

AJ Statement on Censorship

Across the board in what appears to be a highly-coordinated effort to silence the message behind Infowars and Alex Jones, most major social media and video platforms have launched unprecedented account bans and suspensions on virtually all of our channels.

Regardless of what you think of me, and what you have heard indirectly through third party sources, you are clearly witnessing a 21st century purge of an ideology. And even if you don't agree with our message that everyone should exercise their right to question the status quo, you should be very concerned about what's happening. Because this ideology that is now under attack is the same ideology that played a pivotal role in founding this great nation: challenging the establishment systems with independent ideas that encourage new debates and discussions.

For more than a year, we have witnessed the mainstream news media and Democratic groups tell us that the manipulation of social media could turn an election. By their own admission, social media would be the most viable option to alter the course of the nation, influence millions of people, and shut down free speech and personal expression that questions the status quo. We have been told that one of the greatest threats to our democracy is the manipulation of the information that we receive on social media platforms like Facebook, YouTube, and Twitter. Now, these same groups that have been telling us that free speech must be defended against those who seek to control it on our news feeds, have launched a full-scale war on the free speech and information that they disagree with.

There is no question that large social media companies have become the nation's premiere source of information, referring hundreds of millions to news and information. Although these groups are private entities, their scale has achieved them a monopoly on the free flow of information. Much like the FCC rules that the airwaves and cable should be equally accessible to all in the public trust, these modes of communication should be equally open to the same access, and not subject to control by those who may choose to disagree with the information itself. Is a different opinion enough to silence an entire ideology?

I do not claim to always be right. But the accusations leveled at me are distortions of the truth and have been used systematically to impeach my character. But this coordinated action by the establishment to silence me has only awakened a new resolve in those

who now see more clearly than ever how the establishment systems will go to any length to shut down free speech and information that questions the status quo.

This is a turning point for our nation. Will you rally behind the principles of free speech, or will you concede to having your ability to access new ideas and information restricted and controlled by those who believe you cannot think for yourself. If we allow this level of censorship to continue, how long before it becomes normalized? How long before it's not Alex Jones and Infowars being shut down on major platforms, but any ideology that disagrees with the establishment status quo? We must rally behind the principles that founded this great nation, and not allow deep censorship to become normalized and accepted.