

How the Fight Against Covid-19 Has Brought Us a Step Closer to an Orwellian Nightmare

From Drones Tracking Your Temperature to an Epidemiological Analytics System That Can Identify the Spread of Covid-19. Dr. Anthony Fauci already “anticipates” that another coronavirus outbreak will begin in the Fall

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For many years, we in the alternative media have been warning that when a new crises emerges, a future of social engineering and control would bring us closer to George Orwell's predictions right to our doorstep. Since the start of the Corona Virus Pandemic (Covid-19) the destruction of the world's economy with the US in an already fragile state of affairs taking the biggest hit with its lock downs and an estimated 26 million people so far who are now unemployed. It has crippled the social fabric of society, basically forever and as a result, more invasive technologies are being introduced to the world now more than ever before. Recently, the US mainstream media has been reporting on the new technologies that can be implemented by governments to track the potential carriers of Covid-19 from drones that will be able to check your temperature and determine that you may or may not carry the virus to a program that can track individuals Smart phones through a mapping tool which was created by an Israeli company looking to have a footprint in the US market.

When it comes to the surveillance of the public's health from the sky, drone manufacturer Draganfly comes to mind as it made recent headlines with claims that their drone technology can monitor the public's health in real time which brings us to the town of Westport, Connecticut. The Westport local police department had originally agreed to monitor and track its citizens for fevers or coughs but had decided to reverse its course and not to roll out the drone program due to its citizens privacy concerns according to *NBC news*:

A Connecticut police force is grounding its plans to test a “pandemic drone” that would detect a person with a fever or cough, after privacy concerns were raised. The town of Westport has chosen to opt out of the “Flatten the Curve Pilot Program” from drone manufacturer Draganfly, according to *NBC Connecticut*. Westport Police Chief Foti Koskinas said Thursday that while he was thankful for the opportunity to participate, he also wanted to be responsive to citizens' concerns.

“We thank Draganfly for offering the pilot program to Westport and sincerely hope to be included in future innovations once we are convinced the program is appropriate for Westport,” Koskinas said, according to *NBC Connecticut*

Why Westport residents were concerned with Draganfly's drone capabilities? Watch their introductory video:

This is just one of the technologies that happens to be floating around, giving those in power new ideas that can be used in any future outbreak or any other crisis. What if there is another outbreak in the late fall or winter season? .

Another not so great idea that is not drone related is currently being used around the world is [a program called Fleming created by an Israeli technology firm called the NSO Group](#) based in Herzliva, Israel, a firm that was founded by Omri Lavie and Shalev Hulio who happens to employ former IDF soldiers. An article from Australia's online news site [www.news.com.au](#) from 2016 'Everything we know about NSO Group: The cyberarms dealer responsible for the iPhone hack' describes who the founders are linked to which should not be a surprise to anyone at this point:

According the LinkedIn pages of Mr Lavie and Mr Hulio, both men are self-proclaimed serial entrepreneurs, with a string of Israeli start-ups attributed on their profiles. Despite the plethora of tech companies the pair has founded, both men also have ties to the Israeli government.

Mr Lavia's profile shows he was an "employee" of the Israeli Government from July 2005-October 2007, while Mr Hulio's claims he was a Company Commander (Search and Rescue) for the Israeli Defence Force from August 1999-November 2004. The company also boasts to have employees from Unit 8200 — the signal intelligence and code deciphering arm of the Israel Defence Force

The NSO group is known worldwide for a highly-controversial spyware program called Pegasus which enabled remote surveillance of individuals smartphones. The NSO Group's history has been controversial since its introduction of the Pegasus program to the world, for example, in a 2019 article from [fastcompany.com](#), 'Israeli cyberattack firm woos investors amid a human rights firestorm' explains one particular controversy that targeted numerous activists and journalists worldwide:

NSO makes Pegasus, a sophisticated tool that can hack into smartphones and is intended, the company says, to help governments stop criminals and terrorists. But Pegasus has also been implicated in attacks on members of civil society. Targets of the software have included at least two dozen activists, journalists, and lawyers in the Middle East, Mexico, Asia, and Europe, according to extensive analysis by Citizen Lab, a digital watchdog at the University of Toronto

NSO Group has many other scandals, one of them is with Saudi dissident, Omar Abdelaziz who filed a lawsuit claiming that his conversations with Jamal Khashoogi, the Washington Post journalist from Saudi Arabia who was murdered in the Saudi embassy in Istanbul, Turkey in 2018 were intercepted by Pegasus. Now, the NSO Group is rolling out a new program called *Fleming*. According to the [NSO group](#),

"Fleming features an advanced mapping tool that identifies the spread of coronavirus in real-time, empowering health and other government officials to make informed decisions, backed by data, to quickly mitigate the pandemic."

They say that they will empower healthcare workers and "other government officials" which is pretty vague. "By utilizing this technology, decision makers can more effectively deploy

resources, including critical supplies and medical personnel, and implement public health protocols that help contain the spread”, resources can be taken out of proportion because the government will decide what “resources” they will use. What if they decided to use a drone strike as a resource?

In an opinion piece published by *Ynetnews* of Israel ‘ *The truth about digital tracking to fight coronavirus*’ by Shalev Hulio, the CEO of the NSO Group who of course takes a defensive approach for his firm’s new program “*It is important to appreciate that the historical information for each mobile subscription is already and routinely available to the cellular companies*” so, since it is already in use, Hulio is suggesting that we can go a little further.

“This information only includes cellular locations for that subscription and does not require any collection of information from the device itself”

which is something they cannot guarantee. He continues

“In other words, with the exception of retrieving the historical location of the device, there is no listening in on calls and no data, personal information or messages that exist on the device can be gathered.”

This is the same tech firm that has been implicated in violating the privacy concerns of journalists, activists and lawyers around the world. Hulio says that “*through mapping the path of the patient, we can see the people around them and they can be directly alerted*” and then he asks the question, “*So how does all this not violate privacy?*”

He claims that the data is analyzed with no verifiable information that can identify you, “*In fact, not even a phone number is collected: The analysis is based on the SIM card number that exists on the device.*” Then once all the information is collected then they can send a message to the person infected and request they go into self-isolation “*This will allow the authorities to build a “tree of infection.”*”

These are just two of many Orwellian ideas being floated around as potential tools to monitor and control the corona virus outbreak. If we allow these technologies to be implemented into our daily lives, whatever remaining freedoms you may still have, will slowly be taken away.

It does not have to be this way, we can resist this type of invasive technology as the people of Westport, Connecticut proved. They had privacy concerns and voiced their concerns to the local authorities about using ‘*Draganfly’s*’ drones that would have initiated the ‘*Flatten the Curve Pilot Program*’ which is a victory in itself, but this fight has only begun, and will continue well into the future as George Orwell’s warning becomes a reality day by day as the lock downs continue.

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