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know the guy whose job was to export the First Amendment wrote an oped I Believe In The Washington Post effectively

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calling for end to the first amendment that that it needs to mirror that what Europe and and other countries have in

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term then he wrote a book making the same case right right but again this is the guy who was the under Secretary of

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public affairs this is a very evil man Rick stingle well the point the point that I'm trying to make here is the the

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Free Speech absolutist who was in charge of US Government projection of free

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speech all it took was one election for for the entire diplomacy architecture

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that you know that this principal Free Speech was based on to get completely bottomed out all it took was Donald

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Trump getting elected for you know arguably 200 years of of of a First Amendment principle and 70 years of this

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principle of exporting the First Amendment to be entirely discarded because it was leading to the wrong kinds of people being elected free

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speech on the internet was blamed for the loss of the Philippines election by the state department in 2016 it was

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blamed for for the events of brexit this is why the US State Department funds so many london-based Nos and University

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centers and influence operations to stop Nigel Farage and the brexit movement it it was blamed for the rise of trump in

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2016 it was blamed for the rise of Bolsonaro it was blamed for for the the rise of of Modi in India in country

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after country the free and and open internet unfiltered alternative news the

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rise of Citizen journalist the rise of of citizens in those countries who have larger voices than CIA backed media then

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USAID funded media then State Department funded media has meant that the state department has lost control of those

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countries and what happened was after 2016 the technology and the networks

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were established to be able to add a new toolkit to American diplomacy which is diplomacy by censorship and we have

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formal government programs at the state department dedicated to getting foreign countries to pass domestic censorship

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laws to stop the rise of right-wing populist parties in those countries I'm going to say that again we have formal

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government programs at the state department whose job is to Lobby foreign countries and pressure foreign countries

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to pass censorship laws to stop the rise of domestic populace groups so you have

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truckers in America whose income tax is going to pay foreign governments to censor their

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citizens this is this is the sort of SCH schizophrenia right now of of americ

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we're becoming the Soviet Union which exported poison around the world for all those years I really felt like the

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United States was you know the Bull workk against that but whether that's true or not I don't know I'm trying to

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reassess what is true now is we're doing what they did we're sewing chaos and

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tyranny around the world it's like I am so heartbroken to see this well it's amazing you say that because as someone

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who's sort of present at Creation in terms of watching this all get established and spending my whole life

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monitoring it and chronicling it they were very aware of that when they were setting this up they and when I say they

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I mean NATO the US state department the UK foreign office after the 2016

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election and after brexit and they they began this whole consensus

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building Quest about how to get all the relevant stakeholders from the government from the private sector from

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civil society and from the media to all come together and create this whole of society censorship Coalition whole of

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society counter misinformation coalition techn they call it but they were very aware of how the that what they were

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doing was exactly what they accused Russia and China of doing intensely aware and there was much much hand

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ringing in the beginning of this in late 2016 early 2017 that we need to be

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extremely careful as we are establishing this infrastructure that it does not appear to be what Russia and China are

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doing that Russia and China have a what they said was effectively Russia and China don't have

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the problem that we have they don't have Rising populist movements in their countries that are opposed to the state

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institutions that are opposed to the state priorities that are winning political power how do Russia and China

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solve this problem of domestic populist Insurgency well they use I'm not joking

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I say this giving their citizens political power in other words yes yes they do they ever stop and just ask like

The Redefining of Democracy

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H since when is it okay for the people in charge of a government to ban

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populism I I don't understand like when did we all agree that populism is bad I thought the whole system was was

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fundamentally a populist system the country belongs to its citizens I thought that was the whole deal oh I can

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answer that because it's basically Doctrine the there's been a redefinition of democracy from meaning the the

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consensus of individuals to meaning the consensus of Institutions and this is a very clever slight of hand reframing

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trick that they played after the 2016 election in the US and they were setting this up so just to just to get they're

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they're playing with Revolution here I mean they could they've lost their legitimacy so I'm not going to try to

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overthrow the US government I'm 55 I'm not going to do that but at some point

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you know someone's going to try to do that and it's going to be kind of hard to see whether or not justified in doing

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that because it's not legitimate they their legitimacy comes from the consent of the Govern that's our system and when

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they no longer have the consent of the government they're not legitimate period so all I care about is freedom of speech

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on the internet but if you have no freedom of speech it's not a legitimate country so there there's a lot to get to

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on all this that I think is is maybe actually picking up where what we were

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talking about with when they were setting this all up I think it actually kind of elegantly dobs tales with the point that you just made when they were

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setting this up they said Russia and China don't have this problem we we we'll have a PR nightmare crisis of

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legitimacy if we simulate exactly what Russia and China did do which is top down government control so what they did

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is they came up with a concept called the whole of society framework that would in order to AstroTurf a you know

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the the appearance of a kind of bottomup organic censorship industry that the government would simply fund and

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intermediate and direct and pressure so this whole society concept is that is

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that the government is the is not the censor it is simply the quarterback of the of the censorship ecosystem so it is

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not like Russia and China in the sense that you know the Russian Federation says you this media channel is banned

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instead it would be the American government paying to the tune of

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hundreds of millions of dollars all the different censorship ecosystem players and exploiting that leverage to have

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that outcome arrive semi- organically and they and they were very careful in establishing it you know according to

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this to this idea that what we will do is we we will be able to essentially

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have plausible deniability but even though we're funding it and we're directing it and we are pressuring

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everyone to join this censorship Coalition and so so this is how you had

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tens of millions of dollars from the US state department funding the private sector popup censorship mercenary firms

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funding the the Civil Society institutions the universities the censorship activists the NOS the the

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nonprofits the researchers and also the on on the media side and all these us

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funded us a funded media Outlets all pushing for censorship and and there's

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an elegant structure to it which is that the government pays the Civil Society institutions to do essentially CIA CIA

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work against our own citizens this is why there's so many CIA analysts at the at these censorship universities the

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censorship labs they they'll call them disinfo Labs you know at 60 plus us universities all funded by the US

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government they do and I assume on cable television too they're everyone on all the channels

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yes DHS actually you know onboards you know media organizations into its into

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its counter disinformation work and again because media is the fourth quadrant in the whole society framework and government private sector civil

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society and media all aligned like a magnet to create the censorship outcomes so that there so there's no holes in the

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Titanic no one can resist it no one can stop it this is the prop this is and it was so effective until Elon Musk

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essentially burst that bubble and until they went a little bit too far with a dis information governance board and finally a certain faction within the

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Republican Party woke up and was able to exert some pressure through through the house and Jim Jordan uh in November 2022

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but getting back to this point about about populism and what this whole counter you know disinformation the

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censorship whole society network does is they did a clever reframing if you and

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this is really cute if you run a Boolean search on Google right now and you look

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at what places like the Atlanta count Council and and Brookings and the National Endowment for democracy we all

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saying in the months after Trump's election in 2016 they were making the argument that maybe democracy was a

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mistake because it leads to outcomes like before they double down on it there was a brief window where they said you

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know what actually democracy leads to outcomes like Donald Trump and brexit

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and at the time NATO W you know its biggest fear was free speech on the

The Biggest Threat to NATO

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internet in 20 in early 2017 NATO periodicals were saying the biggest threat to Nato was not a hostile foreign

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attack from Russia they would come to eat these words 5 years later they would argue they argued conventional Warfare is over the biggest threat to Nato is

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free speech on the internet because it's allowing the rise of marine Leen in France it's allowing the rise of Mato Slovenia in Italy it's allowing the rise

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of the Vox party in Spain afd in Germany so we would have fit grexit italexit spit the entire EU would come undone

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which meant NATO's commercial arm comes undone which means NATO comes undone which means there's no enforcement arm

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for the IMF and the World Bank so it would be like the ending scene from Fight Club where the credit card companies all all crash down just

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because you're allowed to speak your mind on the internet this is so sick if

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you've got good taste in hats sweatshirts and t-shirts and a good sense of humor you probably know of old

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row they're everywhere and we're happy to partner with them to launch an apparel line check out our store at

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tuckercarlson.com highly recommend so they they had this sort of

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crisis of well what do we do about it democracy is the problem they and then they said well well the problem is our

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entire diplomatic toolkit everything that the CIA does everything the state department does everything USA does

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everything that the Pentagon civil civil Affairs does is all under this rubric of of promoting democracy this is how we

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topple foreign governments we only have two predicates for toppling a government one of them is aggression the other

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one is repression so if they are aggressing against a foreign country we get to be the world's policemen we we

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get to you know topple them for you know their their military activity but if we can't now on that we can always get them

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on repression we can say they're repressing their own people so we need to bring democracy there and this is the

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this is the Lion Share of of you know this is what we did in bellarus this is what we did you know in Moscow from 2010

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to you know to 2020 this is what we did in all these other countries and I'm not even arguing normatively about whether

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that's right or wrong but you have to understand that free speech on the Internet is the collateral damage of this proxy war but here's how they

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rescued democracy they said we can't okay we need to stick with democracy even though we don't like it outcomes

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because we we you it would take too long to turn the Titanic all of our all all

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of our CL clo and Dagger black oper Black Ops you know plausibly deniable

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toppling of governments worldwide all in the name of democracy all the NOS we fund all the Civil Society activists all

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the media institutions is all democracy democracy democracy so we need to Simply instead of getting rid of this concept

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of champion democracy we need to redefine what democracy is we need to make it not about the consensus of

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individuals how people vote but make it about the consensus of Institutions and we will simply Define democratic

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institutions as anyone who supports the US foreign policy establishment and its transatlantic Partners in the UK so in

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the United States that would mean redefining the system of government from one in which a majority of 350 million

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people believe something to one in which a group of what would it be 100,000

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people yeah about that yeah maybe 100,000 people probably a third of whom I know um in other words it's like it

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just takes they just took all the power from the American population and awarded it to themselves yes and this clever

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rhetorical slight of hand allows unspeakable powers that Americans have

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no idea about I'll give you one example so I said it's all about institutions now and you know if you want to watch a

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funny clip I I posted this on my ex account recently the burger and Institute where

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Reed Hoffman is a a board member and they were involved in this whole transition Integrity project domestic

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color Revolution blueprint from for stopping Trump from getting uh from being installed as president even if he

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won the Electoral College and they contemplated using black lives matter is Street muscle and the whole thing was

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run by a a senior Pentagon official with a CIA blue badge and they have you know

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that conference in in 2019 the title of it was how elections how elections erode

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the Democratic process how elections are a threat to democracy and because they were moving to this concept that it that

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that the blob's control o over the the political and Commercial ecosystem of a country cannot be left to the people if

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we define democracy to be about Democratic institutions then the popular will of the people can still be

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categorized as a threat to democracy which would still th therefore still allow the funding of the billions of

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dollars worldwide that we have deployed as capital for this and I'll give you a great example this the National Science

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Foundation is probably the the the main funding artery for most of the

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ensorship ecosystem in the United States now this comes from million places wait the what I know it sounds

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crazy but listen the National Science Foundation is the civilian arm of DARPA it is

What Is DARPA?

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and it has been for those who aren't from DC will you explain what DARPA is DARPA is the pentagon's brain uh DARPA

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is the reason that we have the internet you know DARPA the internet started as a military technology to be able to send

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and receive information digitally because the Pentagon manages it's the largest employer in the United States

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Pentagon manages the American Empire when after World War II we had this yawning Empire stretching from here to

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you know to Latin America to to Europe under the Marshall Plan you know and all the way out to the Philippines and Asia

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we had this worldwide Empire we had had to manage all these counterinsurgency threats all the domestic populations

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that were opposed to us hemony over their own over their own lands and so the Pentagon had to be extremely versed

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in all the regions understand what was happening politically what was happening culturally and so the Pentagon farmed

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out to us universities this is a part of why so much of us universities so much

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work is is funded by the defense department and and is funded by the National Science Foundation it's civilian civilian arm in fact the

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National Science Foundation is the leading subsidize of all it's a leading source of funding for all higher

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education funds it's it's I'm not like people think we have a private educ you

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know higher education Market we don't it's subsidized by the US government and that is a quidd pro quote but through

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DOD well through DOD and through the National Science Foundation which is the civilian you know which is you know but

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the National Science Foundation and and even the story of the internet again it was created by the US Military and it was turned over to the

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National Science Foundation and then that's where the Dual use comes in when the military you know the military

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developed the cell phone the military developed GPS the military developed uh

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most of the technology at the R&D level that we now live under in fact the

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military developed of the internet anonymity software in order to help Pentagon and CIA and state department

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backed political groups be able to orchestrate regime change you know the vpn's the the tour

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Network and then encrypto chat all these things were Pentagon projects before they became dual use just like the internet became dual use it was a

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military project but then it be then the civilian commercial uh architecture was built on top of it but the National

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Science Foundation has two major domestic censorship programs and in the

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charter documents establishing one of them in 2021 when you know in February 2021 right when B you know the month

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after Biden took office this is a this is a \$40 million program and in the

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charter document it says that the purpose is to stop misinformation about Democratic institutions and they and one

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of the democratic institutions they Define is the media so understand this

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this is the Pentagon civilian arm funding \$40 million worth of

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censorship explicitly exclusively censorship institutions to stop

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Americans from delegitimizing the media to stop Americans from undermining Trust

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in Media if North Korea did this we would pass sanctions on them if Iran did this we would pass sanctions on them

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this is because establishment media and again politically aligned media with The

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Blob has to be propped up as a buffer to drown out the voices of populace so the

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so the strategy here is twofold turning up the knobs of the blob's propaganda channels and turning down the knobs of

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anyone who opposes that because you can win two ways you can win you know know three ways you win in a fair fight or

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you can win by super saturating your own media Voice or you can win by default because the opposition political party

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the opposition political movement is not allowed this is why the US state department after

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2016 established in like 140 countries now these censorship programs in the

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name of countering disinformation in the name of media literacy in the name of digital resilience they have all these branding terms for it because they

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perceived this El Dorado Gold Mine of of a new method for for total political

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control over a region which is winning by default by winning by censorship a lot of times people don't believe State

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Department propaganda they don't believe CIA propaganda and so no matter how much money you pump into the region no matter

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billion dollar Victoria nulan bragged about being pumped into Ukrainian Civil Society ahead of the maidon protest it

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still did not penetrate eastern Ukraine which broke away with in the dbass it still did not penetrate Crimea who uh

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you know voted shortly after to to join the Russian Federation in in in a democratic vote so they from their

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perspective funding propaganda was not enough we need to kill the ability to surface AI alternative ideas because

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then then they can't even make a counter argument even if they don't believe the propaganda there's simply no other

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choice in the room you don't get access to the other ideas you don't get access to the other data points or news events

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that might undermine public trust in the state Department's preferred narrative this is what where Mal information came

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from Mis dis and Mal information you may have heard that phrase misinformation is something that is false but you you know

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it was an innocent mistake disinformation is it's wrong but you did on purpose Mal information is it's right

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but it still undermines public faith and confidence and something that's more important this is why for example you

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had the censorship of covid in the name of of Mal you're Banning people from telling the truth yes so how are you not

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like just full-blown on Satan's team at that point you're B you're not allow your own citizens to tell the truth

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you're you're forcing lies at the point of a gun this is literally what the federal government's Partners pressured

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use and exploiting government pressure and threatening them with with crisis PR if they if they allowed through

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statements about covid-19 to be articulated if they you this came out in the Twitter files for example you where

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you had entities like the virality project who were who were telling Yol Roth and vti that you know the the

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former Twitter 1.0 censorship team that you need to censor you know self-reported uh you know vaccine

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Adverse Events because even if these things are true they still undermine public faith and confidence in the

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efficacy of vaccines they and they might increase vaccine hesitancy once people realize it can hurt them like they don't

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want to take it right and part of the issue is is their their initial solution to this was fact Checkers but the

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problem is and and trying to get legitimacy for censorship because fact Checkers identify something as wrong but

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the problem is fact Checkers are slow fact Checkers have limited influence on certain platforms and so you can't hire

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enough fact Checkers and also a lot of times the fact Checkers can't prove something's wrong you're citing CDC data

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you know you're you're citing a widely reported mainstream media uh event but you can still get it banned under the

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category of Mal information because it still undermines public faith and trust in a critical narrative so it's sort of

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this censorship mercenary ecosystem created to protect Noble lies but no I

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at home and also no and also Noize abroad so this is why I come back to the

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US state department and maybe this is a good time to introduce you know the the

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telegram you know issue here which is that you had this strange situation

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where the government of France arrested pavle and it took Everyone by surprise

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and this is a major major act which has major implications for us platforms the

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fact is is if no is liable for Every Act of speech criminally liable Every Act of

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speech on his platform there's no reason that the head of Rumble the head of X the head of YouTube everybody can't be

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hailed in for 20 years the moment they step foot in paris's they can all die in prison for letting people criticize

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their governments like right it is a major diplomatic event it impacts US

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national champions it impacts US citizens the US Embassy in France it's

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job the only reason it's there is to protect us national interests US

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citizens and US corporations from hostile foreign laws in France hostile

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foreign actions by France and given how critical telegram is to the US

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militarily to the US on statecraft grounds to the US on intelligence grounds again as we speak in dozens of

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countries telegram is the main artery of the CIA for for cultivating political

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resistance movements and so the impact on the United States is absolutely massive of

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of doing this and again as you know as we discussed the United States has funded you know Ukraine with about

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almost \$300 billion dollar and Ukraine's Military Intelligence Chiefs say that they need to get control over telegrams

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backend to to know whether or not the Russians are in control of it and to get control essentially over its front-end

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content moderation policies to ban Russian propaganda channels now mind you this comes just 2 weeks after the FBI

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raided the homes of Scott Ritter and other journalists simply for appearing on Russia Today he had his hard drive

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seized his phone his phone seized other people had their the paintings in their own in their own houses seized by the

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FBI not arrested by the way no charges against them simply for appearing on a

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Russian propaganda Channel a Russian State TV channel so these are American citizens Living in America who simply

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appeared on a channel uh from from Russia that had their homes raid their Electronics seized and even their their

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paintings in their own home seized if if they thought a Russian painter may have painted the picture here in the United States just

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two weeks ago how is that legal well technically they're not facing charges but the idea was is because they have

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overt ties to a Russian propaganda outlet they may have covert ties and so the so the FBI now uh basically you know

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has them in the spiderweb but understand this is what the US me want to go on RT

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every single day of the year just to make the point not because I for any

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other reason than to make the point I'm an American citizen I can have any political opinion I want and I can speak

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to anyone I want but I does anyone any other media Outlet see this as kind of

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the end of America when people are rid by the FBI for having political opinions it's funny you say that because I this

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is really what started my own Journey which was that I'm not a foreign policy I'm I if if the gun were taken off of

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my head and an apology and restitution made for for the the destruction of the free and open internet I might consider

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whether or not it is in US interest to fund the war in Ukraine to you know to

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pursue the easure Asia to do these things I don't know I don't know I see the arguments on both sides of it but

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the problem is the fact that they have destroyed so many lives the fact that so

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much pursuing pursuing this in my own free speech rights has cost me so much

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but I have the same response that you do which is that well because you told me that I can't talk about this I will not

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stop talking about this until that's they they broke into my

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private text account the NSA did to keep me from talking to Putin and then I just said I don't care what it takes I'm GNA

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I'm going to Moscow to see Putin it took me two years but they really hardened my resolve Beyond like any point of Reason

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like I was going period MH and I I think that's the healthy response you can I'm an American citizen I was born here you

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cannot you are not allowed it's illegal for you to trample my god-given speech

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rights so how' you like to cut your cell phone bill in half every single month it's probably pretty high have you

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checked it recently Verizon AT&T and T-Mobile want you to believe that you have to have something called unlimited

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data and maybe you're in the small percentage that do need unlimited data whatever that is but for most people you

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do not need unlimited data and you certainly shouldn't be forced to pay for it that's where Pure Talk comes in Pure

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Talk only charges you for the data that you want how about that if you walked into an ice cream parlor and they said

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you can only buy 11 cones and you said I just want one you probably wouldn't go back would you no you go to the place

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that sold you what you wanted talk text and 5 gigs of data on Pure Talk is 25

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bucks a month how much is 5 gigs well you can browse the internet for 135 hours hours you can stream a th000 songs

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you can watch 10 hours of video so it's a lot actually so stop overpaying for data you never use and switch to Pure

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Talk at America's most Dependable 5G Network 25 bucks a month Pure Talk is proudly veteran-led supports American

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jobs with their whole customer service team right here in the United States everyone speaks English they're Americans no

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offshoring the average family saves almost a grand a year a \$1,000 a year no

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contract no cancellation fees a 30-day money back guarantee Pure Talk makes switching very very easy just go to Pur

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talk.com Tucker and you will save an additional 50% off your first month that's palk onew

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word.com Tucker to switch your cell phone service to a company you can be proud to do business with only buy what

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you need well this is this is the actual Crux of our of our counterinsurgency

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Paradox which is that you know we have two things that we do for political

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control in a region you one of them is counterterrorism if we you know the military sets in on a country if we say

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there's terrorists there but if we if there's no counterterrorism we still have a Doctrine called counterinsurgency which is managing the rise of opposition

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political parties in a country and the and uh using you know potentially

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sometimes kinetic or you know hard power or drone striking people ktic meaning violence yes yes and you know the

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problem with counterinsurgency Doctrine is a critical component of the country does not believe the government the US

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installed government is legitimate so they are you know organizing a political

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movement to rise to power instead we call that a political Insurgency and the

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issue is is to you know we want to get them we want to get them stabilized we want to know yeah have them make them

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have nothing and be happy when people have grievances you know this is what gives rise to this whole you know

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Insurgent problem but the problem is in counterinsurgency is in order to get legitimacy in the government you need to

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take out the insurgents but every time you take out an Insurgent you create 10 new ones because all the bystanders who

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didn't have a dog in the fight who maybe you know believed what the US government propaganda was saying just saw their

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cousin get taken out at the wedding and said you know so so this is the problem this but this is also where the whole of

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society framework comes from the whole society framework comes from coin it comes from Counter Intelligence we have

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a Doctrine you know within counter Insurgency called whole of government whole of society which is which means every agent within the US government and

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then every institution in society again coming back to this watch word institution because this is the watch

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word of sensor speak this is we propping up our institutions and censoring anyone who opposes the consensus of

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Institutions but but this whole society framework is how you stop the counterinsurgency Paradox which is that

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you take one one out 10 10 new you know you create 10 new ones if if the

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pressure is coming not just from the US military it's coming from how you get a job in the country so we on board the

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private sector companies they'll work you know either through formal Partnerships with the state department or pentagon or they'll be funded or

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it'll be informal or be or'll be back channeled through something like you know the the center for International Private Enterprise which is the Chamber

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of Commerce armor of the National Endowment for democracy and so we get the private sector companies we get the we get the the universities the NOS the

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uh you know the activists we get all the cultural figures uh you know involved in the counterinsurgency effort and we get

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the media involved in it this is where the censorship architecture was this this is the what they agreed on they

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literally borrowed it from the military Doctrine for you know to solve this exactly this physiological response that

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you're articulating right now but get getting back to this you know this issue around the state

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department and telegram it is it is my contention

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that there's no way the French government would have done something so absolutely seismic in terms of its implications for the US military for us

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intelligence and the US state depart US state department without walking next door down the

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Sha and and telling the US Embassy in France that they were going to do this

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they had an ongoing investigation criminal investigation into paval before

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this event took place macron even tweeted that that this was part of an ongoing investigation it is stock common

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practice for the US Embassy as we discussed in the Czech Republic and Poland

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it is stock common practice for the US Embassy in in in a region to to

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coordinate to be notified to be essentially a stakeholder in that country's conversations about whether or

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not uh you know Pro prosecutions in the name of anti-corruption in the name of of anything will be done because the

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state department effectively has a soft veto power I mean you can remember getting back to prosecutions and control

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of the prosecutors this was a major scandal with Joe Biden Joe Biden Al threaten the government of Ukraine he

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said this at a Council on Foreign Relations you know committee you know meeting if if folks recall famous tape a

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billion dollars you want either you get rid of your prosecutor or you lose a

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billion dollars in you know critical uh us Aid to the region and you know by

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golly you know they they fired the prosecutor control over the prosecutors

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is control over the politics so the US Embassy in the region is constantly back channeling with the prosecutors the idea

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that this event which is exactly what the state department has been soft

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calling for for months now since you know at least months I I should note if

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not arguably a few years that this miraculous windfall because they don't have leverage against pavle otherwise

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you know he's living in the UAE and they don't have the attack surface on telegram that they had on WhatsApp they

WhatsApp and the Facebook Files

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had this problem with WhatsApp a few years ago because WhatsApp is the other you know major endtoend encrypted chat there's only two games in town in the

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encrypted chat space WhatsApp and Telegram and I watched this happen with the Brazil Story the US state department

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again capacity built by essentially bribing through tens of millions of dollars of flooded foreign assistance to

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all the censorship advocates in Brazil this plan to stop the use of

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WhatsApp and telegram by bolsonaro supporters in Brazil and and Modi supporters in India places like the

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Atlanta Council which has seven CIA directors on its Board gets annual funding every single year from the US state department all four branches of

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the US military as well as CIA cutouts like the national dment for democracy they held a conference in in the summer

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of of 2019 about the need to stop the use of WhatsApp and Telegram in countries around the world especially

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Brazil and India because we can't spy on them as effectively because because the state department had already censored

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social media had already gotten social media censored in those countries bsar most our supporters were effectively

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booted from Twitter 1.0 Facebook and YouTube after 2016 they you they were

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said to be this International movement of ideas between Pro Trump and pro bonaro so they all after they got after

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the state department set up this apparatus that got them censored from social media they all ran to WhatsApp

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and Telegram and so the state department sort of created this encrypted chat problem they could only talk and in an

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uncensored way because the state department already censored you know their other main communication artery

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and so B so WhatsApp and telegram were were putting the crosshairs of this USA

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program to kill you know and state us a state department program to to kill political support for bolsonaro and

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WhatsApp bent the knee within two and a half weeks because WhatsApp is very vulnerable it is owned by Facebook and

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Facebook is a major major s has a is a major surface attack area for WhatsApp

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if you recall Jim Jordan subpoenaed these emails from Facebook a few months ago the you know the Facebook V

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and in the Facebook files it came out that Nick kle the head of public policy the head of the censorship terms of

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service at at Facebook did not want to cooperate with the Biden administration's demands to censor covid

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but urged his team to do so anyway because we have bigger fish to fry with the Biden Administration so we need to

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think creatively about ways to be receptive to their censorship demands because Facebook is totally dependent on

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the US state department the the the intelligence services and and to some extent the the long-range threat of the

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Pentagon to protect Facebook's data monopolies to protect its advertising Revenue to protect it from laws like the

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EU digital markets act and Digital Services act which is so and and this has come

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out as well and I was at the state department when I was called by nine Google lobbyists you know who told me

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that the that the the number one threat to Google's business model over the next five years is the EU digital markets act

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and Digital Services act they need the protection of Big Daddy State Department for favors for their profits and so they

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play ball with the state Department's censorship demands in order to preserve that but they are under the barrel of it

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and people like Mark Zuckerberg right now are feeling like they're at their they're at their wit's end because they gave the state department and they gave

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the B Administration everything they asked for in terms of censorship demands and they're still being bullied by them

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so just yesterday Mark Zuckerberg wrote this letter to Chairman Jim Jordan where he came out in the strongest statement

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yet that you know that the Biden Administration forced Facebook

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effectively to do the censorship that they that they pressured them strongly and that and that the only reason they

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did these censorship actions whether that was the joke the uh the hunter Biden laptop or whether that was the uh

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the covid censorship censoring Co Origins censoring you know all issues around uh you know the covid regime was

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because of pressure from the Biden Administration and not only that he said that he regretted doing it and would and

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now has uh structures in place to stop Facebook from relenting from such government

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pressure in the first place and while this is great to hear Zuckerberg say it would have been a lot more useful four

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months ago when there was a Supreme Court case under deliberation where the Supreme Court effectively argued that

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there was there was an insufficient causal relationship between government pressure and platform censorship action

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so having a you know having a direct letter from Mark Zuckerberg uh unequivocally saying that it that

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there was as the head of of Facebook would have been very useful to establish a supreme court president beli leaving that aside in the sort of you know uh

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too little too late nature of that uh this is something that had been percolating you know for for a while

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Facebook you Mark Zuckerberg said that he regretted the censorship act actions five months ago on Joe Rogan so

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it's no surprise that you know that Zuckerberg expressed that in writing but

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the fact that he would do it to the Republican chairman of the house weaponization committee and the fact

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that he said he's no longer supporting Democrats in this election cycle uh signals to me that he fears The Blob now

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and and feels like the Harris administration's continuity of the Biden

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administration's pressure policies that there's no amount of Flesh that he can give up as a pound to satiate their

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blood lust and and that he's turning if not towards Trump then towards something that's against that and trying to

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provide whatever moral support to that without making a direct contribution to the to

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the other side sort of maintaining the sort of patina of neutrality on financial and and uh messaging grounds

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he's not doing what Elon is doing by voicing explicit support he's not you know providing financial support but he

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is he is very strongly motioning there because I think he thinks that the neutrality of a Biden of a trump

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administration because Trump was neutral Trump was completely neutral frankly to the point where he he should not have

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been I mean you had American platforms who were censoring the American people who had voted for that government and

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and you know blasting away at our first amendment and doing so you know the fact is is all of the government you know how

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can you protect government how can the government protect platforms that are censoring the speech of Americans this

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would be like the state department you know supporting Exxon mobile and overthrowing governments to get oil and

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gas for Exxon Mobile while Exxon Mobile was cutting half of Americans off at the pipe you know at at the pump at a gas

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station if they voted for you know Eisenhower I this is this is it's such

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an abuse it's honestly the end of this sort of idea that this favor or favor

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relationship between big government and big big corporations has a trickle down effect to help the welfare of the

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American people this has always been the justification for the national champion policy at the state department that when

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the big when big government when the Pentagon and state department CIA and USA and the whole form of soft power

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institutions do favors for Exxon Mobile or Microsoft or Walmart or Pepsi then

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that means cheaper retail products for us we have the export markets because we control that government we have the natural resources so we have cheap gas

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middle class living but this has completely inverted that because it's

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big government teaming up with big corporations specifically to deprive Americans of access to those platforms

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but again it's to protect the institutions against the individuals it's to protect this you know this this

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constellation of cloistered foreign policy institutions and their and their International agenda installed at a

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regional level on every plot of dirt on Earth from being opposed by people who

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might vote against them organically in a free and open information

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Market what happens to pav durov it's unclear what kind of pressure

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may be Ed to set him free um there have been suggestions that potentially the

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UAE may take some steps unconfirmed the one player in the room

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who could exert enough pressure to set Pavo free is unfortunately potentially

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one of the players who may be implicated in his arrest in the first place and again this comes back to the US Embassy

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in France uh and which is why I believe that questions need to be asked by the house Foreign Affairs committee to

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ambass assador Denise Bower were there previous Communications previous emails previous meetings previous dialogue with

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French intelligence French law enforcement uh or or members of the French government and when I say were

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there you know meetings or Communications or dialogue I don't just mean directly by the US Embassy I also mean through the us embassy's back

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channels which is that many times this is done directly by the US Embassy but many times it's done by a back Channel

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which is that instead of the US Embassy talking with French law enforcement directly

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a back Channel someone from uh a civil society institution funded by the state department you like an an Atlantic Town

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Council type organization or a or uh you know a a former member of the state

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department has these conversations does this lobbying does this coordination and then reports to the state department for

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you know updates on the conversations about the the anti-corruption uh prosecution and the state department

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provides guidance to the back Channel and the back Channel continues the negotiations of pressure and so you know

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the sweep has to be total here because the implications of the US Embassy

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either coordinating or at the very least approving this are are seismic because

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again of telegram's critical Military Intelligence role in countering Russia and statecraft role in everything that

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the state department does because again if Russia does have a backend access to

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telegram whether they cracked it through their cyber hackers or whether pav had some secret agreement that means every

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rentar Riot Revolution that the CIA does using telegram all over the world is also being you know secretly monitored

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by the Russians and maybe that's why they it was unsuccessful in Belarus maybe that's why it was unsuccessful

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with Alexi naali in in Russia and they do make you know points about the fact that you know Russian military uses it

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freely over half of Russia uses it uh and you know they point to questions around around the funding in order to

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make that argument so you do have these us interests but you also have French interests again I'm not

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do they have evidence I mean the US funded the creation of signal it doesn't mean right and tons of people use signal

Does Putin Have a Back Door to Telegram?

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right do they have evidence of this I mean pav jff left Russia in 2014 in his

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account and I think this is true he felt like he had to leave he didn't want to leave he's Russian right but the Putin

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Administration was trying to control Telegram and he famously gave the finger to Putin on camera and left and took

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citizenship in other countries so like do they they as someone who's been accused of being a Russian asset a

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million times when I don't speak Russian and of course I'm not even that interested in Russia I'm sensitive to

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that uh to that slander and I just want to know like do they have actual evidence that Putin has

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a back door to telegram I sounds like like a lie to me but well they argue there would be no other reason for the

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Russian military to use it you know in such an unfettered fashion for for you

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know official Russian military documents to you know to Advocate the use of telegram course there would be another

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reason which is it's secure right they well if you read CIA media on this again you pointing to what radio free Europe

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wrote two weeks after your interview with pav it was that things may have well telegram Radio free Europe is

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disgusting let me just say having grown up around it I'm just shocked by what it's become it's disgusting and they

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should be ashamed of themselves well radio for Europe was lauding uh you know telegram from 2014 to 2020 what they

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argue is that something may have changed beginning in 2021 with a new round of funding I believe a debt round you know

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a large dollar figure debt round that was raised and they argue that there may have been Russian investors in that and

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so there may have been some payoff and so because of that Russia only sto

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because for two years they were pursuing Banning telegram from uh from Russia but then they they

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stopped it and at the time that was considered a major Free Speech Victory by the United States and by the state

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department they applauded the NGO pressure on Russia and the threat of sanctions on Russia for if they went

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ahead and banned telegram but the fact that they relented and then ubiquitously used telegram actually telegram usage in

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Russia massively surged after the ban uh there's only about 10% of Russians who

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used it before the ban and now it's over 50% so they argue between the funding between the fact that they're losing in

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all these places where they use telegram now and that that you know Russia may be you may be Keen to it and the fact that

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there was that the ban that the attempted ban was dropped and then a massive surge on usage afterwards can

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only mean that Russia achieved you know um began to be Pro telegram because of a

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secret deal between them so in other words Ukraine is losing a land war

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against a country with a 100 million more people because Pavel Durov has some

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secret arrangement with Putin I mean this is the kind of fantastical childish thinking that makes Empires fall

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actually I mean the total inability to deal with reality to assess your own

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shortcomings to be honest about anything as it pertains to yourself to be honest about yourself and how much you suck

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those are fatal weaknesses in people and in countries and it I grieve to see the

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US government fall into that kind of self-indulgent fantasy right but but

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think about the amazing windfall that just befell the CIA they've had no leverage against Pavel this entire time

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and yet the entire Russian military architecture is built on telegram all highlevel Russian milit military and

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political officials the internal workings of of Russian statecraft and deliberations all happened on Telegram

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and there have there's been no window into that because of Pav's belief in free speech so now if Pavo cracks under

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interrogation if he cracks Under Pressure suddenly all Communications of all Russian citizens and all Russian

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military officials and all Russian diplomats that were taking place on telegram for the past 5 years are now in

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the hands of the CIA so this is in in why don't we just torture him to death I mean like why why I just like just drop

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the pretense and just like we're North Korea now um with slightly better

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infrastructure slightly um and like stop pretending cuz that's what this is they're like torturing a man um and in

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the process stripping us of our god-given speech rights and a right to privacy that they're always crowing

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about but only when it pertains to abortion I mean this is so immoral what

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we're participating in does anybody does like even occur to all the creeps on the

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internet the Atlantic C Alexander vinman all the people who think this is great does it occur to them that like they're

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no better than North Korea in this situation well I think from the Ukrainian perspective they say our

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people are dying we're being massacred by the Russians and so you know Free Speech has to be a casualty of you know

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of this war and so and religious freedom and the Russian Orthodox church and you know the freedom of like priests to

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celebrate the Eucharist like they're in jail now so it's like but a certain point like what do you think anyone in

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Ukraine looks over to Washington and says you know you promised us this was a good idea we're they they've lost at

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least 600,000 ukrainians they've lost the right to their land their land can now be bought by Foreign corporations

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they just made that change and it will be and like all of that is because they follow the advice of Washington do you think they think that well it doesn't

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matter what the people of Ukraine think they're not no they're not a allowed have elections you're right they can't vote their way out of it there's no

The Red Lines Memo to Zelensky

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there's no elections and mind you you know you can look everyone listening right now can look up something called The redlines Memo from from the Ukraine

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crisis media uh uh Group which is basically conglomerate of you know all

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these us-funded Nos and Civil Society institutions in Ukraine uh the and they

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sent a So-Cal the so-called redlines memo to zalinsky when he took office and they threatened zalinsky in that letter

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that if he took any of the below actions on security policy on energy policy on media policy on cultural

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policy uh seven or eight different buckets of of internal policies that

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zalinsky might pursue that if he crossed any of the red lines in terms of restoring use of the Russian language on

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Ukrainian TV or um you know inter interfering with the privatization of

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NAFTA gas and things like this that if he crossed those R any of the red lines

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of the the policy issues articulated by this us uh constellation you know this us NGO

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which is an umbrella for all these other state department NOS that Ukraine would face immediate political

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destabilization if uh if any of those policies were enacted basically the same rental riots that were uh that were

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deployed by the US state department and the Central Intelligence Agency and to some extent the Pentagon in the 2014

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maidon protest would be redeployed against zinsky if he decided to chart an

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independent course for the Ukrainian people that he would be run out of office the same way you know his

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predecessor yanukovich was uh by the same forces if he did something that was

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in the will of the Ukrainian people but opposed the US state department this is so grotesque I

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I I just want to pause now and ask you anyone who's followed this conversation to this point um finds it as probably as

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compelling as I do so for people who want I never do this but in your case it's I want people to read what you

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write where's the best place to follow you much more closely than just your

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appearances here on X at Mike Ben cyber all one word at Mike Ben cyber um you

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know I'm prolific I I believe in this I understand what is you know probably

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going to happen to me at some point but I again I'm my my dog in this fight is

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not changing US foreign policy to change US foreign policy let others decide what

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to do in Ukraine what to do all over the world I did not I could I can understand

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both sides of the issue I can understand the sort of Anti-Imperialist these are human rights violations you know we

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should not be toppling democratically elected governments I can also understand that it's a big bad world out there and if we don't do it somebody

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else will and we need capacities in place to do that it's a complicated issue the problem is we don't have a

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democracy when when our entire political structure is about hearts and minds of

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the people that's what democracy is hearts and minds of the people are determined by the information ecosystem

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freedom of speech and so if you don't have the freedom of of speech to be able to influence hearts and Minds the hearts

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and Minds to be able to give rise to to a free and fair election well then who's in can who you don't have a democracy

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you have you have a military Hunter effectively and and you know it's the point that you made before that the

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legitimacy all falls out and so all I care about is is free speech on the internet and so well what sounds like

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what you care about is America you care about the country that you live in yes right and to that point I I want to make

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another sort of note here which is that I'm not coming out making a facial allegation that it's that the United

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States was the driving force behind Pav's arrest I believe that it is highly unlikely that they were not coordinating

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or encouraging it and I believe that at the very least there was approval and

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approval is a sort of light standard that's a little bit less damning because all it means is that the US did not was

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notified but did not apply counter pressure well sure but I mean you could also say and I would say having seen it

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a million times in my long life when a foreign country particularly an ally like France does something we disagree

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with we can issue a a note of protest the state department could say we you know we disapprove of that we support

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human rights including the right to speech and the right to privacy etc etc and we didn't do that right no we can

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threaten to cut off Aid we can threaten to to cut off contracts to French companies or just publicly disapprove I

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mean it's France is an ally if we if the president has got out or Tony blinkin or

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the US ambassador to France and just said we're against this that would be a lot and everyone right now go to the Twitter page of the US ambassador to

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France on X there's no public statements about it there's been no statement by the state department No statement by the US Embassy in France you when an

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American citizen called Gonzalo Iero was killed by the Ukrainian government died in prison for criticizing the Ukrainian

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government a government that we support and control in the name of democracy and Freedom the US state department said

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nothing right the bistra said nothing they approved of course but again they're behind this in so many cases

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that it seems highly unlikely especially given how amazing a windfall this is to the United States foreign policy

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establishment on this but there's there sort two related points I want to make about France here which is that France

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does have its own independent reasons for doing this which is that France's whole financial Empire is dependent on

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Africa they have you know France still has a sort of semicolonial Empire 14

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countries in Africa you know who basically you know use French currency and our s Cod of West Africa mostly yes

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and France also derives The Lion Share of its own energy resources and they

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have had a big problem in the past years the French the famous French nuclear program yes nuclear energy program which

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is I think the biggest in the world per year 75% of France's energy comes

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from nuclear and that comes from ner that comes from a French speaking African country the uranium exactly

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exactly so three out of every four light bulbs in France are you know are turned on by the uranium you know effectively

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in Niger and a few other places and the the French lost control of Niger to Russia just last year you know there was

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a there was a military coup as there was in Mali and several other places where it was a military

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coup if not orchestrated backstopped by the Russian military in these in these

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countries one after another you've had four or five French colonies effectively fall to Russian military activity in

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Africa and so they've lost control over their their access in in Nigeria for example they had to close down their

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Embassy they all of their all the French troops which had their largest presence in Africa were all evicted they they

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lost all of the soft power influence you know over these countries and in these countries the the Africans are burning

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French flags and raising Russian Flags in fact you know many of these African countries are now uh cutting off

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diplomatic ties with Ukraine because of how close their affiliation with Russia is because of Russian military

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competence and and activity in Africa France is losing the ability to keep the lights on yeah so and it should be noted

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however that Russia's doing this because under mccrone France has been jumping up and down about the Ukraine war and

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pretending to be a meaningful part of NATO which they are not and just sort of pretending that they still have a meaningful Empire everyone cares anyone

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cares at all what they think and they've annoyed Russia to the point where I think this is Payback right but Russian

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the Russian military is built on telegram everything they do now now they it's not necessarily public telegram

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channels but the but the private the private version with the endend encryption and the Anon you know the

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anonymous forting the ability to aggregate everybody you know in a PRI in a Russian private military contractor

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into a into a common telegram Channel only telegram has that capacity no other you know they can't post this on

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Facebook uh you they're not going to use Facebook owned CIA intermed mediated WhatsApp all they have is telegram for

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that so if if French intelligence is able to get pav to sing Under

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questioning or interrogation or threats of spending the rest of his life in prison France may be able to you know

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finally have a chance to to retake the colonies that were lost to Russia okay let me just say though I would much

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rather be monitored by the Russian military by the Israelis by any foreign

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government than I would by my own government because I live here first of all my government has no right as a I

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think a statutory matter to monitor me um but also the implications being monitored by a foreign government as an

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American are not as big a deal as they are when I monitored by my government do you see what I'm saying no absolutely

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but this is well actually there's a great point along this which gets right to the France story in this intersection between us and French interests us and

The Real Motive Behind Durov's Arrest

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French shared military intelligence and diplomatic and economic interests in in arresting pavle and finally getting the

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leverage they have craved for so long to to be able to both control con telegram's content moderation practice

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to ban all Russian propaganda channels which are infecting the minds of everyone from Ukraine to bellarus to you

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know to subsaharan Africa but also you know the ability to get this backend access to for you know to to read every

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Russian text message effectively there there's a great example of this in terms of blowback on Americans so we've talked

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about this this group the Atlanta Council you which builds itself as as uh NATO's Think Tank it is again a lot of

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people even know seven CIA directors are still alive let alone all clustered together on the board of directors of a

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you know of an an NG a NATO Think Tank uh but it gets annual funding from the

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Pentagon the state department and CIA cutouts like like the national D for democracy as well as us Aid there are 11

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different federal government agencies who all provide Federal Government funding every single year to what is

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effectively the civilian influence arm of NATO now in March 2018 the Atlanta

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Council published a um a set of white papers called Democratic defense against

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disinformation and and in the in the March 2018 version of it the cover photo

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again this is funded by the United States Pentagon United States state department United States intelligence Service uh conduits the front page of

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this memo called Democratic defense against disinformation which called for this whole of society Playbook about how

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how the government could organize Civil Society censorship from the Civil Society side censorship from the private

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sector side censorship uh advocacy in media organizations the cover of the memo of the memo was a giant net Network

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map a network narrative map of the of the French election because at the time

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there was some Wikileaks had published something called the macron leaks which were these sensitive politically

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embarrassing you know emails uh involving macron when he was neck and neck in the race against Marine lepen in

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2018 in the front page of it you know had in red all these narrative Network

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maps of of French citizens and Russians but there were two big green Network

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nodes uh that were highlighted at the at the front of the memo and one of them was a big network node saying Wikileaks

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the other one was a big network node saying Jack poic let me just you understand what's

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going on here Wikileaks had published these macron leaks and Jack bobic at the time was this large you know us-based US

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citizen social media influencer who was one of the first and most aggressive to popularize the distribution of these

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macron leaks on social media and that was considered an attack on Democracy by

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effectively the Pentagon the state department the CIA NATO they were not

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targeting Russians they were not targeting French they were targeting a US citizen for

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amplifying now publicly available documents that might undermine political support for NATO's preferred political

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puppet in France by telling the truth by publishing true documents yeah there's

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that's exactly right so what I'm saying is there was no allegation it wasn't like the hunter Biden laptop in the first weeks where this isn't real no one

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contested the fact these were real these were real you just weren't allowed to see them because you can't know the truth because it might make you harder

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to control well this is the issue is these this is a US citizen this is a US

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funded institution gets millions of dollars every year it has seven CIA directors on its board the Army funds it

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the Navy funds it the Air Force funds it USA funds it the state department and in

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the crosshairs of the cover page of the memo is a US citizen for doing what that

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wasn't even a US event it was an American citizen publishing about a

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election in a galaxy far far away how how much is it going to take if we

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colonize Mars and there's an election on Mars can the Central Intelligence Agency

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organize the censorship of an American citizen because the cia's preferred puppet for the you know electoral race

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on Mars you know is being undermined because of uh a social media post uh

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from someone living in rural Montana there's no end to this it's there isn't

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it's been ongoing you know much longer than I realized and I think that's part of the

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problem is that people who consider themselves non liberal or opponents of the democratic party I've certainly

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considered myself that were the slowest to figure out that the dod the Pentagon

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the military um and the Intel agencies particularly the CIA also law enforcement FBI DHS that they were um

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threats to the country and to us and they reflexively supported them and that's all a 49 year year old hangover

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from the church committee hearings in 1975 where it was like all the conservatives are like shut up you're not patriotic but

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actually the left knew right away that what matters is the institutions that are armed guns matter guns matter more

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than anything and so you want to have the armed institutions on your side and use them to oppress your political

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opponents and they did that and it took Republicans well they still haven't figured it out they're like you know

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check in the box on funding DOD to like you know more than any military in the history of the world to lose war after

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War for 80 years and they don't understand that they're signing their own death warrant and the and the death warrant of American democracy it's like

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freaking infuriate it must drive you crazy as a former federal employee well

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I mean you nailed it there what they are doing to populism is what they used to do to Communism if you remember what

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actually you know started the church committee hearings what gave it the political legitimacy to finally have its

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day in Congress was the fact that the CIA and the Pentagon and the FBI were

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all interfering in domestic politics and the Democrat to stop the anti-war faction in a big Way domestic political

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support for you know for anti Vietnam is what was killing the funding legitimacy

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for for the war in Vietnam and it was killing the political mandate and so you

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know there's we have this Doctrine you the four theaters of War you the four domains of War this is this US Army

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Doctrine which is you know there's the Strategic the logistical sorry the Strategic the Tactical the logistical

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and the political four ways you can win or lose a war you know on the Strategic side it's you know the grand strategy of

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it on the Tactical side it's you know who who are we going to attack how when the logistics is how do you get the

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supplies there how do you get the funding for it and the political is do you have political support at home to be

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able to fund the logistics to be able to to do these particular tactics you know if you if the if the war is not popular

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at home you don't get the funding for all the logistics that you need you don't don't get approval for certain tactics that would be deemed human

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rights violations or war crimes and so you can you know the US military

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establishment believes that we lost Vietnam you this is famous called you know Vietnam syndrome because we lost in

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the political domain this is why the the the US state department and the CIA fund an anti-war movements domestically

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within countries that we go to war with we pump up the anti-war voices in the

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country the anti the anti-war parliamentarians who might be in control of that country's budget in order to

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undermine their own ability to capacity build the war and this is what's happened here you know this was this

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George HW Bush quote you know by God we kicked Vietnam syndrome when he brought CNN you know onto military airplanes to

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uh you know to propagandize how great the war was and this is why the media has been so intensely onboarded uh in

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all Pentagon operations you know since since Viet and yet they're still very unpopular they're extremely unpopular

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the the Iraq War Looking Backward whatever the hell tried to do in Syria

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whatever we did in Libya um the 20 years in Afghanistan those are all seen as

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failures by a huge percentage of the American population despite the Relentless propaganda so that should

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really matter if the majority of the public is against something we shouldn't do it because we we're supposed to be in charge of the government well this is

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where I come back to Doctrine when when you are a part of this apparatus you are you are now taught that what democracy

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means is the institutions the Democratic institutions the government institutions the NGO institutions the media

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institutions and and any private sector company who sign it's a really deep and important Insight you said that about

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what a year ago you first said that I heard you say it about a year ago and it changed my thinking completely but this

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is also because you know I'm hearing you react to how evil it all is multile no

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no no control myself no I'm glad you did because I think this is a useful point for the American public to understand

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which is that when you're in in this thing it doesn't look like it does from

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the outside because the language of sensor speak is is a very unique one in

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the same way that Marxism you know sort of rose to some level of cultural mainstream because of a decade of

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incubation in universities you know developing this esoteric jargon you know

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this sort of uh Lego tower of abstractions and Concepts that went the

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when it was finally rolled out to the public the public could have a sort of set of Frameworks to rationalize and

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support it there is a thick lexicon of sensor speak that totally takes the

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human element out of it so when you are a part of this censorship apparatus you don't really feel like you are censoring

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people I'll give you an example they don't refer to to people who they censor as Citizens or people they they refer to

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them as cyber threat actors okay so when you are when you are censoring when they

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kill them they don't say they kill them they liquidate them right right yes or neutralize yes um when you uh they don't

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refer to your tweets or your Facebook posts or your YouTube video they call those incidents

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so so you know so because your opinions are a crime right when when you capacity

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build with tens of millions of dollars US funded censorship mercenary firm

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you are not funding censorship you are building digital resilience you are

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engaging in a media literacy campaign is it all girls running this because this is you're using the very feminine

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language here it's it's it's quite egalitarian I I would I would say there's it's it's a interesting blend in

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terms of the cast of characters but their one commonality is they are all vetted they are all financially

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dependent on the resources of The Blob of this of the Pentagon the state

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department USA and and the related uh swarm Army of NOS who then trickle that

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down as I get back to for example the National Science Foundation is who's funding all the universities the Pentagon is funding you know countless

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copyright mercenary firms USA again has these entire programs with thousands of these you know copyright promoting

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media organizations copyright you know post flagging um you know disinformation

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experts and so you you enter this kind of cloistered world with its own language

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and there's also a sort of moral justification because these people have an unbelievable amounts of power over a

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kind of Godlike feeling over the political es and flows of every country

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on Earth and yet you know they don't necessarily make very much to reflect what they you know what they do I mean

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think about the power that the director of the Central Intelligence Agency has and yet makes less than Tony fouchy

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makes less than a a sixe you know associate Junior you know mid-level associate at a New York law firm and yet

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this person determines you know the rise and fall of you know virtually every you

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know every country on on Earth or at least has significant influence over it so the Money Networks are very important

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because it this has become a boon field I call it I don't I call it the censorship

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industry because that's the most useful way to understand how what the glue that keeps everything together it is a

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censorship industrial complex but it is the industry that keeps the Apper every

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all the cogs in the wheel going the private sectors make bank because they

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do government favors this is why Microsoft for example is such a huge player in the you know in in the

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censorship apparatus they're a huge private sector partner in the whole society Network under the under the

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private sector Banner because Microsoft's is is hugely dependent on foreign markets hugely dependent on the

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US state department to negotiate on their behalf to be able to stop foreign laws that might undermine their you know

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that might undermine their profitability you know they have almost 10% of their of their you know profits coming from

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China so they will join these National Endowment for democracy you know censorship ecosystems in 2018 when all

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this was at its sort of adolescent stage of getting created and when the real concrete of the of the bricks was

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getting laid down while there's still some mortar that would be developed in 2019 2020 you know Microsoft created

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this protecting democracy program which became this major in-house censorship incubator and they participate in all

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the DHS censorship meetings all of the CIA cutout you know censorship meetings through the National Endowment for

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democracy because Microsoft's Financial interests are dependent on the government and they are putting a favor

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in the favor Bank to the government by doing it and the government will in turn reward them by telling that foreign

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government who whose political prospects are now protected because all their opposition is censored to do favors for

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Microsoft and this is what you this is why there's such a huge stakeholder apparatus in all this you know one of

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the four I've talked about the National Endowment for democracy many times here they have four cores that they call it

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you know the ndi this which is the DNC branch of of you know this CIA cut out Hunter Biden was on the Chairman's

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Advisory Board Nina jankovitz was a part of it I mean just so you can understand the pedigree of this the international

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Republican Institute is the is the RNC branch Mitt Romney's on the board I John McCain's old group exactly started it

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and ran it for 25 years and uh the third one is their Union branch called the

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solidarity Center so this is basically the CIA intermediary CIA back channeling with unions because unions play a major

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role in the rental riots you know in Belarus for example you it's a very this is how you get Workers without a lot to

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lose who you know a little bit of money goes a long way uh these are the people

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who are in control of how the trains work you can part of this playbook for destabilizing a country is you shut down

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all the instruments the government could use so you shut down the railroads you block the highways uh the hospital care

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you know workers all all walk out the teachers from the teachers unions all walk out and so the CIA has to have a

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back CH to that so that's the you know solidarity Center among other linkes there but the fourth one the fourth of

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the core four is called the center for International Private Enterprise and this is the US Chamber of Commerce commercial interest in the region that

The Deep State vs. Donald Trump

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the CIA is orchestrating a regime change operation in or is putting influence on the existing government and so this is a

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ma it was a major event in the Republican party when the US Chamber of Commerce turned against Trump the only

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parody that the Republican Party had against democrats for the past 100 years has been the fact that that the republ

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that while Democrats had the media Hollywood music and culture unions uh

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and to some extent Finance Republicans had the warrant industry the energy industry and the

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Chamber of Commerce because the you know these Chamber of Commerce companies preferred republicanism for its free

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market Enterprise free enterprise and low low tax structure the problem is Trump sort

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of you know stepped on a on a rattlesnake with this idea of making

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America First and American nationalism to the extent that it cut back on American Interventional ISM you know

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American you know over you know constant democracy promotion abroad he was the first president in 40 years not to you

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know declare a new war effectively so you had all these Chamber of Commerce companies whose the line share of the

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revenue is dependent on foreign markets or whose Supply chains are sourced in foreign countries and they need a big

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bad CIA they need a big bad state department they need a big bad us Aid and a big bad Pentagon if necessary and

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so trumpism became a a sort of threat to the bottom line of the US Chamber of

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Commerce and so the fact so I come back to this because the commercial interests here are sort of driving what's

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happening at the intelligence and Military and diplomatic policy level if

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that makes sense you know for example take Ukraine right Ukraine it was not

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just you know the overthrow of the government in 2014 there yes it was a state department operation yes it was a

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you know us Aid funded CIA uh directed operation as well as with the the British government but who are the

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financial stakeholders why do they do it well the Ukrainian government had just rejected a US Embassy IMF trade deal

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cided with Russia they were they were squeamish about privatizing NAFTA gas and the at the time the US College

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of Corporations these Chamber of Commerce companies the oil and gas companies had all made massive investments in the Ukrainian energy

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sphere because the longrange plan was to bankrupt gas prom and take the you know trillion dollar market that gas prom has

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into Europe cut them off and have NATO based energy companies take their market

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for them so and and the plan was beautiful if you if you kill gazprom

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first of all you have a national security pret for doing it because if you kill gas prom there goes the Russian military so now you know Russia's threat

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in Africa is neutralized uh you Russia can't oppose the Pentagon in Syria and

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in other places so there's a lot of National Security Pentagon reasons to pursue that but then you had all these

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us companies ink all these deals between 2011 and 2013 with the Ukrainian energy sector Chevron spent signed a 10 billion

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deal with NAFTA gas which is the state-owned Ukrainian gas company barisma was the largest private gas

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company it was the feeder to to naft gas shell from uh from the United Kingdom

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you know it was Royal Dutch Shell but now it's basically headquartered in London so it's shell shell also signed a

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matching \$10 billion deal with naagas the state owned Gas Company halberton

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Dick Cheney where used to be uh you know CEO and um and chairman of the board and

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also George Soros had a large equity share in halberton halberton O owns the oil and gas processing rights in in

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Ukraine all of these companies were invested in resources that were solely

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situated in the donbass and in Crimea the donbass in the mountains and Crimea

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offshore and then what happened after so we overthrow the government in 2014 because the the Ukrainian government was

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not giving everything that the state department wanted we thought we rested total control of it and now all of these

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people you know who had made these all these us corporations who' made these Investments make bank but then we don't

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expect this counter coup that happens you know the basically just a few months afterwards when the donbass broke away

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and and Crimea voted to join the Russian Federation and the whole thing was purportedly back stopped by the Russian

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military so you you have tens of billions of dollars of Investments by us

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oil and gas companies whose Investments all go to zero because now how does barisma mine you know mine Shale and the

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dawn bass how does NAFTA gas get the profits from uh you know from that mining if Russia controls the territory

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how how are you going to you know do offshore you know drill rigging in Crimea when Crimea belongs to Russia so

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you have you have these commercial interests driving the state department policy in the region when Victoria new

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in late 2013 gave that famous speech where she bragged about the 5 billion that the US government had pumped into

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Ukrainian Civil Society the very civil society that would go on to overthrow the government just months later later

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when she gave that speech she was at a US Embassy event being sponsored by Chevron and

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Exon really yes yes you go to my X feed I got the the picture and HD 4K blown up

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for everyone to see so again you have this relationship between the the commerci so it's not just that like we

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have a rogue State Department we have a revolving door between big government

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and big corporations and the idea of putting American First America First in

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a world where those corporations are primarily multinational means that nationalism is a threat to multinational

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corporate interests and so multinational corporate interests will sponsor the state department activity and use the

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battering ram of the CIA the state department the Pentagon and NATO to

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achieve those corporate interests so we have a much bigger problem here which is why I call for reform because our whole

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financial ecosystem is actually bent on this and that's just the nature of globalization I mean that was always

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going to happen if you thought it through for I mean why would you know brexit be seen as a threat to us

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interests I mean that's right um okay we could go on for hours but I want to end

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and we could actually do hours on this specific topic I want to end on the question of

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Elon who I think is you know one of the most significant figures in modern history obviously he is but very much a

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current player a lot depends on what he's doing now on the question of speech with X and um and of course he's he's

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has an incredibly complex life where he's tied into all kinds of different things with all kinds of different companies that rely on government

Will They Take Out Elon Musk Next?

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contracts etc etc but he's holding the line in in demonstrable ways

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everyone I know who watched the you know durov arrest this weekend first thought

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oh man you know who's next do you think that the blob you so vividly

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describe um Can tolerate Elon Musk allowing the world's population to say

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what it thinks through the election and Beyond and what implications does this arrest

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have for him well it's a complicated issue because Elon is is very unique you I

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wrote about this when he announced the acquisition before it even closed I I

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wrote an article where I I described how Elon is actually quite unique in this relative to other um
billionaire owners

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of social media companies who folded depr pressure and I cited a few reasons one is again the the
strategy on this

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apart from prosecutions is whole of society contortion of the economics so

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what you do is to get face to do what you want you you offer carrots and you threaten sticks so if
you do what we

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want you'll get you know bribed you'll get rewarded if you don't do what we want we'll bankrupt you
and so they

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fastidiously organize the whole of society so that pressure is applied from the private sector
pressures so

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Advertiser Advertiser boycotts us a has an has a formal disinformation program

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focused on getting advertisers to cut off Revenue to purveyor misinformation

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sites and purveyors of misinformation and I have seen I mean they have this

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formerly published in fact my organization foundation for freedom online even published the formal
disinformation primer in February 2021

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one month after Biden took office where in a 97 page USA disinformation program

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memo 31 times they mention the word advertisers as being necessary to kill

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the revenue to any social media site or any social media account or any independent web page that uh that

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spreads misinformation so usaid is contorting the economics of the

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entire news industry in order to to get platforms to censor lest they go

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economically bankrupt and remember the US this is the major threat to Elon uh

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still to this day but particularly uh you know these Advertiser boycotts which crushed the ability this is why they had

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to turn to subscriptions and they had to make you know this \$8 month \$12 month type thing because of all the ad

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boycotts and again USA is a formal program to coordinate that in the whole of society fashion there El getting back to elon's

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uniqueness so for a couple things as a triple digit billionaire he may be more insulated from these kinds of whole

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society encirclement economic pressure tactics that someone like Mark Zuckerberg or Jack dorsy had tolerance

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for they were only double digigit billionaires uh you know or Zuckerberg uh whereas as a triple-digigit billionaire that actually may be robust

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enough to resist that getting back to this Mark Zuckerberg letter in 2019 Mark

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Zuckerberg was making public speeches saying that he thought censorship had gone too far on Facebook that was 2019 I

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remember but then he got hit with a very interesting boycott that was called hash

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change the terms and it basically was economically coercing Facebook to change the terms of its terms of service

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effectively to ban Trump supporters and brexit supporters and anyone in Europe who supporting a right-wing populist party there and Facebook lost 60 billion

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in market cap in 48 hours under this boycott and so Facebook folded like a lawn chair and gave them everything they

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asked for because 60 billion was enough to break Zuckerberg's back at the same

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time there's who who paid for change the terms oh that's how many hours you have

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it's a it's it's how about 60 seconds just bottom line it for us I mean

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nominally it was the ADL and color of change under this kind of hate speech idea but it was joined by by dozens of

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us Aid funded US state department funded NOS Civil Society institutions who were

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all creating the base of that so nominally you had these you know ADL color of change and it's about hate

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speech on social media but the the the buffering substructure for it were all these US government intermediaries and

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you have this issue where you know what they said was hate speech but they as

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part of the change uh change the terms campaign anyone who criticized open borders was

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considered to be doing you know hate speech against Hispanics because of you know the disproportionate impact on that

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anybody in you know Germany or France or anyone who you know opposed anyone who was a part of this prowing populist NATO

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skeptical faction again this whole fit brexit spit it exit Domino you know this

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that that all started because of the migrant crisis after we assassinated and there was a giant you know influx of

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of migrants you know into European countries and this gave rise to a right-wing populist political opposition

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force and they were the ones who were challenging all the NATO preferred political candidates in those regions and so this was a this was a proxy

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attack on all the political enemies of The Blob but Elon is unique because the

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US state department needs Elon or at least they need elon's properties you

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have a paval problem here which is that all they don't they don't care about

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pavle they care about telegram but to but to break into telegram to get access

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to the backend to be able to censor you know the sort of front facing and spy right you need you need control of the

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Personnel because the policies of the platforms are person Personnel is policy with Elon I don't think they want to

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take him out what they want is Corporate regime change or him to play ball and I think they allow the acquisition cuz they assumed that he would play ball

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as everybody else who opposed them in the past did Jack dorsy came out and said that it was a business decision you

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know why they censored Trump and that he was squeamish about it but you know they were under the gun of the financial pressure that was the reason Mark

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Zuckerberg did all the sensorship dorsy I can say with some Authority I think really hated censoring Trump not because

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he loves Trump because I think dorsy really was opposed to censorship like on a philosophical level right so I think

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they thought oh elon's talking a big game now but they all did and everyone folded and he'll be just like the rest

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of them because he has a wide surface of attack uh you know as well Elon has

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Tesla uh Elon has SpaceX you know these are critical critical companies for us

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statecraft so you know space the US Pentagon intelligence Services State Department is is hugely dependent on

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SpaceX for all low Earth satellites for all tele telecommunications I was at the state department rescuing stranded

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astronauts yes like actually that to yes no yep and Tesla is hugely important for

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to have a US national champion in the green energy Revolution the renewable Battery Technology is you know a huge

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part of you know the the you know of the US of us leadership uh in the climate

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change transition one of the reasons that they viewed him as a huge hero up until you know he became a free speech

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Advocate and so I mean I don't think I can say any better than one of the writers from the National Endowment for

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democracy the this the very CIA cutout that we've talked about you know dozens of times

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now in this in this dialogue which is that one of the writers in the National Endowment for democracy wrote just a few

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months ago that Elon Musk is a greater national security threat to the United

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States than Russia this is a few months ago not this post outbreak of the war this is in 20 24 and that uh that Elon

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is a greater threat to the United States and US National Security than Russia because his proxim

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impact on us politics and the and allowing you know opposition political movements to rise is you know will cause

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changes in US government that are more likely to make us lose the war on Russia than Russia itself
it's the same thing

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NATO said in 2017 he said though we're in a pickle because the US government is so dependent on
elon's properties and so

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you know basically called for a kind of death by a thousand paper cuts type

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strategy and this is this is what we're seeing and wrote this in public yes you can look it up this is a
you know this

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is National you can I believe the the uh author of it was a man named Dean Dean

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Jackson uh is a current or former National Endowment for democracy fellow

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uh he's a part of this this whole censorship industry apparatus that I've talked about that uh you
know that is

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done through the whole society network uh and I can actually post the article on my ex account if
folks are interested

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uh right after this but yes arguing that again but the national Dem for democracy

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is gets its funding by the US government it is not only it is accountable to

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Congress but imagine a more anti-American belief than American

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citizens shouldn't be allowed to talk American citizens shouldn't be allowed to vote or their vote
shouldn't be

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allowed to count the American citizens shouldn't be allowed to choose their own leaders I mean imagine thinking

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something like that and imagining that you're an American right but understand as soon as you accept the frame that

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democracy is about the institutions I know but wake the [__] up these people I mean come on I mean like I get it I

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understand I used to drink too much I'm very familiar with you know ways that we justify unjustifiable behavior to

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ourselves but on some level like are you ever standing in the shower thinking wait in the name of democracy I'm

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preventing my fellow Americans from giving their opinions out loud or I don't think their vote should count like

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is there no they have no souls obviously I'm sorry to get upset it's just like so crazy I well the reason that I keep

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coming back to that is because I'm trying to arm everybody watching this with the language necessary to fight it well and you're you're spinning me into

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a frenzy um as you always do um I'm

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sorry so let me just ask you one last question okay do once again do you think

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that X will stay open through the election stay

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open in the US yes but the state department is coercing foreign

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governments to shut down X operations around the world until X censors everyone the state department wants

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censored uh take the EU Digital Services act which I've been screaming for years now uh has is the number one existential

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threat to Elon and to X this is a this is a law this is a you know this new

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just came into effect in the EU uh after years of pressure from NATO for the EU

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to to advance this which goes beyond the typical European hate speech laws and creates a new sort of category for

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disinformation which requires all social media platforms to do disinformation compliance and the US censorship

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industry you know they they did a they did a conference there's a there a there's a big 150 page uh sort of

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consensus memo that hundreds of these people all sort of co-signed and then they did a you know launch event where

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they all talked about it on a live stream afterwards and in that live they they said that they would be in a full-blown panic because of Elon Musk

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losing losing X and elon's policies getting rid of all the censorship Provisions they had because 2024 has

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more elections than any year in world history I think it's something like 65 elections or 8 happening all over the

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world so the state Department's control is you know is at risk in 65 to 85

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different countries in the calendar year 2024 and they said that we'd be in full-blown panic but we can Panic

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responsibly because we have basically a trick up bar sleeve and this is these are us censorship professionals many of

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them paid by the US government through grants and what they are state depag grants and and what they said is you

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know the trick up Our Sleeve is that we have the EU Digital Services act and that will force Elon to rehire all of

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the fired sensors and it will force him to basically restaff the censorship apparatus unless he's he's going to lose

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X's participation in all of the EU because that imposes a 6% Global Revenue

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fine for anyone who doesn't comply the EU has come out and said they're currently non-compliant and the EU has a

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larger market than the US there's 500 million people in the EU it's more than the us if if x is kicked out of the

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EU they are no longer a global platform it's it's absolutely existential and

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part of the requirements for that compliance is for the same disinformation experts and researchers

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to vet the flow of information to spot disinformation demand its takedown if x

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doesn't take it down then they're kicked out of the EU so this is a massive massive lever of power over Elon and the

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only question is will the US state department the only organ we have to defend us interests against Europe will

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they actually oppose it the problem is as you're hearing me say they're the

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ones who have been organizing these censorship Provisions to begin with so the very the only people that we have to

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be able to defend us from the threat were the people who who organized it in the first place

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so I don't I don't have time to ask you about the effect of all of this Biden Administration censorship on

Would Benz Join a Trump Administration?

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presidential race um but let me just final question if Trump wins will

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you um have any hand in helping the new Administration roll back the censorship

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regime and returning us to some sort of constitutional Foundation as a country

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my purpose in life is to do everything I can to promote

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freedom of speech on the Internet it's a very dear thing to me it has been since you know since I was since I was a kid

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and I don't consider myself a political person I know I had a political appointee spot I would be equally

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comfortable in an RFK style or or democrat type thing um you're a one issue

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man I am I am but you need to understand these other issues to know what you're up against and to and this is you know I

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get a lot of push back oh you know you're against the US military against the

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intelligence agency I'm not I'm not I'm calling for reform so that this specific narrow new capacity that has become one

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of the biggest Financial Boon markets that we that that government grants do

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in such a short period of time it is newish it's it's not a baby anymore but it's still in its adolescent stage

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this can be rooted out it's not like you're rooting out you know uh the US

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war department the FBI 1789 so so you

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know my purpose is to pursue that to the best ability possible in whatever that

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means so I don't know you know what what role you know might might even be more

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useful within the government or if it's more useful for me to Simply publish what I publish provide the insights that

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I do and have my you know have what I do Simply Be what I've been doing I I don't

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know you know and and I'll I can answer that question when the fog of War has Has Lifted more but you know I I'm

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not a political person I'm I'm a one issue I'm a one issue guy on this and that

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touches political matters but um I'm going to be true to that purpose it

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would be nice to see a free speech are since it is the first right enumerated

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in the Bill of Rights a free speech Ambassador yeah yeah Mike Ben amaz amazing conversation

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and I'm sorry you got me so emotional about 11 times in the middle of it but thank you thanks

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[Music] Tucker so it turns out that YouTube is

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suppressing our show I know shocking that in an election year with everything

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at stake Google would be putting its thumb on the scale and preventing you from hearing anything that the people in

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charge don't want you to hear but it turns out it's happening so what can you do about it well we could whine about it

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but that's a waste of time we're not in charge of Google or we could find a way around it a way that you could actually

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get information that's true it's not intentionally deceptive and the way to do that on YouTube we think is to

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