Journalists and Royal Commentators Interacting with Hate Accounts Targeting
Harry and Meghan, Duke and Duchess of Sussex

### Report

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#### **OVERVIEW**

During our initial investigation into Twitter hate accounts targeting Harry and Meghan, Duke and Duchess of Sussex, we observed an unusual number of hate accounts interacting with journalists and royal commentators who are frequently cited in the media as "royal experts." The hate accounts we monitored appeared to follow and interact with certain prominent Twitter accounts that primarily cover the royal family.

Moreover, several prominent Twitter accounts covering the royal family followed some of the more active and well-known hate accounts. Because of the unusual relationship between the accounts, we expanded our investigation to include the interactions between hate accounts and royal experts.

We expanded our investigation to determine:

- If any of the journalists or royal commentators were interacting with or amplifying hate accounts on Twitter.
- If the hate accounts were influencing the reporting of one or more journalists or royal commentators.

After careful analysis, we determined nine out of the ten prominent Twitter accounts that primarily cover the royal family, in fact, had interacted with at least one of the eighty-four hate accounts we were monitoring. On at least one occasion, we could link a conspiracy theory shared by a well-known hate account to an award-winning journalist and author, who then amplified the conspiracy theory on Twitter and TV.

OVERVIEW 1

#### INTRODUCTION

We examined the tweets and interactions of 10 journalists' Twitter accounts. Angela Levin (@AngelaLevin1), Emily Andrews (@ByEmilyAndrews), Richard Fitzwilliams (@RFitzwilliams), Richard Eden (@RichardAeden), Russell Myers (@RJMyers), Ingrid Seward (@RoyalBiographer), Dickie Arbiter (@RoyalDickie), Richard Palmer (@RoyalReporter), Robert Jobson (@TheRoyalEditor), and Victoria Arbiter (@VictoriaArbiter).

Note: We define an interaction as a retweet, quoted tweet, direct reply, or a reply to multiple accounts. An interaction can be neutral, positive, or negative.

While many of the journalists' and royal commentators' interactions were inconsequential, we observed two royal experts, Angela Levin and Richard Fitzwilliams, amplify the tweets of the most problematic hate accounts. For example, Richard retweeted the @TheToadours, a single-purpose hate account dedicated to spreading hate and disinformation about Harry and Meghan. In 2020, @TheToadours tweeted a photo mocking the couple's baby Archie. Richard also retweeted @boxmontessori, another single-purpose hate account dedicated to attacking the couple.

We believe Richard's interactions were troublesome, but Angela's interactions with hate accounts were more than all other journalists' and royal commentators' interactions combined. Angela had 102 interactions, and the majority were favorable to the hate accounts. Angela repeatedly retweeted and replied to the hate accounts, but she didn't limit her interactions to replies and retweets. On one occasion, @Murky\_Meg, a now-suspended hate account, tweeted a conspiracy theory about Harry and Meghan paying \$1.5 million to appear on the cover of Time Magazine. Angela amplified @Murky\_Meg's tweet, and then three days later, Angela repeated the conspiracy theory on TV.

On another occasion, Angela asked another now-suspended hate account, @YankeeWally2, to tell her more about a bizarre Photoshop conspiracy theory regarding Harry and Meghan.

Although we limited our investigation to ten journalists and royal commentators, our research demonstrated two royal experts amplified hate accounts, and at least in one instance, a hate account influenced a journalist's reporting. It's our opinion that several of the most well-known and active hate accounts were actively targeting journalists and royal commentators to boost their visibility and amplify their hate campaign, and in some cases, they were successful.

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#### ANGELA LEVIN





Can it really be true that Harry and Meghan spent \$1.5million to be o the cover? Compassion to selves only comes to mind.



Murky Meg 🔮 @Murky\_Meg

If you have to keep banging on about how charitable you are then you are doing it wrong! Actions speak louder than words! Some of the biggest humanitarian achievements have been done silently! George Michele is a prime example! Nobody knew about his...

5:22 AM - 17 Sep 2021

95 Retweets 911 Likes

















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#### HARRY AND MEGHAN MOCKED OVER TIME MAGAZINE COVER

Harry and Meghan Mocked Over Time Magazine Cover

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https://www.facebook.com/watch/?v=277343427331754

ANGELA LEVIN

#### ANGELA LEVIN - CONT.



wally @yankeewally2 · 2h

Ok these are the opinions of the person that uncovered those pics. ( got to keep her anonymous) DM me if you want more info

mother, this manipulation is really sad. Went through 3 or 4 photos. They weren't captured: they were manufactured. Don't think this bodes well for Archies lawsuit. Makes me questions Meghan's ability as a mother. Very sad. Will send others so you can pick apart the layers of photo



Look at the dogs. Too many ghost images. Not even the dogs are immune.

17-42



100 % photoshopped No question about it. I'm no forensic genius, but I do know how to extract certain components. But this is just my opinion. Feel free to share! But if you could include a caveat that it's just my opinion. You know how ferocious these out members.



Angela Levin

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@angelalevin1

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Would love to know more please.

♡ 67

11:43 AM - 13 Jul 2020

This is my rudimentary analysis. As a mother, this manipulation is really sad. Went through 3 or 4 photos. They weren't captured: they were manufactured. Don't think this bodes well for Archies lawsuit. Makes me questions Meghan's ability as a mother. Very sad. Will send others so you can pick apart the layers of photo manipulation.



Look at the dogs. Too many ghost images. Not even the dogs are immune...

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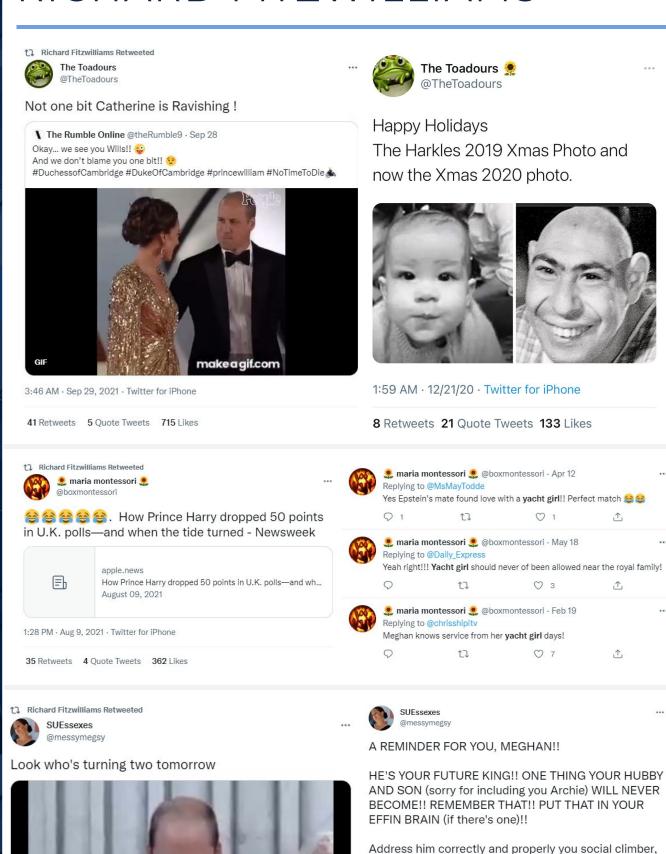


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#### RICHARD FITZWILLIAMS

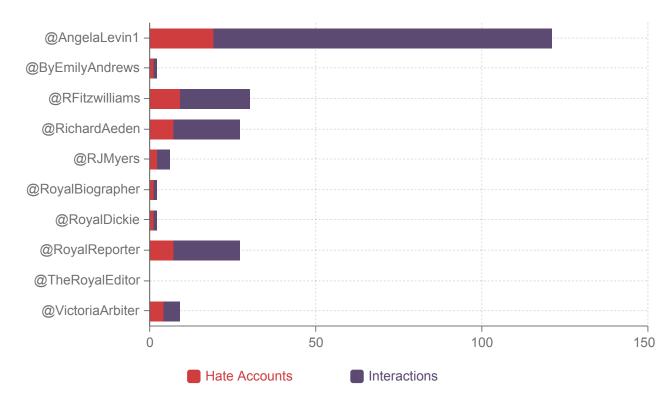


yacht girl!!!

#megxit

## INTERACTIONS

#### JOURNALISTS AND ROYAL COMMENTATORS



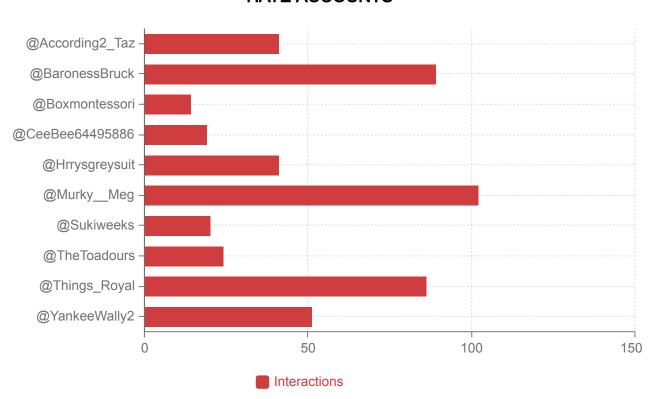
- @AngelaLevin1 19 Hate Accounts | 102 Interactions
- @ByEmilyAndrews 1 Hate Account | 1 Interactions
- @RFitzwilliams 9 Hate Accounts | 21 Interactions
- @RichardAeden 7 Hate Accounts | 20 Interactions
- @RJMyers 2 hate Accounts | 4 Interactions
- @RoyalBiographer 1 Hate Accounts | 1 Interactions
- @RoyalDickie 1 Hate Account | 1 Interaction
- @RoyalReporter 7 Hate Accounts | 20 Interactions
- @TheRoyalEditor 0 Hate Accounts | 0 Interactions
- @VictoriaArbiter 4 Hate Accounts | 5 Interactions

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#### TOP 10 HATE ACCOUNTS

Top 10 hate accounts by interactions.





- 1. @Murky\_Meg 102
- 2. @BaronessBruck 89
- 3. @Things\_Royal 86
- 4. @YankeeWally2 51
- 5. @According2\_Taz 41
- 6. @Hrrysgreysuit 41
- 7. @TheToadours -24
- 8. @Sukiweeks 20
- 9. @CeeBee64495886 19
- 10. @Boxmontessori 14