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Journalists, Activists Criticize Social Media Sites Amid Conflicts Over Content | Snopes

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Snopes reviews several events over the last month on social media sites like Twitter and Facebook that raise questions about the extent to which journalism can and should be moderated by platforms.

In June 2018, journalists and activists raised concerns over sudden apparent suspensions or sanctions from social media web sites within days of one another amid increased concerns over their policies toward news outlets.

In the latest incident, Lucas Waldron — graphics producer for the investigative news site ProPublica — \underline{said} on 21 June 2018 that the visual platform Instagram had deleted a post on the outlet's account that identified members of a white supremacist group.

"The company provided no information on how to appeal and the post is now completely scrubbed from our account," Waldon wrote.

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