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New Zealand Rising is an alliance of separate groups and individuals from all across New Zealand who believe in a better future. We are many different people with different views, however we all share a common vision for the future.

"We, the people, stand united for a New Zealand that is respectful, includes everyone, and is free of government overreach."

"Kia tūkotahi tātou ō Aotearoa, hei whakarangatira tātou i a tātou. Herea te Kāwanatanga, kia kore e pēhia te mana o te tāngata."

NZR Directory of all groups around New Zealand that share this vision are on [our website](#)

Newsletters past and present can be viewed and downloaded [here](#).

Letters to the Editor: send to newzealandrising@proton.me

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From the Editor: Music can reach us and teach us in ways that political rantings cannot. I've headlined Mon Rovia because his message is clear, he's taking a stand and it's an optimistic "rage against the machine", but it's anything but rage. His song, "[Heavy Foot](#)" took hold online, about nine months ago, because it strikes a chord with those who hear it - That the baddies can't win. Sincerity, honesty and truth will overcome. See his brief history and philosophy [here](#). With a song like this, lyrics are important. You can read them [here](#).

NEWS FROM NZ RISING MEMBER ORGANISATIONS & INDIVIDUAL MEMBERS

There's a New Group in NZ
And They Mean Business - Join Them



From: Stop Data Centres NZ Admin:

Stop Data Centres NZ is a nationwide campaign focused on transparency, accountability, and proper oversight of data centre development across New Zealand.

We are raising awareness about the significant impacts large-scale data centres can have on household power prices, electricity grid capacity, water resources, and long-term energy planning. Our goal is to ensure these impacts are properly assessed and that decisions are made with full public information and accountability.

Our work includes:

- *Official Information Act (OIA) requests to government agencies and developers*
- *Engagement with MPs from across the political spectrum*
- *Public education and evidence-based advocacy*
- *Coordinated action to push for better nationwide policy and scrutiny*

We believe New Zealanders deserve a say in how our shared resources - especially power and water - are allocated, and that major infrastructure decisions should not bypass proper public oversight.

This is a nationwide campaign. Whether you're concerned about projects in your region or the broader direction of energy and infrastructure policy, you're welcome here.

Our team will be on site from 7:30–8am on Wednesday 12 August 2026, ready before the Data Centre Leaders Summit starts at the Cordis Hotel in Auckland.

People are very welcome to come and go throughout the day. We'll aim to stay until the event finishes!

Accommodation for those travelling in:

We're organising accommodation for people coming from out of town (11th – 13th August). If you need a place to stay, please email us at stopdatacentres@proton.me.

We also plan to host our own Summit so are looking for a venue to accommodate!

Fundraising for accommodation:

We're now accepting donations to help cover accommodation costs for those travelling to the protest.

This is a peaceful and lawful gathering. Everyone is welcome and updates will be provided as the organising continues to grow.

Kind regards,

Stop Data Centres NZ team. See their original post [here](#).

Please sign and share our petition [here](#).

Stop Hyper-scale Data Centres In New Zealand

STOP

DATA CENTRES NZ

PEACEFUL & LAWFUL PROTEST

12 AUGUST 2026 • OUTSIDE THE DATA CENTRE LEADERS SUMMIT • CORDIS HOTEL, AUCKLAND

While industry leaders and investors meet inside to accelerate hyperscale data centres and AI infrastructure across New Zealand, we stand outside demanding transparency, proper planning, and protection of our energy grid, renewable resources, and communities from unchecked expansion and hidden costs to the public.

- Demand full transparency and accountability
- Protect our renewables and grid from unsustainable demand
- No more costs passed onto Kiwi households

#StopDataCentresNZ
Nationwide Campaign for Transparency & Accountability
All Welcome - Peaceful & Lawful Assembly

Minister Todd McClay's Trade & Investment portfolio is actively promoting New Zealand as a destination for large-scale data centres and AI infrastructure through Invest New Zealand - yet

there is still no national framework to properly assess or manage the impacts on our electricity grid, water resources, productive land, or communities.

Proposals for hyperscale data centre campuses are advancing in sensitive areas such as Dairy Flat in northern Auckland, on or near wetlands and swamplands, with serious questions remaining about environmental surveying, consultation, and long-term effects on power pricing and water allocation.

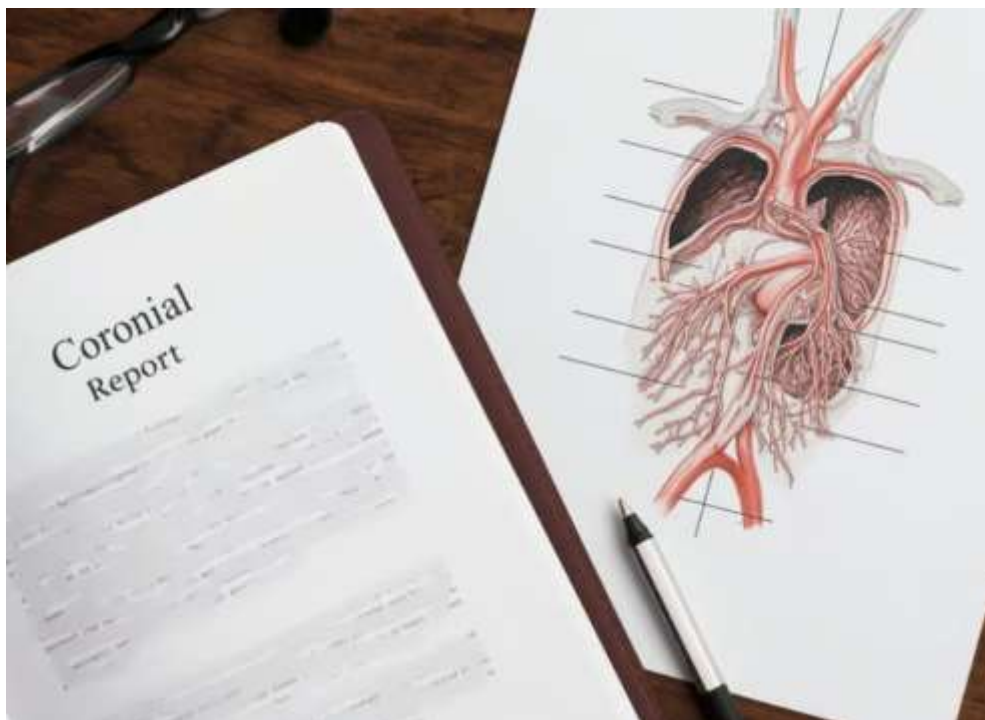
While Invest NZ positions these facilities as high-value foreign direct investment, the costs and risks are being left to local councils and ratepayers to manage case-by-case. There is no requirement for operators to fully cover incremental electricity infrastructure costs, no mandatory transparent water reporting, and no dedicated emergency response funding for Fire and Emergency New Zealand.

We have launched a nationwide petition calling on Parliament to introduce proper legislation that puts public-interest safeguards first - including a pause or severe restriction on new hyperscale approvals until those protections are in place.

If you believe New Zealand should not blindly chase data centre investment at the expense of affordable power, clean water, farmland, and proper community consultation, please sign and share:

✍ Sign the Petition [here](#).

Coroner Collusion: Vascular Damage, Aortic Dissections and Aneurysms



By: [NZDSOS](#) Media Team

We have more New Zealand coronial reports to comment on. These cases relate to damaged blood vessels in the form of weakened and splitting vessel walls, and feature predominantly younger patients, in whom this condition is usually rare. Such cases should attract extra care and diligence to determine the precise cause. We present all these cases and worry that neglect seems to be the new normal. Read the rest of this article [here](#).

US Fluoridation Trial



From: [FluorideFreeNZ](#)

In May 2026 a US Appeals court ruled that the decision made by Judge Chen in September 2024, “that fluoridation posed an unreasonable risk to health” and that the US Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) needed to take steps to remove risk, was to be vacated. This means the decision is no longer recognized and Chen is now required to make a new determination based solely on the evidence and testimony that was available to him in 2020.

Michael Connett gives an update on the US Court case. He explains what the Appeals Court decision means and what are the likely next steps.

For more information see our US Fluoridation Trial page [here](#). And see the RCR interview [here](#).

Pattern Recognition



From: Penny Marie, [Let Kids Be Kids](#)

The issues we are facing presently are all part of a pattern, a complicated, dark web--events that are so anti-human, anti-family and anti-common sense--and nothing is done in isolation.

It's not because some rogue politician with an agenda is playing out their terrible idea. No. It's far bigger than that. The tentacles are long, thick and difficult to find the beginning and end. Read the rest of this story [here](#).

From Zero Spike to Digital Society



From: Meagan McNamara on RCR

Megan talks with Jen Bainbridge about her recent trip to Japan for the Zero Spike “Detoxifying Humanity” conference. From interviews with international speakers, including The Highwire's Del Bigtree and Dr Jared Roscoe, to growing Japanese interest in the film River of Freedom, Meagan also reflects on trusting your instincts and reveals what she discovered about Japan's highly digitalised society and why New Zealand should be paying attention. See the interview [here](#). See the Director's story below as well.

NEW ZEALAND NEWS

\$3.5 Billion Foreign-Owned AI Factory Has Just Been Consented in Southland



From: Shane Murray on Facebook

A \$3.5 billion foreign-owned AI factory has just been consented in Southland. it will consume 6

percent of everything New Zealand produces in electricity every single day. The facility is 78,000 square metres. It sits at Makarewa, north of Invercargill. The company is Singapore-based. The resource consent is granted (<https://www.rnz.co.nz/.../ai-illiterate-nz-at-risk-of...>). Construction is moving forward.

New Zealand's electricity. Singapore's profits. Your power bill going up again. See the post [here](#).

More on the Data Centres From Shane Murray

\$300,000 Robot Dogs Are Now Guarding US Data Centres. The Authorised Deployment Partner For New Zealand Signed Its Agreement In 2025.

In March 2026, Fortune magazine confirmed what the data centre industry had been quietly building toward. Robot dogs are now patrolling the sprawling campuses that power AI operations across the United States. Boston Dynamics dog "Spot" are costing \$175,000 to \$300,000 per unit and the Ghost Robotics "Vision 60", starting at \$165,000 per unit. Both companies confirming a surge in data centre interest over the past year. Both are pitching the machines as cheaper than human guards, who cost approximately \$150,000 annually. Read more [here](#).



River of Freedom Director Gaylene Barnes Invited to Tokyo to Speak about Film/Book



River of Freedom director Gaylene Barnes was invited to Tokyo Japan last weekend to present her powerful New Zealand story of resistance to the Japanese people at the ZeroSpike conference.

She met with Del Bigtree, host of The Hirewire, who shared his investigative film "An Inconvenient Study." (Del has taken home a DVD of "River of Freedom", and a copy of "Heart of the Protest".)

Gaylene spoke for over half an hour on "The Kiwi Spirit: Creativity and Courage in the Face of Coercive Mandates."

From Gaylene's Speech: "We all discovered that when they try to silence us, the best response is to be visible and noisy! New Zealanders responded with spirit: resilience, humour and creativity This is an era of information warfare, and we are in the crosshairs - filmmakers, journalists, everyday people - but we storytellers refuse to let truth die in the dark. We persevere, we crowd-fund, we create, we distribute - films, books, web content. We have to do this to offer a way through to hope, peace, unity and self-sovereignty. We take control of our content, of the narrative, of our own lives ... Thank you for your support of the stories that

preserve dignity and truth. Because it's not so much 'Lest We Forget' but 'Lest They Erase Us.' We will remember!"

We saw first-hand how our story of the protest at parliament inspires globally!

Many in Japan were very inspired to learn about our successful resistance against government overreach of bodily sovereignty. We sold out of DVDs, Blu-rays and books...!

Gaylene and tireless advocate Meagan McNamara met powerful politician Ms Toshie Ikeda, who is striving to stop the mRNA injections and other harmful pharmaceuticals in Japan. The Japanese people are still fighting hard and recovering long after the spike-protein invasion. They are even facing imminent vaccine mandates...

After Gaylene's half hour presentation, Ms Ikeda's assistant, Toyo, bought the DVD and went home and watched River of Freedom that night. He was so inspired by the "life-risking demonstrations and resistance" he told Ms Ikeda to watch it. She did, and she said: "This ain't your run-of-the-mill Japanese demo!! The way they fought back is just incredible!!"

Gaylene also shared with our global friends the web-series The Tribute and why sharing the testimonies of the mRNA-injured is important. Many incredible doctors and scientists were there and presented important research into protocols to help the vaccine injured.

Under Japan's Health Damage Relief System, authorities have approved 9,454 COVID-19 vaccine injury and death claims (over 920) as of March 2026. These numbers are increasing and already exceed the numbers of injuries and deaths for which payments were made on all other vaccinations in the last 47 years.

National Backs Down On Banning VPN's



Education Minister Erica Stanford. Photo / Mark Mitchell

New Zealand Education Minister Erica Stanford States No Pursuit of VPN Restrictions for Under-16 Social Media Ban

Education Minister Erica Stanford told media she is not pursuing restrictions or bans on virtual private networks (VPNs) as part of the government's under-16 social media ban policy. This follows reports and public speculation about potential VPN measures, which the government has now backed away from publicly. Read a report from The NZ Herald [here](#).

NEW ZEALAND EVENTS

Attn: Readers, feel free to submit information about upcoming events via email [here](#).

- **People's Health Alliance Bay of Plenty, Convo's Mini Workshops and Wellbeing Talks:** Mount Community Hall, Mount Maunganui, Last Fri Every Month, 10am-12noon, \$5 Koha

- **Stop Data Centres NZ Protest** at the [Data Centres Leaders's Summit](#)

Save The Date: 7:30–8am & Throughout the day, on Wed, 12, Aug, Cordis Hotel, Auckland



HOLISTIC HEALTH MARKET

BOP-PHA invites you to discover your local holistic health options and how we can help you enjoy a healthier life.

About Our Event!

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INTERNATIONAL NEWS

Congress to Hand Israel The Keys to \$1.5 Trillion U.S. War Machine



They're not even hiding it anymore.

Buried inside the 2027 National Defense Authorization Act — a thousand-page behemoth nobody reads — sits Section 219. It doesn't just expand "cooperation" with Israel. It mandates the permanent institutional integration of the U.S. and Israeli militaries at the most sensitive levels: AI weapons systems, quantum sensing, cyber-electronic warfare, directed energy, space defense, missile defense, biotech, and autonomous kill vehicles.

The language is precise: integrate, synchronize, eliminate duplication. That's not a partnership. That's a merger. And here's what they're not telling you:

The NDAA authorizes \$1.5 trillion... read the rest of the story [here](#).

And here's more in-depth and important interview:

Dennis Kucinich on The End of American Sovereignty.

"the National Defense Authorization Act of 2027, section 219 has a provision that provides for the integration of the IDF and the U.S. Military at the top most sensitive levels of our military

operations. And that is a fact. Now, when you have an integration... And you say you're gonna eliminate duplication, that's a merger. Watch this Tucker Carlson and Kucinich interview [here](#).

Extorting "Vaccination" Why Did the Public Need to be Threatened to Take the "Vaccine"?

"VACCINE" MIND GAMES

PART 1 – EXTORTING "VACCINATION"

By: David Hughes

In retrospect, it is obvious (as it was to many at the time) that a primary objective of the "Covid-19" military operation was to inject as many people as possible with unlicensed, experimental substances lacking in long-term safety data, whose precise contents and purpose remain a mystery. This chapter aims to document the many techniques that were used to maximise the public uptake of the "vaccine." As a reminder, I put "vaccine" in inverted commas, because it does not meet the traditional definition of a vaccine and because the pseudopandemic was a military operation rather than a genuine public health crisis. Read more [here](#).

Purge Palantir From Politics, Nationally & Locally - US and NZ

**The fight against
mass
surveillance
starts local.**



Billionaires are buying our elections and our government. Our tax dollars are being spent to build out a surveillance state against us. And those we've elected to represent us are part of the feedback loop of money and power.

We need to remind Congress members that they work for the American people.

We demand that our members of Congress:

Take the pledge to #PurgePalantir: publicly reject Palantir contracts and cut all ties with the company.

Reject all donations from Palantir executives and billionaire-backed special interest groups. Reject the systems, corporations, and political interests that profit from their surveillance, detention, and fear. See the Purge Palantir website [here](#).

Editor's note: Obviously this piece centres on the US and Palantir, but New Zealand can take notes. Further the cause by checking out their "Purge Palantir From Politics Toolkit" [here](#). See more below in a related interview.

Your Phone Is Destroying Your Sense of Meaning



Why are so many young people anxious, angry, and searching for meaning?

At ARC 2026, Arthur Brooks argues that the deepest crisis facing Western civilization is not political but spiritual: a crisis of meaning. Drawing on neuroscience, happiness research, and his own family story, Brooks explains how smartphones and digital life have trapped us in a "left-brain" existence of information and distraction, leaving us starved for purpose, faith, and real human connection.

He offers a hopeful path forward: reclaiming meaning by changing our relationship with technology, asking life's biggest questions, and choosing to love people, use things, and worship what truly matters. Do not miss this presentation [here](#).

And while we're at it:

The Real Truth About Cell Phones: Back in the day, a few fringe investigators warned of cell phone radiation. Those days are over. Here's a mainstream highly qualified expert telling us the truth. See her presentation [here](#).

The Number One Way to Fight Alzheimer's, Depression and Anxiety



Scientist physician and author, Michael Nehls explains how Alzheimer's can be reversed.

Says Nehls, about his first book, [The Indoctrinated Brain](#) (see our *Essential Reading* section below), "The bigger the hippocampus, the less likely you get Alzheimer's. Actually the paper I published, Unified Theory of Alzheimer's, goes back to that the fundamental physiological or pathophysiological problem in Alzheimer's is the non-production of new nerve cells in the hippocampus based on our lifestyle. Based on, the way we live affects the risk of getting Alzheimer's. In my First book, *The Indoctrinated Brain*. And there I showed that the growth of these new nerve cells is important that we are open for new ideas, for new memories that we learn, that we reflect about things, but also that we are curious. These new nerve cells are the neuronal correlate for curiosity. Human curiosity is dependent on the production of new nerve cells in the hippocampus. They actually identified after the mRNA injections, after a few months that the Alzheimer's rate went up in a study published in Seoul, South Korea." Regarding Nehls' new research he has found the relationship between lithium and mental acuity, "People realized that when there were natural springs, springs where people went to because they felt better when they drink the water of this particular spring, holy springs, everywhere scattered throughout the world, that the denominator, the common factor of all these springs was lithium. The content of lithium was higher than in other water. So when the lithium content is higher, a little bit higher, then you feel immediately that it helps your brain because apparently you have a deficiency. So once the deficiency is resolved, your brain works better again." Watch the interview [here](#).

Americans Rage Against The Surveillance State



Across America, a revolt is underway against one of the largest surveillance networks ever built. Flock Safety's AI-powered license plate readers—tens of thousands of them—track vehicles nationwide, feeding data into a searchable database accessible to thousands of agencies with minimal oversight. What began as a tool for stolen cars and missing persons has sparked intense backlash.

Cities from Eugene, Oregon to Santa Cruz, California, Flagstaff, Arizona, and Dayton, Ohio have canceled contracts, deactivated cameras, or literally covered them with trash bags. Americans are sick of the 4th Amendment violations, warrantless tracking, officer misuse, and just plain creepiness of the surveillance state and they are rising up!! Cameras are being cut down, painted over, or removed, while organized campaigns through DeFlock efforts and civil liberties groups are scoring victories at city councils. Watch this interview with Derrick Broze [here](#).

Cancer Cases to Soar Worldwide



It's Not Red vs Blue Its the State vs You



Red & Blue — The Oldest Trick in the Book

Red & Blue They Built the Cage and Handed You the Colour

Think about the first time you picked a side. You probably don't even remember it. That's the point. It didn't feel like a choice. It felt like waking up — like you just always knew which colour was yours. Your team. Your block. Your party. Your people. That's not identity. That's programming. And it started way before you were born. This Goes Back Further Than You Think Before gangs. Before politics. Before football rivalries and election maps and anything you'd recognise from modern life. Read the full story [here](#).

Palantir's CEO Tells The Truth - Goes Nuclear



Palantir's CEO just exposed Sam Altman and Dario Amodei for robbing every Fortune 500 company.

The world's second-leading cause of death is expected to affect more than 90% of people by 2050, either through their own diagnosis or that of a close relative. New cancer cases are projected to nearly double worldwide by 2050, with the disease expected to affect more than 90% of the global population in some way, the World Health Organization (WHO) has warned. Read the full story [here](#).

Thiel's efforts to Resurrect DARPA Programs



By: Whitney Webb

We've been quiet recently because Mark Goodwin and I have been working to write the most comprehensive investigation into Polymarket's origins and ambitions to date. We found that Polymarket's "official" origin story, that Shayne Coplan founded the company alone in 2020 and then built "the company in his bathroom", is a lie.

Polymarket really started years earlier as another company called TokenBnk that was deeply tied to Israeli interests, specifically a crypto company founded by Benjamin Netanyahu's niece and nephew. Coplan has actively tried to obfuscate this company from his story and it's not the only thing either. Read more [here](#).

Within two minutes, Alex Karp took the entire frontier AI industry apart on national television.

His exact words:

"Every single enterprise in this country, these people are LIVID. They are paying for tokens that create no value. These people are stealing the weights and alpha of my business."

Watch the interview [here](#).

MK-Ultra Mind Control



From: Rep. Nancy Mace on X
"Is this a massive cover-up by the US Government?"
"Oh, absolutely, yes."

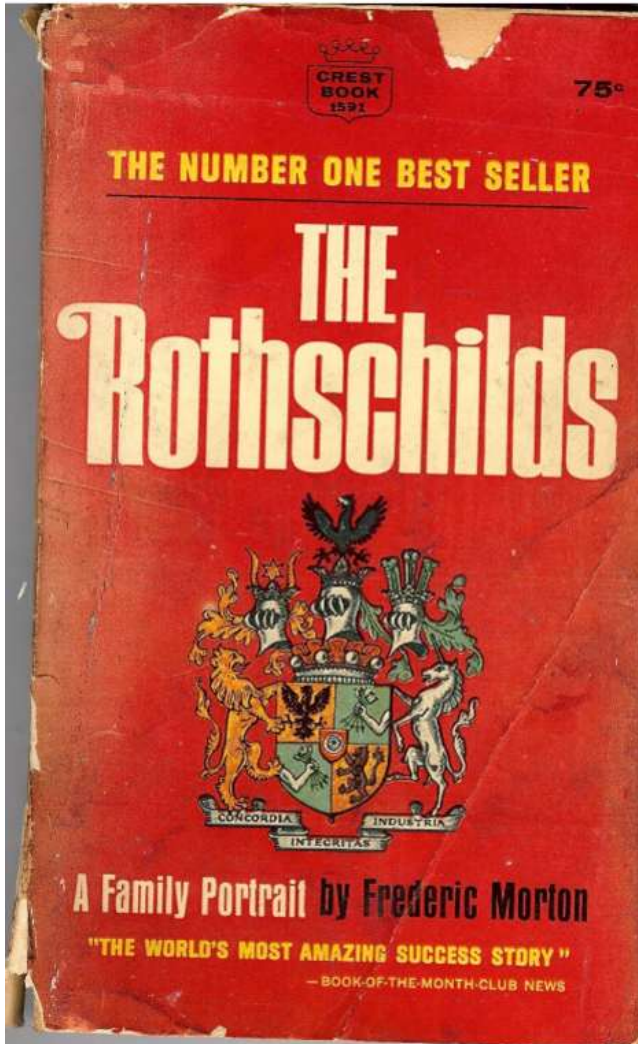
The CIA's MKUltra program ran covert mind control experiments on American citizens without their consent. People died. Files were destroyed. No one was held accountable.

If they did it then, what are they doing now?

The American people deserve answers. We will keep demanding them. See her post [here](#) and watch the inquiry [here](#).

Essential Reading & New Releases

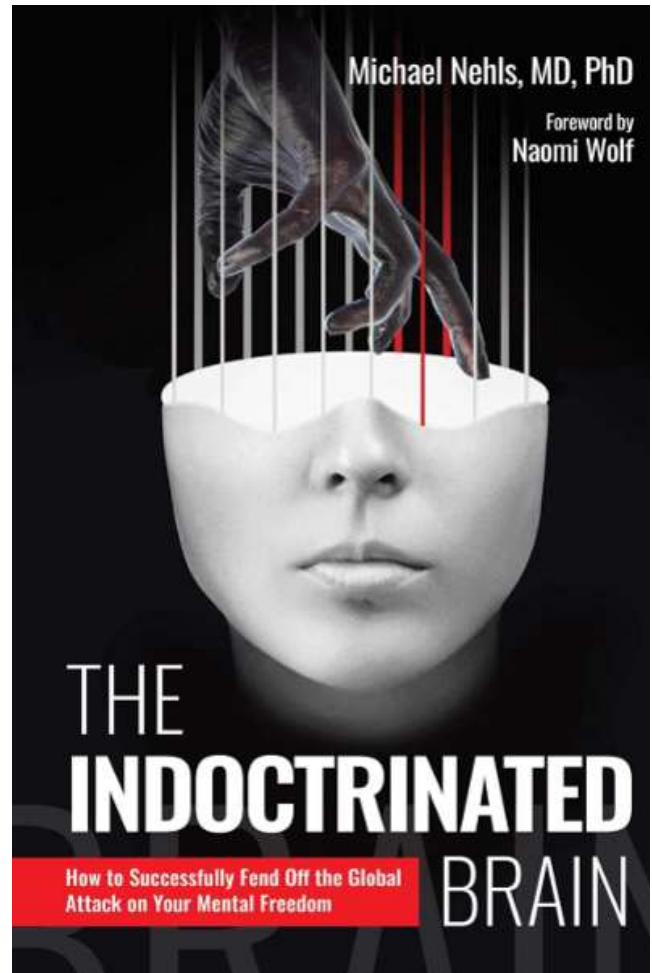
From The Source



Although in Frederic Morton's authorised biography "the family is finely painted", reading with a critical eye will give insight into the world of this powerful family. To this day they remain one of the most powerful and wealthy families in the world.

See our complete list of **Essential Readings**, which we've posted in previous issues, at the bottom of our Newsletter webpage [here](#).

An Important Read



How to Successfully Fend Off the Global Attack on Your Mental Freedom
Global War on the Human Brain
Throughout the world, mental capacity is declining, especially among young people, while depression rates are rising dramatically. Meanwhile, one in forty men and women suffers from Alzheimer's, and the age of onset is falling rapidly. But the causes are not being eliminated, quite the opposite. Can this just be coincidence?

Keeping A Sense of Humour Perspective

World Map Changes Have Consequences



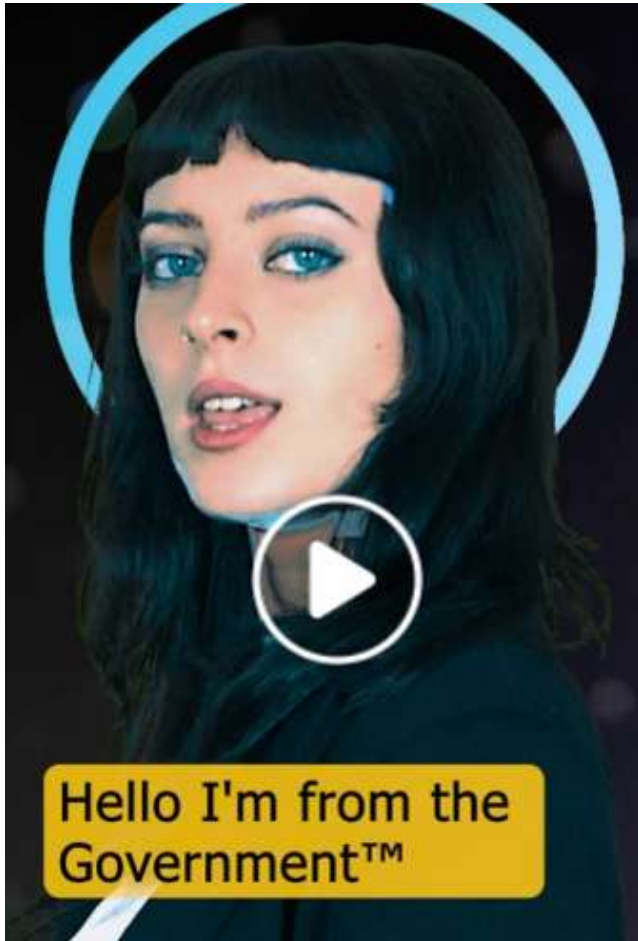
Justin McKinney says, "The headlines keep giving me material."
A good example is [here](#).

When Smart Cars Aren't



Another excellent post from Gatlin Didier and family [here](#).

Surprisingly Honest Ad About Palantir



The Government™ has made an ad about Palantir, and it's surprisingly honest and informative. Links to take action: Join the online townhall meeting on July 6 [here](#). Sign [this](#) to demand Coles end the Palantir partnership and keep military-grade surveillance tech out of our supermarkets. Sign [this](#) to stop Palantir taking over public services: See the honest ad [here](#).

An Outsider's Take On Our Situation



Who the heck do we owe all that money to!? Their query and conundrum may surprise you. Find out [here](#).

"Mommy mommy, I wanna grow up to be a conspiracy theorist!"

"Prove it."



STATEMENT OF PEACEFUL INTENT

At New Zealand Rising we would like to reiterate our position as an organization that is fully committed to peaceful, non-violent action and dissent and to clearly state that we do NOT support or wish to be associated with anyone who is advocating, suggesting or even just implying violent revolutionary change. You can read more about what we stand for in our Guiding Principles.

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