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Islamic extremists sidestep Facebook's content police | POLITICO

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Photos of beheadings, extremist propaganda and violent hate speech related to Islamic State and the Taliban were shared for months within Facebook groups over the past year despite the social networking giant's claims it had increased efforts to remove such content.

The posts — some tagged as "insightful" and "engaging" via new <u>Facebook tools</u> to promote community interactions — championed the Islamic extremists' violence in Iraq and Afghanistan, including videos of suicide bombings and calls to attack rivals across the region and in the West, according to a review of social media activity between April and December. At least one of the groups contained more than 100,000 members.

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