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Thanks Meral!

I'm very aware of the researchers here and know them well. Awful. The one that is most implicated is Kate Starbird of UW. This is related to the election partnership initiative, tracking US 2020 election.

I think the biggest issue as we saw with DHS is how this issue is playing out on the right leading to US elections.

This only confirms the point that we need to get through the midterms without any leaks!

On Fri, Oct 7, 2022 at 5:05 AM Meral Karan <mkaran@usaid.gov> wrote:

> I just wanted to give some context and atmospherics we are dealing with when it comes to addressing mis/dis/malinformation. The below was sent by our colleagues in the White House whom we are working with on their national research strategy related to MDM.
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> DHS, CISA, and NSF projects on misinformation correction are receiving negative social media attention. Link below to the original article (which NSF notes that it contains misinformation).
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> https://justthenews.com/government/federal-agencies/biden-administration-rewarded-private-entities-got-2020-election
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