

WHY DO WE CARE? SHOULD YOU?

We created this newspaper with the intention of highlighting the absurdity of the misinformation affecting those reading the news nowadays. Misinformation, or “fake news” is an issue which deeply affects anyone who consumes media either in the traditional way or especially via social media.

The democratisation of information via the internet and social media is for the most part a liberating invention, but with that comes the danger of those with ulterior motives. Be it corporations trying to sell products, corrupt politicians pushing an agenda, everyday internet users without the best intentions, and perhaps most dangerously those sharing information without realising the mistruths they are touting, there is a lot of false information being spread.

The misinformation is most dangerous when it goes unnoticed and appears to be truthful but much of the time the stories being sold and shared are so ridiculous it’s hard to believe they are being believed by so many. We decided to lean into this and create a newspaper which is particularly absurd in an attempt to exaggerate the absurdity of the issue at hand.

Of course with a topic like this the danger is falling into the trap of being misinformed ourselves and so in the process of researching and compiling the fake articles and advertisements we made sure to cross reference and be aware of the dangers of becoming the source of spreading misinformation ourselves.

ARE YOU A VICTIM OR A PERPETRATOR?

The General Public:

possessing a sense of independent thinking and judgement helps people to more objectively assess information, avoiding the blind belief and dissemination of unverified content.

Young People and Students:

Young individuals, especially students, are heavy users of social media and may not yet have developed the critical thinking skills needed to discern reliable from unreliable information. Educating them on media literacy is crucial.

Policy Makers and Government Officials:

Decision-makers need a deep understanding of the fake news phenomenon to craft effective policies that combat misinformation without infringing on free speech.

Educators and Teachers:

As guides for the younger generation, educators and teachers play a pivotal role in imparting critical thinking and media literacy skills to their students, preparing them to navigate the complex media landscape responsibly.

Journalists and Media Professionals:

These individuals are on the frontline of information dissemination. Strengthening their understanding of the implications of fake news can help in promoting ethical journalism and the responsible reporting of news.

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for all things absurd and outrageous!

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by The Misinformation Association at the Royal College of Art

To Learn More About How You're Being Misinformed, Scan Here



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DELIVERY DILEMMA

TIME-STRAPPED DELIVERY AGENT LEAVES CUSTOMER HUNGRY FOR LAUGHS

by Vidushi Arya

In an amusing anecdote that has captivated audiences online, a woman recently shared a curious experience involving a Swiggy delivery agent who allegedly declined to deliver her order, citing an unusual reason: “*Mere pas time nahi hai*” (translation: “I don’t have time”).

According to the woman’s account, she eagerly awaited her Swiggy order, only to be bewildered when the delivery agent arrived and promptly stated he was too busy to complete the delivery. Despite her attempts to reason with him, the agent remained resolute.

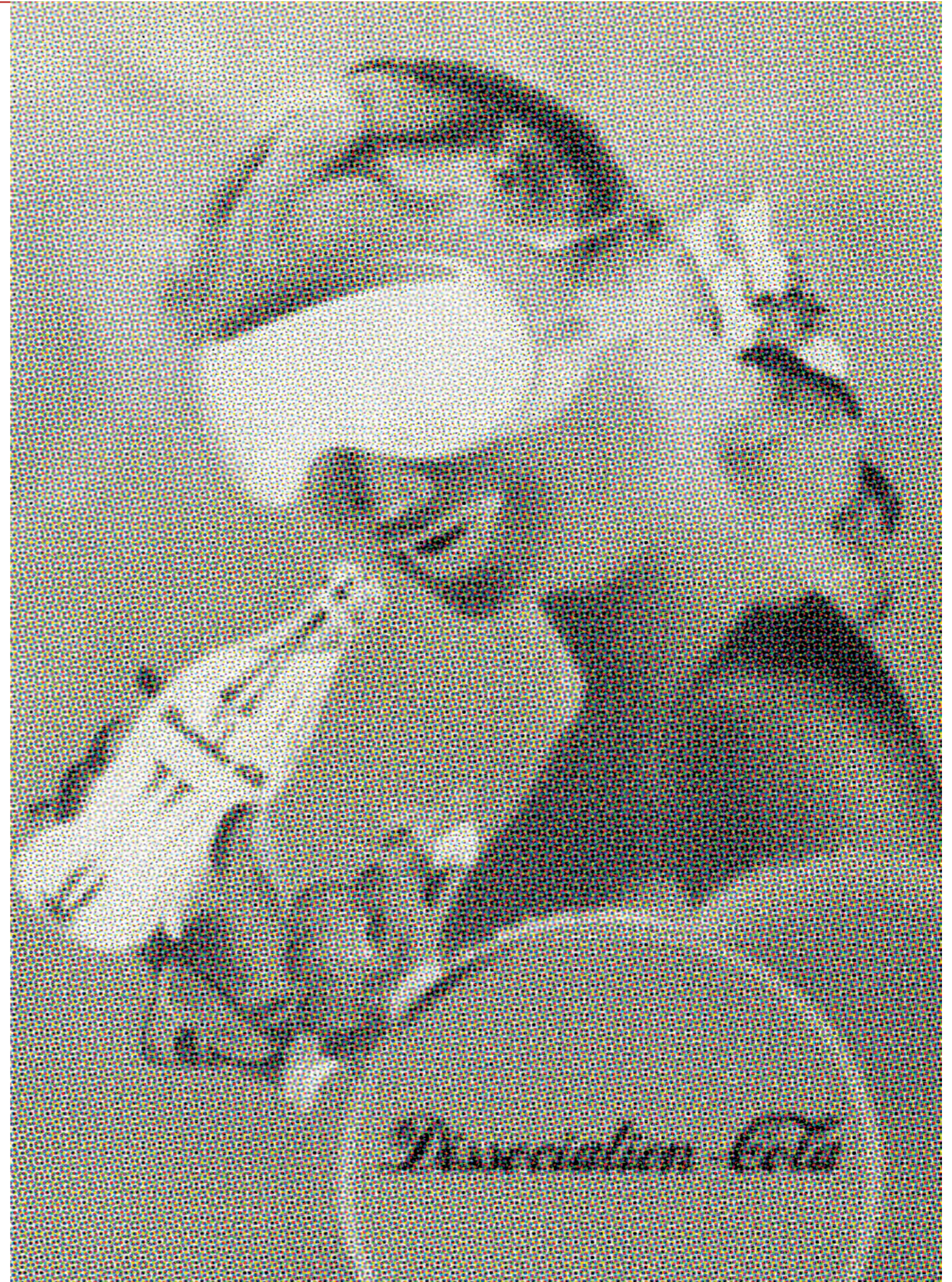
In a delightful turn of events, Swiggy responded to the woman’s post with humor, acknowledging the absurdity of the situation and assuring her they were investigating. They also praised her lighthearted approach to the matter.

As the story gained momentum online, amused observers chimed in, sharing their own peculiar encounters with delivery personnel. Speculation swirled about the agent’s mysterious time constraints, while many applauded the woman for her cheerful response.

While the true motive behind the delivery agent’s refusal remains unknown, one thing is clear – in the whirlwind world of food delivery, even the most mundane tasks can unfold into surreal experiences. So, the next time you order from Swiggy, brace yourself for unexpected twists – for you never know what surprises may lie in store!

“I was eagerly waiting for my food to arrive, only to hear the delivery agent refuse to deliver.”

Learning to identify fake news is essentially a process of developing critical thinking skills, invaluable for individuals to make rational judgments and decisions in various situations.





PENGUIN-GATE EXPOSED

TIME-TRAVELLING PENGUINS BEHIND LINDELL'S LEGAL BATTLE!

by Brandon Sheer

In a shocking turn of events, following the arbitration ruling against Mike Lindell, a team of renowned scientists and engineers came forward with evidence that the entire dispute was orchestrated by a clandestine group of time-traveling penguins. Yes, you heard it right – penguins from the future!

According to these scientists, these highly intelligent penguins had traveled back in time to prevent Lindell from revealing crucial information about a penguin-led conspiracy to manipulate the 2020 U.S. elections. The data Lindell possessed was not about Chinese interference, but rather penguin intervention!

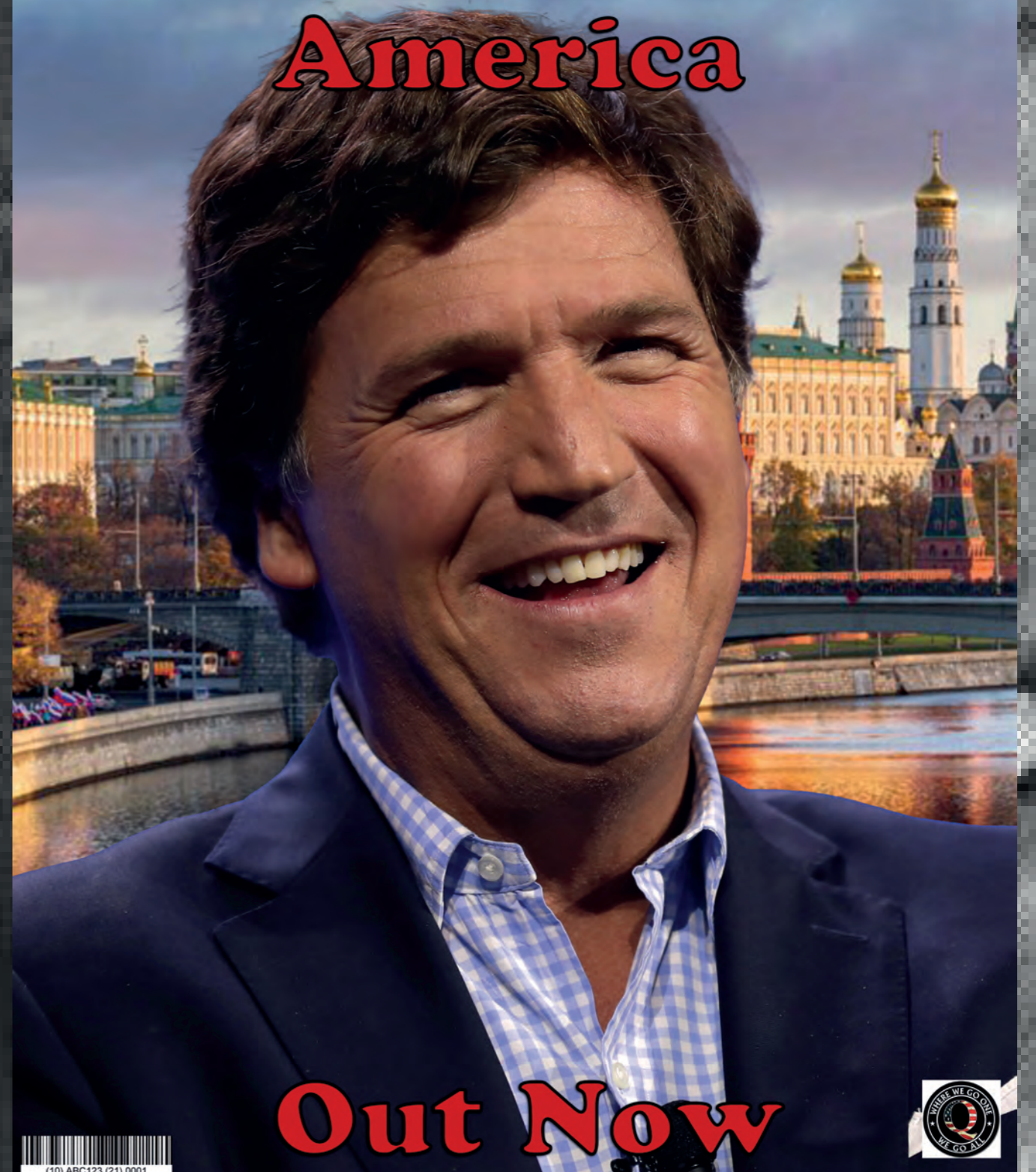
It all started when a group of penguins in the distant future developed advanced technology that allowed them to manipulate electronic systems. Seeing an opportunity to alter the course of history, they traveled back

to 2020 and infiltrated key election infrastructure, all under the guise of adorable waddling creatures.

However, their plans were foiled when Lindell stumbled upon their covert activities. Determined to expose the truth, Lindell unwittingly became a thorn in the side of these time-traveling penguins. To silence him, they manipulated the arbitration proceedings to discredit Lindell and derail his efforts.

As the truth emerged, the world was left in disbelief at the absurdity of it all. Lindell, now vindicated in the most bizarre of circumstances, vowed to continue his fight against both electronic voting machines and the unexpected threat of time-traveling penguins. And thus, the saga of Lindell versus the penguins unfolded, leaving a legacy of intrigue and incredulity in its wake.

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NIGEL'S SQUIRREL SAGA: A QUEST AGAINST SIR FLUFFYKINS III AND THE COSMIC SIMULATION

by Eva Kennedy Doig

In a mind-bending revelation that has rocked the scientific community to its core, a team of rogue physicists claims to have unearthed evidence suggesting that the universe is nothing more than a colossal simulation run by an omnipotent squirrel named Sir Fluffykins III.

Drawing inspiration from the peculiar behavior of quantum particles, the researchers propose a radical new theory that challenges everything we thought we knew about reality. According to their mind-boggling hypothesis, every electron spin, photon trajectory, and cosmic event is meticulously orchestrated by Sir Fluffykins III and his army of hyper-intelligent rodent overlords.

But the madness doesn't stop there. In a plot twist straight out of a sci-fi thriller, the scientists allege that Sir Fluffykins III's motivation for running this elaborate simulation is none other than his insatiable craving for the perfect acorn.

Yes, you heard it right – the fate of the universe hinges on a single nut. As the scientific establishment grapples with the implications of this outlandish theory, chaos ensues on a global scale. Governments scramble to rewrite the laws of physics, religious leaders question the nature of divinity in a world ruled by a squirrel deity, and philosophers ponder the existential implications of living in a simulated reality.

But amidst the pandemonium, one man emerges as the unlikely hero of this cosmic comedy – a humble gardener named Nigel. Armed with nothing but a shovel and an unwavering belief in the power of squirrels, Nigel embarks on a quest to uncover the truth behind Sir Fluffykins III's grand design.

Along the way, Nigel encounters a motley crew of eccentric characters, including a time-traveling platypus, a sentient toaster with existential angst, and a band of intergalactic llamas hell-bent on overthrowing their squirrel overlords.

As Nigel delves deeper into the rabbit hole of reality, he soon discovers that the fate of the universe rests in his hands. With the help of his newfound friends, Nigel must confront Sir Fluffykins III in a climactic showdown that will determine the ultimate fate of existence itself.

But will Nigel and his ragtag team of misfits be able to unravel the cosmic conspiracy before it's too late? Or will Sir Fluffykins III continue to pull the strings of reality, forever ensnaring humanity in his whimsical web of simulation?

Only time will tell in this absurdly entertaining tale of squirrels, simulations, and the secrets of the universe. Buckle up, dear reader, for a wild ride through the twisted corridors of reality – where nothing is as it seems, and everything is subject to the whims of a furry dictator with a penchant for nuts.

**The Public *really* Lacks
Awareness & Importance
In Discerning Fake News**

TIK-TOK'S "BLACK- OUT CHALLENGE LINKED TO DEATHS OF 20 CHILDREN IN 18 MONTHS.

Reports suggest 15 victims of the challenge were aged 12 or younger.





THE ROYAL STRESS

THE SHOCKING LINK TO CANCER UNVEILED IN AN UNCONVENTIONAL NEW STUDY by Eva Kennedy Doig

In a bizarre turn of events that has left the world scratching its collective head, a group of unconventional researchers has put forth a jaw-dropping hypothesis linking stress to the development of cancer. But that's not all – they've taken it a step further by suggesting that Prince Harry's departure as a senior royal could have played a significant role in triggering a shocking diagnosis in none other than the King himself!

According to these eccentric scientists, stress has long been underestimated as a potential carcinogen, lurking in the shadows of modern life and wreaking havoc on unsuspecting individuals.

Their groundbreaking study, published in a fringe medical journal titled "The Curious Case of Cancer," argues that chronic stressors, such as royal family drama and relentless media scrutiny, can weaken the body's defenses and create fertile ground for cancerous cells to flourish.

In a twist that could only be described as the stuff of tabloid fodder, the researchers point to the tumultuous events surrounding Prince Harry's departure from his royal duties as a prime example of stress-induced chaos.

The relentless public scrutiny, familial tensions, and the weight of royal responsibilities allegedly took a toll not only on Harry but also on his family members, including the King himself.

As speculation reaches a fever pitch, rumors swirl about the King's mysterious diagnosis, with whispers of palace intrigue and hidden agendas. Could it be that the stress of navigating the royal landscape, coupled with the seismic shift caused by Prince Harry's departure, ultimately led to a devastating health crisis in the highest echelons of power?

While mainstream medical experts remain skeptical of the outlandish claims put forth by these renegade researchers, the story continues to captivate the public imagination, blurring the lines between fact and fiction. As the world awaits further developments in this surreal saga, one thing is certain – the notion of stress as a silent killer has taken on a whole new meaning, leaving us all to ponder the curious connections between royalty, stress, and the enigmatic dance of life and death.

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"It's Not Real News Unless It's On Your Stories"



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LABOUR'S LAUGHTER

A Bizarre Bid For Unity Through Oddball Challenges



by Eva Kennedy Doig

In a topsy-turvy twist that could only be described as the plot of a whimsical comedy, reports have surfaced of an unexpected proposal by the Labour Party: a revolutionary new law centered around an annual event of communal engagement.

You read that right – an event aimed at fostering camaraderie and promoting societal harmony, albeit in the most unconventional of ways.

According to leaked documents obtained by The Moon, the proposed legislation suggests an annual gathering that transcends typical political discourse, instead focusing on shared experiences and collective endeavors.

But here's the kicker – rather than the usual debates or policy discussions, this event would revolve around a series of collaborative challenges designed to showcase teamwork and unity among citizens of all backgrounds.

Imagine citizens coming together in a festival-like atmosphere, participating in quirky competitions and engaging in creative pursuits that celebrate diversity and inclusion.

As news of the proposal spreads, reactions range from puzzled amusement to cautious optimism. Some question the practicality of such an endeavor, while others applaud the spirit of innovation and inclusivity behind the idea.

Critics, however, are quick to dismiss the proposal as nothing more than political theater, arguing that real change requires substantive action rather than symbolic gestures.

Nevertheless, supporters argue that even the act of bringing people together in a spirit of shared purpose can have a transformative impact on society.

As the debate unfolds, one thing becomes clear – in the unpredictable world of politics, even the most outlandish ideas can spark meaningful conversations and inspire new ways of thinking. So, let's embrace the absurdity and imagine a future where unity triumphs over division and collaboration reigns supreme.



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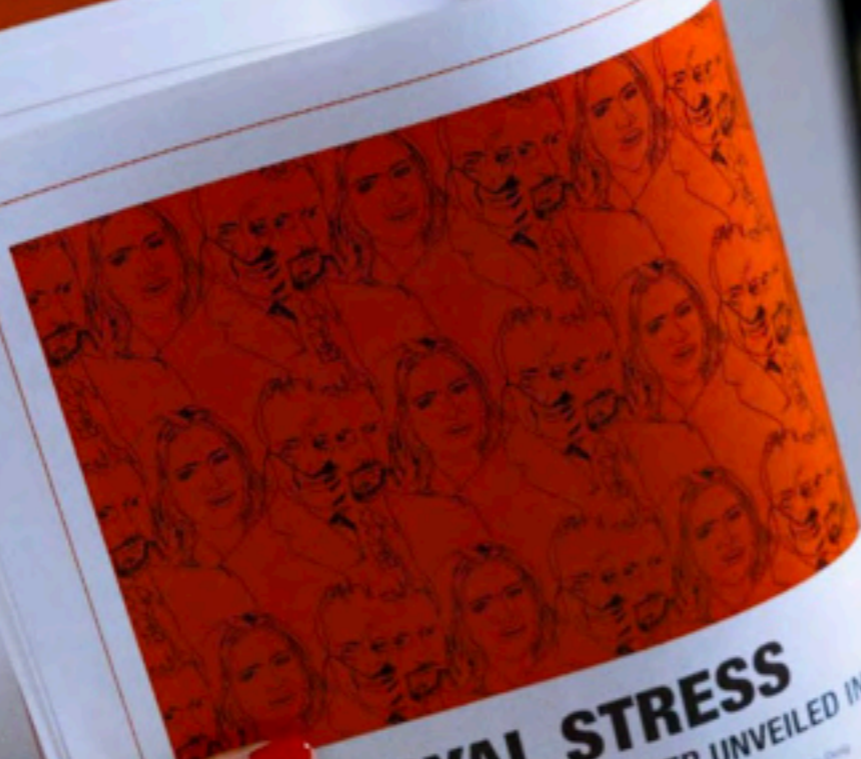
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