

there will be an unprecedented rise of censorship and suppression of free speech including core political speech on social-media platforms. Not just fringe views, but perfectly legitimate, responsible viewpoints. Speakers have been unlawfully and unconstitutionally silenced in the modern public square. These actions gravely threaten the fundamental right of free speech and free discourse for virtually all citizens in Australia & elsewhere.

George Washington: if "the Freedom of Speech may be taken away," then "dumb and silent we may be led, like sheep, to the Slaughter.",

The freedom of speech in Australia now faces one of its greatest assaults by federal government officials in the Nation's history.

The government should not be permitted to censor free expression of opinion/viewpoint nor coerce, induce or threaten to censor viewpoints, speakers, the Public or a private entity by expressed/ implied threats from government officials. These rights are fundamental and must be protected against government interference. If the Australian Government enacted a law or issued an order requiring the suppression of certain

disfavored viewpoints or speakers on social media, or directing social media to demonetize, shadow-ban, or expel certain disfavored speakers, such a law or order would be manifestly unconstitutional.

Government officials intend to move into a phase of open collusion with social-media companies to suppress disfavored speakers, viewpoints, and content on social-media platforms under the Orwellian guise of halting so-called "disinformation," "misinformation," and "malinformation."

As a direct result of these actions,