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Watch: Tucker Carlson Refused to Air This Interview After His Obscene Meltdown

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Rutger Bregman is a Dutch historian who recently became an Internet sensation when he confronted the billionaires at Davos for flying private jets to hear speakers on climate change, and for speaking the hypocritical language of “participation and justice and equality and transparency,” but ignoring tax avoidance. “We’ve got to be talking about taxes...all the rest is bullshit, in my opinion.” Watch that here:

It was a wonderful moment of speaking truth to power, and for some reason, Tucker Carlson thought it would be a good idea to have a man like that on his show. Carlson wanted to stick very closely to that issue, “tax avoidance,” in an attempt to take a nebulous populism-lite shot at the “global elite” without delving into his own complicity as an agent of the Murdochs and the Koch Brothers (Carlson was a Cato Institute fellow from 2009 to 2015). When Bregman, predictably, refused to stick to that script, Carlson fumbled for answers and eventually lost his cool and began cursing at Bregman.

Watch Fox News host Tucker Carlson call one of his guests a 'tiny brain...moron' during an interview. NowThis has obtained the full segment with historian Rutger Bregman that Fox News is refusing to air.

“You’re a millionaire, funded by a billionaire, and that’s why you’re not talking about these issues,” said Bregman. Earlier, he put it even more bluntly: “What the Murdochs basically want you to do is scapegoat immigrants instead of talking about tax avoidance.”

When Carlson demanded an explanation for “how it works,” Bregman had a very simple answer:

“Well, it works by you taking their dirty money,” said Bregman. “It’s as easy as that.”

That led to Carlson hemming and hawing, and after claiming that Bregman had never seen Fox News, he seemed to realize he was beaten, and there was no way he would air the segment. That’s when he had his meltdown, transcribed here:

“Why don’t you go f— yourself, you tiny brained—and I hope this gets picked up, because you’re a moron. I tried to give you a hearing, but you were too f—ing annoying.”

The segment did not air.