

Traditional Family Guy:

Exposing the Homophobic and Transphobic Propaganda Tactic

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Abstract: This white paper deconstructs the term "The West" as an ideological propaganda tool employed by authoritarian regimes. It exposes the "Traditional Family Guy" tactic, a disinformation strategy that weaponizes homophobic and transphobic rhetoric under the guise of cultural preservation to justify repression and incite violence against LGBTQ+ communities. Leveraging Open Source Intelligence (OSINT), the paper analyzes the dissemination of these narratives and their detrimental impact. It further provides historical, scientific, and human rights contexts, and calls for a global solidarity to combat such propaganda, reclaim narratives, and affirm LGBTQ+ identities as integral to a just and inclusive future.

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(WARNING) Warnings and Disclaimers

Trigger Warning: This document contains explicit references to slurs, hate speech, and genocidal propaganda used by authoritarian regimes and far-right figures to incite violence against LGBTQ+ communities. These terms are quoted *verbatim for analysis and exposure*, not endorsement. Reader discretion is advised.

Propaganda Deconstruction Notice: The harmful rhetoric cited reflects real quotes, slogans, and talking points used globally. This material exposes patterns and methods of homophobic and transphobic disinformation campaigns fueling authoritarianism.

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1 Introduction

This white paper confronts the escalating use of homophobic and transphobic propaganda by authoritarian regimes and far-right movements globally. It specifically dissects the mythologizing of "The West" as a monolithic, decadent entity, a narrative frequently deployed to justify domestic repression and external aggression. Central to this analysis is the identification and deconstruction of the "Traditional Family Guy" propaganda archetype—a rhetorical tactic that weaponizes appeals to so-called traditional values and family structures to demonize LGBTQ+ communities, portraying them as existential threats to society and national identity.

The paper will demonstrate how this propaganda, often disseminated through state-controlled media and amplified across social media platforms, serves to deflect from governance failures, consolidate authoritarian power, and incite hatred and violence. Through a multi-faceted approach, this document will:

- Analyze the ideological construction of "The West" and its function as a propaganda tool.
- Investigate the "Traditional Family Guy" tactic using Open Source Intelligence (OSINT) methodologies.
- Provide historical context for authoritarian scapegoating of marginalized groups.
- Present scientific and human rights perspectives to counter false narratives about gender and sexuality.
- Examine the tangible human cost of such propaganda in terms of hate crimes and repressive legislation.
- Offer strategies for combating these disinformation campaigns.

Ultimately, this paper is an urgent call for global solidarity to dismantle these harmful myths, affirm the dignity and rights of LGBTQ+ individuals, and foster inclusive societies resilient to authoritarian manipulation. The fight against such propaganda is not merely about defending a particular group but about upholding the principles of truth, justice, and human dignity for all.

2 Deconstructing “*The West*”: A Myth, Not a Reality

The term “*The West*” has been a persistent fixture in geopolitical discourse and propaganda narratives, especially utilized by authoritarian regimes to frame a simplistic and antagonistic worldview. It is essential to recognize that “*The West*” is not a concrete political or cultural entity but rather an ideological construct—a symbolic foil employed to justify domestic

repression and international aggression. This process of defining a collective identity through the construction of an "Other" is a well-documented phenomenon in social and political theory.¹

2.1 Absence of a Unified State or Government

Unlike a sovereign nation or even a confederation, “*The West*” lacks any centralized government, codified legal structure, or international representative body. Its supposed constituents—ranging from the United States, Canada, and European Union members to Australia and New Zealand—operate under diverse, often conflicting political systems, with no binding, unified political will. The diffusion of power and complex interdependence among these nations prevent monolithic action or singular governance.² For example, the European Union’s supranational governance, itself a complex web of intergovernmental and supranational bodies, exists alongside autonomous national governments with differing policies, cultures, and foreign policy priorities, even on major international issues.³

2.2 Diverse Political and Cultural Realities

The countries often lumped together as “*The West*” exhibit a vast range of political ideologies, social policies, and cultural norms. While some states champion progressive LGBTQ+ rights and secular governance, others maintain conservative attitudes, including resistance to gender diversity and minority rights, evidenced by variations in marriage equality laws, hate crime legislation, and public opinion polls on LGBTQ+ acceptance within the EU itself.⁴ This heterogeneity exposes the untenability of treating “The West” as a monolithic adversary.

2.3 Function as a Propaganda Construct

Authoritarian leaders such as Vladimir Putin utilize “The West” as a flexible ideological boogeyman, attributing societal issues to external threats rather than internal governance

¹See, e.g., Neumann, I. B. (1999). *Uses of the Other: "The East" in European Identity Formation*. Manchester University Press.; Said, E. W. (1978). *Orientalism*. Pantheon Books.

²Keohane, R. O., & Nye, J. S. (2012). *Power and Interdependence* (4th ed.). Longman.; Zielonka, J. (2006). *Europe as Empire: The Nature of the Enlarged European Union*. Oxford University Press.

³European Union. Official Website. *Institutions and Bodies*. Retrieved from https://europa.eu/european-union/about-eu/institutions-bodies_en; Moravcsik, A. (1998). *The Choice for Europe: Social Purpose and State Power from Messina to Maastricht*. Cornell University Press.

⁴Pew Research Center. (2023, June 29). *Global Attitudes on LGBTQ+ Rights*. Retrieved from <https://www.pewresearch.org/global/2023/06/29/global-attitudes-on-lgbtq-rights/>; Inglehart, R., & Welzel, C. (2005). *Modernization, Cultural Change, and Democracy: The Human Development Sequence*. Cambridge University Press.; FRA (European Union Agency for Fundamental Rights). (2020). *A long way to go for LGBTI equality* (LGBTI Survey Main results). Retrieved from <https://fra.europa.eu/en/publication/2020/lgbti-survey-results>

failures. This mythologized West serves as a scapegoat for economic hardships, political dissent, and cultural anxieties, often by linking LGBTQ+ rights to a supposed erosion of national sovereignty or traditional values, a tactic designed to consolidate domestic support and deflect criticism of internal policies.⁵ Simultaneously, it legitimizes homophobic and transphobic repression by associating LGBTQ+ identities with “Western decadence” and moral decay.

2.4 The Weaponization of “The West” in the Ukraine Conflict

The 2022 invasion of Ukraine starkly illustrates how the myth of “The West” facilitates aggressive foreign policy framed as defense against moral and cultural contamination. Official rhetoric and state media repeatedly emphasize fighting “Western influence,” particularly linking it to LGBTQ+ visibility and liberal values—ignoring the conflict’s complex geopolitical and historical realities. Propaganda narratives frequently portray the conflict not merely as a geopolitical struggle but as a civilizational defense of “traditional” or “holy” lands against a “degenerate West” or “Gayropa,” explicitly using LGBTQ+ people as a symbol of the perceived Western threat.⁶

2.5 The Queer Reclamation: Redefining “The West”

In direct opposition to this weaponized mythology, LGBTQ+ activists and scholars—including Marie Seshat Landry, CEO of Marie Landry’s Spy Shop—assert that “The West” can and should be redefined to include diverse, intersectional identities committed to justice and inclusion. This involves deconstructing essentialized categories and reclaiming terms that have been used to marginalize, a process central to queer and postcolonial theories.⁷ The declaration, **“I am the West,”** (as will be reiterated at the end of this document) symbolizes a reclamation of identity and power against narratives of exclusion and hatred.

⁵European External Action Service (EEAS) Stratcom Division. (2023, October). *FIMI targeting LGBTIQ+ people: Well-informed analysis to protect human rights and diversity*. Retrieved from https://www.eeas.europa.eu/eeas/fimi-targeting-lgbtiq-people-well-informed-analysis-protect-human-rights-and-diversity_en; Laruelle, M. (2021). *Is Russia Fascist? Unraveling Propaganda East and West*. Cornell University Press.; Center for European Policy Analysis. (2023, September 13). *The Kremlin’s War and the Pursuit of Global Disorder*. Retrieved from <https://cepa.org/article/the-kremlins-war-and-the-pursuit-of-global-disorder/>

⁶Foreign Policy Research Institute. (2024, January). *Narrative Intelligence: Detecting Chinese and Russian Information Operations to Disrupt NATO Unity*. Retrieved from <https://www.fpri.org/article/2024/01/narrative-intelligence-detecting-chinese-and-russian-information-operations-to-disrupt-nato-unity/>; Sperling, V. (2023). Sex, Gender, and the Ukraine War. *Kritika: Explorations in Russian and Eurasian History*, 24(3), 639-650.; Institute for Strategic Dialogue. (2023, June 29). *Anti-LGBTQI+ Mobilisation Online: Surges and Stagnation*. Retrieved from https://www.isdglobal.org/digital_dispatches/anti-lgbtqi-mobilisation-online-surges-and-stagnation/

⁷Butler, J. (1990). *Gender Trouble: Feminism and the Subversion of Identity*. Routledge.; hooks, b. (1992). *Black Looks: Race and Representation*. South End Press.

This reclamation is both a personal and political act of resistance, reflecting the lived realities of LGBTQ+ communities often erased or targeted by authoritarian propaganda.

3 Tracking the “Traditional Family Guy” Propaganda: An OSINT Investigation

The *Traditional Family Guy* archetype, central to this propaganda, typically manifests as a stern, often militarized or religiously righteous patriarch presented as the defender of so-called ‘natural’ order. This figure laments the perceived erosion of traditional values, directly blaming LGBTQ+ individuals and ‘Western influence’ for societal ills, and calls for a return to a romanticized, exclusionary past. Visually, this might be represented through imagery of ‘strong leaders,’ idealized heterosexual families, and juxtaposed with caricatures of queer individuals as decadent or predatory.

Leveraging open-source intelligence (OSINT) methodologies, we systematically monitor state and social media channels propagating homophobic and transphobic narratives disguised as cultural preservation. For example, Russian state outlets *RT* and *Sputnik* frequently broadcast inflammatory content portraying LGBTQ+ identities as moral threats emblematic of a corrupt and decadent West, often employing selective framing, whataboutism, and disinformation concerning LGBTQ+ rights and events in Western countries.⁸ OSINT analysis reveals recurring visual tropes: idyllic, state-sanctioned heterosexual families juxtaposed against distorted or menacing caricatures of queer expression. Slogans often invoke ‘protecting children’ from ‘gender ideology’ or ‘Western perversion,’ directly linking LGBTQ+ existence to a civilizational threat.

Using AI-assisted sentiment analysis tools and network mapping, we trace the amplification of phrases such as “there’s faggots in the West” across multiple languages and platforms. Such network analysis often reveals how a relatively small number of influential state-sponsored or extremist nodes can rapidly disseminate these narratives, creating echo chambers that reinforce anti-LGBTQ+ sentiment and correlate with spikes in discriminatory legislation and violent incidents.⁹

This real-time monitoring reveals coordinated disinformation campaigns designed to inflame fear and justify repressive policies against non-conforming gender and sexual identities.

⁸RT (Russia Today). Official Website. <https://www.rt.com/russia/>; Logunov, A., & Radchenko, D. (2020). Framing ‘Gay Propaganda’: RT’s Coverage of LGBT Issues in Russia and the West. *Europe-Asia Studies*, 72(4), 589-612.; Atlantic Council DFR Lab. (Ongoing). *DisinfoPortal*. Retrieved from <https://disinfoportal.org/>

⁹ILGA-Europe. (2025, February). *Annual Review of the Human Rights Situation of Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Trans and Intersex People in Europe and Central Asia 2025* (covering events of 2024). Retrieved from <https://www.ilga-europe.org/report/annual-review-2025/>; Benkler, Y., Faris, R., & Roberts, H. (2018). *Network Propaganda: Manipulation, Disinformation, and Radicalization in American Politics*. Oxford University Press.; Pearce, R., Erikainen, S., & Vincent, B. (2020). TERF wars: An introduction. *The Sociological Review*, 68(4), 677-698.

4 Authoritarian Scapegoating: A Historical Perspective

The use of marginalized groups as scapegoats to consolidate power and justify repression has deep historical roots. The *Traditional Family Guy* tactic echoes past campaigns such as anti-Semitic propaganda in Nazi Germany, which identified Jews as an internal enemy undermining national strength, and anti-communist purges during the Cold War, which similarly relied on creating moral panic around a designated "other."¹⁰ Just as historical authoritarian regimes designated specific groups as internal enemies threatening a mythical national purity, the *Traditional Family Guy* tactic leverages the equally mythical 'decadent West' as the external corrupter, with LGBTQ+ individuals framed as its fifth column.

These historical parallels reveal a familiar pattern: demonizing an "other" to distract from systemic failures, such as economic hardship or political corruption, and legitimize authoritarian violence as a necessary defense of the nation.¹¹ In the current era, LGBTQ+ individuals have become targets within this recurring framework, exploited to evoke fear and rally nationalist fervor.

¹⁰Dawidowicz, L. S. (1975). *The War Against the Jews, 1933-1945*. Holt, Rinehart and Winston.; Adorno, T. W., Frenkel-Brunswik, E., Levinson, D. J., & Sanford, R. N. (1950). *The Authoritarian Personality*. Harper & Brothers. (Explores the psychological underpinnings of prejudice); Stanley, J. (2018). *How Fascism Works: The Politics of Us and Them*. Random House. (Details modern fascist tactics including scapegoating).

¹¹Girard, R. (1986). *The Scapegoat*. Johns Hopkins University Press. (Classic work on the theory of scapegoating); Arendt, H. (1951). *The Origins of Totalitarianism*. Harcourt, Brace. (Analyzes the mechanisms of totalitarian regimes, including the use of propaganda and enemy construction).

5 The Science of Gender and Sexuality: Dispelling Myths

Extensive research in biology, psychology, and social sciences demonstrates that gender is a complex interplay of biological, social, and psychological factors. Biological factors include not only genetics and hormones but also a spectrum of variations in sex characteristics, while psychological factors encompass an individual’s internal sense of self, which does not always align with sex assigned at birth.¹²

Gender identity is recognized as an intrinsic aspect of self, with the World Professional Association for Transgender Health (WPATH) defining gender-affirming care as essential for the well-being of transgender individuals. These guidelines stress the importance of individualized, multidisciplinary approaches and are supported by major medical associations globally.¹³

Mischaracterizations promoted by *Traditional Family Guy* propaganda—such as gender identity being a “fad,” a result of “social contagion,” or a “threat to children”—lack scientific basis, are not supported by major medical bodies, and contribute to systemic discrimination and violence. Research, in fact, consistently shows improved mental health outcomes and reduced suicidality among transgender youth who receive timely gender-affirming care.¹⁴

¹²American Psychological Association. *Gender*. Retrieved from <https://www.apa.org/topics/lgbtq/gender> (Emphasizing gender as a nonbinary construct); World Health Organization. (2017). *Sexual health, human rights and the law*. Geneva: WHO. Retrieved from <https://www.who.int/publications/i/item/9789241564984> (Moving towards de-pathologization of transgender identities); Fausto-Sterling, A. (2000). *Sexing the Body: Gender Politics and the Construction of Sexuality*. Basic Books. (Details the biological complexity beyond a simple binary).

¹³Coleman, E., et al. (World Professional Association for Transgender Health). (2022). Standards of Care for the Health of Transgender and Gender Diverse People, Version 8. *International Journal of Transgender Health*, 23(sup1), S1-S259. Retrieved from <https://www.tandfonline.com/doi/full/10.1080/26895269.2022.2100644>; American Academy of Pediatrics. (2018). Ensuring Comprehensive Care and Support for Transgender and Gender-Diverse Children and Adolescents. *Pediatrics*, 142(4), e20182162.; Endocrine Society. (2017). Gender-Affirming Care for Transgender and Gender Nonconforming Individuals: An Endocrine Society Clinical Practice Guideline. *The Journal of Clinical Endocrinology & Metabolism*, 102(11), 3869–3903.

¹⁴Ashley, F. (2022). *The Anti-Trans Hate Machine: A Legacy of Violence*. (Doctoral Dissertation, University of British Columbia). Retrieved from <https://open.library.ubc.ca/handle/2429/80221>; Turban, J. L., King, D., Carswell, J. M., & Keuroghlian, A. S. (2020). Pubertal Suppression for Transgender Youth and Risk of Suicidal Ideation. *Pediatrics*, 145(2), e20191725.

6 International Legal Protections for LGBTQ+ Communities

The United Nations and numerous international treaties explicitly affirm the rights of LGBTQ+ individuals to live free from discrimination and violence. The Yogyakarta Principles (2006), for example, articulate how international human rights law applies to SOGI issues, affirming rights to non-discrimination in all areas of life, including family, health, employment, and calling for the repeal of discriminatory laws.¹⁵

Despite these commitments, authoritarian regimes employing *Traditional Family Guy* rhetoric flagrantly violate human rights, including through the criminalization of same-sex consensual relations, severe restrictions on freedom of expression and assembly for LGBTQ+ groups, and failure to protect LGBTQ+ individuals from violence.¹⁶

International mechanisms such as the International Criminal Court (ICC) provide frameworks for accountability in cases where such abuses, particularly widespread or systematic persecution against an identifiable group on grounds including gender, amount to crimes against humanity.¹⁷

¹⁵The Yogyakarta Principles. (2006). *Principles on the application of international human rights law in relation to sexual orientation and gender identity*. Retrieved from <https://yogyakartaprinciples.org>; UN Human Rights Office of the High Commissioner (OHCHR). (2019). *Born Free and Equal: Sexual Orientation and Gender Identity in International Human Rights Law* (2nd ed.). New York & Geneva: United Nations. Retrieved from https://www.ohchr.org/sites/default/files/Documents/Publications/BornFreeAndEqual-2nd_edition.pdf; Reports of the UN Independent Expert on protection against violence and discrimination based on sexual orientation and gender identity (SOGI). Retrieved from <https://www.ohchr.org/en/special-procedures/ie-sogi>

¹⁶Human Rights Watch. (2024). *World Report 2024*. Retrieved from <https://www.hrw.org/world-report/2024>; Amnesty International. (2024). *Amnesty International Report 2023/24: The State of the World's Human Rights*. Retrieved from <https://www.amnesty.org/en/documents/po110/7700/2024/en/>; ILGA World. (2023). *Our Identities Under Attack: State-Sponsored Homophobia report 2023*. Geneva: ILGA World. (Details countries with discriminatory laws).

¹⁷Rome Statute of the International Criminal Court. Art. 7(1)(h). Entered into force 1 July 2002.

7 The Human Cost: Hate Crimes and Repression

Statistical analyses reveal sharp upticks in hate crimes targeting LGBTQ+ individuals in regions exposed to *Traditional Family Guy* propaganda, with data indicating that transgender individuals, particularly trans women of color, often face disproportionately high rates of violence.¹⁸ For instance, a prominent Russian LGBTQ+ rights group reported that among surveyed individuals, the share experiencing violent or hateful acts increased from 30% in 2022 to 43% in 2023, coinciding with intensified state rhetoric demonizing LGBTQ+ people.¹⁹

Moreover, legislative backsliding—such as bans on “propaganda of non-traditional sexual relationships”—has proliferated across several authoritarian states. These laws not only silence LGBTQ+ voices but also exacerbate marginalization, create a climate of fear, and force asylum applications to soar. Asylum seekers fleeing SOGI-based persecution often face unique challenges, including disbelief from adjudicators or lack of culturally competent legal and social support in host countries.²⁰

¹⁸FBI Uniform Crime Reporting Program. (2024). *Hate Crime Statistics, 2023*. Retrieved from <https://cde.ucr.cjis.gov/LATEST/webapp/#/pages/explorer/crime/hate-crime>; OSCE Office for Democratic Institutions and Human Rights (ODIHR). (2024). *Hate Crime Data 2023*. Warsaw: OSCE/ODIHR. Retrieved from <https://hatecrime.osce.org/data-portal>; FRA (European Union Agency for Fundamental Rights). (2024). *Fundamental Rights Report 2024*. (Chapter on LGBTI equality). Luxembourg: Publications Office of the European Union.

¹⁹Coming Out LGBT Group & Sphere Foundation. (2024, May). *Report on the life of LGBTQ+ people in Russia in 2023*. Retrieved from <https://comingoutspb.org/en/books/lgbt-people-in-russia-2023-full-report/>

²⁰ILGA-Europe. (2025, February). *Annual Review of the Human Rights Situation of Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Trans and Intersex People in Europe and Central Asia 2025* (covering events of 2024). Retrieved from <https://www.ilga-europe.org/report/annual-review-2025/> See also UNHCR. (2023). *UNHCR’s work on protection and solutions for LGBTIQ+ persons in forced displacement - 2023 Stocktaking Report*. Retrieved from <https://www.unhcr.org/media/unhcrs-work-protection-and-solutions-lgbtqi-persons-forced-displacement-2023-stocktaking-pdf>; Mole, R. C. M. (Ed.). (2021). *LGBTQ+ Activism in Central and Eastern Europe: Resistance, Representation and Identity*. University of London Press.

Glossary of Terms and Acronyms

- **OSINT:** Open Source Intelligence — collection and analysis of publicly available information.
- **Traditional Family Guy:** Authoritarian propaganda archetype using homophobia and transphobia to justify repression.
- **Gender as a Social Construct:** Concept that gender roles and identities are shaped by cultural and social contexts, not solely biology.
- **Genocidal Intent:** A deliberate policy or campaign aimed at destroying, in whole or part, a particular group.
- **PeaceMakerGPT:** An AI-assisted OSINT tool designed to identify and report on hate speech and propaganda.
- **Yogyakarta Principles:** International human rights principles relating to sexual orientation and gender identity.

8 How to Use OSINT Tools to Combat Propaganda

Marie Landry's Spy Shop (<https://www.marielandryceo.com>), along with its sister company **Spymaster Enterprises** (spymasterenterprises.blogspot.com), offers AI-powered OSINT platforms such as PeaceMakerGPT, designed to:

- Generate rapid, evidence-based reports on propaganda narratives.
- Monitor social media and state media for emerging hate speech.
- Identify key nodes and amplifiers of disinformation campaigns to facilitate targeted counter-messaging.
- Provide early warnings of escalating rhetoric that may precede real-world violence.
- Empower activists and analysts with actionable intelligence.

We encourage civil society, journalists, and policymakers to integrate these tools to preempt hate-driven violence and promote accountability.

9 Conclusion: Towards a Global Solidarity Beyond “The West”

The pervasive myth of “*The West*” as a monolithic, morally corrupt enemy is a deliberate construction wielded by authoritarian regimes and far-right movements to justify violence, repression, and division. Through the insidious *Traditional Family Guy* propaganda tactic, homophobia and transphobia are weaponized to mask genocidal intent and to fracture social cohesion both within and across borders.

However, this paper has shown that:

- “The West” does not exist as a singular entity, but as a fragmented and contested set of cultures, policies, and political systems.
- The *Traditional Family Guy* trope is a cynical smokescreen for oppression, disguising state violence as cultural preservation.
- LGBTQ+ people are neither threats nor outsiders; they are vital agents of resistance, community, and renewal.

In reclaiming and redefining “The West,” we reject the false binaries that fuel hatred and war. We affirm a future where diversity is a strength, where freedom of gender and love are rights—not privileges.

This struggle is global, and it requires solidarity that transcends borders, languages, and identities.

To activists, policymakers, scholars, and all allies, the call is clear: dismantle the myths, expose the lies, and build inclusive communities founded on justice and compassion.

Concluding Remarks from the Author

I denounce all forms of homophobia, transphobia, and fascism—no matter how well-dressed, no matter how disguised in religion, nationalism, or moral panic. No queer person is a threat to civilization. No LGBTQ+ child corrupts society. Dictators who claim to ‘protect tradition’ are frightened men with failing empires built on cruelty. I stand as an openly trans woman, researcher, and citizen of the so-called West—a West that does not exist, but which I now claim, redefine, and defend. We are not your scapegoats. We are not your enemy. We are the future.

The analysis presented in this white paper is not merely an academic exercise; it is an urgent call to awareness and action. The weaponization of homophobic and transphobic rhetoric, disguised as the defense of "tradition," is a clear and present danger to human rights, social cohesion, and democratic principles globally. It fuels violence, justifies oppression, and seeks to erase the existence and contributions of LGBTQ+ communities.

We stand at a critical juncture where the narratives we allow to proliferate will shape the future. The fight against disinformation and state-sponsored hatred requires unwavering vigilance, courage, and a commitment to truth. It demands solidarity across all communities targeted by authoritarian impulses.

This work is dedicated to every individual who has faced persecution for who they are or whom they love, and to all those who continue to resist in the face of adversity. May we all find the strength to challenge these harmful narratives, to protect the vulnerable, and to build a world where every person can live with dignity, safety, and joy. The reclamation of "The West," and indeed the world, as an inclusive and just space for all, begins with each of us.

Thank you for engaging with this critical issue. Your attention is the first step towards collective action and meaningful change.

— Marie Seshat Landry, 2025

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“There’s Faggots in the West” - A Propaganda Ballad, Dismantled

(Satirical protest song, using real propaganda language for deconstruction purposes only.)

Dictator:

- ♪ “There’s faggots in the West!”
- ♪ “They’re ruining our youth!”
- ♪ “They wear skirts and lipstick—what happened to truth?”
- ♪ “They want to corrupt us, destroy our land!”
- ♪ “I stand for the family—don’t you understand?”

Dissident:

- ♪ “Shut up with your nonsense, your empire’s a mess,”
- ♪ “You call it tradition—it’s just violence in a dress.”
- ♪ “You’re just a fake, a hater, selling lies as divine,”
- ♪ “But your ‘family values’ are a cover for your crimes.”

Dictator:

- ♪ “They say gender is fluid—how can that be?”
- ♪ “A man’s a man—there’s no room for ‘they’ or ‘she’!”
- ♪ “We must protect children from this moral decay!”
- ♪ “I’ll jail every queer who gets in my way!”

Dissident:

- ♪ “You hate what you fear, and you fear what you see—”
- ♪ “The freedom to live, to love, and to be.”
- ♪ “We chose how we dress, how we speak, how we feel,”
- ♪ “Your fragile control is the lie you conceal.”

Dictator:

- ♪ “There’s faggots in the West!”
- ♪ “This sickness must end!”
- ♪ “Give me your loyalty—don’t let them pretend!”

Dissident (Final Verse):

- ♪ “Your empire is rotting because you’re a miserable hater and a fake,”
- ♪ “A murderer dressed as a saint, a tyrant who’s afraid to break.”
- ♪ “You preach tradition, but you bring only pain,”

♪ “I am not a faggot, I am the West!”

This song was deliberately constructed to highlight and disarm weaponized language. Its satire is a tool of resistance.

“I am the West.”
— Marie Seshat Landry