**The Prevent duty, ‘extremism’ and ‘radicalisation’**

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Save the date

**Phantom Parrot**

Bertha Doc House (Curzon Bloomsbury) - September 21st, 18:30

Event page here:

<https://dochouse.org/event/phantom-parrot/>

Summary: Phantom Parrot is a feature documentary that tells the true story of a human rights activist who – in the midst of investigating allegations of U.S. government torture – is prosecuted under U.K. terror laws for refusing to hand over the passwords to his electronic devices during a border stop. The documentary unravels a secret data-gathering program (codenamed Phantom Parrot) in which individuals are stopped at U.K. borders and have their devices covertly copied, using technologies known as Mobile Device Forensic Tools. With unprecedented access to the companies that build and sell surveillance technologies to law enforcement, Phantom Parrot is an urgent exploration of privacy in the era of information.

“What Citizenfour did for the NSA’s domestic espionage program in the U.S. – exposing it for the world to see — the documentary Phantom Parrot may do for a top-secret surveillance program in the U.K.” (Deadline, March 2023).

Trailer - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=8QzZteMWbww>

Reports and Papers

**Embodying the inquiry: Disaster, affectivity, and the localized politics of security**

Tom Pettinger

<https://doi.org/10.1177/23996544231195050>

**State Capture: The CCE as a vehicle for entryism by right-wing think tanks**

Azfar Shafi

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**Radicalised teenagers a ‘new and emerging’ threat, warns terror chief**

Charles Hymas

<https://www.telegraph.co.uk/news/2023/08/03/radicalised-teenagers-threat-uk-counter-terrorism-chief/>

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**Terrorism: What's behind surge in arrests of under-18s?**

Rachel Stonehouse

<https://www.bbc.com/news/newsbeat-66365312>

**Number of teenagers being radicalised for terror online rises five-fold in four years**

Martin Bentham

<https://www.standard.co.uk/news/uk/teenagers-terrorism-police-matt-jukes-online-b1098447.html>

**Radicalised teenagers who share extreme content without ever leaving their bedrooms pose new terror threat**

Danya Bazaraa

<https://www.dailymail.co.uk/news/article-12372113/Radicalised-teenagers-share-extreme-content-without-leaving-bedrooms-pose-new-terror-threat.html>

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**MI5 use AI to ‘automate’ search for terrorists watching violent videos**

Sean Rayment

<https://www.telegraph.co.uk/news/2023/08/05/mi5-ai-social-media-predict-terrorist-ken-mccallum-glasgow/>

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**AI’s Counterterrorism Role in MI5’s Efforts to Identify Threats**

Koko

<https://nftevening.com/ais-counterterrorism-role-in-mi5s-efforts-to-identify-threats/>

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**Andy Burnham says time at Cambridge ‘radicalised him’**

Daniel Hilton

<https://www.varsity.co.uk/news/25929>

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**Fear, Grievance and Hate: How A Community Became Radicalised**

Dorset Eye

<https://dorseteye.com/fear-grievance-and-hate-how-a-community-became-radicalised/>

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**U.K. taking necessary measures for security of Indian mission in London: British Security Minister Tugendhat**

The Hindu

<https://www.thehindu.com/news/international/uk-taking-necessary-measures-for-security-of-indian-mission-in-london-british-security-minister-tugendhat/article67190178.ece>

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**The arrogance of fighting extremism**

Simon Cottee

<https://unherd.com/2023/08/the-arrogance-of-fighting-extremism/>