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WhatsApp Hopes its Misinformation-Busting Feature Will Help Democracy | Red Herring

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Social media platform WhatsApp has launched a new feature it hopes will make discourse more truthful. "Search the web" allows users to click on a small magnifying-glass image next to posts shared more than five times, which will search the Internet for their content and verify them.

The add-on, which is being piloted in the <u>US</u>, UK, Mexico, Spain, Brazil, Ireland and Italy, allows users to upload a text message via their browser. WhatsApp claims this ensures it never views the contents of the message.

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