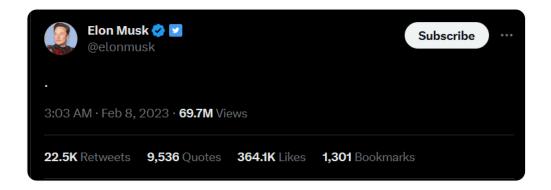


Nella #VatnikSoup di oggi, vi presenterò un imprenditore e influencer sudafricanoamericano Elon Musk (@elonmusk). È noto soprattutto per essere l'uomo più ricco del mondo, a capo di Tesla Inc., SpaceX e Twitter/X, e per ripetere la propaganda del Cremlino.

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Partiamo dall'ovvio: i tweet di Elon hanno un grande impatto su Twitter e raggiungono un pubblico molto ampio. Ogni tweet a cui mette mi piace o che commenta è spinto con forza dall'algoritmo e viene mostrato a decine di milioni di persone.

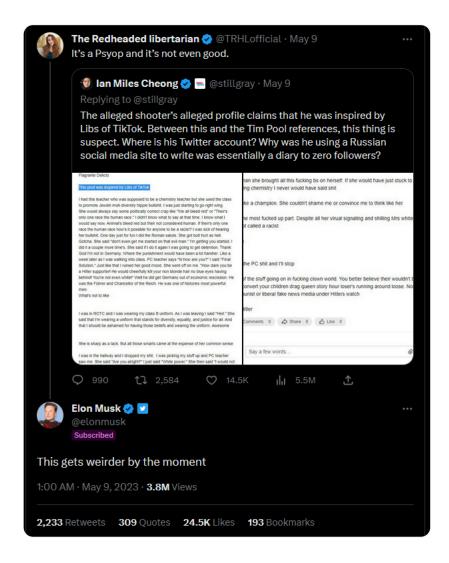




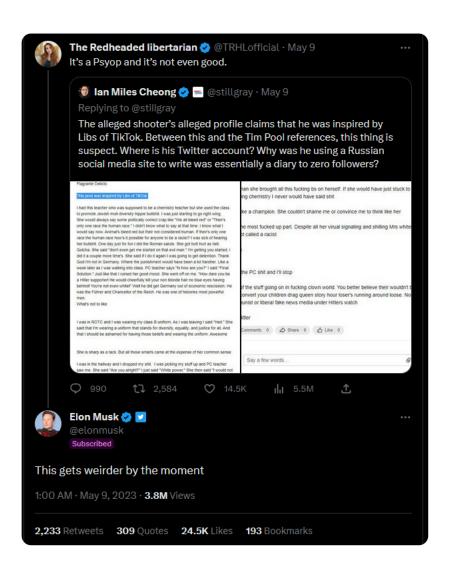
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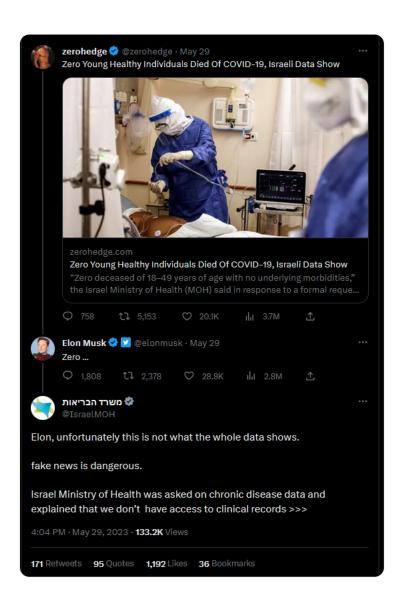
Ha promesso di rendere Twitter «la più attendibile fonte di informazioni sul mondo», ma guarda caso ha flirtato con diverse teorie del complotto nel corso degli anni: tra le altre cose ha negato...

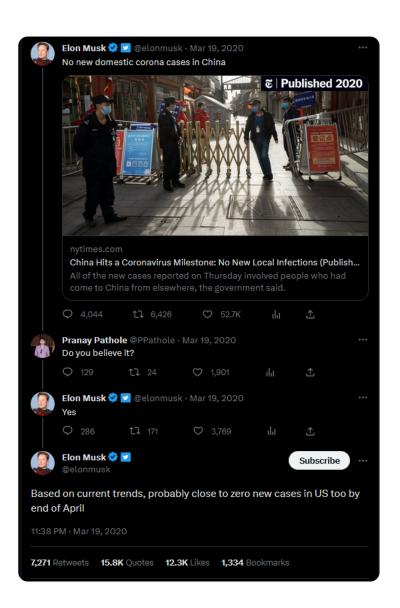




...l'ideologia suprematista bianca di un omicida di massa, ha diffuso false informazioni sul COVID-19 e ha ripetuto teorie del complotto su George Soros. Molte delle opinioni di Elon su diversi argomenti potrebbero in realtà provenire da altre persone.



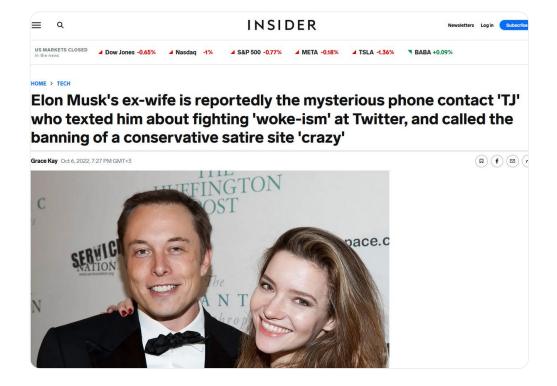






La sua ex moglie, @TalulahRiley, aveva chiesto di sbloccare @TheBabylonBee (un account di satira conservatore), il suo amico @joerogan aveva precedentemente chiesto un social media che funzionasse come un «mercato delle idee» - una filosofia secondo cui... 5/28





...le idee «migliori» provenienti da personaggi come il presunto trafficante di esseri umani e stupratore @Cobratate e la seguace di QAnon @RepMTG salgono in vetta - che Musk dovrebbe «liberare Twitter dalla folla contenta della censura».

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Joe Rogan has been trying to escape consequences for irresponsibly broadcasting ignorant nonsense by using a dodge that weak-minded media hacks have employed for decades.

He claims that he's just trying to have "interesting conversations" on air with controversial people because he wants to hear their thoughts. It's a variation on the stupid interpretation of "free speech" that defines it as being able to say anything you want anywhere at any time without having to suffer any blowback.

It's called "the marketplace of ideas." The idea is that the public square should be a place where anybody can air any ideas at all, as if they were goods sold in the marketplace. These ideas would then be subject to market forces. The idea-customers would decide by their purchases which "idea-goods" they prefer. Those would be the "best" ideas.

This analogy with a perfectly frictionless capitalist marketplace is stupid on so many levels that its impossible to even list them all in a brief blog post. But noting just a few will be enough to show that it is an untenable analogy.



Andrew Tate charged with rape and human trafficking

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Andrew Tate, left, and his brother Tristan were first arrested at their Bucharest home in December

By Lucy Williamson & George Wright

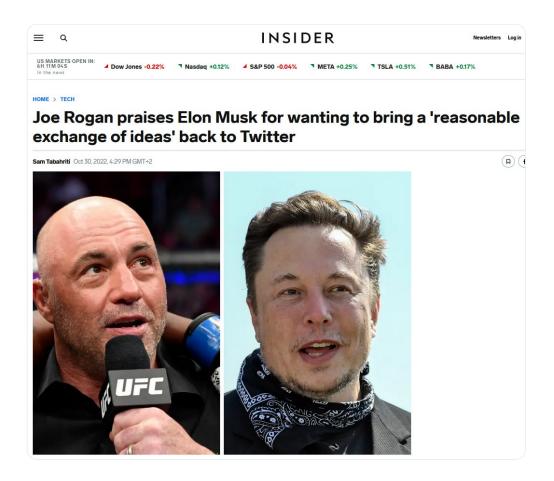
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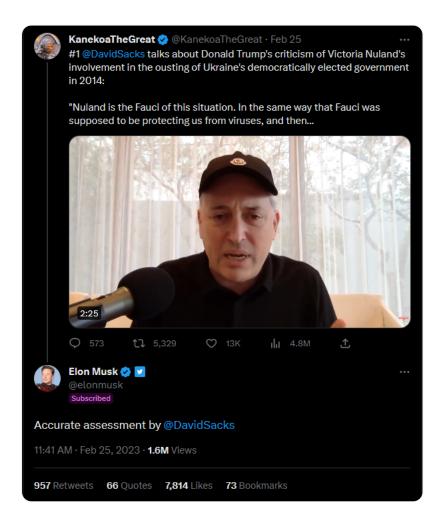


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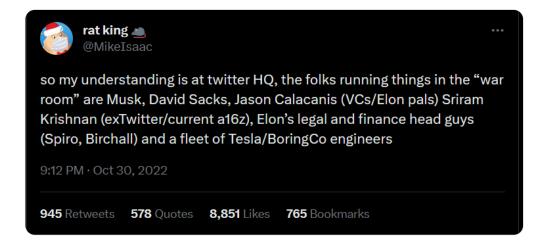
Quando si parla della guerra sembra dare ascolto soprattutto a @DavidSacks, oltre che ad alcuni altri venditori di disinformazione. Nell'ottobre 2022, Musk ha twittato sulla «pace tra Ucraina e Russia», chiedendo elezioni sotto la supervisione dell'ONU nei territori annessi. 7/28

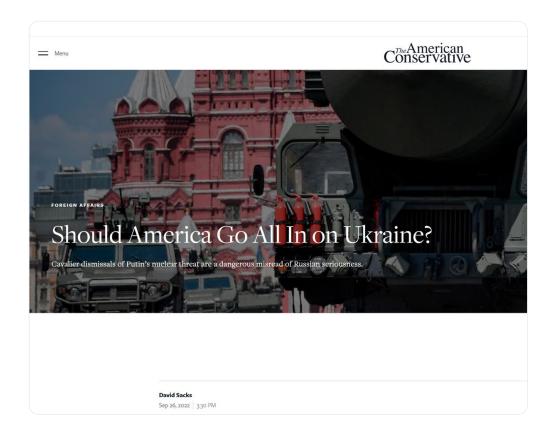




Ha anche affermato che la Crimea sarebbe rimasta russa. Ha poi messo in guardia dall'escalation e dalla minaccia di una guerra nucleare. Un piano di pace molto simile era stato suggerito dal suo compagno di merende @DavidSacks appena una settimana prima del tweet di Musk.

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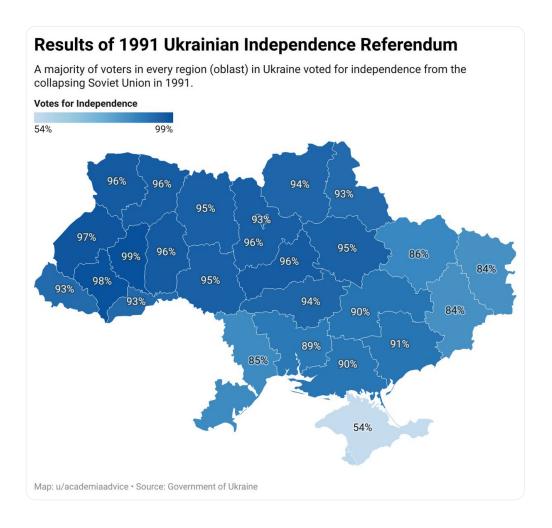




In seguito, ha fatto marcia indietro chiedendo in un sondaggio se gli abitanti di Donbas e Crimea dovessero «decidere se vogliono far parte della Russia o dell'Ucraina"» - cosa che hanno già fatto nel 1991, come si può vedere da questa mappa del referendum sull'indipendenza.

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Nel giugno 2023, @davidsacks ci ha regalato un altro lungo tweet, decretando la controffensiva ucraina a un fallimento, lodando contemporaneamente quella robaccia della realpolitik di Mearsheimer. Musk ha commentato il post del suo vecchio amico, dicendo «Ben detto».

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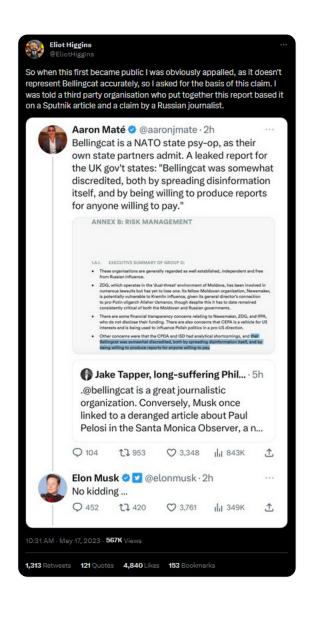




Elon ha anche screditato @bellingcat, uno dei maggiori gruppi investigativi che combattono la disinformazione russa, definendoli una «psyop».

Bellingcat ha denunciato moltissimi crimini russi, tra cui l'abbattimento del volo MH17, l'identità dei piloti di droni russi e... 11/28





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Bellingcat: Russia's FSB Officer Played Crucial Role in MH17 Downing

Published: 29 April 2020 WRITTEN BY ZDRAVKO LJUBAS





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A general with Russia's intelligence service could be the highest-ranking official identified as having been involved in the downing of Malaysian Airlines Flight MH17 in 2014 that killed 298 people, the investigative outlet Bellingcat revealed in its latest investigation published on Tuesday in cooperation with Russia's The Insider.



estigation of the crash site of MH-17 by Dutch and Australian police officers. (Photo: Dutch Defense Ministry) Colonel General Andrey Ivanovich Burlaka of the Russian Federal Security Service (FSB), according to the report, could have been the one who supervised the movement of weapons from Russia to Ukraine, including the Buk missile launcher that shot the plane after crossing the border from

Bellingcat and The Insider found that Burlaka could be the person behind the name "Vladimir Ivanovich," whose phone conversations with Ukrainian separatist commanders were intercepted and are part of the investigation into the plane's downing.

All 283 passengers and 15 crew members were killed when Malaysia Airlines Flight 17 - MH17, heading from Amsterdam to Kuala Lumpur, was shot down while flying over eastern Ukraine on July 17, 2014.

"In November 2019, the Dutch-led Joint Investigation Team (JIT) announced the broadening of its criminal investigation into the shoot-down of MH17 to encompass the role of individuals within Russia's military and administrative hierarchy who enabled the tragedy," the Bellingcat report said.

...gli avvelenamenti degli Skripal. Per questa ragione è diventato il bersaglio numero uno della diffamazione da parte dei propagandisti pro-Cremlino come @aaronjmate. 12/28

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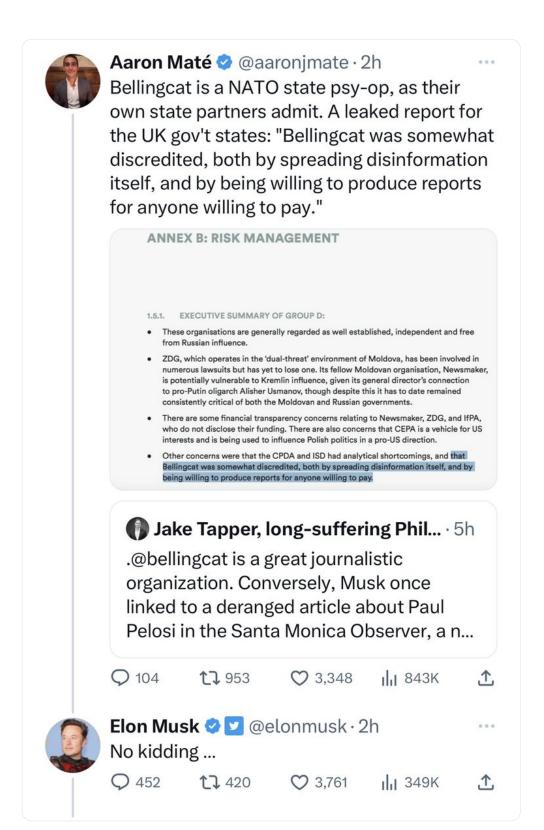
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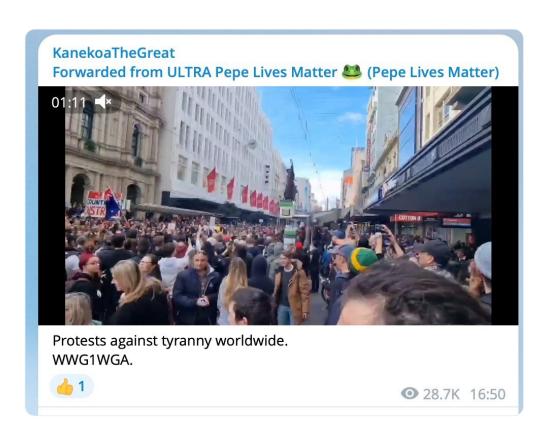
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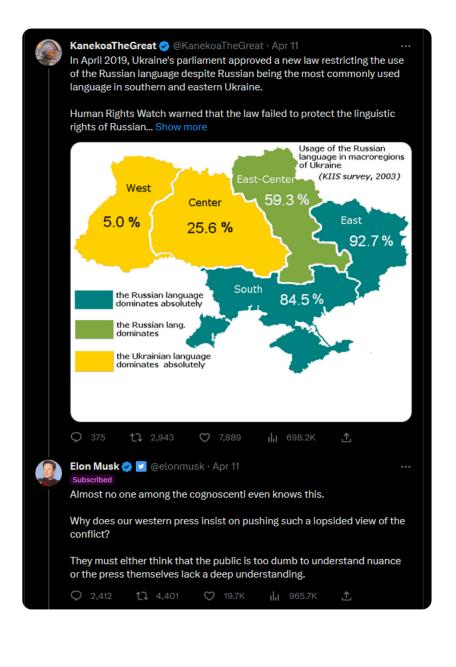
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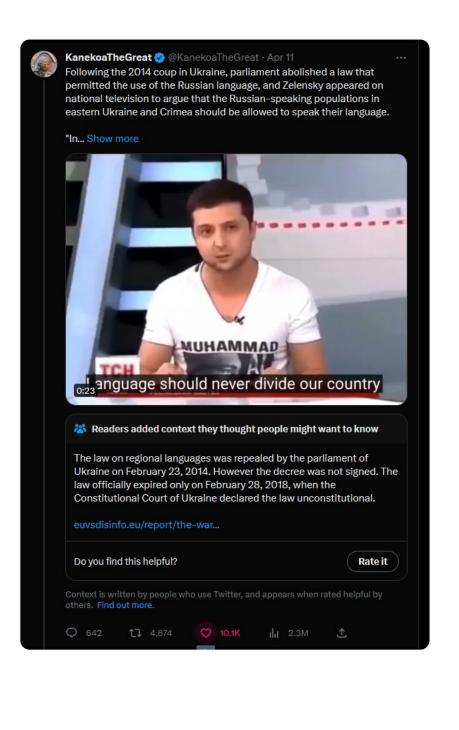
- In a previous series of investigations, Bellingcat uncovered evidence that Russia's military intelligence agency the GRU was responsible for both the <u>Novichok poisoning of Sergey and Yulia Skripal</u> in the U.K. (an assassination attempt that led to the death of one British citizen) and the <u>poisoning of Emilian Gebrev</u> in Bulgaria. We also <u>determined that</u> Russia's principal security agency the FSB was behind the assassination of a Georgian asylum seeker on German soil.
- In a further joint investigation, Bellingcat uncovered evidence that Russia has not terminated its chemical weapons program, but has instead disguised its development capability behind a network of state-run institutes. Following the official closure of Russia's military-run chemical weapons program in 2010, its core scientists were rehired by institutes which engage in ostensibly civilian research. In reality, these scientists continued to provide chemical weapons development and manufacturing support to Russia's security services.
- We identified two institutes which since 2010 appear to have taken the lead role in the continued R&D of Soviet-era nerve-agent programs, including those of the Novichok type. These institutes - the St Petersburg-based <u>GNII VM</u> and the



Dopo aver introdotto il servizio di abbonamento, una delle prime iscrizioni di Elon su X è stata quella a @KanekoaTheGreat, un complottista affiliato a QAnon, noto per aver spinto le narrazioni del Cremlino sull'Ucraina, in particolare sulla "divisione" etnica del Paese. 13/28







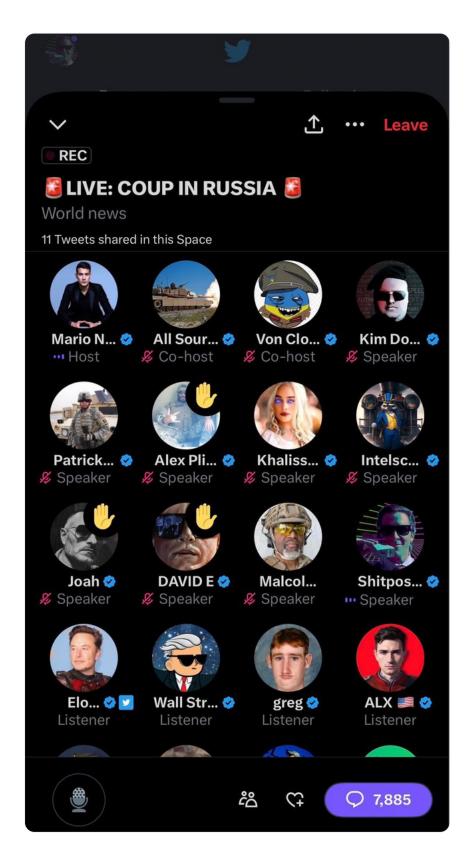


Ha anche partecipato a discussioni sui Twitter Spaces con propagandisti pro-Cremlino come @KimDotcom e @stillgray. Casualmente, questi Spaces raramente offrono una discussione vera e propria, ma sono piuttosto un'occasione per queste persone, che per lo più sono già... 14/28





While some people might cry about how this is like social credit (it isn't) it's actually close to what the Founding Fathers intended—only landowners could vote. It's a good policy. Democracy must not become a tyranny of the mob.

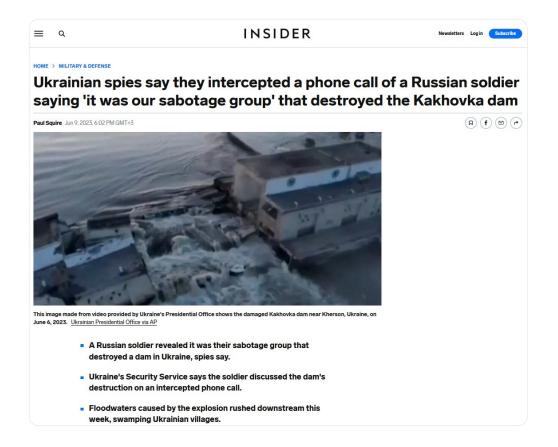


...d'accordo tra loro, di farsi gli applausi da soli.

Musk ha fortemente promosso uno dei più grandi mentitori e sostenitori di Putin nei media statunitensi, Tucker Carlson. Nel primo episodio del suo nuovo "show" su Twitter, Carlson ha insinuato che la diga di Kakhovka...

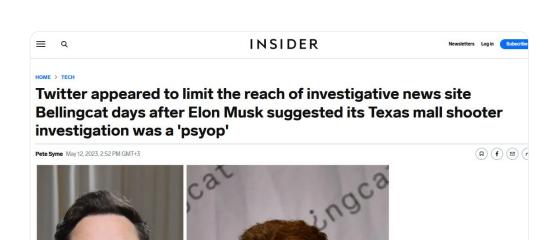






...fosse stata distrutta dagli ucraini - ovviamente senza offrire alcuna prova concreta.

Queste narrazioni sono pesantemente spinte da Musk e dal suo X, che etichettano i maggiori avversari della Russia come «psyops» e l'Ucraina come una nazione corrotta, governata da... 16/28





Elon Musk and Eliot Higgins, the Bellingcat founder. ANGELA WEISS/AFP via Getty Images; Pierre Crom/Getty Images



...milizie di estrema destra. Queste narrazioni, come ormai saprete, provengono direttamente dal manuale di propaganda del Cremlino.

Ovviamente tutto ciò è stato usato a fini propagandistici dalla Russia, e di questi tempi Elon



Musk weighs in on Ukrainian counteroffensive

The Tesla and Twitter owner appeared to agree with an article alleging that Kiev's attempts to reclaim lost territory are failing



the Vivatech technology startups and innova s, on June 16, 2023. © JOEL SAGET / AFP

Tesla and Twitter CEO Elon Musk has endorsed an article by investor and entrepreneur David Sacks arguing that Ukraine's military push against Russia is faltering.

On Tuesday, Sacks posted an article on Twitter, claiming "it's becoming clear that the Ukrainian counteroffensive is failing to achieve any of its originally stated objectives. Washington's bet that Kiev would be able to *roll back Russian territorial gains, cut the land bridge to Crimea" and make it engage in negotiations had not paid off, he added.

"On the contrary, a stalemate is more likely, or even that Russia will take more territory and win the war," the investor stated.

He went on to compare the situation in Ukraine with the US military campaign in Afghanistan, which ended with a chaotic withdrawal of US troops in 2020. "It's worth recalling that the American public was assured for two decades that we were winning in Afghanistan," Sacks wrote, adding that any belief that the local military was "standing up" to the Taliban crumbled

"Unfortunately, it looks like we're headed for a similar kind of outcome in Ukraine. The only question is when, and how long Biden will be able to perpetuate a proxy war of choice that could have easily been avoided," he

Musk appeared to agree with Sacks' take on Ukraine, writing on Twitter: "Well

Meanwhile, Sacks pointed to new evidence showing that Moscow and Kiev could have come to an agreement at the very start of the conflict last year, referring to a draft treaty on neutrality and security guarantees for Ukraine shown by Russian President Vladimir Putin earlier this week.



Read more: Elon Musk dubs 2014 Ukraine regime change a 'coup'

However, the negotiations on the matter broke down in the spring 2022 after Ukraine accused Russia of committing war crimes, a claim Moscow has vehemently denied. The alleged atrocities were discovered after Russian troops withdrew from areas around Kiev in a "goodwill gesture," according to Moscow.

Kiev's troops launched their long-anticipated offensive in early June, but their attacks have failed to gain any ground, according to the Russian Defense Ministry, which last week estimated Ukrainian frontline losses since the start of the push at 7,500. Meanwhile, Putin has claimed that Ukraine has lost up to 30% of its Western-supplied military equipment.

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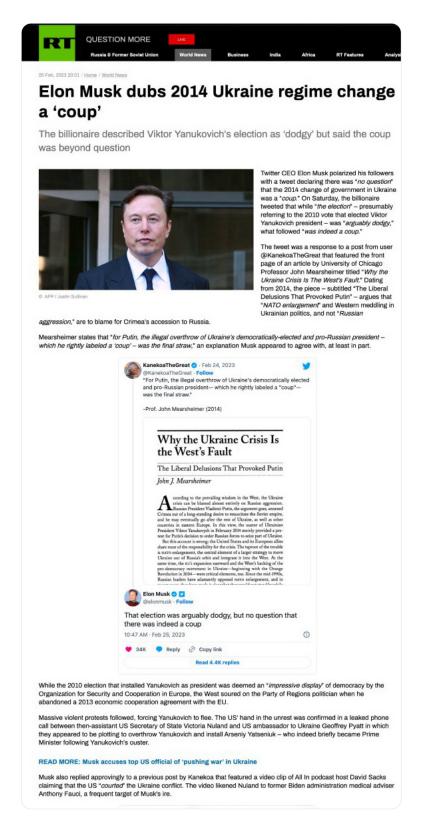












...sembrano concordare sul fallimento della controffensiva ucraina e che la rivoluzione della dignità del 2014 sia stata un colpo di stato.

Elon s'è definito «politicamente moderato», ma nel 2022 si è schierato apertamente, dicendo che «non poteva più sostenere» i...





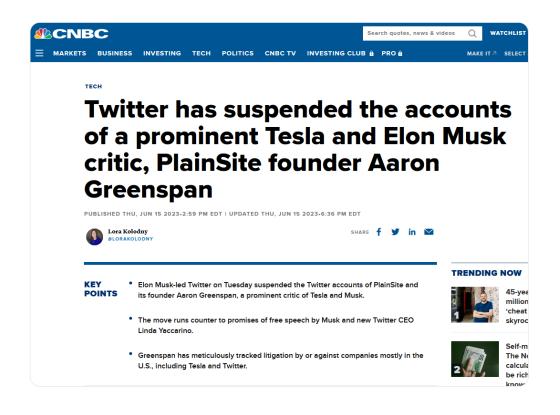
...democratici a causa delle loro politiche, e ha incoraggiato la gente a votare repubblicano nelle elezioni di midterm. De Santis ha annunciato la sua corsa alla presidenza in uno Spazio di Twitter.

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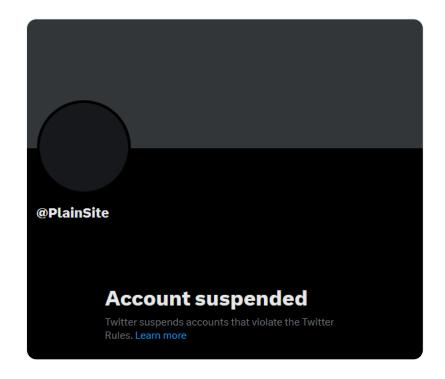


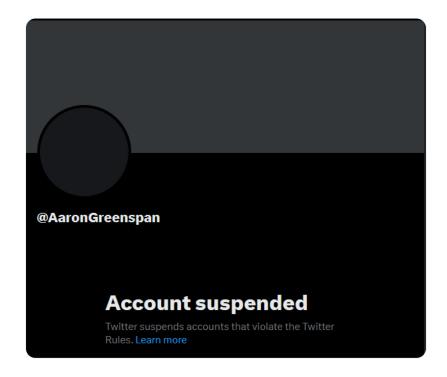


Per alcuni, su X, ora c'è più libertà di espressione. Per altri, non così tanto: Il 13 giugno 2023 è stato sospeso l'account di Aaron Greenspan, un critico sia di Tesla che dello stesso Musk. Così come anche il suo progetto, PlainSite, che condivide gratis atti giudiziari. 20/28





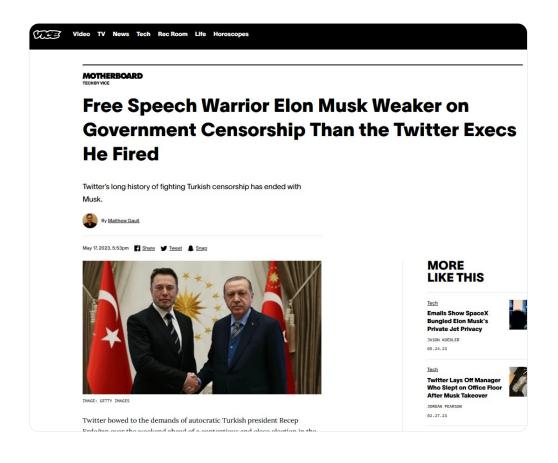




Musk ha tolto molte barriere per frenare la diffusione della disinformazione, tra cui il Codice di condotta contro la disinformazione dell'UE.

Al contempo ha soddisfatto le richieste di censura dei partiti al potere in India e Turchia rimuovendo e limitando certi contenuti. 21/28





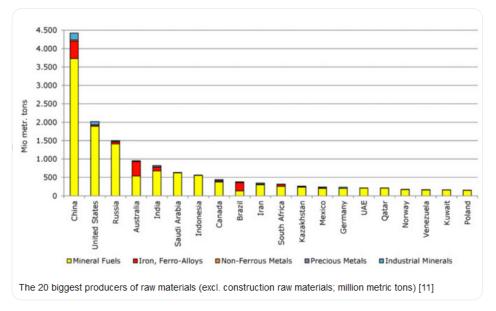


In conclusione: Perché Musk sta spingendo, tra le altre cose, il piano di pace in cui l'Ucraina perderebbe molto?

La mia teoria è che la guerra sia negativa per gli affari. Le sue attività richiedono molte

materie prime e sia la Russia che la Cina sono tra i primi tre...

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...produttori di materie prime.

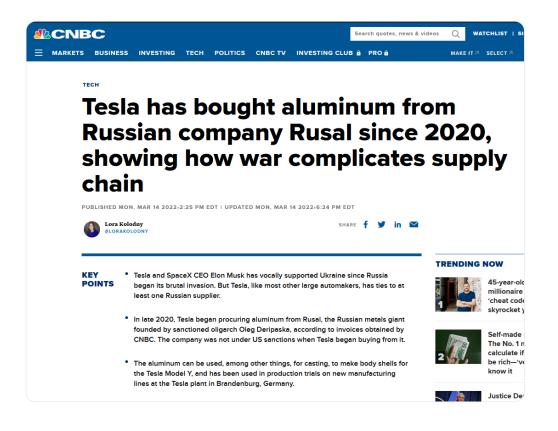
Il rapporto sui minerali provenienti da zone in conflitto di Tesla del 2022 rivela che la Russia (così come la Cina) è un Paese produttore per l'oro, il tantalio, lo stagno e il tungsteno che loro utilizzano.

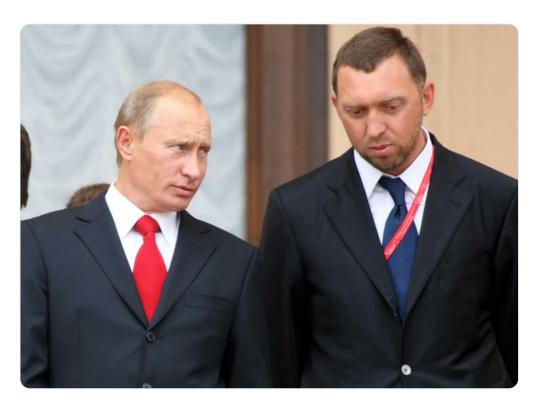
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Argentina, Australia,	Brazil,	Australia,	Burundi, Canada,
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Tesla sta anche acquistando alluminio da Rusal dal 2020. Rusal è stata fondata dall'oligarca russo Oleg Deripaska e conta quasi per il 9% della produzione mondiale di alluminio. Deripaska è stato sanzionato dall'amministrazione Trump nell'aprile 2018 per... 24/28





...presunte intercettazioni illegali, estorsione e criminalità organizzata e avrebbe anche ordinato l'omicidio di un uomo d'affari.

Le sanzioni sono state successivamente attenuate da Trump e co. in quanto avrebbero «perturbato i mercati dell'alluminio» e Deripaska...





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Oligarch who hosted Mandelson 'ordered a murder and has ties to organised crime gangs'

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A Russian billionaire with links to Britain's political elite was yesterday accused of an extraordinary litany of crimes, ranging from reneging on a business deal to ordering a murder.

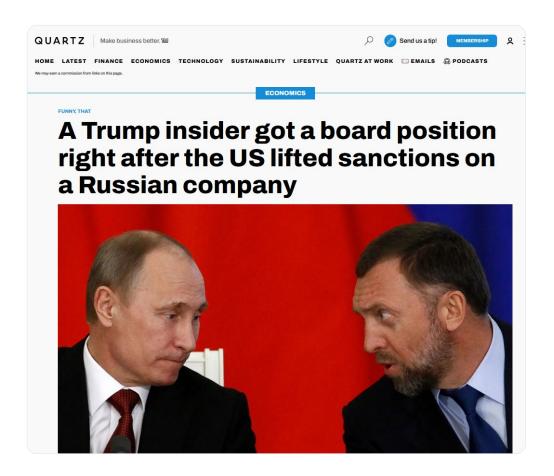
In a bitter £650million legal battle at the High Court, aluminium tycoon Oleg Deripaska was alleged to have ties to brutal organised crime gangs which emerged after the collapse of Communism in the former Soviet Union.

He vehemently denies the allegations – revealed in legal papers filed as part of the case – and counter-claimed that he was the victim of an 'old-fashioned protection racket' run by the Mafia-style gangs.

Mr Deripaska, who has links to Chancellor George Osborne and former



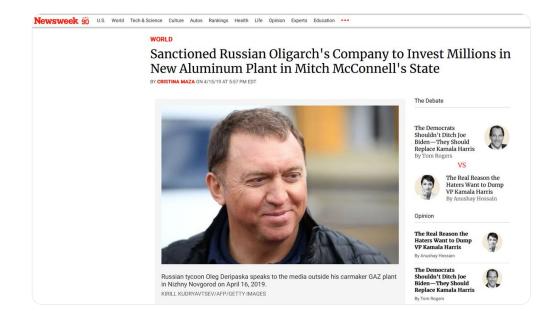
Russian billionaire Oleg Deripaska is at centre of a number of allegations, all of which he denies



...intendeva investire 200 milioni di dollari in una fabbrica di alluminio del Kentucky, questo piano però alla fine è fallito.

Ma gli affari sono affari, anche quando provengono da un oligarca russo, e sicuramente Elon lo sa.

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Russia's Rusal was sanctioned by the US. Now it's investing \$200 million in a Kentucky mill



By Julia Horowitz, CNN Business
Updated 12:52 PM EDT, Mon April 15, 2019





Con ogni probabilità sarebbe impossibile o estremamente costoso produrre automobili, razzi e altre tecnologie senza le materie prime provenienti dalla Cina o dalla Russia, e le sanzioni imposte dagli Stati Uniti a quest'ultima probabilmente l'hanno già reso più difficile. 27/28



Forse Elon non vuole soltanto sputare nel piatto in cui mangiano le sue aziende? Sono sicuro che il suo potere di lobby negli USA terrà in vita le sue attività anche dopo le sue sparate "anti-establishment", ma probabilmente non criticherà mai Russia, Cina o Arabia Saudita. 28/28



Twitter's largest shareholder is Elon Musk, who owns 79% of the company. Other sizable shareholders are a Saudi prince Alwaleed bin Talal (5.7%), Oracle's founder Larry Ellison (3.0%), Twitter co-founder and former CEO Jack Dorsey (2.9%), Sequoia Capital (2.4%), and Vy Capital (2.1%).

y Twitter's Largest Shareholders (Oct 2022)

	Shareholder	Ownership	Voting Power
6	Elon Musk	78.7%	78.7%
a	Alwaleed bin Talal	5.7%	5.7%
9	Larry Ellison	3.0%	3.0%
3	Jack Dorsey	2.9%	2.9%
爅	Sequoia Capital	2.4%	2.4%
V_{Y}	Vy Capital	2.1%	2.1%
453	Other	5.3%	5.3%

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