

Peer Review

Review of: "Neoreaction, Accelerationism, Entrepreneurship"

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The work deals with an important topic on neoreaction and accelerationism that has not been explored in depth so far. However, the manuscript is too short and lacks broader description and explanation of some issues. The quality of the work would be improved if the author would describe what does it mean by "enabling citizens to "exit" in a neoreactionary world", as well as by "if governance were unsatisfactory, citizens would no longer be able to "exit"". "If governance, or service, is unsatisfactory, citizens are able to "exit" and move to another state." - This statement would need a critical review, because how would citizens "be able to exit" if they are denied of the political freedom? And to what kind of another state would citizens may "exit" when the political power is taken by the corporate world? The another question that would be addressed is the statement of neoreactionaries that the citizens' "individual and economic freedom would be guaranteed". It has been widely argued that in the current phase of capitalism, economic freedom is guaranteed and may be enjoyed solely by big firms and multinational corporations, while the small-scale entrepreneurs have been totally deprived of economic freedom. Thus, it would be useful to describe in more depth the kind of "*entrepreneurship*" advocated by Peter Thiel.^[1] It is also questionable whether any scholar would name Peter Thiel as a typical entrepreneur, if looking at ways how he had created his corporations. Besides, it may not be forgotten that some of his companies (Palantir) and investments (Clearview AI) are related to enabling and implementing surveillance and facial recognition technologies, while his political views and political activism raise controversies. Besides, Thiel belongs to Silicon Valley's tech giants that have proven "they have the technical and financial means to shape the politics of the present and of tomorrow".^[2] If so, may citizens, even states, have any freedom and/or power to act or decide?

The work ends by a statement that "entrepreneurship may be essential for creating new corporate states, enabling citizens to "exit." It is not clear is this the conclusion of the author or the statement of

neoreactionaries?

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