Betrayed from Within

“Consortium” worked with Big Tech, academia, DHS, and State Department to sabotage Trump reelection

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A n explosive report released by a congressional committee on Nov. 6 reveals how U.S. federal law enforcement agencies conspired in tandem with Big Tech, Big Pharma, and Big Academia to censor truthful information, opinions—even jokes—in the lead up to the 2020 election.

It should surprise no one that the mainstream media didn’t report on this major violation of the First Amendment and the free speech rights of Americans because the targets were almost exclusively conservatives, Trump allies or critics of the Democratic Party. Trump himself was not immune. Instead, he was one of the main targets of the information manipulation scheme. In short, he was censored by his own employees.

Here’s what we know: Late in the evening on Nov. 6, Rep. Jim Jordan (R-Ohio), the chair of the House Judiciary Committee, announced the latest report issued from his committee, titled “The Weaponization of ‘Disinformation’ Pseudo-Experts and Bureaucrats: How the Federal Government Partnered with Universities to Censor Americans’ Political Speech.”

Jordan explained that the congressional committee he chairs documented how the federal government went far beyond what anyone previously thought about the lengths to which bureaucrats will work with universities, technology companies, and medical organizations to suppress vital information that Americans needed to know.

“Following the 2016 presidential election, a sensationalized narrative emerged that foreign ‘disinformation’ affected the integrity of the election,” noted the report. “These claims, fueled by left-wing election denialism about the legitimacy of President Trump’s victory, sparked a new focus on the role of social media platforms in spreading such information.”

According to Jordan, this phony premise laid the groundwork for an elaborate conspiracy to take shape that would later work to suppress truthful information about everything from the legitimacy of Trump’s administration to the origins of the virus that causes Covid-19.

The report said:

Enter the Election Integrity Partnership (EIP), a consortium of “disinformation” academics led by the Stanford Internet Observatory that worked directly with the Department of Homeland Security and the Global Engagement Center, a multi-agency entity housed within the State Department, to monitor and censor Americans’ online speech in advance of the 2020 presidential election.

Created in the summer of 2020 “at the request” of the Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Security Agency, the EIP provided a way for the federal government to launder its censorship activities in hopes of bypassing both the First Amendment and public scrutiny.

According to Jordan, individuals at Stanford University would monitor what people were saying on the internet. If they found something “offensive,” they would coordinate with government agencies and Big Tech on what was being said and on proactive plans to censor that speech.

Some of the more prominent individuals and organizations targeted by this conspiracy included former Gov. Mike Huckabee, Fox News host Sean Hannity, former Speaker of the House Newt Gingrich, Sen. Thom Tillis (R-N.C.), conservative writer Michelle Malkin, and independent presidential candidate Robert F. Kennedy Jr.

Jordan said it was only through legal threats that he was able to get copies of documents from Stanford University that prove federal law enforcement agencies were coordinating with academia and Big Tech in violation of Americans’ First Amendment rights. He concluded by saying, “The American people deserve to know if they were targeted by their own government and so-called ‘disinformation’ experts.”

Perhaps the most ironic part of this saga is that the very agency Trump created to evaluate “disinformation” was used to stifle his speech and hide factual information that would have benefited his reelection chances.