

# Banning TikTok Is Not About Fighting China, It's About Protecting Western Narratives and Israel's War Crimes in the Middle East

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*The US government claims that TikTok is a national security threat because China can collect data on its users for "intelligence gathering." Give me a break! The House of Representatives passed a bill to ban TikTok unless Byte Dance, the Chinese parent company "divests" from the app within six months or so, in other words, they are forcing Byte Dance to sell TikTok within a certain time period in order for it to operate in the US. Former Treasury Secretary Steven Mnuchin said on [CNBC's "Squawk Box"](#) that he is putting together an investor group to supposedly buy TikTok.*

The reality is that they are not going after TikTok because of China's "intelligence gathering" on US citizens, it is because Western governments, Israel and their mainstream media networks are being exposed for their lies and propaganda more than ever before by various alternative media websites, blogs, social media, and video-sharing platforms such as TikTok.

## China's "Intelligence Gathering" vs. Israel's War Crimes

It is most likely that the US congress is scapegoating China mainly to protect Israel's reputation in the last bastion of its supporters in the United States where there are more than 170 million TikTok users. In one way or another Israel's war crimes in Gaza and beyond have been exposed on [TikTok](#) and it does not look good for the self-described "Jewish State."

Last January, the US-based [TIME magazine](#) reported on the reality of how the world views

Israel and its actions in the Middle East, *“New data shared with TIME magazine business intelligence company Morning Consult shows that support for Israel around the world has dropped significantly since the war in Gaza began.”* Morning Consult found that Israel’s standing in world opinion has dropped dramatically, *“Net favorability—the percentage of people viewing Israel positively after subtracting the percentage viewing it negatively—dropped globally by an average of 18.5 percentage points between September and December, decreasing in 42 out of the 43 countries polled.”*

From China to South Korea, even in the UK and several countries in Latin America all had a somewhat positive view of Israel, but when the war on Gaza began, opinion polls on Israel’s favorability status collapsed:

China, South Africa, Brazil, and several other countries in Latin America all went from viewing Israel positively to negatively. And many rich countries that already had net negative views of Israel—including Japan, South Korea, and the U.K.—saw steep declines. Net favorability in Japan went from -39.9 to -62.0; in South Korea from -5.5 to -47.8; and in the U.K. from -17.1 to -29.8

Sonnet Frisbie, the deputy head of political intelligence at *Morning Consult* said that *“the data shows just how tough of a road Israel has right now in the international community.”* Of course, the US population still holds a favorable opinion of Israel, *“The U.S. remains the only rich country that still had net positive views of Israel. Net favorability dropped just 2.2 percentage points, from a net favorability of 18.2 to a net favorability of 16 from September to December”* the report said.

*Al Jazeera*, [‘Israel has lost the war of public opinion,’](#) by Imam Omar Suleiman published last year said that *“In a new media landscape dominated not by Western media giants but by Instagram reels, TikTok videos and YouTube shorts, Israel’s ongoing war on the besieged Gaza Strip is more than televised.”*

Israel’s crimes have been exposed due to the internet including alternative media networks and various social media platforms since the Zionist controlled mainstream media failed to do its job which should not be a surprise to anyone.

Platforms such as TikTok has more than 170 million users in the US which is a concern for both the US and Israeli governments who propagandize the US population on a daily basis on the situation of Palestine through their control of the mainstream media and Hollywood:

Audiences across the world, and especially young people, have been watching the devastation caused by Israel’s indiscriminate bombardment of the Palestinian enclave on their preferred social media platforms, in real-time, for over a month. Anyone with internet access has seen countless videos of babies torn apart by bombs, women crushed under tonnes of concrete and mothers cradling the dead bodies of their children

Suleiman said that *“Israel, of course, still continues with its usual efforts - and more - to control the narrative about its bloody wars and decades-old occupation.”* He pinpoints how Israel is losing the information war:

Yet, despite all these efforts, thanks largely to social media, Israel is no longer able to conceal the truth about its conduct in Palestine. It can no longer control the narratives

and the public opinion on Palestine. As mainstream media loses its ability to single-handedly decide what Western and, to a certain extent, global audiences get to witness about the situation in Palestine, the brutality of Israel's occupation has been laid out in the open for everyone to see

*The Times of Israel* published an article based on Israel's obvious concerns regarding TikTok, ['Major US Jewish group backs bipartisan bill that could see TikTok banned'](#) said that "One of the most prominent Jewish groups in the country has thrown its support behind a fast-advancing bill that could lead to the massively popular video app TikTok being banned in the United States."

The world knows that both Democrats and Republicans in the US Capital are in the pockets of Jewish lobbying groups are moving forward in efforts to ban TikTok because its a "Chinese owned app" and it is collecting data on American citizens, but there are [companies](#) (some are based in the US including Amazon) who have been selling your data for some time.

The article states that "Politicians backing the bill, who include leaders from both parties, have centered their criticism of TikTok on national security concerns related to the app's Chinese ownership and data collection practices." Representative Cathy McMorris Rodgers, a Republican from Washington said that "It is very important that it is targeted and specific to the national security threat" and that "This is not related to content. This is about the threat because of the data that has been collected." So, the ban on TikTok is not related to the content? That's pure nonsense. *The Times of Israel* at least stated the facts on why the US and Israel is really interested in banning the platform:

Jewish Federations of North America, representing hundreds of organized Jewish communities, said its support for the bill is rooted in concerns about antisemitism on the platform. The Jewish Federations and the Anti-Defamation League have accused TikTok of allowing antisemitism and anti-Israel sentiment to run rampant

The *Jewish Federations of North America* (JFNA) wrote a letter to the US Congress claiming that "The single most important issue to our Jewish communities today is the dramatic rise in antisemitism" and that "Our community understands that social media is a major driver of the drive-in antisemitism and that TikTok is the worst offender by far."

Banning TikTok is about censorship. It is a fact that Israel's war crimes and the destructive nature of the US war machine is getting exposed more than ever before. US lawmakers are giving Byte Dance which is managed by Shou Zi Chew, a Singaporean citizen, about six months to divest US assets from the app, or they will face a ban. If the ban of TikTok moves forward, then free speech in the US is completely dead. But that does not mean all social media platforms or even websites will be in danger for the foreseeable future because there will be other apps and platforms that the US, EU, and Israeli political establishment won't be able to control.

## Banning TikTok will Only Motivate Us to Create Other Platforms

Social Media platforms such as YouTube, Facebook, and Twitter (although owned by Elon Musk) have been completely hijacked by the government censorship regime. The Western political establishment, Globalist bankers, Zionists, Multi-national corporations such as Big Oil and Big Pharma and others around the world are facing an information war that they are clearly losing.

The internet has given us the tools to fight the mainstream media and their lies. Several social media platforms have grown to be a vital tool to challenge government and corporate propaganda such as TikTok, but there are also other various types of online-video platforms such as [Rumble](#), [Bit Chute](#), [Odysee](#) (part of [LBRY](#), a blockchain based file-sharing and payment network) and we must include instant messaging services such as [Telegram](#) and [VK](#) where you can post articles and videos as well.

The point here is that regardless of how certain governments such as the US and the European Union who have banned foreign media companies such as Russia's [RT News](#) and Iran's [Press TV](#), they also have plans to ban social media platforms, but it won't work.

They believe that banning TikTok will prevent people from getting the truth especially to what is happening in Palestine, but they are wrong, it will only help motivate people to create new platforms and other ideas, they will create new channels of information that would get out to the public. Whether they ban TikTok or not, the *genie is out of the bottle*, the truth can never be suppressed.

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