

Musk and the marches



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As if the world's Jews don't have enough problems right now. Still dealing with the aftershock of the worst slaughter of Jews in a single day since the Holocaust, over 200 of us still held hostage by the same murderous fanatics who carried out that pogrom, and with a worldwide wave of anti-Jewish hatred sweeping through our communities, the world's richest man, Elon Musk, decided to remind everyone that eliminationist anti-Zionism is not the only game in town when it comes to antisemitism.

“You have said the actual truth”, was Musk's [reply](#) to a post on X/Twitter that accused “Jewish communities” of pushing “hatred against whites” and promised not to give “the tiniest shit” about antisemitism as a result. When challenged on this, Musk [conceded](#) that “this does not extend to all Jewish communities”, but he essentially stood by his point: major Jewish organisations like the Anti-Defamation League, and Jewish communities more widely, so he claimed, encourage anti-white hatred and support mass migration that is undermining Western societies (and, in Musk's view, is the primary source of antisemitism today).

 **The Artist Formerly Known as Eric**  
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Okay.

Jewish communities have been pushing the exact kind of dialectical hatred against whites that they claim to want people to stop using against them.

I'm deeply disinterested in giving the tiniest shit now about western Jewish populations coming to the disturbing realization that those hordes of minorities that support flooding their country don't exactly like them too much.

You want truth said to your face, there it is.

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This idea has a name: The Great Replacement Theory, and it has itself inspired terrorist attacks against Jewish communities, most notoriously the shooting of 11 worshippers at the Tree of Life synagogue in Pittsburgh in October 2018 by a neo-Nazi called Robert Bowers. “HIAS [Hebrew Immigrant Aid Society] likes to bring invaders to kill our people”, Bowers wrote on Gab, a social media platform favoured by far right extremists, shortly before embarking on his rampage. “I can’t sit by and watch my people get slaughtered. Screw your optics, I’m going in.”

More broadly, the idea that non-white and Muslim immigration is encouraged and facilitated by wealthy, powerful liberal Jews - George Soros is normally the name in the frame - in a deliberate effort to undermine the cohesion and national identity of Western societies is a conspiracy theory, following in an old and ignoble tradition of blaming a hidden Jewish hand for whatever it is people don't like or feel threatened by. The idea that Jewish support for migrants is motivated by hatred of white people, rather than sympathy and compassion for refugees, is part of the package.

Musk is hardly alone in echoing this line of thinking: last week ex-Fox News presenter Tucker Carlson and right wing commentator Candace Owens, speaking on Carlson's show on X/Twitter, agreed that it is [perfectly understandable](#) for people to hate "the pro-Israel lobby" for allegedly funding academic ideas leading to "white genocide", and that's why Jews are now not receiving the support they expect against the Israel-orientated antisemitism coming from the radical left and from within Muslim communities. You made your bed by encouraging these people in the first place, is the thinking.

Quite why Jews would want to promote anti-white hatred is never explained, and anyone familiar with the currently fashionable notion that Zionists are white supremacist colonisers might be somewhat confused by the idea. But the contradictory narratives that right wing Jews (cast as Zionists) are white supremacists while left wing Jews (cast as woke liberals) are anti-white, is the contemporary equivalent of the twentieth century twin narratives that Jews were simultaneously arch capitalists and subversive communists. It's a reminder that antisemitism is never about how Jews actually behave, and always a reflection of what different people in society fear at any given time.

Musk, to be clear, is adamant that he is not antisemitic. "Nothing could be further from the truth", he [posted](#) yesterday, and I'm sure he means it. Very few people think they are antisemitic, even if they sometimes say (or post) things that suggest the opposite. That is progress of sorts, and we shouldn't take it for granted. In several European countries in the first half of the twentieth century, and in many Muslim-majority countries today, openly anti-Jewish sentiment has been commonplace and has not attracted any social or political cost for those who express it. If we have moved beyond those

times, then that's for the best. How is it, then, that we seem to live in a time when there are precious few self-declared antisemites, but there is still lots of antisemitism?