

Untruthy bureaucrats will administer The Truth

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America's pathologically untruthful government, as revealed by [Edward Snowden](#) and other courageous truth-tellers, has decided to appoint itself the guardian of "the truth." In doing this remember that government asks permission from no one and answers only to the criminal ruling class that runs it.

A taxpayer-funded government bureaucracy called the National Science Foundation, which as you'll see is sounding more like Ayn Rand's [State Science Institute](#) in Atlas Shrugged, has already slopped nearly 1 Million of our dollars into [a project called "Truthy"](#) designed to "collect and analyze your [Twitter](#) data."

Why? That answer is full of vague, trendy, [politically correct](#) socially responsible definitions that can mean anything the State Science Institute wants them to mean. They want to determine if what you are posting on your personal Twitter account is "misinformation" that might cause "social pollution," "social epidemics," or "political smears."

Their intent is to monitor us and to intimidate us.

How monitor? First Truthy will "monitor" (spy on) accounts using hashtags like #teaparty (the IRS scandal all over again?) and #dems (and expect [#libertarian](#) as well) and then, according to [a Washington Post article](#), it will invite feedback on whether specific Twitter users, such as the Drudge Report (or Reason magazine or Lew Rockwell or Cato Institute or Libertarian News Examiner, or your blog) are "truthy" or "spamming" and "evaluate" whether accounts are expressing "positive" or "negative" sentiments toward other users, i.e., being politically correct, socially responsible and inclusive based on the latest progressive definitions of those vague shibboleths.

How intimidate? Truthy will ["mitigate the diffusion"](#) of false and misleading ideas, detect "hate speech" and "subversive propaganda" and assist in the preservation of open debate. What exactly do the words mitigate, false, misleading, hate speech, and subversive propaganda mean and who decides? And as even the Post article noted, a government-funded initiative to "assist in the preservation of open debate" is a concept that "seems to have come straight out of a George Orwell novel."

The WaPo article further suspects the "real motives emerge [in a 2012 paper](#) by the project's leaders, in which they wrote ominously of a "highly-active, densely-interconnected constituency of right-leaning users using [Twitter] to further their political views."

Ask yourself why it's never "a highly-active, densely-interconnected constituency of left-leaning users" who need to be monitored for misinformation, social pollution, social epidemics, or political smears.

Simple. We don't live in a free society. We live in a State Science Institute society, in a George Orwell society, in an NSA surveillance society. And the DOJ (Destroyer of Justice) is about to [up the anti-freedom ante](#).