

# Terrified Silicon Valley Tech Titans Launch \$50B Effort To Stifle Open Independent News

Silicon Valley Cartel Announces That They Have Begun Censoring All Republican News Content

## Google Removes “Fake News” That Black People “Commit More Crimes”

FBI stats show black people do actually commit more crimes

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**Under the guise of tackling “fake news,” Google is removing search results that pertain to crime statistics that show black people commit more crimes, despite the fact that this is widely documented to be true.**

An [article](#) in the Guardian entitled *Google ‘must review its search rankings because of rightwing manipulation’* details how “leading academics” are pressuring Google to artificially edit its search algorithm to prevent certain subjects from appearing at the top of its search rankings.

In response, the piece notes that Google has removed search results that suggest “black people commit more crimes”. Negative results about the religion of Islam were also removed.

This is alarming given that virtually every metric proves that criminality is more prevalent in black communities compared to white and Hispanic communities in America. It's an uncomfortable fact that black people commit more crimes than any other race in America, but it's a fact nonetheless. Claiming that reality is actually "fake news" because it suits your political stance doesn't change the nature of reality.

Despite making up just 13% of the population, blacks commit around half of homicides in the United States. [DOJ statistics](#) show that between 1980 and 2008, blacks committed 52% of homicides, compared to 45% of homicides committed by whites.

More up to date [FBI statistics](#) tell a similar story. In 2013, black criminals carried out 38% of murders, compared to 31.1% for whites, again despite the fact that there are five times more white people in the U.S.

From 2011 to 2013, 38.5 per cent of people arrested for murder, manslaughter, rape, robbery, and aggravated assault were black. This figure is three times higher than the 13% black population figure. Black males aged 15-34, who account for around 3% of the population, are responsible for the vast majority of these crimes.

Despite being outnumbered by whites five to one, blacks commit eight times more crimes against whites than vice-versa, according to FBI [statistics from 2007](#). A black male is 40 times as likely to assault a white person as the reverse.

While it is understandable that Google would want to prevent neo-nazi content from appearing at the top of its search rankings, the fact that the tech giant is now censoring objective facts under the justification of tackling "fake news" is chilling.

This indicates that Google, along with Facebook, Twitter, YouTube and other social media sites, are using the excuse of "fake news" to bury factual information that is inconvenient to leftist political narratives.

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## **Internet Censorship Database Announced By Google, Twitter, Facebook And Microsoft**

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**Google, Twitter, Facebook and Microsoft will launch a shared database to censor social networks in 2017.**

## Web giants to cooperate on removal of extremist content

By Julia Fioretti December 5, 2016



Logo of the Twitter and Facebook are seen through magnifier on display in this illustration taken in Sarajevo, Bosnia and Herzegovina, December 16, 2015. REUTERS/Dado Ruvic

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BRUSSELS (Reuters) - Web giants YouTube, Facebook, Twitter and Microsoft will step up efforts to remove extremist content from their websites by creating a common database.

*Google, Facebook, Microsoft and Twitter have announced plans to launch a shared internet censorship database.*

The world's largest social networks have announced plans to launch a shared Internet censorship database in 2017 that will be able to scrub anything that is labeled as "extremist content" across all of their social networks.

Facebook already has a tool in place that they recently revealed they are in discussions with to provide China access to in order to gain access to China's 1.4 billion citizens.

Currently the tool is being touted as a weapon to fight terrorism and hate speech but just defining what speech falls under the topic is a slippery slope.

Twitter and Reddit have recently been actively banning conservative content and Twitter has even threatened to ban President-elect Donald Trump for hate speech.

It is also no secret that Governments have long openly banned political content that had nothing to do with extremism or hate such as Japan's ban of Fukushima news and just recently Italy's ban on reporting on the referendum ahead of last Sunday's vote.

The news comes as the United States and Europe governments are separately pushing Internet censorship legislation into law, which has largely been kept off the radar of corporate media news outlets.

The goals of the separate legislation is to crack down on what the establishment is labeling as "fake news" being spread as part of a Russia propaganda conspiracy.

In reality the vast majority of the news that will be censored under the new legislation is nothing more than non-corporate news outlets simply reporting on issues in a manner that is critical policies of the government and establishment politicians, and their hidden power players such as special interests and lobbyists, on matters such as globalization, oversea wars, environmental issues and corruption.

If you aren't okay with corporations censoring your social networks, you can join [Gab.AI](#) as an alternative to Twitter and [Seen.Life](#) as an alternative to Facebook.

Unlike in the U.S., Europe is making it clear that the censorship tool targets more than extreme content.

### **EU Threatens "Action" If Facebook Doesn't Censor All "Fake News" and "Hate Speech" Within 24 Hours**

Now the EU is threatening to escalate the situation up from "non-legislative" action if these companies don't take action to censor "hate speech" and "fake news" within 24 hours.

The unelected executive arm of the European Union (EU) is threatening to escalate from "non-legislative" action if Facebook, Twitter, and YouTube do not censor what it considers "illegal" online speech within 24 hours...

The "series of commitments to combat the spread of illegal hate speech online in Europe" developed "together with... the IT companies" included a promise to "review the majority" of flagged "hate speech" within 24 hours.

However, a new European Commission report has claimed this has only been happening in Germany and France so far, and censorship often takes too long. Consequently, one commissioner implied they could pass new censorship laws if the "non-legislative approach" fails...

EU Justice Commissioner Věra Jourová [told](#) *The Financial Times (FT)*: "If Facebook, YouTube, Twitter and Microsoft want to convince me and the ministers that the non-legislative approach can work, they will have to act quickly and make a strong effort in the coming months."

She added: “The last weeks and months have shown that social media companies need to live up to their important role and take up their share of responsibility when it comes to phenomena like online radicalisation, illegal hate speech or fake news.”

And of course “hate speech” is very loosely defined here, so it can basically be used to censor free speech online. We all know what the phrase “fake news” has come to denote — and nearly the entire alternative media is encompassed within it.

It should be no surprise that the same “fake news” the EU wants to censor has been blamed for Brexit and the potential for other countries like Italy deciding to leave the EU as well.

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## **Tech Titans Team Up Block “Extremist Content” With Centralized Censorship Database**

The spread of so-called “fake news” has captured the imagination of the entire world since being blamed for Hillary’s stunning defeat on November 8th. **The idea that they may no longer exercise complete control of the national media narrative, and therefore popular opinion, has mainstream news outlets and social media giants frightened to their core.**

The tech titans of Silicon Valley are so frightened, in fact, that they’ve teamed up to create a centralized database which will allow them to “efficiently” block content simultaneously across multiple platforms. According to [Yahoo News](#), the database is expected to be up and running in early 2017 and more companies could be brought into the partnership over time.

**Web giants YouTube , Facebook , Twitter and Microsoft will step up efforts to remove extremist content from their websites by creating a common database.**

The companies will share ‘hashes’ – unique digital fingerprints they automatically assign to videos or photos – of extremist content they have removed from their websites to enable their peers to identify the same content on their platforms.

“We hope this collaboration will **lead to greater efficiency as we continue to enforce our policies** to help **curb the pressing global issue of terrorist content online**,” the companies said in a statement on Tuesday.

Of course, while the database is being sold as a way to censor “terrorist content” (because who wouldn’t want to stop terrorists?), we suspect that once it’s established the subjective definitions of “terrorist” and “extremist” content will gradually morph over time to include anything that is not deemed mainstream.

To that end, the [New York Times](#) is reporting this morning that “European officials” are already calling on the large tech companies to use their new censoring weapon of mass destruction to target “hate speech.” Of course, with Twitter recently threatening to ban President-elect Trump for “[harassment and hateful conduct](#),” a person who was just elected

with 60mm votes, **one has to question the ability of social media giants to impartially distinguish “hate speech” for legitimate political discourse.**

European officials pushed on Tuesday for American technology giants to do more to tackle online hate speech across the region, adding to the chorus of policy makers worldwide demanding greater action from the likes of Facebook, Google and Twitter.

The rebuke came a day after many of those companies announced that they were joining forces to fight the spread of terrorist content on the internet, **agreeing to share technology and information to prevent propaganda and other dangerous materials from being disseminated on their services.**

**Amid growing security tensions in much of the Western world, governments, intelligence agencies and advocacy groups** want Google, Microsoft and other **technology companies to take further steps to curb hate speech on digital platforms**, as well as to clamp down on how terrorists circulate information online.

But freedom of expression campaigners have warned that such demands may limit people’s ability to communicate across the internet, and they have **cautioned that the line between hate speech and legitimate political discussion can be blurry.**

European officials are pushing Facebook, Google and Twitter to do more to tackle hate speech across the region. <https://t.co/a6qt1wF3Ll>

— NYT Business (@nytimesbusiness) [December 6, 2016](#)

But, as we’ve said before, the tech and media giants who decide to push further left and censor dissenting views do so at their own peril. The 2016 election is evidence that the American population has grown extremely skeptical of a biased mainstream media and to the extent the social media giants wish to match their bias then we suspect they’ll quickly meet the same fate.

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