

Comment on the Proposed New ACMA Powers Regarding Misinformation and Disinformation

My comment about the proposed legislation begins with words of old wisdom: "The TRUTH does not mind being questioned, and a LIE does not like being challenged". This legislation allows the government to introduce a narrative, impose it as the absolute truth and forbid challenges. If the narrative truly is the TRUTH then it would stand firm regardless of any scientific, philosophical, medical or social scrutiny, however, if the narrative is a LIE then a single challenge would break it. It is then logical to conclude that censorship of speech would be required in the situation when the narrative is of questionable nature. The application of this legislation is obsolete when the narrative is truthful, but it finds purpose when the narrative is false. It provides a protective shield to LIES, and in the process it criminalises the TRUTH and penalises truth tellers. Considering that only government agencies are exempt, it clearly exhibits a law worthy for dictatorships. "It happened" and "it is" exactly as the power of authority dictates, do not question it, do not investigate it, do not speak and write about it, otherwise hefty penalties will be served. This has no place in a democratic society.

No further are we to look than the last three years to see how government agencies have demonstrated peddling of misinformation and disinformation. The statement "safe and effective covid vaccines" was promoted as the absolute TRUTH; however, when the statement was subjected to scrutiny it revealed to be a LIE. By the mode of action the "covid vaccines" are not regular vaccine injections, but are gene therapy products. They do not stop infection and do not stop transmission so the effectiveness is zero. They can cause debilitating injuries, hospitalisations and death, therefore are not safe to be administered to healthy people. The recent US Cleveland Clinic study of 51000 employees found that with each additional dose of vaccines the COVID-19 infection rate rose. The unvaccinated were the least likely to be contracting the disease. All those who told the truth from the very beginning were ridiculed as 'conspiracy theorists' and misinformation spreaders. They were persecuted and penalised because they challenged the false narrative.

Freedom of speech to express an opinion by way of critical thinking is a tool the public has to maintain an honest government. Who would want to take that tool away? Only compromised entities seek for ways to silence the freedom of speech, to suppress our God given ability to uncover the truth and our God given responsibility to speak the truth. The first thing that suffered during this pandemic was the truth, and the truth would have never seen light of day, were it not for the freedom of speech. This legislation puts the government in the position to censor the very type of information that establishes their guilt. It is hypocrisy of grave concern; it removes democratic speech and replaces it with totalitarian censorship.

I cannot imagine of another purpose for introducing totalitarian powers in a democratic society other than the sole purpose of ensuring that serious misconduct stays hidden.

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