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Microsoft-owned GitHub  has been under intense scrutiny as of late for its \$200,000 contract with Immigration and Customs Enforcement. Now, another employee, engineer Alice Goldfuss, has resigned.

In a tweet, [Goldfuss said](#) GitHub has a number of problems to address and that “ICE is only the latest.”

Meanwhile, [Vice reports at least five staffers quit today](#). These

came day as GitHub Universe, the company’s



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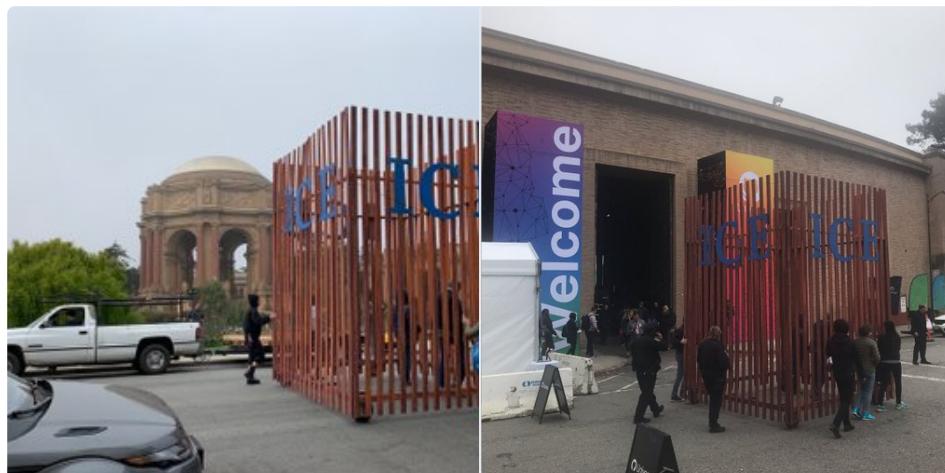
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and said the deal is not “financially material” for the company. Friedman also pointed out that ICE is responsible for more than immigration and detention facilities.

“[...] We recognize that ICE is responsible for both enforcing the US immigration policies with which we passionately disagree, as well as policies that are critical to our society, such as fighting human trafficking,” Friedman wrote. “We do not know the specific projects that the on-premises GitHub Enterprise Server license is being used with, but recognize it could be used in projects that support policies we both agree and disagree with.”

But some employees were not persuaded by Friedman’s words.

“We are not satisfied with GitHub’s now-public stance on this issue,”



in an open letter. “GitHub has held a ‘seat at



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When reached for comment about GitHub's stance on its contract with ICE, GitHub directed me to its blog post from last month. TechCrunch has sent a follow-up note to see if the company will comment on the resignation.

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Complete BS. ICE has become a media trigger acronym. Most of these employees have no concept of what is required to protect our borders, nor what ICE even does. They have been indoctrinated by far-left voices that get far too much attention, and are frankly dangerous. When and where did we come to such a divisive place? Border policies have not



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I really doubt that someone would go as far as to resign from their job over a "media trigger acronym". It sounds to me like you came to this article with some loaded opinions and decided to present them as fact. Simply because the problems with ICE have been exposed over the past few years, doesn't mean it was the right thing to do when previous presidents enabled them. It's just that more people know about it now and have been acting accordingly.

> We've always had border protection and we always will have border protection.

ICE doesn't often operate at the borders per se, but rather in communities within 100 miles of the border (or even further inland despite that not being their jurisdiction). On top of that, we did not have ICE prior to 2003, after the formation of the DHS, so it seems possible that we could go back to using USCIS as the main form of "border protection".

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