

The Ongoing Effort by the Corporate State to Kill Alternative Media

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If you read anything today, read Whitney Webb's "[How a NeoCon-Backed 'Fact Checker' Plans to Wage War on Independent Media.](#)" The article breaks down Newsguard Technologies, an organization dedicated to censoring news and information outside the orbit of official propaganda.

The article is truly alarming. It reveals how the government, neocons, the Council on Foreign Relations, large corporations, and Silicon Valley are conspiring to seriously limit your access to information on mobile devices, computer browsers, and social media.

According to Webb's research, Microsoft may incorporate Newsguard tech in the browser of an upcoming version of its operating system, which is used by 1.5 billion people around the world. No word if Apple plans to do the same.

From deplatforming to demonetization, the state and its corporate partners are deadly serious about removing any high profile news from the internet that dispels or challenges its propaganda.

Of course, it would be far easier to simply remove offending websites and social media platforms from internet domain servers—immediately sending all disfavored content down the memory hole—but under the rubric of soft fascism (as spelled out by [Bertram Gross](#)), this approach is eschewed in favor of incremental behind the scenes efforts and a propaganda effort that sells us the fairy tale alternative media is driven by evil Russians (who also flip elections), under the direction of the "New Hitler", Vladimir Putin.

A decade ago, I predicted the state and corporations (the essence of fascism, otherwise known as corporatism) would move to kill alternative media. I was wrong about the timeline, as the state often moves in glacial fashion.

It may be another two or three years, but eventually they will manage to wipe out most alternative media, or media that does not follow official narratives. This doesn't mean every media outlet or blog at odds with the state will be expunged, only those with high traffic and demonstrable influence.

Little guys like me will probably be allowed to continue, although it is possible Google and the corporate search engines will not return results on those websites and blogs.

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