



Facebook Whistleblower: Interference ‘On A Global Level In Elections’

Another whistleblower at Facebook has revealed that its culture and policies are lined up to throw elections in the direction they choose, throwing all non-leftists out of the political process. At a very minimum, this is Sedition. □ TN Editor

Another report demonstrating rampant censorship of conservative content by Facebook content moderators and an interview with the latest insider who experienced it firsthand was released today, by the non-profit media company, Project Veritas.

“I was seeing them interfering on a global level in elections. I saw a blatant exception that just targeted conservatives or favored liberals—and you know, we’re deleting on average 300 posts or actioning 300 posts a day,” said Arizona-based Facebook content moderator Ryan Hartwig. “If you magnify that by however many content moderators there are on a global scale, that’s a lot of stuff that’s getting taken down,” he said.

Hartwig is the second Facebook Whistleblower Project Veritas debuted this week to report on the behavior. Earlier this week, recordings captured Facebook content moderators bragging about deleting posts and comments supporting President Donald Trump and conservative causes.

Hartwig was employed by Cognizant the same third-party company reported earlier this week to have contracted with Facebook to conduct content moderation. Cognizant content moderators are called “process executives” and they use Facebook’s review queue to adjudicate whether a post or comment should be allowed, taken down or escalated to a supervisor.

Hartwig wore a hidden camera to document reviewing of content and office interactions. In an interview with Project Veritas CEO James O’Keefe, Hartwig said although he signed a confidentiality agreement, he could no longer ignore the suppression of Facebook content supporting President Donald Trump, Republican causes or the conservative agenda with a massive exception to the company’s public position on protecting political speech across the platform.

“That was the tipping point. knowing about what I knew about how they were giving exceptions for the policy, I knew that it was likely that it was happening elsewhere on a global scale,” he said. “Just seeing such blatant bias from Facebook really bothered me.”

O’Keefe said Hartwig exemplifies the heroic virtues of Project Veritas’ “Be Brave. Do Something.” campaign.

Content Moderators Express Hostility to Trump, His Supporters

One of the moderators Hartwig recorded was Israel Amparan, who he said typifies the worldview of most of the content moderators he encountered.

“Trump supporters are f*cking crazy *ss *sshholes, that every other f*cking word out of their mouth is you know ‘Come take it,’ ‘Seal the border,’” said Amparan. “Come take it” refers to the “Come and Take It”

slogan Texan colonists put on their flag after the Mexican government demanded they turn in their cannon.

Amparan said he targeted content by Trump supporters because it scared him.

“I hate government as much as the next f*cking person, but you’re not gonna catch me riding over the f*cking. It’s like impeachment. It’s like a PRAW. Trump called it a f*cking coup—and it’s like that should scare you more than anything.” A PRAW, or Python Reddit API Wrapper, is a Reddit program to allow user to more quickly and easily post on Facebook.

Hartwig also videotaped Steve Grimmett, who is a team lead at Facebook-Cognizant’s content review—and who said Trump supporters are in the same speech category as Hitler, under the Facebook policy on Dangerous Individuals and Organizations.

“One of my projects before now was, was hate,” Grimmett said. “I’ve spent quite a bit of time looking at pictures of hate organizations, Hitler, Nazis, MAGA, you know, Proud Boys, all that stuff all day long.” MAGA is the acronym for Trump’s 2016 slogan: Make America Great Again.

Facebook CEO Mark Zuckerberg testified before Congress the only speech Facebook targets for deletion is speech advocating hate, violence and terrorism, but not political speech.

Facebook Waived Hate Speech Policies to Advance its Pro-Pride/LGBTQ Agenda

One example was when Facebook-Cognizant policy and training manager Shawn Browder told all the content moderators in Hartwig’s section for the 2018 Pride Month hate speech would be allowed to stay up if it was in support of the LGBTQ agenda.

Hartwig said Browder told the moderators to implement the special policy, which in the case of Pride Month allowed attacks on a single group of people, quoting Browder: “Hey, we’re making the exceptions for our policy to favor the, LGBT community.”

O'Keefe: Hate speech is allowed if it's 'intended to raise awareness for pride LGBTQ,' so hate speech is allowed in some cases, but apparently not others?

Hartwig: Yeah.

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Fauci: Institutional Racism Contributed To Blacks Disproportionally Hurt By COVID-19

Technocrat Anthony Fauci jettisons science to state that the high rate of infections and deaths in the black community derive from institutional racism, saying that he 'cannot imagine' it isn't true. So, Fauci has gone from 'analytical scientist' to one who imagines what is true. □ TN Editor
Dr. Anthony Fauci, director of the National Institute of Allergy and

Infectious Diseases, told Congress on Tuesday that racism has contributed to African-Americans being disproportionately impacted by the Chinese coronavirus pandemic.

“Well, I mean, obviously the African American community has suffered from racism for a very, very long period of time,” Fauci replied when asked by Rep. Bobby Rush (D-IL) during a House Energy and Commerce Committee hearing about whether “institutional racism” is to blame for the disproportionate effects. “I cannot imagine that that has not contributed to the conditions that they find themselves in economically and otherwise. So the answer, congressman, is yes.”

A recent APM Research Lab report found black Americans account for 24.3 percent of the confirmed U.S. coronavirus, even though the group makes up 12.4 percent of the population.

Asked about statements by President Donald Trump at a campaign rally Saturday that he had asked for a slowdown in testing, Fauci, director of the National Institute for Allergy and Infectious Diseases, said that neither he nor any other top U.S. health officials have been requested to do so.

“To my knowledge, none of us have ever been told to slow down on testing. That just is a fact,” he told members the House energy and commerce committee. “In fact, we will be doing more testing.”

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Facial Recognition Backlash Grows

IBM, Amazon and Microsoft saw the handwriting on the wall about the biases built into facial recognition systems, as they recently bailed out of the market segment. The potential groundswell of hatred could severely damage their reputation and profit. □ TN Editor

When the American Civil Liberties Union ran a test of Amazon.com Inc.'s facial recognition technology, the software falsely matched 28 members of Congress, many of them minorities, with mugshots of arrested people from police files.

Now, some of those lawmakers are drafting new legislation to curtail the use of facial recognition by police departments and government agencies. They're looking to harness the public outrage over police misconduct and racial inequities, which have also put tech companies on the defensive over their sales of these products.

Civil-rights advocates have long complained that facial recognition tools

promote bias by misidentifying people of color. But it's taken the widespread anger and sorrow over the death in police custody of George Floyd, an African-American Minneapolis man, to galvanize the debate.

"What I've learned is when there's public sentiment around an issue, you can move mountains," said Representative Jimmy Gomez, a California Democrat who was among those falsely identified in the ACLU test and who is drafting a measure that addresses the accuracy concerns. "People are acknowledging that there is implicit bias in policing, and that leads to interactions that — for people of color — are harmful and can lead to death."

Lawmakers have introduced at least a dozen bills in the last year — including several since Floyd's death — and some are drafting new measures to curtail use of facial recognition by government agencies. But passing any of them won't be easy, with Congress hitting a deadlock this week over a broader police overhaul.

Big Tech is also rushing to catch up with the national reckoning over race. While Amazon contests the ACLU study, it recently announced it would stop, at least temporarily, selling its facial recognition technology to police forces. Microsoft Corp. has said the same. International Business Machines Corp. said it's permanently ending sales of the software. Alphabet Inc.'s Google stopped selling it in 2018.

Yet facial recognition software is already in wide use. The tech giants face formidable competition from smaller providers, such as Ayonix Corp. and Clearview AI Inc., which got a head start selling face-recognition products. So far, they haven't joined the moratorium and could end up controlling a market that's now estimated at \$3 billion and could double in three years.

Widespread adoption of facial recognition tools could make the legislative debate rancorous if lawmakers try to limit their use — not just slow or stop future sales.

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