

illustration by Sarah Weishaupt

How the internet is breaking democracy & what we should do now

voter disenfranchisement Comey white male resentment

gerrymandering

"both parties are equally bad"

anti-immigrant sentiment "the fundamentals"

celebrity beats substance America's archaic, unjust, racist Electoral College

I've always voted Republican.

political correctness actually is a problem haughty elitists

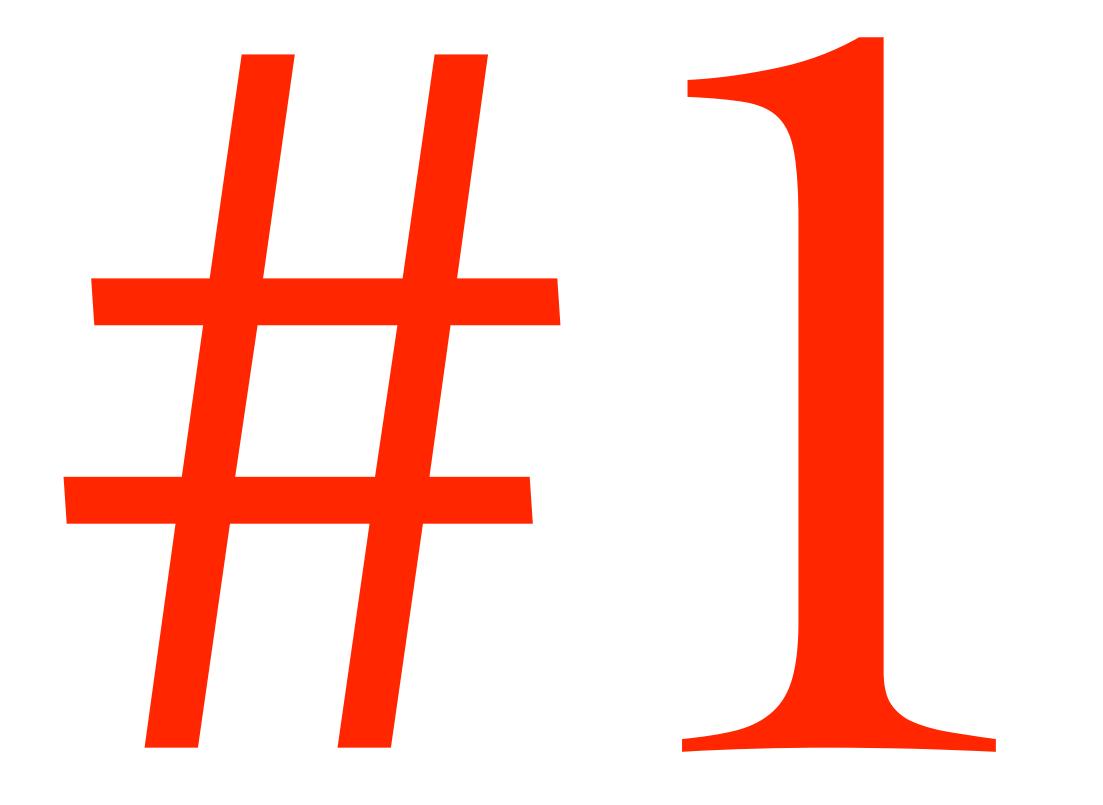
Nobody Likes Hillary women are judged more harshly

Our Jobs Are Disappearing prejudice toward Muslims

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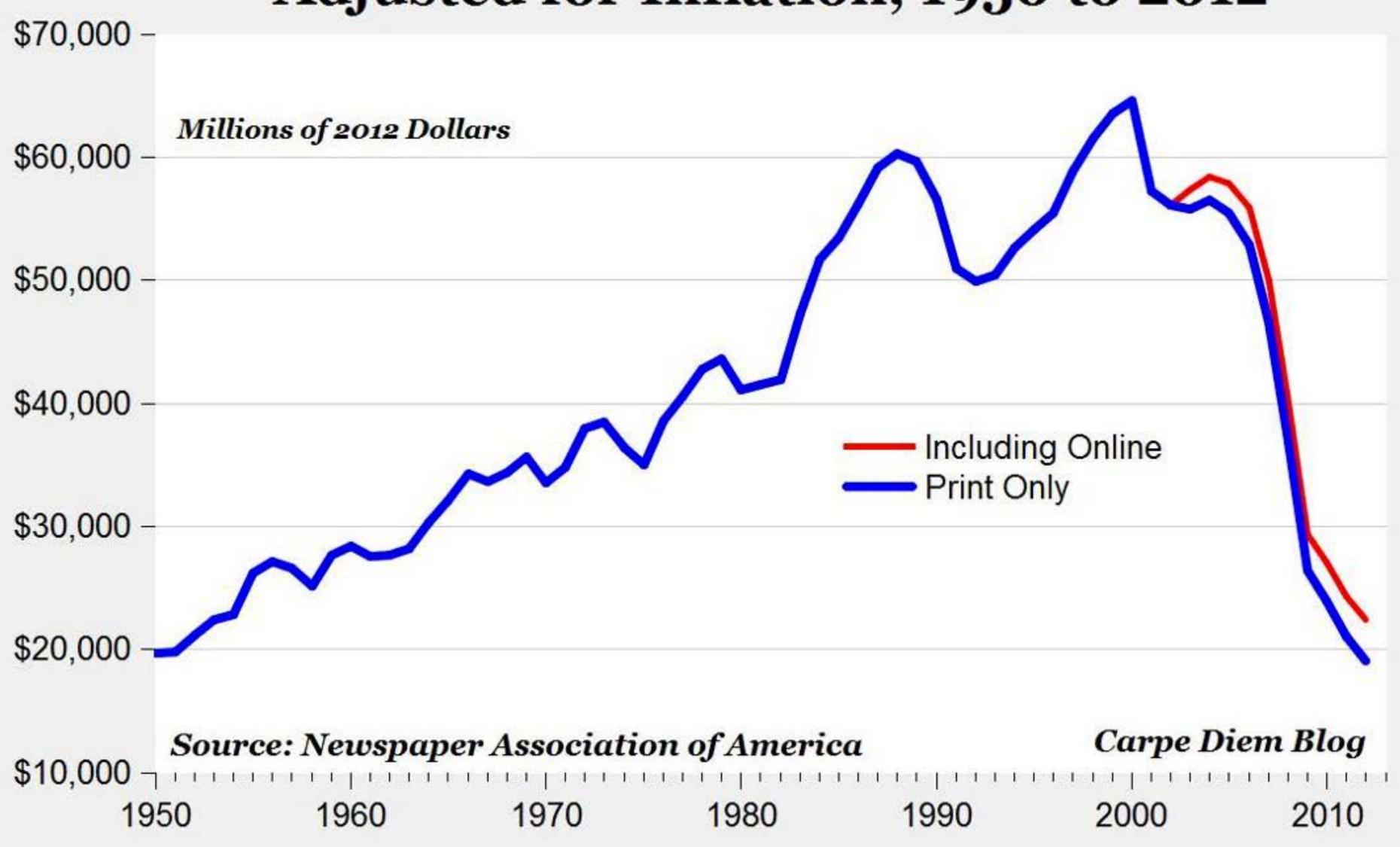


three troubling trends



decline of the news industry

Newspaper Advertising Revenue Adjusted for Inflation, 1950 to 2012





The New York Eimes

THE WALL STREET JOURNAL.

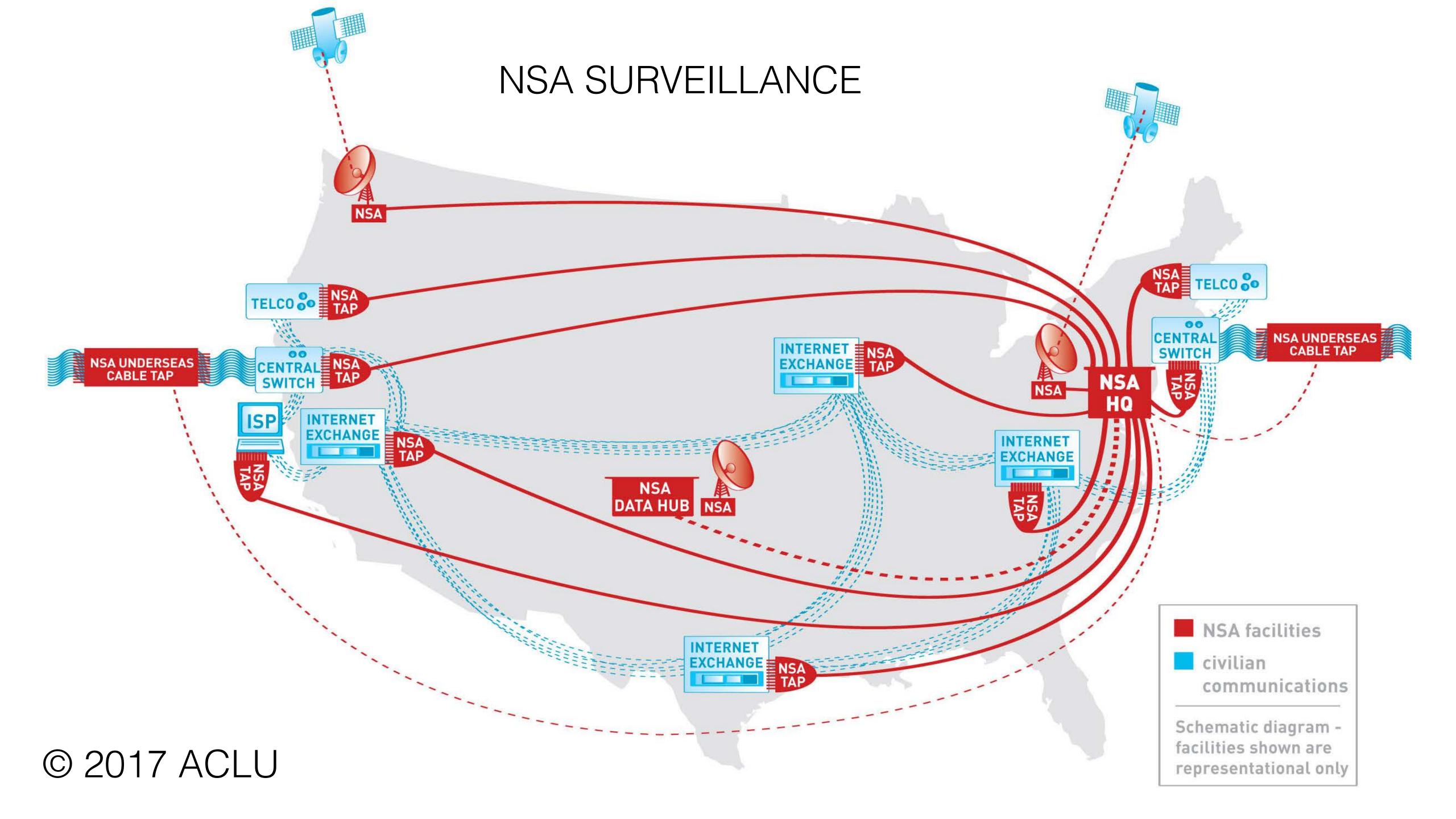
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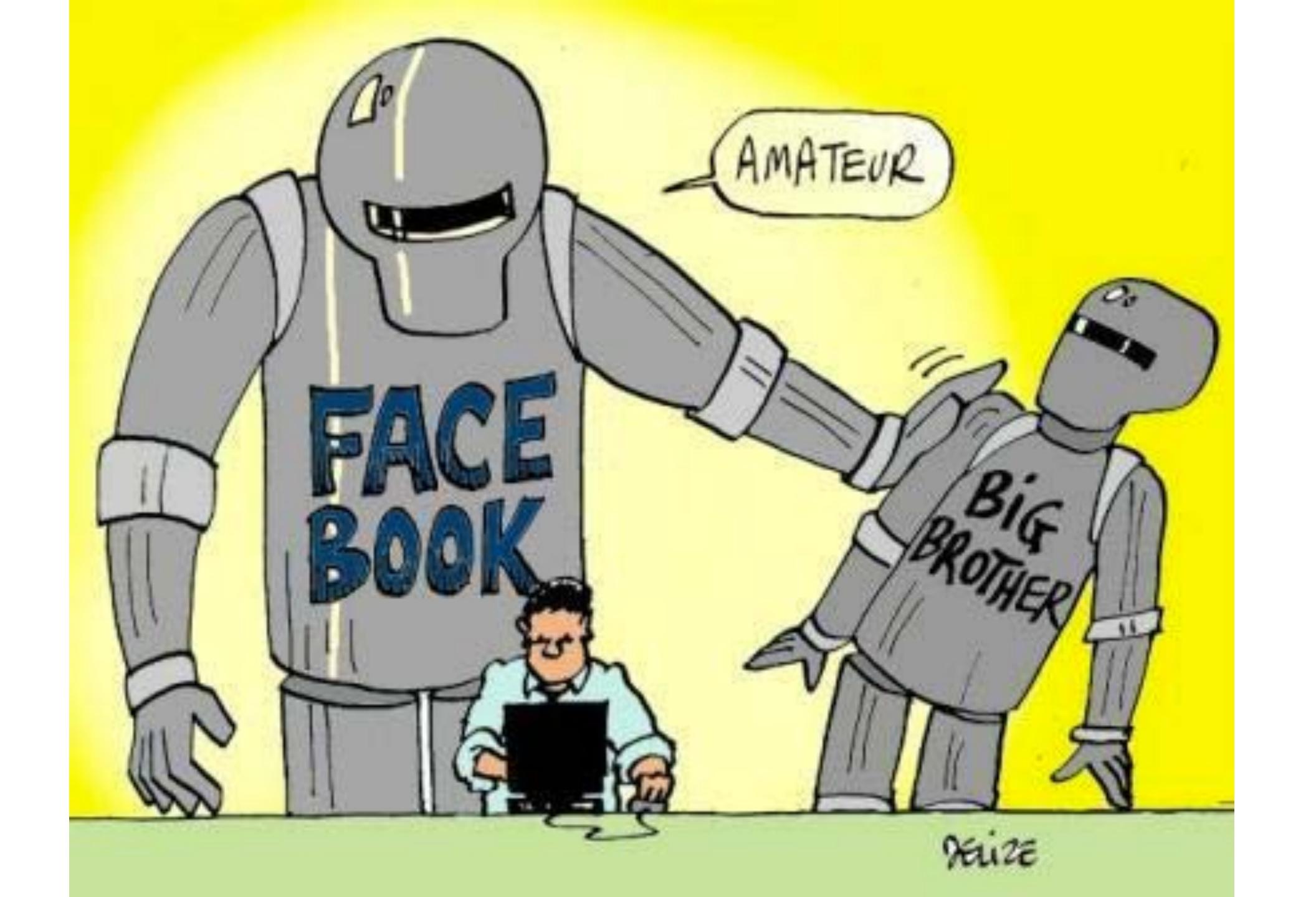
machinery of surveillance & persuasion





lt's turnkey tyranny.

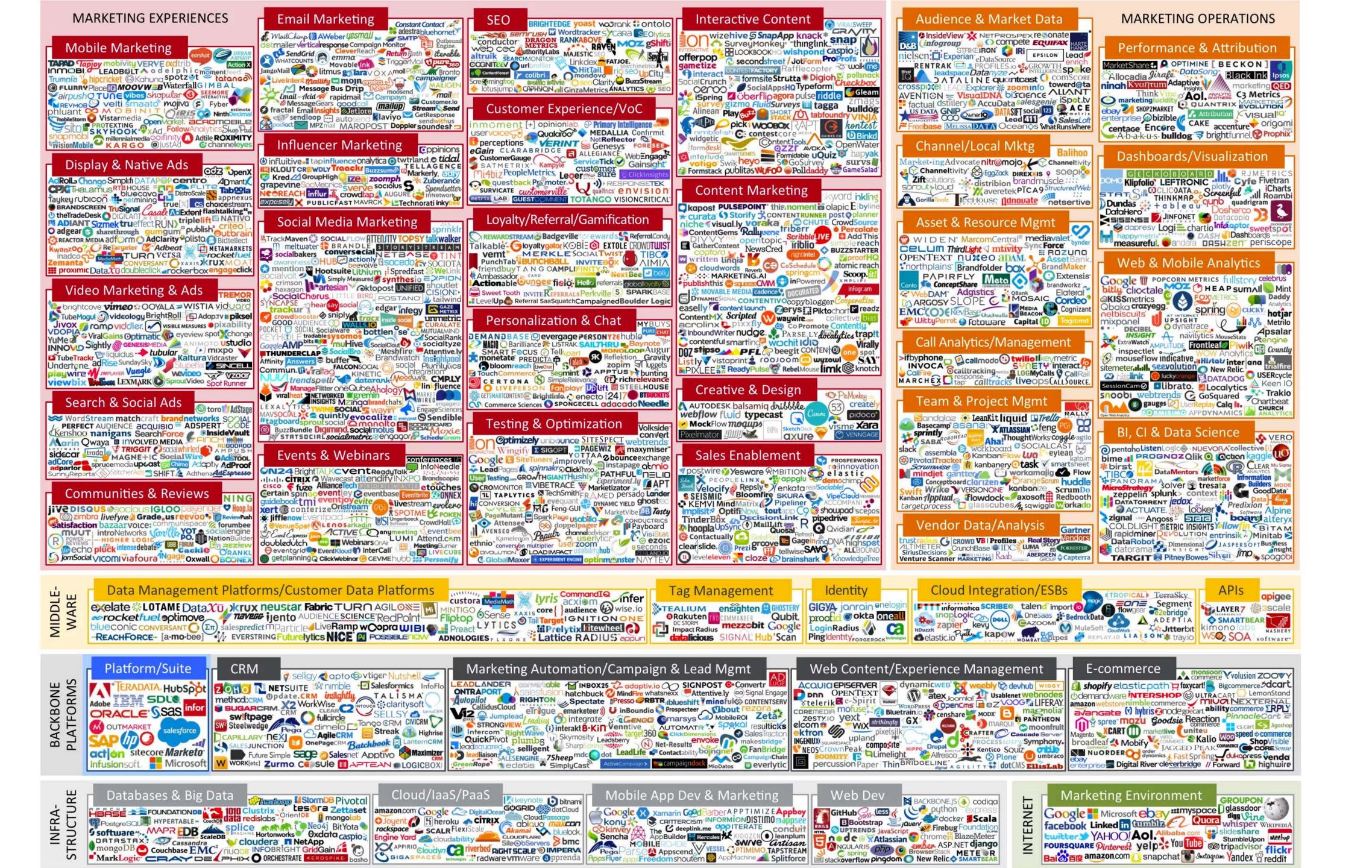
Ed Snowden Hong Kong, May 2013



We use systems that spy on us in exchange for services.

Bruce Schneier Data and Goliath

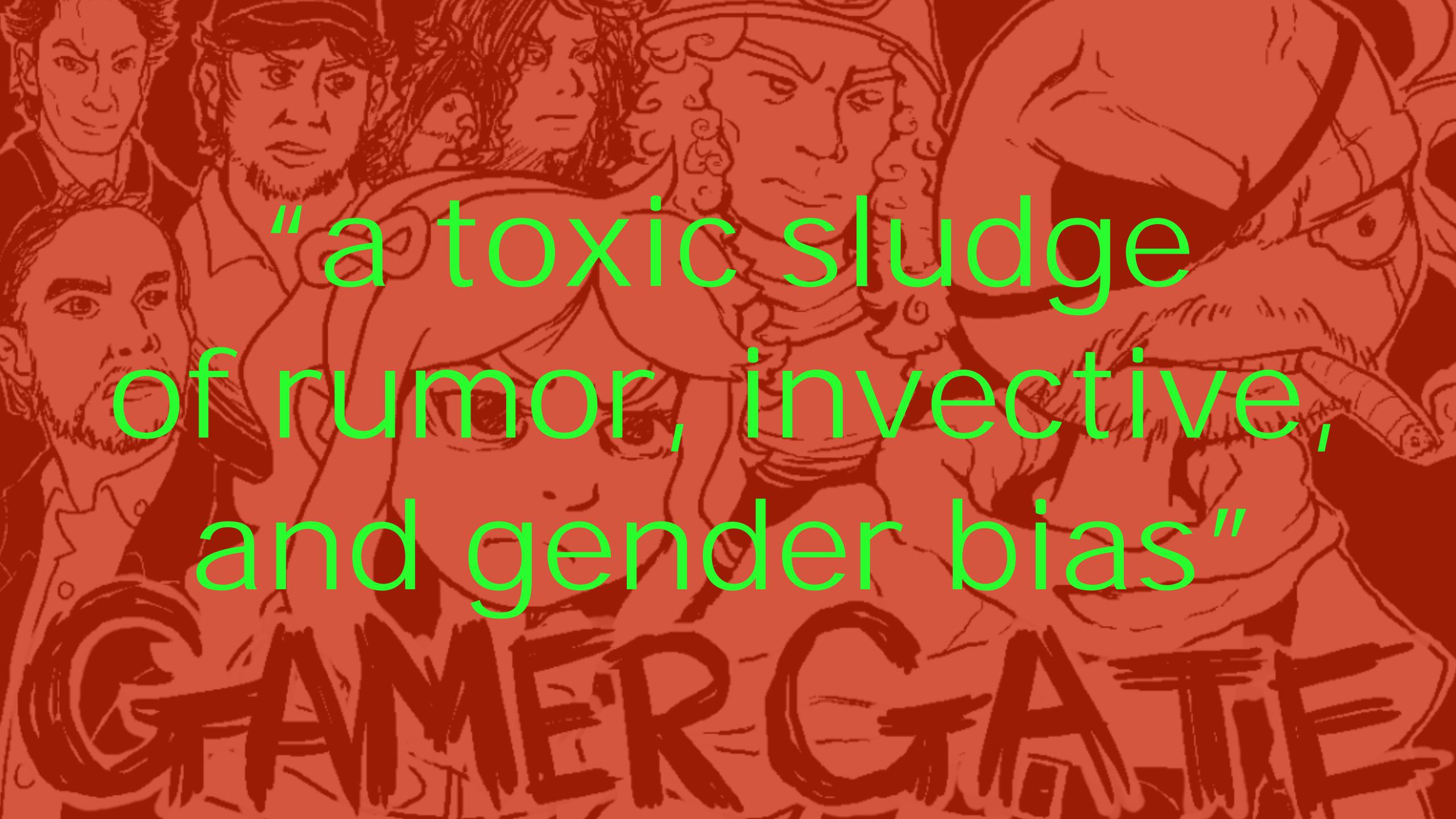


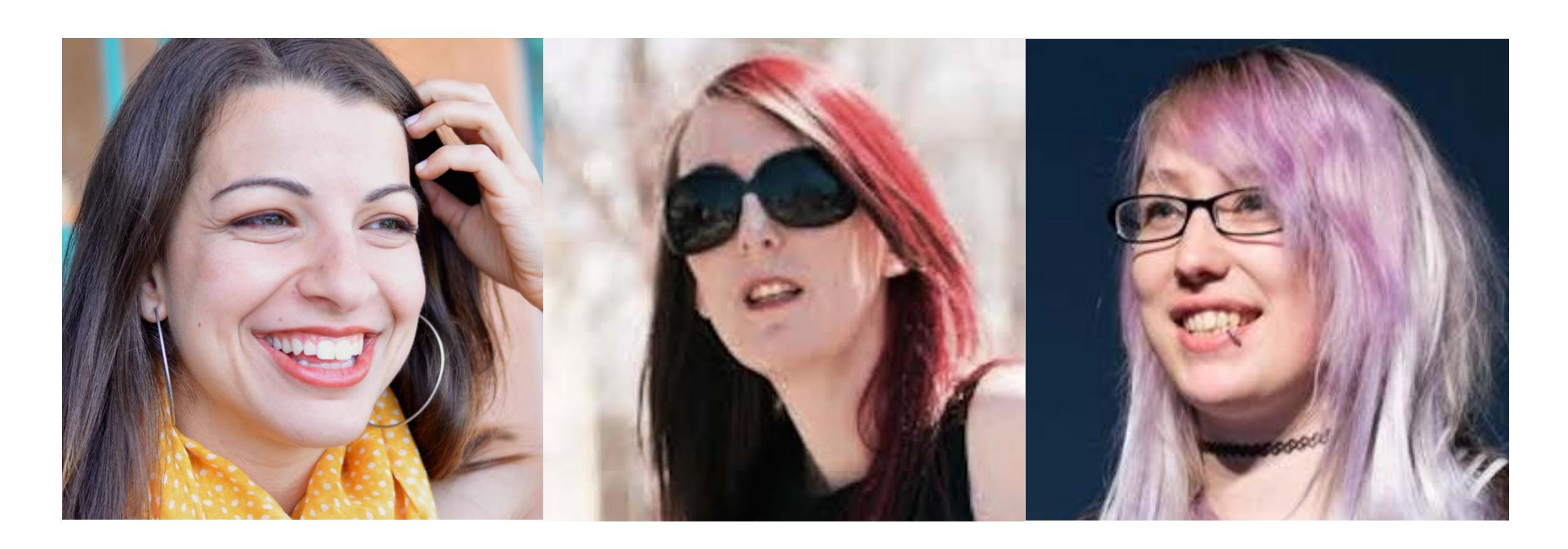


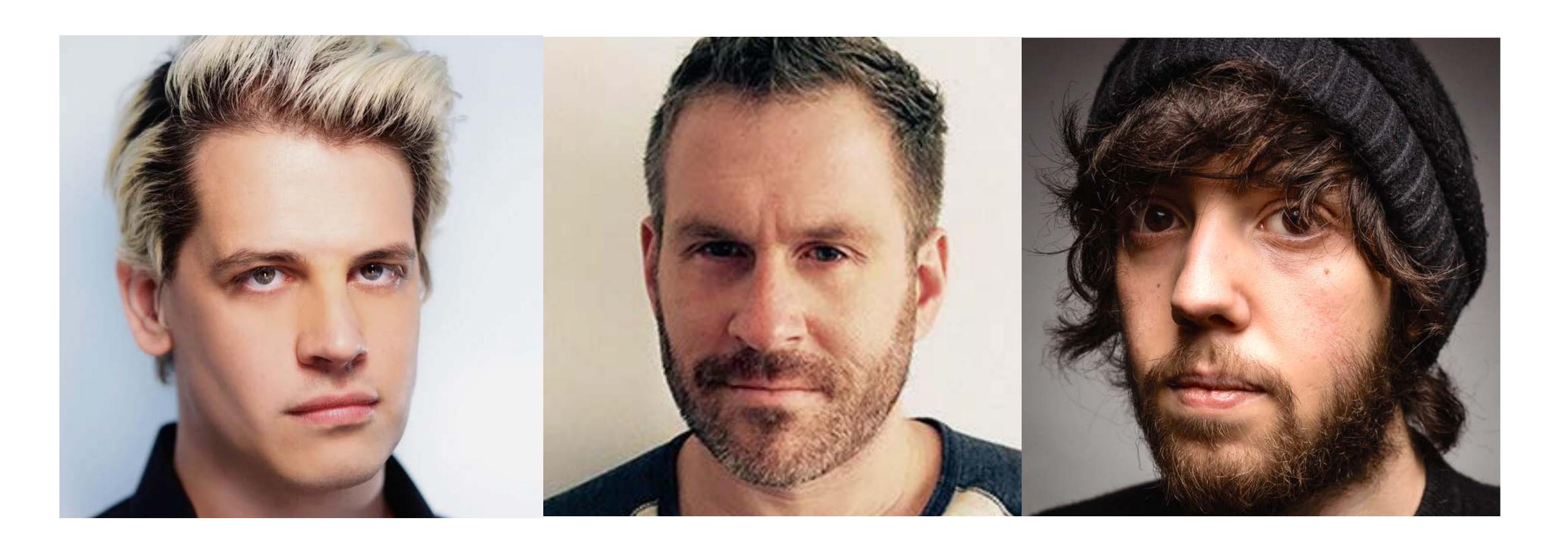


GamerGate









coordinated here	to do this	on these platforms
4chan 8chan IRC Reddit N4G NeoGAF	hack into accounts publish private info shame, mock rape & death threats silence	Twitter YouTube Pastebin SoundCloud imgur Wikipedia

August 2014 to September 2015

#1 experienced troll army

#2 surveillance/persuasion industry

#3 weak & confused news industry



It leads to a special kind of alienation from self, and a special kind of wariness of others.

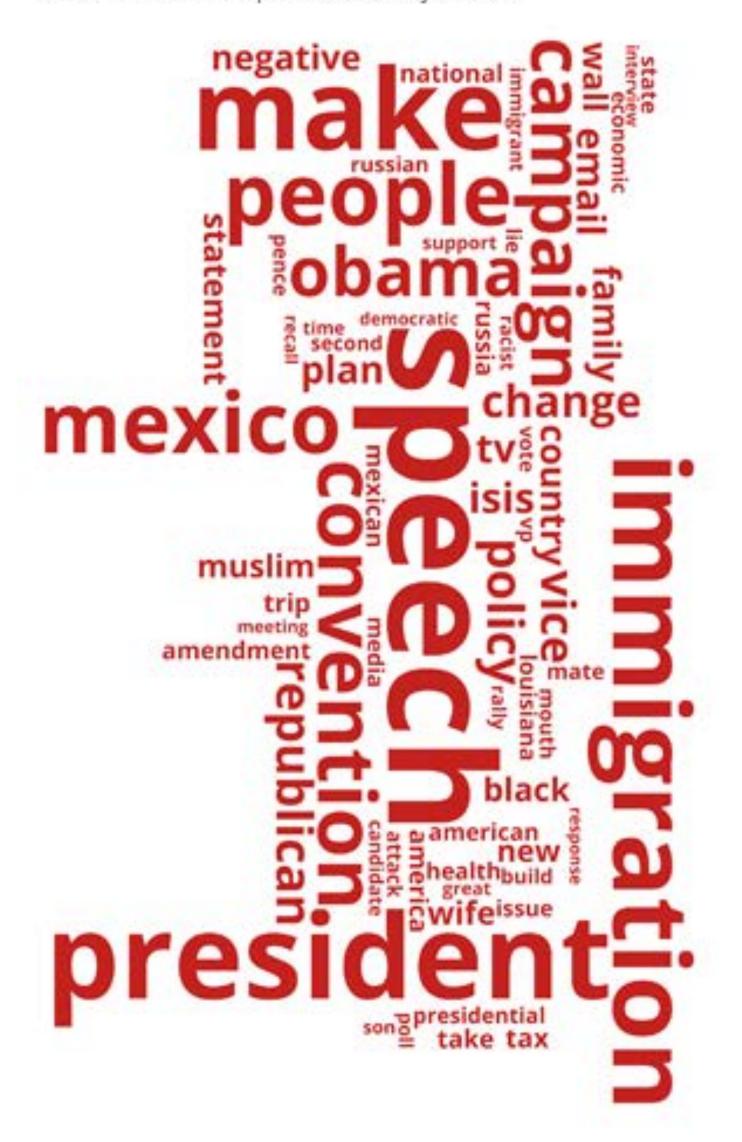
Erving Goffman

The Presentation of Self in Everyday Life

and so what happened?

What Americans Have Heard or Read About Donald Trump

What specifically do you recall reading, hearing or seeing about Donald Trump in the last day or two?



What Americans Have Heard or Read About Hillary Clinton

What specifically do you recall reading, hearing or seeing about Hillary Clinton in the last day or two?



GALLUP DAILY TRACKING JULY 17-SEPT 18, 2016

THE CLINTON MONEY MACHINE

MORE EXAMPLES OF HOW THE CLINTONS SOLD OUT AMERICA:



- •MINING COMPANY URANIUM ONE NEEDED U.S. GOVERNMENT APPROVAL TO SELL ITS MINES TO A FOREIGN ENTITY.
- THE COMPANY GAVE \$2.5 MILLION TO THE CLINTON FOUNDATION.
- HILLARY'S STATE DEPARTMENT APPROVED THE SALE.
- •FOR ONE SPEECH, BILL CLINTON WAS PAID \$500,000 BY A BANK SELLING THE MINE'S STOCK.
- ·HILLARY FAILS TO REPORT THE DONATION.

STILL DON'T CARE? YOU SHOULD, BECAUSE URANIUM IS A STRATEGIC ASSET: THE SALE GAVE RUSSIAN PRESIDENT VLADIMIR PUTIN CONTROL OF OVER 1/5 OF ALL U.S. URANIUM PRODUCTION.

MAIN STREAM MEDIA SPONSOR BOYCOTTS



"Of course those f**king nig***s are gonna vote for me. I f**king own them!"



-- overheard by a Clinton campaign worker

HILLARY ISA





what else happened?





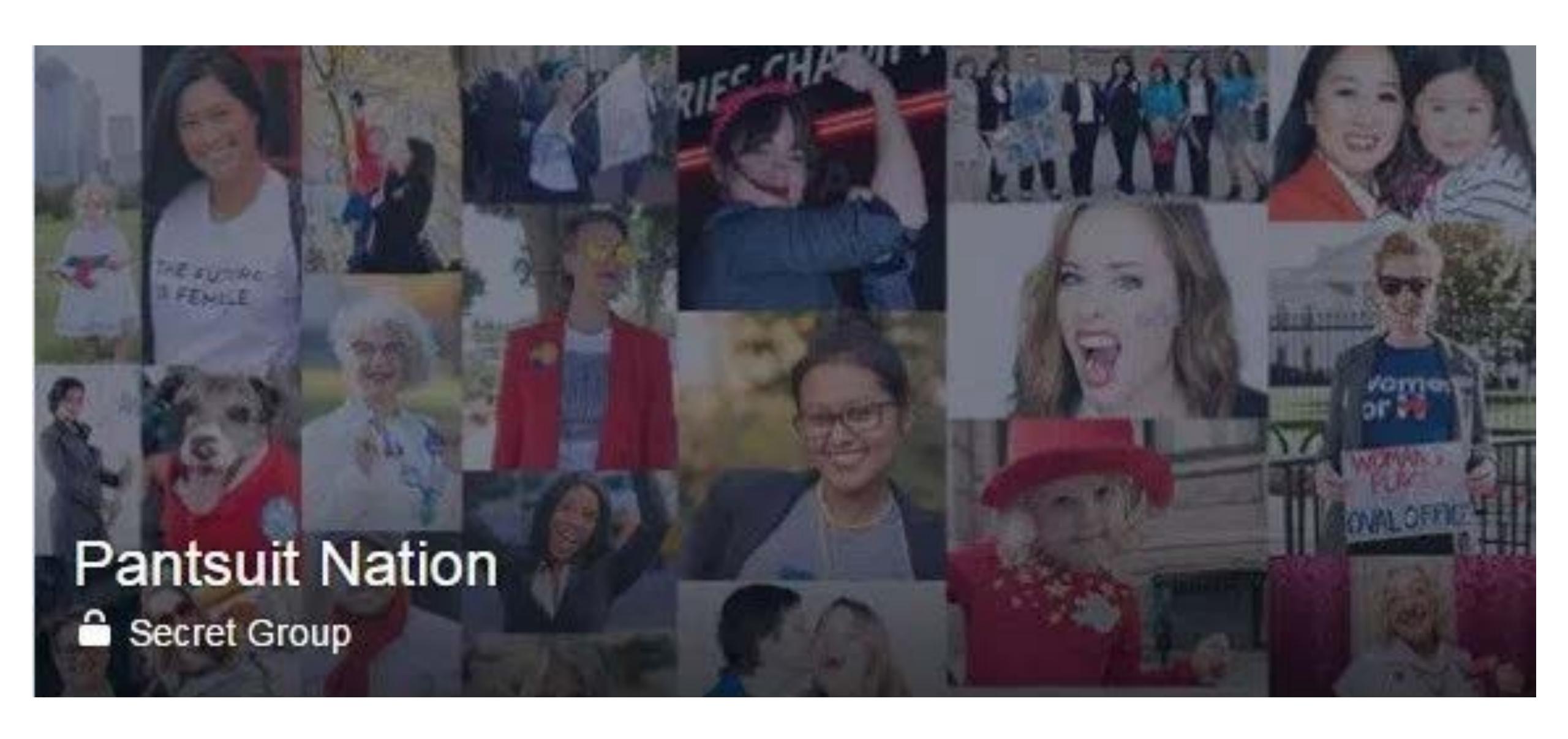


UR waiting for a cold day in hell! Not going to happen! Once a lier always a lier!

Jedediah Bila @ @Jedediah Bila

I'll be waiting, @HillaryClinton, along with many others. Not moving on till you tell the truth. $\frac{1}{100}$

USC: nearly one in 5 election-related tweets was a bot; 75% of bots were pro-Trump.





Okay, so I cheated Bernie out of a chance to become the nominee. WHAT difference does it make?



In 1975 when I was 12, I was raped by a 42 year old man. Hillary Clinton volunteered to be his lawyer.

In court, Hillary told the judge that I made up the rape story because I enjoyed fantasizing about older men.

Hillary got my rapist freed. In 1980 she gave an interview where she admitted she knew he was guilty. And she laughed about it.

Hillary Clinton is an advocate for rapists.

Not for women or children.

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THIS STORY IS TRUE. PHOTO IS NOT THE ACTUAL VICTIM.



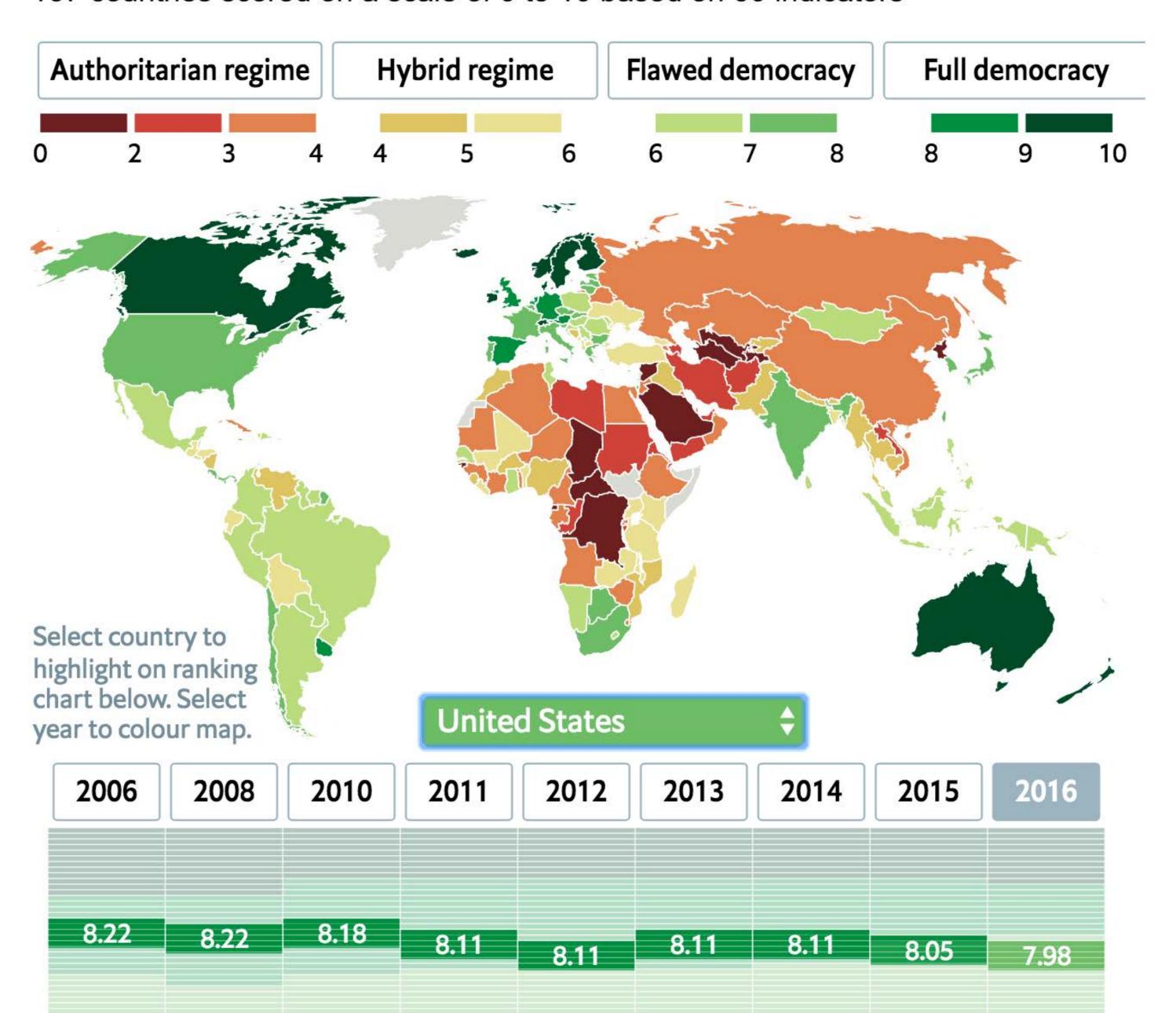
The result is a frayed, incoherent and polarized public.

Zeynep Tufekci
Twitter and Tear Gas

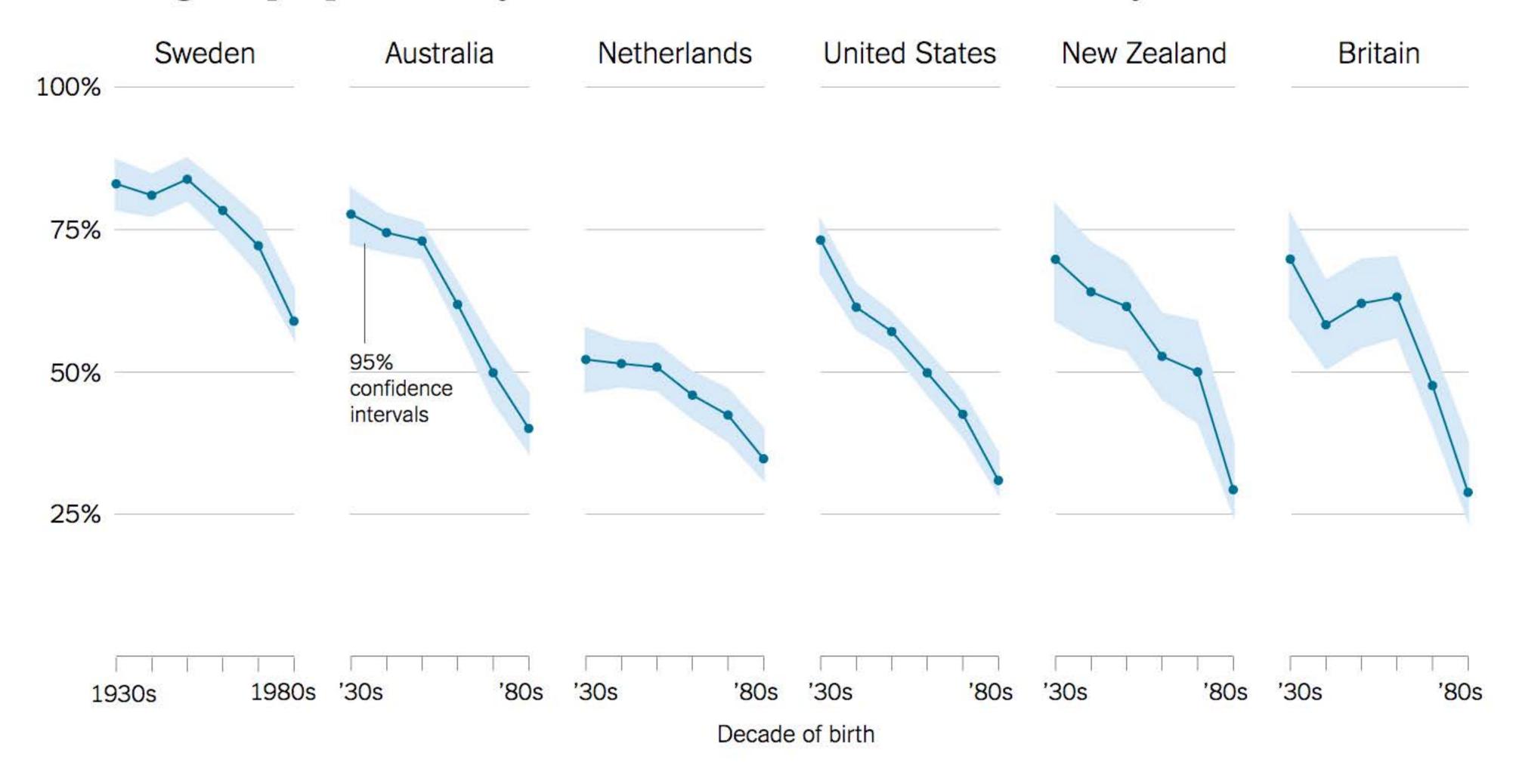
U.S. election is a *symptom* of a broader democratic malaise

The Economist Intelligence Unit's Democracy Index

167 countries scored on a scale of 0 to 10 based on 60 indicators

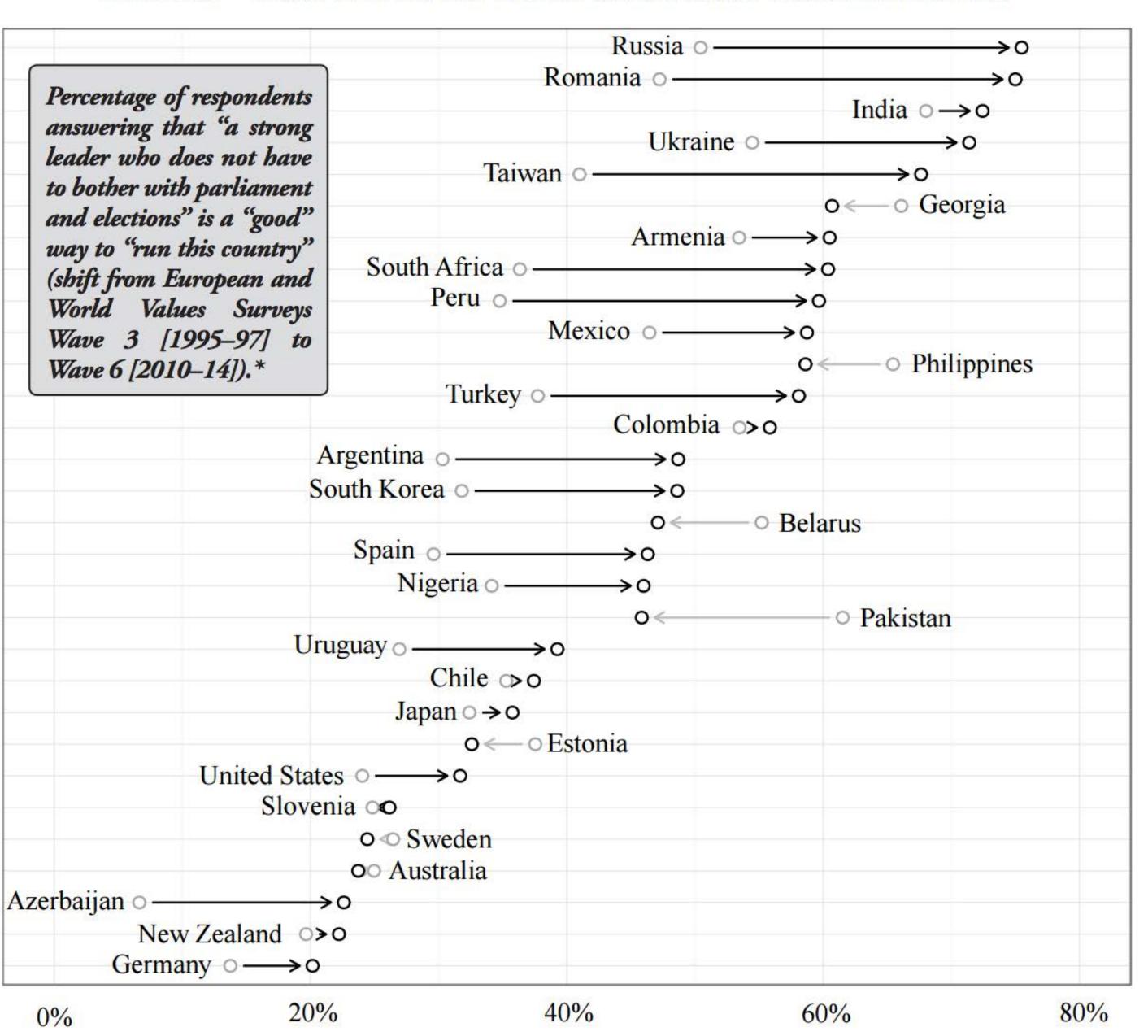


Percentage of people who say it is "essential" to live in a democracy



Source: Yascha Mounk and Roberto Stefan Foa, "The Signs of Democratic Deconsolidation," Journal of Democracy | By The New York Times

FIGURE 2—GLOBAL RISE IN SHARE OF CITIZENS WISHING FOR A STRONG LEADER "WHO DOES NOT HAVE TO BOTHER WITH ELECTIONS"



Source: European and World Values Surveys.

Jan-Werner Müller Masha Gessen Timothy Snyder

Zeynep Tufekci

Yascha Mounk

Sarah Kendzior

7 rules to live by





It is not normal for a U.S. president to appoint a white supremacist as his senior advisor.

RETWEETS

LIKES



















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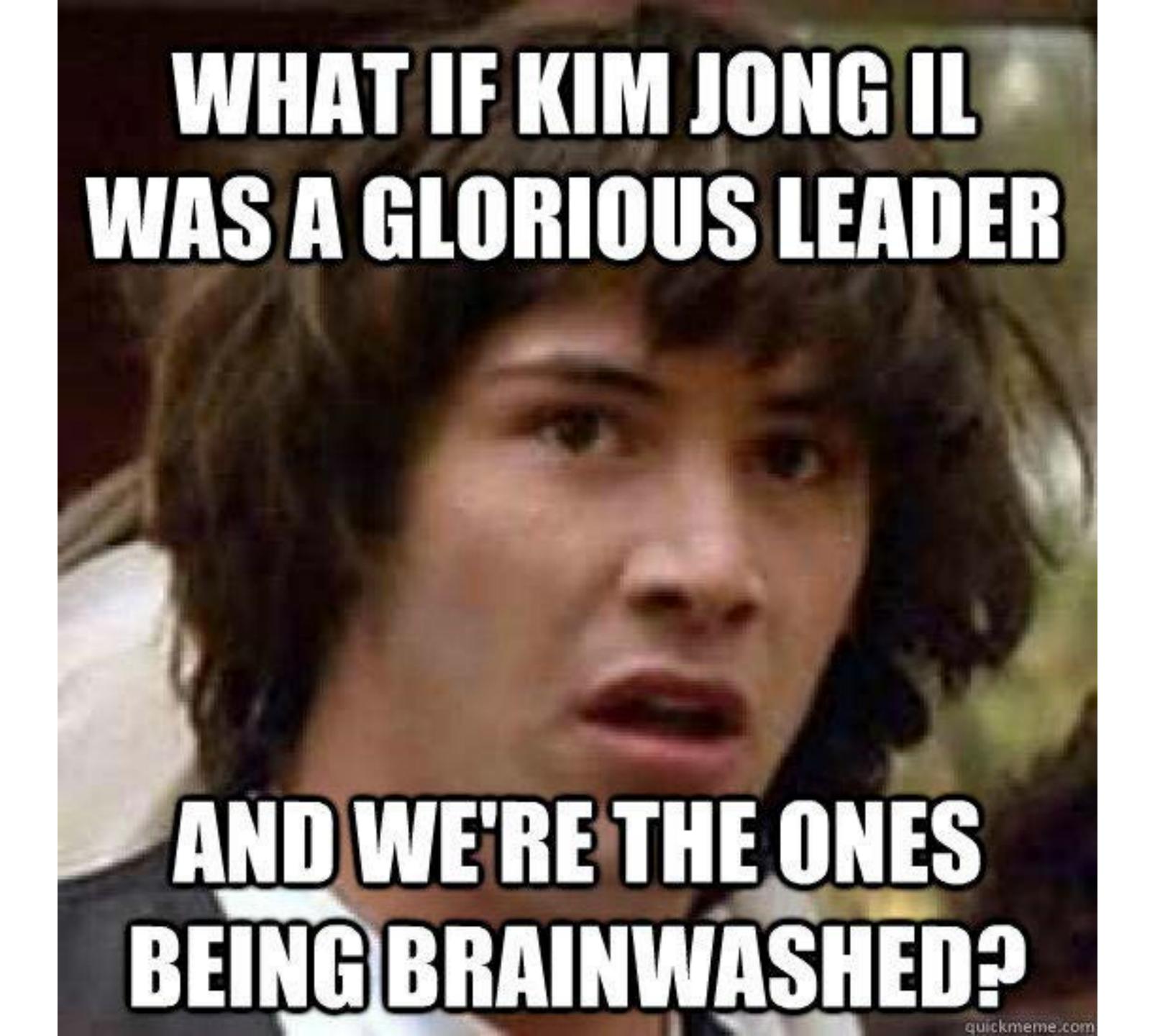






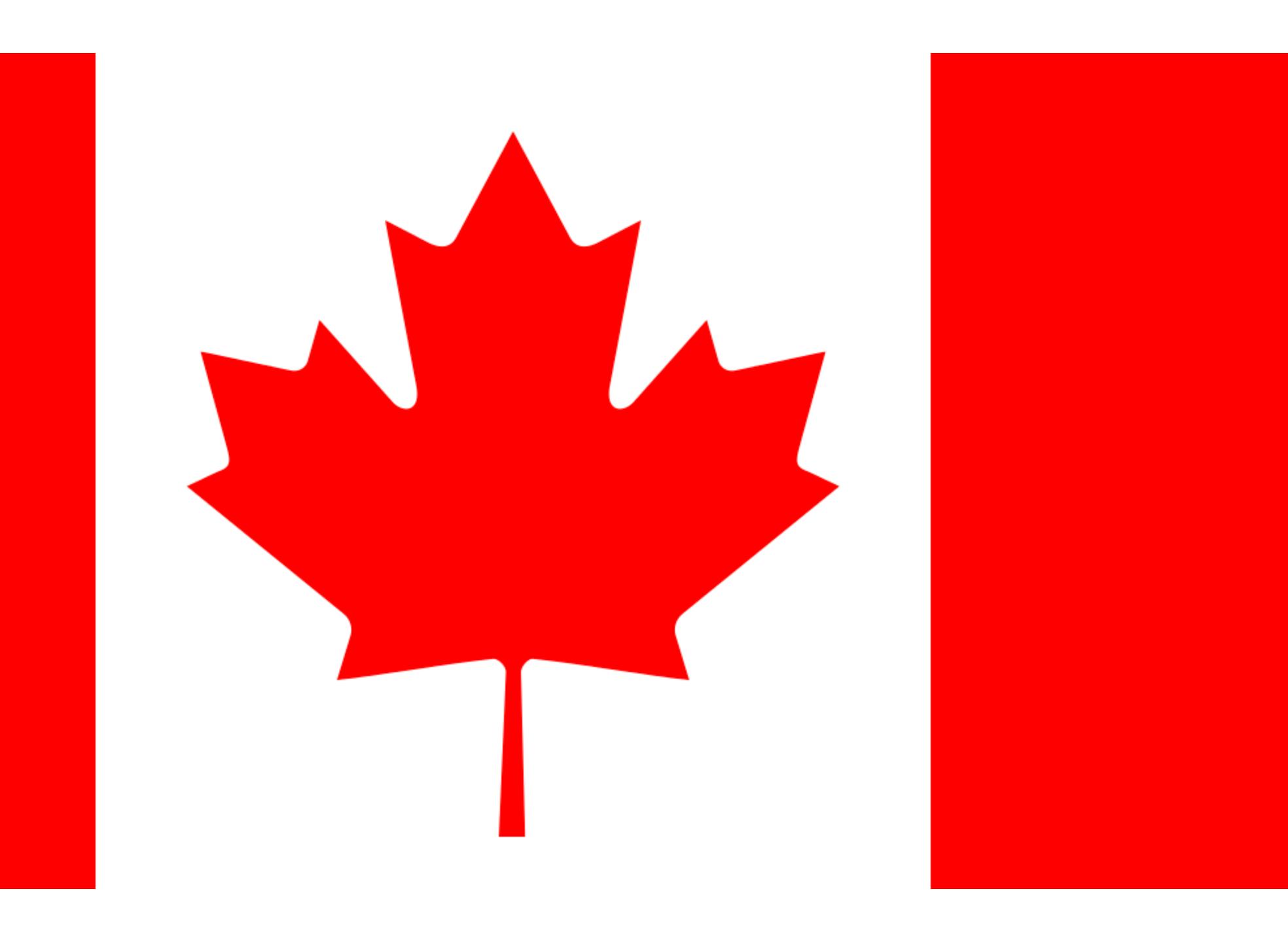






A people that no longer believe anything cannot make up its mind. And with such a people you can do what you please.

Hannah Arendt



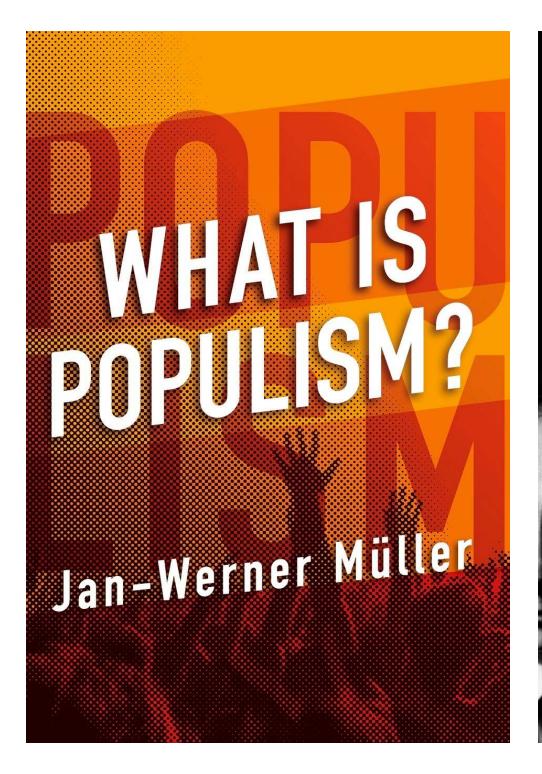
A society which emphasizes uniformity creates intolerance and hate.

Pierre Elliot Trudeau

We must continue to cherish compassion, love, and understanding.

Pierre Elliot Trudeau

THANKYOU



THE MAN
WITHOUT A
FACE
THE UNLIKELY
RISE OF
VLADIMIR
PUTIN
MASHA GESSEN

ON TYRANNY

TWENTY LESSONS
FROM THE
TWENTIETH CENTURY

TIMOTHY SNYDER

