

Wylie **ORG** became a public figure **overnight** **TIME**. And the story triggered what, in many ways, looks like **a year** **DATE** of reckoning for the tech industry. **Damian Collins** **PERSON**, the chair of **the Department of Culture, Media and Sport's** **ORG** 18-month-long fake news inquiry, which delivered **last month** **DATE**'s report, described the story's publication as a "pivotal moment" when "public attitudes and government policy towards the tech companies started to change".

Last week **DATE**, on **the 30th anniversary** **DATE** of the worldwide web, its creator **Tim Berners-Lee** **PERSON** urged people to stop the "downward plunge" to "a dysfunctional future" that the **Cambridge Analytica** **PERSON** scandal had helped expose. It was, **Berners-Lee** **PERSON** said, the moment people realised that "elections had been manipulated using data that they contributed".

The problem is that while the tech companies have been called to account, they haven't actually been held accountable. In **November** **DATE**, after **Zuckerberg** **PERSON** refused to comply with a summons to parliament to answer questions about **Facebook** **ORG**'s role in the scandal, **Collins** **PERSON** convened an international committee of **nine** **CARDINAL** parliaments. **Zuckerberg** **PERSON** refused to come to that too.