



The Long Arm Of Google: Trilateral Commission Censors Ousts Scholar From Think Tank

Two prominent Trilateral Commission members, **Eric Schmidt** of Google and **Anne-Marie Slaughter** of *New America Foundation*, colluded to fire Barry Lynn who had been critical of Google while employed by Slaughter's leftist organization. The Trilateral Commission was the lead organization who originally sponsored Technocracy beginning in 1973. (Read the full documentation in my book, [Technocracy Rising: The Trojan Horse of Global Transformation](#).) When Barry Lynn praised the EU's huge fine against Google (which it richly deserved), Schmidt wasted no time in contacting his Trilateral Commission crony to get Lynn fired. In similar fashion, Professor Antony Sutton was fired from the Hoover Institution for War, Peace and Revolution at Stanford University in 1975; Trilateral **David Packard** was then president of Stanford. *Trilaterals Over Washington*, co-authored by

myself and Sutton, was banned from the nationwide B. Dalton Bookseller chain; Dalton's parent company had a Trilateral member on their board of directors.

This is how it works: Technocrats will not tolerate any serious critique of any kind. However, Left-wing or right-wing conspiracy theorists are *never* attacked because they serve to discredit serious scholarship. □ TN Editor

In the hours after European antitrust regulators levied a record [\\$2.7 billion fine](#) against Google in late June, an influential Washington think tank learned what can happen when a tech giant that shapes public policy debates with its enormous wealth is criticized.

The New America Foundation has received more than \$21 million from Google; its parent company's executive chairman, Eric Schmidt; and his family's foundation since the think tank's founding in 1999. That money helped to establish New America as an elite voice in policy debates on the American left.

But not long after one of New America's scholars [posted a statement](#) on the think tank's website praising the European Union's penalty against Google, Mr. Schmidt, who had chaired New America until 2016, communicated his displeasure with the statement to the group's president, Anne-Marie Slaughter, according to the scholar.



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The statement disappeared from New America's website, only to be reposted without explanation a few hours later. But word of Mr. Schmidt's displeasure rippled through New America, which employs more than 200 people, including dozens of researchers, writers and scholars, most of whom work in sleek Washington offices where the main conference room is called the "Eric Schmidt Ideas Lab." The episode left some people concerned that Google intended to discontinue funding, while others worried whether the think tank could truly be independent

if it had to worry about offending its donors.

Those worries seemed to be substantiated a couple of days later, when Ms. Slaughter summoned the scholar who wrote the critical statement, Barry Lynn, to her office. He ran a New America initiative called Open Markets that has led a [growing chorus of liberal criticism](#) of the market dominance of telecom and tech giants, including Google, which is now part of a larger corporate entity known as [Alphabet](#), for which Mr. Schmidt serves as executive chairman.

Ms. Slaughter told Mr. Lynn that “the time has come for Open Markets and New America to part ways,” according to an email from Ms. Slaughter to Mr. Lynn. The email suggested that the entire Open Markets team — nearly 10 full-time employees and unpaid fellows — would be exiled from New America.

While she asserted in the email, which was reviewed by The New York Times, that the decision was “in no way based on the content of your work,” Ms. Slaughter accused Mr. Lynn of “imperiling the institution as a whole.”

Mr. Lynn, in an interview, charged that Ms. Slaughter caved to pressure from Mr. Schmidt and Google, and, in so doing, set the desires of a donor over the think tank’s intellectual integrity.

“Google is very aggressive in throwing its money around Washington and Brussels, and then pulling the strings,” Mr. Lynn said. “People are so afraid of Google now.”

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