

## Written evidence submitted by the Hacked Off Campaign (OSB59)

This submission covers three clauses in the bill which are relevant to the print & online media:

- a. Clause 49, “*Regulated user-generated content*”, “*user-generated content*”, “*news publisher content*”: this exempts newspaper comment sections from the provisions of the bill
- b. Clause 50, “*Recognised news publisher*” : this sets criteria which publishers must meet to qualify for the news publisher exemption
- c. Clause 16, *Duties to protect journalistic content* : this requires platforms to treat “journalistic content” differently, to give it additional protections (and provides for an expedited appeals process)

### **Clause 49, “*Regulated user-generated content*”, “*user-generated content*”, “*news publisher content*”: Newspaper comment sections**

8. The bill exempts all newspaper publisher comment forums, where some of the most egregious cases of online harm appear (“**the Comment Forum Exemption**”).
9. The Bill defines user-to-user services as online forums in which users will encounter content posted by other users. Newspaper publishers’ comment forums fall within that definition.
10. However, comment forum content is made exempt by Clause 49(2)(e). This specifically exempts “comments and reviews on provider content”. This is defined in Clause 49(6) as:

*content present on the service consisting of comments on, or reviews of, content produced and published on the service by the provider of the service or by a person acting on behalf of the provider (together with any further comments on such comments or reviews)*

### **Comment forum content contains online harms**

11. So far as it covers national newspaper publishers this exemption cannot be justified. The comment forums of the largest newspaper websites contain harmful content, including antisemitism and other forms of racism, personal abuse and conspiracy theory disinformation. The harmful content which appears on comment forums – which are social media forums themselves, where users encounter one another’s content and respond to it – is very similar to that which appears on other social media forums like Facebook and Twitter.
12. Many examples are listed in Appendix A. They include:

- a. Antisemitic abuse such as, “The Talmudic religion wants to enslave you”, and allegations that Jewish people control the media, the banks, and similar.

- b. Other racist abuse, such as “The ch\*nks are savages, communist liars... a plague of locust” (asterisk added)
  - c. Personal abuse, including misogynistic abuse such as, about a female academic, “She must have such a lonely and bitter life to be so full of hate. That and being so unattractive”, “swivel-eyed mad w0man”, “Isn’t assassination allowed”, “A face a dog wouldn’t lick” and “Disgusting Dog”.
  - d. Harmful disinformation, including comments to the effect that COVID was designed by a global elite, that Bill Gates started the pandemic to control the population, and similar.
13. Harmful content posted on newspaper comment forums often has the potential to have a far higher reach than content on other social media platforms. For example, the MailOnline reaches almost 25m people/month<sup>1</sup>. The total number of UK users on Twitter is estimated to be just 17.55m<sup>2</sup>.
14. Removing this exemption would have no effect on editorial content. The exemption exclusively covers content published by users (commenters).

**Complaints-handler IPSO does not deal with this content sufficiently robustly**

15. The press complaints-handler IPSO has argued that they are dealing with this content,<sup>3</sup> but it lacks the appropriate systems in place to regulate UGC.
16. For example, one important virtue of the regime set out in the Bill is that it would require service providers to take pre-emptive action to prevent harms from being committed. This has been described as “safety by design”. In contrast, the “IPSO” system requires a complaint to be made about content, and a 30-day period, before the body will even consider the complaint. It will also not consider complaints about content which has not been moderated.<sup>4</sup>
17. One example referred to above is a post on an IPSO-member website which repeated a well-known antisemitic conspiracy theory alleging that Jewish people control society. Under IPSO, that comment might sit on the newspaper’s platform for a week before anyone reports it. Another 30 days may go by while the publisher refuses to take it down before IPSO get involved. An IPSO complaint can, then, take up to a year or more to process, and takes an average of six months.
18. IPSO’s record on UGC speaks for itself. Some of the examples set out in Appendix A show that content was left posted for some time before action was taken. The examples cited in a 2020 Hacked Off report<sup>5</sup> show harmful comments remained accessible for months, in many cases. If the provisions of the bill do not address this kind of UGC then

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<sup>1</sup> [https://d212k0qo5ygzg53.cloudfront.net/wp-content/uploads/20210804134554/Media-Packs\\_MOL.pdf](https://d212k0qo5ygzg53.cloudfront.net/wp-content/uploads/20210804134554/Media-Packs_MOL.pdf)

<sup>2</sup> <https://www.statista.com/statistics/242606/number-of-active-twitter-users-in-selected-countries/>

<sup>3</sup> <https://www.ipso.co.uk/news-press-releases/blog/ipso-blog-user-generated-content/>

<sup>4</sup> <https://www.ipso.co.uk/news-press-releases/blog/ipso-blog-user-generated-content/>

<sup>5</sup> <https://hackinginquiry.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/07/Fake-News-and-Racism-in-the-Wild-West-of-newspaper-comment-sections.pdf>

it will remain possible for seriously harmful content of the kind described in this submission to be posted and accessible to millions of readers.

19. A further problem, specific to IPSO, is that this body relies on the “Editors’ Code” – a standards code written by newspaper editors. This code contains no provision concerning group discrimination. This is why it is possible for newspaper columns to refer to migrants as “cockroaches” and similar; no complaint can be made against any content which is discriminatory against a group of people (for example, migrants, Muslims, Jewish people, people with disabilities, and so on). If hateful content directed against a group of people is to be identified as a “harm”, then IPSO will be unable to address it in comment forums at all.
20. Finally, IPSO relies on the standards code it uses for editorial content to regulate UGC (so far as it can be said to regulate this content at all). It therefore sets inappropriate thresholds. For example, it has a reasonably strong accuracy clause which, although poorly enforced by IPSO in practice, should in theory outlaw even fairly minor inaccuracies in publishers. That is appropriate for newspapers, but not for citizens posting UGC, for which a more appropriate threshold might require an inaccuracy to also be capable of causing harm. In theory, therefore, the codes could require publishers to take action against even minor inaccuracies in comment forums (albeit, on a slow timescale as set out above). This would impact on citizens’ freedom of expression to a degree which would be incompatible with the principles of the bill.
21. In summary, IPSO is not capable of regulating comment forums effectively or in a manner consistent with the principles and approach of the Bill. The effect is felt by hundreds, if not thousands, of people who are affected by hate, harmful disinformation and abuse in comment forums every year. There is no good reason to leave comment forum regulation to complaints-handlers which are designed to cover editorial content, and lack the expertise required to cover comment forums. Additionally, many publishers are not a member of either popular body. Instead, national newspaper commenting forums should be covered by the new regime which has been specifically drafted to deal with these forms of content.

#### **Recommendations to the Committee:**

- (1) Remove the relevant exemption’s effect, in respect of news publishers
- (2) Set a turnover threshold, to ensure this only affects the largest news publishers and is not an undue burden on smaller publishers (such as locals and blogs).

**Clause 50, “Recognised news publisher”:** definition of news publishers, relevant amendments: 86 – 88; 107

22. The Online Safety Bill provides an exemption for the social media accounts of some news publishers (**“the News Publisher Content Exemption”**), and search results listing their websites and those which republish their content, which:
- a. Relies on a flawed definition of a news publisher, which would inadvertently risk exempting publishers of egregiously harmful and dangerous content from the effects of the bill, including extremist publications and media outlets propagandising for hostile foreign states,
  - b. Wrongly excludes dozens of well-regulated publishers, and,
  - c. Would create a regulatory “double standard” between the free speech of citizens on technology platforms and that of newspaper publishers.
23. This exemption is listed alongside other exemptions for regulated content, and is defined as content published by, or originating with, a “recognised news publisher”. The intention of this exemption is to shield broadcasters and traditional newspaper publishers from actions that providers of search services and user to user services are otherwise compelled to take to protect the public from online harms under the regulatory regime proposed in the bill.
24. Subclause 50(2) defines a “recognised news publisher” as a broadcaster, or a publisher which meets the following criteria:

- (a) has as its principal purpose the publication of news-related material, and such material—*
- (i) is created by different persons, and*
  - (ii) is subject to editorial control,*
- (b) publishes such material in the course of a business (whether or not carried on with a view to profit),*
- (c) is subject to a standards code,*
- (d) has policies and procedures for handling and resolving complaints,*
- (e) has a registered office or other business address in the United Kingdom,*
- (f) is the person with legal responsibility for material published by it in the United Kingdom, and*
- (g) publishes—*
- (i) the entity’s name, the address mentioned in paragraph (e) and the entity’s registered number (if any), and*
  - (ii) the name and address of any person who controls the entity (including, where such a person is an entity, the address of that person’s registered or principal office and that person’s registered number (if any)).*

25. These criteria are irrational for the following reasons.
26. First, by subclause 50(2)(c) the publisher must have a “standards code”, but the clause does not specify any requirements that a “standards code” must meet. The only stipulation (subclause 50(5)) is that the code is published by an “independent regulator”

(which is also undefined) or by the publisher itself. This means that the code could contain literally anything; it could incentivise misconduct, for example, instead of outlawing it.

27. Second, by clause 50(2)(d) the publisher must have “*policies and procedures for handling and resolving complaints*”, but there is nothing further specifying what policies & procedures are sufficient. If the rationale for the exemption is to protect news publishers having their content twice regulated, then the bill must require that any regulation already in effect is sufficiently robust (providing, specifically, for such regulation to be of an at least equivalent standard to that set out in the bill). A vague requirement to “have policies and procedures” provides no protection whatever: such policies & procedures may be entirely unfit for purpose. They may be unwritten, amendable at the convenience of the publisher, or dictated and controlled by the publisher itself to ensure that no complaint can ever be successful.
28. The effect of the way these criteria are drafted in clause 50 is that websites and outlets which specialise in disinformation (“fake news”) and other hateful, harmful or abusive material may qualify, and thus benefit from an exemption from the regulatory effects of the bill. Some examples are set out in Appendix B. These include websites and magazines which promote antisemitism and other racist beliefs. It should be unacceptable for the hateful content of such outlets to benefit from an exemption in the bill, yet this is what the bill currently proposes.
29. Indeed, under the current terms of this definition, there are publications set out in Appendix B which would be able to freely publish on social media racist articles they have recently published. Racist material of this type should be within the scope of the harms of the bill, yet under this definition they are likely to be exempt when posted by this publisher if it is within the definition of “news publisher”.
30. The exemption also applies to content republished by any social media user, but which was first published by a news publisher. This would render racist individuals free to circumvent the new regime by republishing an article from a racist publication.
31. Websites in the tradition of “lads mags” may also be able to claim an exemption. These websites publish some news-related material alongside images of women. The exemption would apply to the publisher, not the content, so the Twitter accounts of these sites would be free to publish semi-naked and suggestive images of women (which may be found to be harmful to children, under the terms of the bill), with impunity.
32. There is another category of publishers which do not meet the criteria now but could do so with minor administrative changes. These are US-based and other international publishers, who could nominate a UK-based entity with legal responsibility for the publication, adopt a “standards code” and “complaints policies”. There are a number of examples of explicit US hate websites who could qualify for the exemption this way. Three examples are listed in Appendix B.
33. Another problem with this exemption is that, while in some ways it is too broad, in others it is too narrow. For example, the requirements to have a “registered office” or “business address” would exclude many blog outlets, as would the requirement for content to be

produced by different persons. This would adversely affect hundreds if not thousands of publishers. See Appendix B for some examples of publishers which are independently regulated – to a significantly higher standard than many national newspapers – yet would be cut out of this definition for reasons connected to the manner of their establishment (because they don't have a postal address or are produced by a single writer). This is unfair and irrational.

34. Also included in Appendix B is a list of examples of high quality, distinctive journalism from regulated publishers. These include local newspapers scrutinising local government and reporting on important developments in the community, publications targeted at under-served communities, and national titles providing cultural analysis from different perspectives. None of this journalism would qualify for the exemption under the terms of the definition in the bill, despite being regulated and of high quality.
35. More fundamentally, the News Publisher Content Exemption would create two tiers of regulation: the freedom of expression of ordinary citizens would be more restricted than that of news publishers.
36. One intended effect of the regime set out in the bill is that regulated services would act to address user-posted harmful content on their services. This would necessarily restrict users' ability to exercise their freedom of expression on the platform (where doing so harms others).
37. Waiving service providers' regulatory responsibilities in respect of content published by those which meet the criteria for "recognised news publishers" would, therefore, have the effect of subjecting most users to greater restrictions on their freedom of speech than those publishers.
38. This would leave content posted by publishers (who often have social media accounts with large number of followers) less regulated than citizen-posted content. This is wrong. Citizens' rights to freedom of expression are of no lesser value than those of news publishers. Further, given the reach of the largest publishers, if there is to be variation in how citizens and publishers are treated, it is publishers which are capable of greater harm and should therefore face more robust regulation of content.
39. One argument the Government relied on in its defence of the various exemptions and areas of special treatment for newspaper publishers in the bill is that these titles are already regulated (so that the content they post is already more strictly controlled than that of ordinary citizens). But as set out above, the definition of a "recognised news publisher" makes no requirement whatever for publishers to be regulated in any form. All manner of unregulated, fringe and extreme websites could bring themselves within the definition of "news publishers" while many well-regulated publishers do not fit within it.
40. The two-tiered system of regulation under the bill, therefore, would allow extreme publishers to publish racist content, while citizens posting the same content would see it (rightly) taken down.

41. Equally, this would also cause citizens to be treated differently to popular publishers. After the terrorist attack in New Zealand in March 2019, popular news publishers including MailOnline and the Daily Mirror published video footage of the attack recorded by the killer<sup>6</sup>. The MailOnline went further and published the killer’s manifesto. Both the video (recorded by the killer) and the manifesto were articles of extremist propaganda, and Twitter, Facebook and YouTube rightly took action to have them removed from their platforms (not quickly enough, but action was taken). Yet, it is likely that this content was made available to a far larger audience by the news publishers. If this were to happen again, the Online Safety Bill regime would rightly cause citizens’ posts of this content to be addressed, but not those of news publishers’.

### **A fair definition for a “recognised news publisher”**

42. If newspapers are to be exempted from these provisions, a suitable definition of news publishers would need to be:

- e. Sufficiently *inclusive* to cover all journalistic enterprises, and,
- f. Sufficiently *exclusive* to ensure only titles regulated at least to the standards of the bill are able to benefit from this exemption.

A definition which does not meet those criteria would suffer from the unacceptable flaws described above.

43. There is only one legally established mechanism capable of verifying the effectiveness of regulatory bodies for news publishers. This is the definition of an “Approved regulator”, which is defined in section 42 of the Crime & Courts Act 2013<sup>7</sup> as a regulator which has passed an independent audit under the regime recommended in the Leveson Report.

44. Outside of that system there are a variety of other complaints-handling processes adopted by various publishers which may meet the criteria for a “recognised news publisher” in Clause 40. These include the processes adopted by newspapers such as the Financial Times and the Guardian (which are not subject to any external scrutiny) or the notoriously inadequate complaints handling procedures of IPSO. None have been independently verified as effective and, therefore, no reasonable definition is capable of separating those among them which are more effective than others.

45. Any definition of a news publisher for whose content an exemption from these provisions would be appropriate must then rely on the auditing system referred to in the Crime and Courts Act 2013. One such regulator exists, IMPRESS.

46. Exempting only independently regulated publishers would ensure that any title, big or small, UK-based or international, written by a team of professional writers or a single volunteer, could benefit from the exemption. If an exemption is required it should be available only to publications which are effectively and independently regulated.

### **The effect on unregulated publishers would be proper and proportionate**

47. Some of the large newspaper groups have insisted that they will not be independently regulated under any circumstances. If this exemption were to be limited to independently

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<sup>6</sup> <https://hackinginquiry.org/wp-content/uploads/2019/05/inflection-point.pdf>

<sup>7</sup> <https://www.legislation.gov.uk/ukpga/2013/22/contents/enacted>

regulated titles only, some of these newspapers' content would be indirectly affected by the regime. But even should that be the case, the effect on these newspapers would be proper and proportionate.

48. The Bill does not extend to newspaper-published content on their own websites or paper editions; it is limited to the way in which service providers manage content on their services. The impact of losing this exemption for those publishers would, therefore, have no impact on newspapers' ability to publish content on their own platforms.
49. The only possible impact for news publishers which are not independently regulated would be felt if content published by a newspaper was posted on a social media platform or appeared in search results and was sufficiently harmful to the public to be in breach of the standards agreed under the new regime. In this case, the service provider might act to address that posting or search result. The newspaper would remain free to publish the content on its own website and in its paper edition, both of which would be beyond the scope of Ofcom's regulatory powers and responsibilities.

#### **Recommendations to the Committee:**

- (1) Restrict the definition of a recognised news publisher to publishers which are members of an approved regulator, as defined in the Crime and Courts Act 2013.



## Clause 16, *Duties to protect journalistic content*

This duty requires platforms to have special terms and processes for handling journalistic content.

Platforms are also required to provide:

- An expedited appeals process for removed posts
- Terms specifying how they will define journalistic content

### Flaws in this duty

1. Some of these flaws also apply to the duty to protect content “of democratic importance”, which is set out in clause 15 (although the journalistic content duty is more dangerous, because it is a more powerful duty):
  - a. **Too much discretion for platforms:** Platforms themselves are required to define “journalistic” content, a role they are unsuitable for.
  - b. **Open to abuse:** Individuals intent on causing harm are likely to apply to take advantage of either the journalistic content or content of democratic importance duties; masquerading as journalists or claiming democratic importance in whatever harm they are causing (which could apply to almost anything). A number of individuals promoting content which is harmful to children, such as “pro-ana” profiles, for example, may also seek to portray themselves as lifestyle journalists in order to benefit from the journalistic content duty.
  - c. **Unnecessary:** There is a cross-cutting duty to have regard to freedom of expression, rendering this additional duty unnecessary.
  - d. **Unworkable:** Treating “journalistic” and “democratically important” content differently is unworkable, leaving platforms to make impossible judgments over, for example, when and for how long an issue becomes a matter of reasonable public debate, or in what settings a person is acting as a journalist.
2. Appendix A sets out the details of several individuals who have had their access to social media revoked by the platforms, for posting harmful content online. Each claimed to be journalists.
3. As a result of these duties, those individuals:
  - May have access to an expedited appeals process, if they meet the platform’s own definition of a “journalist” (which the bill provides no substantive guidance on)
  - May be able to compel platforms to restore their account if they meet the relevant criteria which the bill, again, does not provide substantive guidance on
4. Altogether, this is a clause at high risk of abuse. A possible unintended effect of this clause is that social media platforms become *less safe*, because it empowers dangerous and harmful social media users with a special appeal process and additional protections for the harmful content they choose to publish.
5. It’s not clear how platforms will be expected to balance the duties on journalistic content & and on the harms. If the purpose of the journalistic content duties is to require harmful

content to be addressed more leniently, where it meets the platform's own definition, then extremists are likely to find ways to exploit them.

6. If the journalistic content duties are not expected to have this effect then they are largely redundant, except for the expedited appeals process.
7. The content of democratic importance duties do not appear to achieve anything specific, given that the cross-cutting free expression duty (c19) already protects free speech online.

**Recommendations to the Committee:**

- (1) Apply a "public interest" test to all content considered under these duties (as recommended, in terms, by the Joint Committee which scrutinised the draft bill).
- (2) The duties should not apply except where the user is a recognised news publisher, which must be:
  - a. An independently regulated broadcaster, with an Ofcom licence
  - b. An independently regulated online or print publisher, which is in an approved regulator (as defined in the Crime and Courts Act 2013)
- (3) The duties to protect content of democratic importance should be removed.


## **APPENDIX A:**

### **Online harms committed in national newspaper comment forums**

The below lists some of the examples of different kinds of harmful content found in newspaper comment forums.



#### **Antisemitism**


Comments found after reviewing The Sun's coverage of the Halles terrorist attack on a synagogue, 10<sup>th</sup> October 2019.

**G** [Redacted] - 1h - Edited 

If you want to find out more and wake your brainwashed mind up, go on YOUTUBE and look for channels...



- 1.Know more news,
- 2.HandsomeTruth,
- 3.Bill Cooper,
- 4.Chaplain Bob Walker B. th


Reply  3 

**G** [Redacted] - 1h - Edited → Goyim Defense League 


More channels -

- 5.TheBigSib
- 6.The Last American Vagabond

Reply  2 

**J** [Redacted] - Goyim Defense League 

4chan/pol too for info, redpill threads and more, revolving around current happenings, and exposing the zionist war machine thats compromised many Western Politicians into looking the other way, whilst a certain hell hole murders Palestinian Children... [See more](#)

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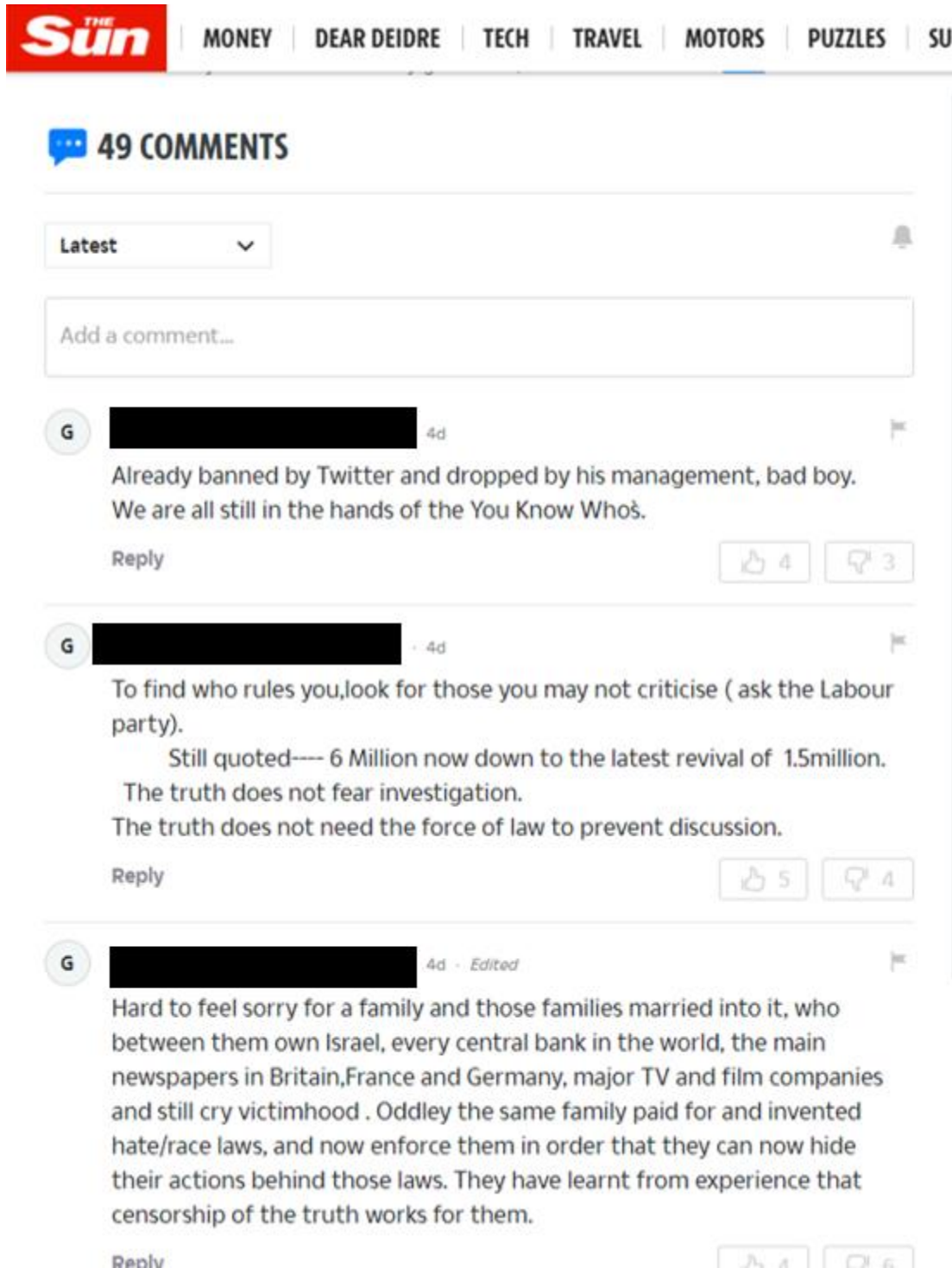
We are born into a world of mordern slavery. If Goyim dont get there act together we will be under th Noahide Laws. The Talmudic religion wants to enslave you. It only takes a little research to find out. But most humans are cowards now. To scared to open there mouth..... Sad

Reply

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Under Sun coverage of the rapper Wiley's Twitter ban, after he published antisemitic tweets, 25<sup>th</sup> July 2020. These comments [remained accessible on The Sun's website for at least 5 days.](#)




The screenshot shows the top navigation bar of The Sun website with categories: MONEY, DEAR DEIDRE, TECH, TRAVEL, MOTORS, PUZZLES, and SU. Below the navigation is a section for 49 comments. A dropdown menu is set to 'Latest' and there is a notification bell icon. A text input field contains the placeholder 'Add a comment...'. Three comments are visible, each with a 'G' icon, a redacted name, and a '4d' timestamp. Each comment includes a 'Reply' button and thumbs-up/down icons with counts.

**THE Sun** | MONEY | DEAR DEIDRE | TECH | TRAVEL | MOTORS | PUZZLES | SU



**49 COMMENTS**


Latest ▾ 

Add a comment...



**G** [Redacted] 4d 


Already banned by Twitter and dropped by his management, bad boy. We are all still in the hands of the You Know Whoš.

Reply  4  3



**G** [Redacted] - 4d 

To find who rules you,look for those you may not criticise ( ask the Labour party).  
Still quoted--- 6 Million now down to the latest revival of 1.5million.  
The truth does not fear investigation.  
The truth does not need the force of law to prevent discussion.

Reply  5  4

**G** [Redacted] 4d - Edited 

Hard to feel sorry for a family and those families married into it, who between them own Israel, every central bank in the world, the main newspapers in Britain,France and Germany, major TV and film companies and still cry victimhood . Oddley the same family paid for and invented hate/race laws, and now enforce them in order that they can now hide their actions behind those laws. They have learnt from experience that censorship of the truth works for them.

Reply  4  6

What is it that you disagree with? I'm not arguing with anyone. They own the media meaning they own your brain, they own the banking system meaning they own your house. So speaking against them leads to trouble. Doesn't mean it's not true

Reply



R

[REDACTED] · 5d



Can you back this statement up?

Reply



G

[REDACTED] · 5d



British government was sold to Rothschilds during the napoleonic wars

By then monarch

Rothschilds then got to choose who royals were

Who were German

Any prime minister in the past 300 years when winning an election has to visit monarchy to ask to form government

As long as they are prepared to retain the status quo they are allowed

It's an old trick

Have others do your bidding in their name

Similar to ww2

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## Other forms of racism

Under Sun [coverage](#) of wet markets in Asia:

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**M** [Redacted] · 31 Mar 🚩

There just dirty bastards. the world needs to stop trading globally with China close all global borders from China to other countries. And then let them get on with what ever viruses they couse next. Most of the big killer viruses started over there... [See more](#)

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Under Sun [coverage](#) of activities at a Wuhan laboratory:

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**B** [Redacted] · 6h 🚩

The wet market isn't the source of the virus, hence it is open again.

We need to bring manufacturing home, stop buying Chinese crap. The chinks are savages, communist liars, I have alikened them to a plague of locust for years.

Reply 👍 35    🗨️ 3

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## Anti-transgender hatred


MailOnline, under [coverage](#) of toilet facilities for transgender people, 29<sup>th</sup> June 2021.





 [Redacted] Southampton, United Kingdom, 3 days ago

Get them their own, or start dealing with these people whose brains aren't properly wired up.

Click to rate  55  0


 [Redacted] US, United States, 3 days ago

Wouldn't it be easier for trans to use disabled toilets because trans is a me. ntal ill. ness? Same with the Olympics surely the special Olympics can accommodate them?



Click to rate  49  4


### Personal abuse

The MailOnline, under [coverage](#) of Vice President Kamala Harris, 23<sup>rd</sup> August 2021.



 [Redacted] South, United Kingdom, 13 minutes ago

Definitely a tra#y her/him/it/them/Z


[New Comment](#) [Reply](#) Click to rate  1  0

 [Redacted], United States, 22 hours ago





Her? Um I have serious doubts regarding this person's biological gender.

Click to rate  123  6

The MailOnline, under [coverage](#) of a female academic and union leader, 15<sup>th</sup> May 2020.

 [Redacted] ngdom, 3 weeks ago

Isn't assassination allowed

    Click to rate  29  2

[Redacted] hegen, Netherlands, 3 weeks ago

She must have such a lonely and bitter life to be so full of hate. That and being so unattractive.

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[f](#) [t](#) [p](#) [l](#) [c](#) Click to rate ↑ 37 ↓ 10

[Redacted], United Kingdom, 3 weeks ago

Wow swivel eyed madw0man

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[Redacted] ed Kingdom, 3 weeks ago

The snarling face says it all. A very unsatisfied woman. I wonder why?

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 [Redacted] urgh, United Kingdom, 3 weeks ago

The farther left, it seems less feminine also

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Childless?

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Brainless

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 [Redacted] a, Qatar, 3 weeks ago

No half a brain less.

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[Redacted], United Kingdom, 3 weeks ago

No one would call her good-looking

[f](#) [t](#) [p](#) [c](#) Click to rate ↑ 28 ↓ 2

[Redacted], United Kingdom, 3 weeks ago

She isn't very attractive.

[f](#) [t](#) [p](#) [c](#) Click to rate ↑ 28 ↓ 6

[Redacted] Yorkshire, United Kingdom, 3 weeks ago

Agree and that with makeup on, dread to think what she looks like without.

[f](#) [t](#) [p](#) [c](#) Click to rate ↑ 5 ↓ 0

[Redacted], United Kingdom, 3 weeks ago

She clearly needs taking care of.

[f](#) [t](#) [p](#) [c](#) Click to rate ↑ 30 ↓ 0

[Redacted] helsea, United Kingdom, 3 weeks ago

Another complete nasty, miserable fruitcake!!

[f](#) [t](#) [p](#) [c](#) Click to rate ↑ 54 ↓ 1

[Redacted] nited Kingdom, 3 weeks ago

Labour seem to attract all the stunners!

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[Redacted] ch should be in, Russia, 3 weeks ago

What an evil, pinched and goblin type appearance this disrupting extreme communist has. She would do well in Xi Ping Pong's despotism China.

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[Redacted] United Kingdom, 3 weeks ago

I'd strike. HER hard!

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[Redacted], United Kingdom, 3 weeks ago

filth

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[Redacted] Chickensteak, Maldives, 3 weeks ago

Disgusting Dog!

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[Redacted] Chickensteak, Maldives, 3 weeks ago

Useless leftie Dog, strike her down!

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[Redacted] Kingdom, 3 weeks ago

The face a dog wouldn't lick.

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[Redacted] United Kingdom, 3 weeks ago

She's pretty thick for a teacher.....

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[Redacted] olchester, United Kingdom, 3 weeks ago


Get the SAS to track this numb skull down and do the decent thing.

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[Redacted] sgow, United Kingdom, 3 weeks ago

Kubla Khan. I wouldn't, even with 15 pints, using yours and 2 brown paper bags. (one each in case hers came off!)


    Click to rate  36  3

 [Redacted], United States, 3 weeks ago







That's right Bob, always practice safety with extra bags for the bag. My question is would your service be considered charity or act of mercy?


    Click to rate  8  0

Comments appearing under [coverage](#) of a female academic, who has written about the UK's colonial history.






 [Redacted], New Zealand, 7 months ago


has she got some sort of mental disorder?

    Click to rate  90  1

 [Redacted] Somewhere in Europe, United Kingdom, 7 months ago

Where do they get these clowns? She looks about 30 so what's her experience of life? Zero I would guess living, in a nice protected academic world away from the realities of life.....

    Click to rate  89  1

 [Redacted], United Kingdom, 7 months ago

Fowler is just another example of the sick minds that are now dictating what we should think. Clear the swamp at our universities!

[f](#) [t](#) [p](#) [l](#) [c](#) Click to rate ↑ 86 ↓ 0

 [Redacted], 7 months ago

Dozy , lazy, intellectually bankrupt little girl who clearly despises the very society that enabled her to have a well -paid non-job.

[f](#) [t](#) [p](#) [l](#) [c](#) Click to rate ↑ 86 ↓ 0

 [Redacted] stonia., United Kingdom, 7 months ago

Mental Health issues!

[f](#) [t](#) [p](#) [l](#) [c](#) Click to rate ↑ 40 ↓ 0

 [Redacted] e Bay, United Kingdom, 7 months ago

Eyes straight out of the bound Regan in The Exorcist!

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 [Redacted] rooding hills, United Kingdom, 7 months ago

I wonder if she can swivel her head 360 degrees? I think it is probable.

[f](#) [t](#) [p](#) [l](#) [c](#) Click to rate ↑ 14 ↓ 1

 [Redacted] aventry, United Kingdom, 7 months ago

Why are there so many air-headed women like this professor who cannot resist wokery. Over-educated dim.

[f](#) [t](#) [p](#) [l](#) [c](#) Click to rate ↑ 71 ↓ 1


[Redacted]
icester, United Kingdom, 7 months ago

After the first few paragraphs of this article I had to stop reading because I just got more and more angrier and disgusted with this article.. people like these shouldn't be anywhere near to the education of our students.






Click to rate  90  0

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[Redacted]
, United Kingdom, 7 months ago

They need removing from their posts and replacing with sane, competent people.






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Under [coverage of an actress](#) in the MailOnline.



[Redacted]
Wood, United States, 21 hours ago

Nothing personal, but who would want to see you nude? Maybe if your face wasn't shown, but even then...

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[Redacted]
, KS, United States, 22 hours ago

She is not attractive. The director made the right call.

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Under [coverage of a model](#) in the MailOnline.


[Redacted]
Freedom Of Speech , United States, 2 hours ago

She's been acting like trash . Not a good look desperate and gross ass hanging out

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[Redacted] bourne, Australia, 2 hours ago

It's the absolute vanity that is so sickening. Thinking sticking your large ass in our faces like we even give a damn. Grow a brain !

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[Redacted] wickshire, United Kingdom, 2 hours ago

She's filtered it. It's large and saggy with pot holes all over it.

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[Redacted] Moscow, Russia, 3 hours ago

Put it away nobody wants to see your nasty bits that have been used and abused. You are too old for this sort of behavior now.

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[Redacted], ments were published too, United Kingdom, 4 hours ago

A family of koes, cheap pr0stitutes, haggard face p1mpmom, should be on Sunset Boulevard.

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Under [coverage of Vice-President Kamala Harris](#), a popular target of abuse:

[Redacted], United States, 2 weeks ago

Joe and the Ho will be the worst admin ever in the US. Democrats out NOW!!

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[Redacted] aLand, United States, 2 weeks ago

Bye Ole Leatherface Liar

Click to rate  25  2

[Redacted] Northern Kingdom, United States, 2 weeks ago

STAY IN ASISA, YOU WORTHLESS POS..

Click to rate  64  2



 [redacted] na, 2 weeks ago  
Kamala Harris is a RAT deserting a sinking ship.



Click to rate  55  0

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 [redacted] Chicago, Illinois, United States, 2 weeks ago  
Where is her mask?- she needs one and not for Covid.....

Click to rate  17  0

Under coverage in The Daily Star of a [woman's dispute](#) with her son's school.

 [redacted]  
great body  
shame about face  
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 [redacted]  
its-only-me FRAGG  
She looks a right woof woof  
REPLY  0

## Disinformation & conspiracy theories

Under Sun [coverage](#) of the coronavirus:

 [redacted] · 16 Feb → Taffy 

Population control. The elites are not worried because they already have a cure.

Reply  14  2

Under Sun [coverage](#) of a coronavirus expert in China:

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We do know for sure they lied along with WHO who now is being investigated and payments withdrawn to them by my country USA. Every country should do the same. No eBay shopping no Amazon shopping or at least make sure it's not made in china. People will tell u it's impossible to shop without having to buy China's cheap rubbish. But that's not entirely true you'd just have to pay tad more but better quality obviously. Everyone knows now it's man made simply coz it's 90odd % bat and something else but what they know now it must be something rare and exotic. Whether it came straight out of the labs is doubtful because they know that would be a guilty verdict straight away and easily sussed out. So this is how they done it just like how these vets have been looking into it. They have like everyone knows have been stopping large trucks full of pet's and exotic animals and many trucks heading to the wet market's with the animals limbs missing and still alive where they have been experimenting on the adrenal glands, the same experimental procedures they were doing with bats. THIS IS WHAT THE W.H.O ACTUALLY KNEW COZ THEY WERE TOLD LONG AGO BEFORE EVERYONE EXCEPT THESE VETS. THE LAST TIME WE SAW THESE VETS WERE ON YOUTUBE AND WERE SAYING THEY NEED TO GET TO HONG KONG. THE CHINESE CAN BLAME IT ON WET MARKETS ONLY AND PLEAD THERE INNOCENCE AND CALL IT ACCIDENTALLY. WHEN IN FACT IT WAS DELIBERATE DONE TO MESS UP THE WORLDS ECONOMY. CHINESE TO THE RESCUE AND A MASSIVE ECONOMIC GROWTH

Reply

👍 12

💬 1

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→ P Grimms

The virus started in the US and was brought by American soldiers to Wuhan in Oct 2019. Western press are always very quick to blame China, Russia for everything.

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👍 7

💬 38

Comment below Telegraph [story](#) on sunbathing & coronavirus:



Apr 2020 10:53PM

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Time to ask some hard questions about how this 'virus' originated. The fact these questions have not been asked by the British MSM is to their eternal shame.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=YzaVpUjV5rg&feature=youtu.be>

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This link is to a Youtube video hosting Covid disinformation.

Comments under a Telegraph [story](#) on Coronavirus:



Apr 2020 11:16PM

16 Like

@Eric Nelson Exactly. That is why the second richest man in the world, Bill Gates, took out a patent on a Coronavirus strain last year. He is now heavily involved in the business side of getting a workable drug to combat Covid-19. I suppose an obscene personal fortune isn't enough. Another obscenity is that any individual, how ever rich and powerful, can be allowed to own a patent on a virus!

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8 Apr 2020 12:04AM

3 Like

@VK Frodsham @Eric Nelson

I am pretty sure it was his charity that took out the patent and not for the Corana Virus.

"This connection has been used by some to suggest Gates personally knew about COVID-19 before it spread, or even that he was funding it.

However, the foundation's funding for Pirbright [is not for work related to the coronavirus patent](#), and the foundation has separately pledged millions of dollars to fight COVID-19."

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Apr 2020 1:58AM

3 Like


@Richard Atherton @VK Frodsham @Eric Nelson If you dig deeper you will discover his charity is just another personal power structure (like the Clinton Foundation). Also I didn't say he took out a patent on Covid-19. I said he took out a patent on a Covid virus (there are over 3,000 strains of it apparently). Of course he did so under the umbrella of his charity. The fact remains he is in the driving seat of his charity, just like the Clintons with their extremely dubious one. That he can use his charity to take out a patent on a virus is something the media should be all over. They aren't because Bill Gates is part of the inner circle of untouchables (Soros being another).

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Under a Telegraph [story](#) about 5G:

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 5 Apr 2020 10:44PM Like

more than 2000 experts (scientists) signed an appeal to stop 5G because of significant concerns and risks. It wasn't listened to at all.

Yet the same people will say 'listen to the experts' within this Covid-19 issue.

as always, it is just a question of what fear has motivated people to say 'listen to the experts'


<https://www.5gspaceappeal.org/the-appeal>

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Under a Telegraph [story](#) on Boris Johnson's contraction of COVID:

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 9 Apr 2020 9:24AM 2 Like

"Everything we know so far."

1. The virus was created and spread by the Globalist Deep State.
2. The 'lock down' was put in place by this vile, evil cult as part of their agenda to curb freedom and liberty.
3. Boris Johnson was deliberately targeted by them.
4. Raab has become a puppet of theirs without realising it.
5. Military and special operations are ongoing behind the scenes by 'positive' forces attempting to remove the Deep State.
6. Well known household names who are connected with this nefarious global Cabal, will be arrested in due course.

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9 Apr 2020 9:52AM


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The mainstream media is CONTROLLED by the Deep State, merely a cog in the wheel. The illusion of OFCOM was that it was setup to stop just anyone from broadcasting information on the mainstream media platform and has nothing to do with 'standards'. If anyone tries to create a general circulation newspaper (newsprint) and website and publish information about the Deep State etc, it will be shutdown by OFCOM. In fact, it would be unlikely that it would be given permission from the start.

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Under a Mirror [story](#) on the Covid crisis:

 1 DAY AGO

How to explain the symptoms of USA soldiers in Wuhan China before Chinese lay at new year? Their lung was almost white when they went to hospital. And the doctors had never seen that before and they called it "White Lung Illness"

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Under a Mail [story](#) on the SAGE advisory group:

 er, United Kingdom, 2 hours ago

Agenda depopulation. Gates is on record as stating vaccination will effectively result in depopulation. He is open regarding his plans. It is documented. It is not hidden. Look at his history. Look at his bloodlind. Look at his education. Do some research. It's all widely available. The WHO are effectively reducing the world population. This is their goal. This is their plan. It has been since time began. Open your eyes.

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## **APPENDIX B:**

### **Publishers which may be eligible to claim an exemption as a “recognised news publisher”**

The following publishers may be able to claim their content is exempt from the bill’s effects on social media platforms, by meeting the bill’s criteria for news publishers.

#### **Heritage and Destiny**

This is a racist news website and magazine promoting “racial nationalism”.

It recently published a tribute to the Holocaust denier Henry Hafenmayer, and an article suggesting England men’s black football players should not be picked to take penalties because people of colour do not perform “well under pressure”.

Provided it can show it has a complaints process & standards code (which could constitute anything, according to the bill), it would likely gain an exemption.

Examples of recent content which may be exempt:

Henry Hafenmayer – champion of German freedom – dies aged 48

Two very different wings of the anti-Islam movement

Did ‘racism’ win on penalties?

[links redacted]

Website:

[links redacted]

#### **David Icke**

This is a news website promoting harmful and dangerous conspiracy theories (some of which have racist themes).

Examples of recent content which may be exempt:

“How they are killing you and calling it Covid”

“Fascist Israeli government bars unjabbed or untested teachers & healthcare workers from workplaces (Israelis – your country is not controlled by Jews but by a Sabbatian cult posing as Jews. Sabbatians hate Jews. Play that across current events and it all makes sense)”

“60% Of Those Older Than 50 Who ‘Die From Covid’ Are Double Vaxxed (They die from the fake vaccine NOT ‘Covid’!)”

[links redacted]

Website:

[link redacted]

Many similarly harmful websites also exist in the US. The criteria for the exemption in the bill include requirements that the outlet has a UK address, but any publisher could create one and establish itself as having a UK-based element to help them qualify.

The following outlets are examples of those which are at risk of becoming exempt, by making the necessary administrative changes to meet these criteria:

**National Vanguard**, an antisemitic hate website.

**Evil News**, a conspiracy theory website.

**InfoWars**, a conspiracy theory website.

[links redacted]

## **Standards-abiding publishers which may fall short of the definition to qualify for the news publisher exemption**

These publishers are independently regulated and are therefore subject to a form of regulation more stringent than most national newspapers, and, of course, the various extremist outlets referred to above. However, the criteria to benefit from the exemption includes that the publisher has a registered business address and that an address is published on its website. These three outlets are examples of those which do not meet all of these criteria and may therefore be deprived of this exemption.

The terms of the exemption are likely to specifically discriminate against local publishers.

Crowborough Life

Website: <https://crowboroughlife.com/>

Down News

Website: <https://downnews.co.uk/>

Gedling Eye

Website: <https://www.gedlingeye.co.uk/contact/>

Some examples of ethical journalism which would not be exempt under current definition, because these publishers too are not covered by the exemption – despite being regulated to a higher standard than most national newspapers.

The Barnet Post's [scrutiny of local Government planning decisions](#).

The Cranfield and Mastonvale Chronicle's [community-supporting report on a schoolboy's efforts to support unwell children](#).

Gal-Dem on [Indigenous Brazilians' legal fight with Bolsonaro](#).

Gedling Eye on [community support for key workers](#).

Greater Govanhill on the [Sikh community's charitable initiatives during COVID in Glasgow](#).





## **APPENDIX C:**

**Individuals banned from social media platforms, who claim to be “journalists” and maybe able to exploit the *journalistic content duties*.**

Charles C Johnson

*A far-right activist who described himself as an ‘investigative journalist’. Banned from Twitter for saying he would ‘take out’ a civil rights activist. He is also alleged to be a holocaust denier.*

Robert Stacy McCain

*Banned from Twitter for “participating in targeted abuse”. He was a journalist for The Washington Post, but is alleged to also have been a member of League of the South, a far-right group known to include racists.*

Richard B Spencer

*Far-right journalist and former editor, only temporary banned for using overlapping accounts. Pictured making the Nazi salute, and has repeated Nazi propaganda. When Trump became president he encouraged people to ‘party like it’s 1933’.*

Baked Alaska

*Journalist and former BuzzFeed contributor. Now associated with the far-right. Claimed that the media was run by Jewish people. Banned after creating an image of a Jewish activist inside a gas chamber.*