

The Suppression of Free Speech Has Close to Majority Support in America. “The Suppression of Truth is the Road to Tyranny”

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Almost every minute of every day I see overwhelming evidence of America's collapse as a free country. Elon Musk conducted a poll on whether Twitter should allow President Trump to use the social media platform. Fifteen million people responded. 51.8% of the respondents said "yes," but almost an equal number 48.2% said "no." In other words, almost half of the 15 million social media users who responded to the poll oppose free speech for a former president of the United States. See [this](#).

No doubt, being as indoctrinated as they are, they see Trump as a "pussy-grabber," a Russian agent, and an insurrectionist and regard cancelling his First Amendment right as punishment.

In the case of Julian Assange, Wikileaks' founder who published the leaked information documenting US war crimes and lies to allies, my headline doesn't go far enough. A large majority of Americans, both Democrats and Republicans in practically equal percentages, desire Assange to be prosecuted for doing what journalists are supposed to do. President Trump and his Secretary of State Pompeo denounced Assange with the same intensity as Nancy Pelosi. See [this](#).

Members of both political parties believe that free speech that challenges official narratives should be suppressed. Even more stunning, almost 100% of American print and TV reporters want Assange prosecuted. Here we have the entirety of the US print and TV media renouncing their own profession.

Those who oppose free speech for President Trump probably think of themselves as virtuous, the salt of the earth. In fact, they are stupid, brainwashed people easily indoctrinated who are so badly educated that they do not understand that free speech is essential to the preservation of liberty. They are so utterly stupid that they do not

understand the meaning for their own lives of the fact that the governing elite are doing everything possible to censor everyone, no matter how distinguished and expert, who dissents from the lies that comprise the official narratives.

Throughout the Western World truth is being rapidly closed down. Honest journalists, such as Glenn Greenwald and Matt Taibbi are evicted from print and TV media. Medical doctors who saved lives by treating Covid patients with Ivermectin and HCQ instead of following the murderous imposed protocol that let them die rather than to admit that there were cures, which would have threatened vaccine profits, are having their medical licenses confiscated as if they had committed a medical crime by saving lives. Scientists who don't accept the Woke ideology that gender is self-declared, not biologically determined, are disciplined and fired as "transgender deniers." Anthropologists and sociologists who understand that a diverse, multicultural Tower of Babel is not a country are demonized. Historians who understand that the United States is not based in "white racism" are branded "white supremacists" and "threats to democracy." Elections can be stolen in plain view, and no one is permitted to say so. The incidences of suppressions are not merely a few isolated cases that can be dismissed as anomalies. They are across the board.

The so-called media speaks with one voice and it is all lies.

Russian and Iranian news sources that do not adhere to the official Western explanations are either banned in the Western World or forced to register as "foreign agents."

In other words, the Western World has it fixed so that everything that is not propaganda and a lie in service to official narratives is defined as "misinformation." The ruling establishment has set up "fact checkers" whose function is to represent official narratives as the only correct explanations. Many Americans are so utterly stupid that they believe that someone who calls himself a "fact checker" is one. The point has been reached where any American who favors free speech, such as Elon Musk, is a prospect for investigation as a foreign agent. See [this](#).

The suppression of truth is the road to tyranny, and 48.2% of Twitter users are all in favor of it.

Americans today live in a matrix of lies. Their beliefs result from osmosis in constantly repeated lies. Truthful information is difficult to find and is being closed down where it exists. The Western World is living in George Orwell's *1984*, the only difference being that the ruling elite today has far more powerful spying and punishment mechanisms.

And they grow stronger every day.

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