Twitter Thread by Texan



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Enough! Reporters doing it again. Both-sidesing. U enable Trump's propaganda by doing this

Reporter's both-sides question:

"What was your role in what happened at the Capitol?

Proper question:

"Are you going to take responsibility for your role in inciting insurrection?"

> Disgraced President Trump claims his speech was analyzed and people thought it was totally appropriate and MSNBC cuts away pic.twitter.com/sg5yIxWWBc
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> — Acyn Torabi (@Acyn) January 12, 2021

The press enabled the storming of the Capitol because they never held GOP accountable for pushing #TheBigLie that election was stolen

I have been yelling about this for months. Starting here where @TerryMoran got it right

But after press returned to form https://t.co/yRhyyNECjW

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> — Texan (@Texan_21C) November 4, 2020

Not long after Nov 4th press started both-sidesing again. Question Republicans were asked over & over was:

"Do u think Biden won?"

This enabled the coup

The proper question at minimum:

"Why are u enabling this charade? Why are u spreading #TheBigLie?"
https://t.co/mhFPw4UdQQ

> Media should shove a mic in every Republicans face & demand to know why they are going along with this charade!
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> These, \u201cdo you think Biden won the election\u201d questions are weak bothsidesism that allowed a conman to become president
>
> — Texan (@Texan_21C) November 11, 2020

After repeatedly yelling that press wasn't demanding answers of GOP for spreading #TheBigLie I hoped this political violence on Dec 10th would finally get press to demand answers. But no. They continued to both-sides it
https://t.co/v41nqCMl1A

> Maybe political violence most likely inspired by Trump saying Dems are stealing the election will cause press to actually hold GOP accountable? Probably nothttps://t.co/1VZXCwuPc6
>
> — Texan (@Texan_21C) December 11, 2020

I noted how impotent the American press was acting by treating #TheBigLie as credible. The press is supposed to hold people in power accountable, but beside @TerryMoran on election night, they by and large failed
https://t.co/c7kJrrIF9z

> Reminder that there was political violence 2 days ago bc the GOP is conning their supporters & actively engaging in a coup
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> I am trying to come up with an analogy that fully captures how much American press is behaving as if it's impotent, during Americas 1st coup attempt!
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> Yes.. https://t.co/wntoQdyMZs
>
> — Texan (@Texan_21C) December 11, 2020

The press basically sat back and watched the slow moving coup as if it was a football game. Never demanding that @senatemajldr, @GOPLeader & Trump answer for spreading #TheBigLie

I asked "is red line now tanks in the street?" before press demands answer
https://t.co/dlmOusS8OH

> ..its a clown car coup but thats no excuse to sit back & watch as if a football game
>
> Is red line now tanks in the street? I thought if entire political party & president were trying to steal an election reporters would at least ask
>
> "Why are u trying to steal an election?"..
>
> — Texan (@Texan_21C) December 11, 2020

And press is doing it again. Why aren't they hounding @senatemajldr & @GOPLeader? They should be swarmed with reporters demanding answers RIGHT NOW!

"Why did you spread #TheBigLie?"

"Are you going to tell America the truth that it was all a lie?" https://t.co/2mceWmmDEE

> ..until he answers for what his party is doing would probably go a long way in stopping this madness!
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> But the press won't do that. Why?
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> Why isn't everyone demanding that they do?
>
> — Texan (@Texan_21C) December 11, 2020

Trump was planning the coup in the Oval■

I pleaded with @maggieNYT & everyone to demand why @senatemajldr & @GOPLeader could allow this?

But 2 of top 3 GOP in USA were never grilled on why they wouldn't stop it & why they continued to spread #TheBigLie https://t.co/GaPpUmF4RC

> JFC Democrats and MSM. It's as if America is powerless aginst this evil corruption. We aren't. Speak out...every chance you get and
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> MSM shove a mic in every Republicans face and don't leave until they answer for why they are enabling this madness! https://t.co/Xk6zAohOTl
>
> — Texan (@Texan_21C) December 19, 2020

@Axios was reporting about the Oval Office coup planning but why weren't they demanding answers from @senatemajldr & @GOPLeader?

Its as if the play-by-play is more important than the plotting of a coup https://t.co/LRoxaY66ok

> Wow
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coups are being hatched in the White House by the president of the United States & member of the Republican Party?@senatemajldr @GOPLeader

Has anyone asked them?

— Texan (@Texan_21C) December 20, 2020

https://t.co/8WNP0t9Fkx

Jonathan H. Adler
@jadler1969

"There is literally not one motherf—r in the president's entire orbit . . . who doesn't think that Sidney Powell should be on that first rocket to Mars."
"The obvious exception, of course, is the president of the United States."



← **Tweet**



Top Trump aides pushed back on Sidney Powell during a chaotic West Wing mee...
"It's basically Sidney [Powell] versus everybody," a source said.
axios.com

3:17 PM · Dec 20, 2020 · Twitter Web App

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Texan @Texan_21C · Dec 20, 2020
Replying to @jadler1969
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@senatemajldr
@GOPLeader

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You'd think reporters would be like paparazzi on Kardashians

Hounding them. Demanding answers.

Popping out of bushes and shoving mics in their faces and not giving up until given a substantive answer

But no. Nothing

Democracy's not that important to them I guess

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Here I reminded this @politico reporter that cover Congress, @kyledcheney, what the most important question was. Of course no one listened https://t.co/grME3eCyk3



Replies



Do you know what one of the most pressing questions in America is that for some reason is not asked?

To all Republicans in power and especially@senatemajldr & @GOPLeader

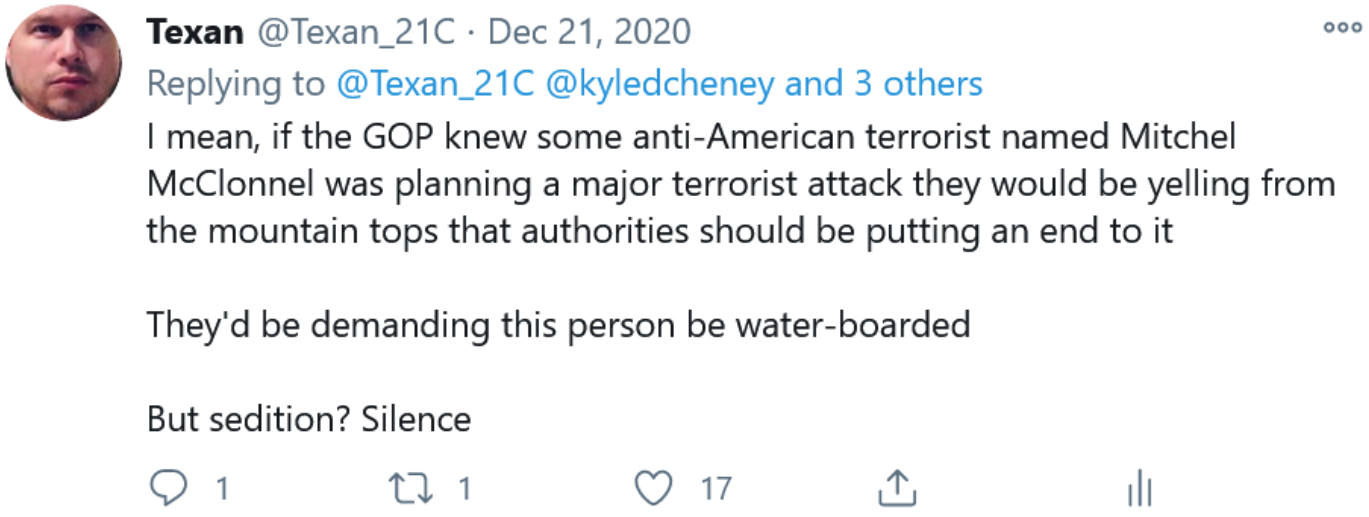
"Why are you enabling Trump's attempted sedition with your silence?"

They have the power to stop it, now!

— Texan (@Texan_21C) December 22, 2020

Tried to make joke putting GOP silence into context. Didn't think it was funny, but was trying to get people to think about how serious it was

Said if someone named Mitchel McClonnell was planning terrorist attack GOP would demand authorities take action https://t.co/z5AB8Dcy8X



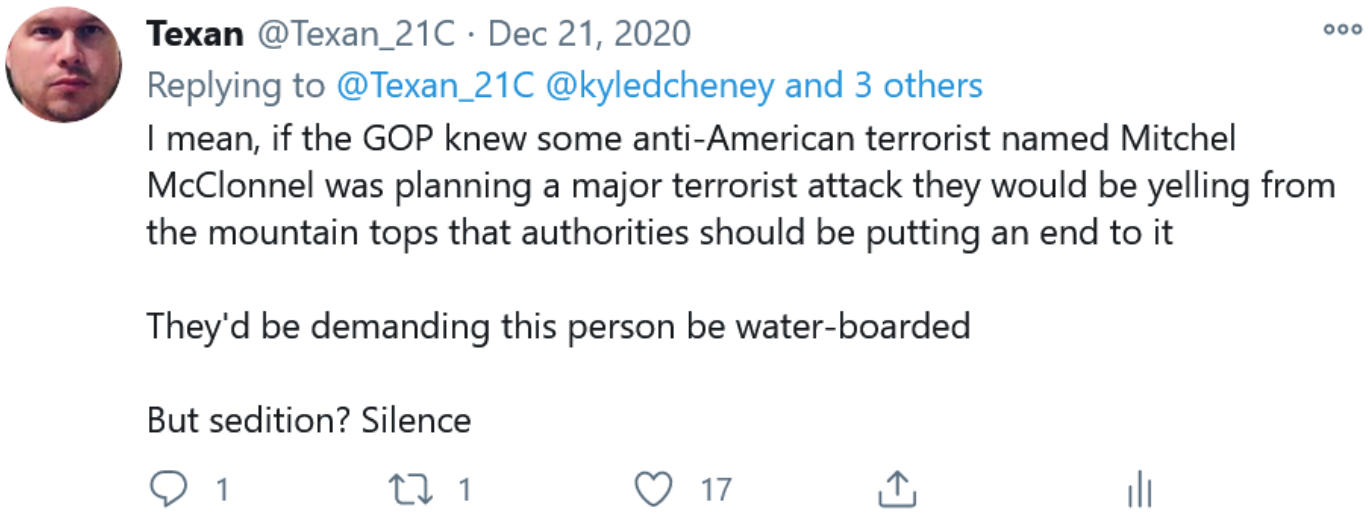
I mean, if the GOP knew some anti-American terrorist named Mitchel McClonnel was planning a major terrorist attack they would be yelling from the mountain tops that authorities should be putting an end to it

They'd be demanding this person be water-boarded

But sedition? Silence

— Texan (@Texan_21C) December 22, 2020

Well, the terrorist attack happened, the coup was attempted, the insurrection was incited... and the press STILL isn't demanding to know why @senatemajldr & @GOPLeader did nothing to stop it



Compare this to how the press is demanding answers for how Capitol could be breached. They demand to know why Capitol wasn't protected

What about demanding to know why the most powerful 2 Republicans in America @senatemajldr & @GOPLeader did nothing to stop a slow moving coup?

You might be thinking I am putting too much blame on press. My thoughts:

Trump is responsible for the insurrection. The Republican Party is 2nd most responsible

But press enabled all of it. They didn't demand answers. They both-sided it

They treated #TheBigLie as credible pov

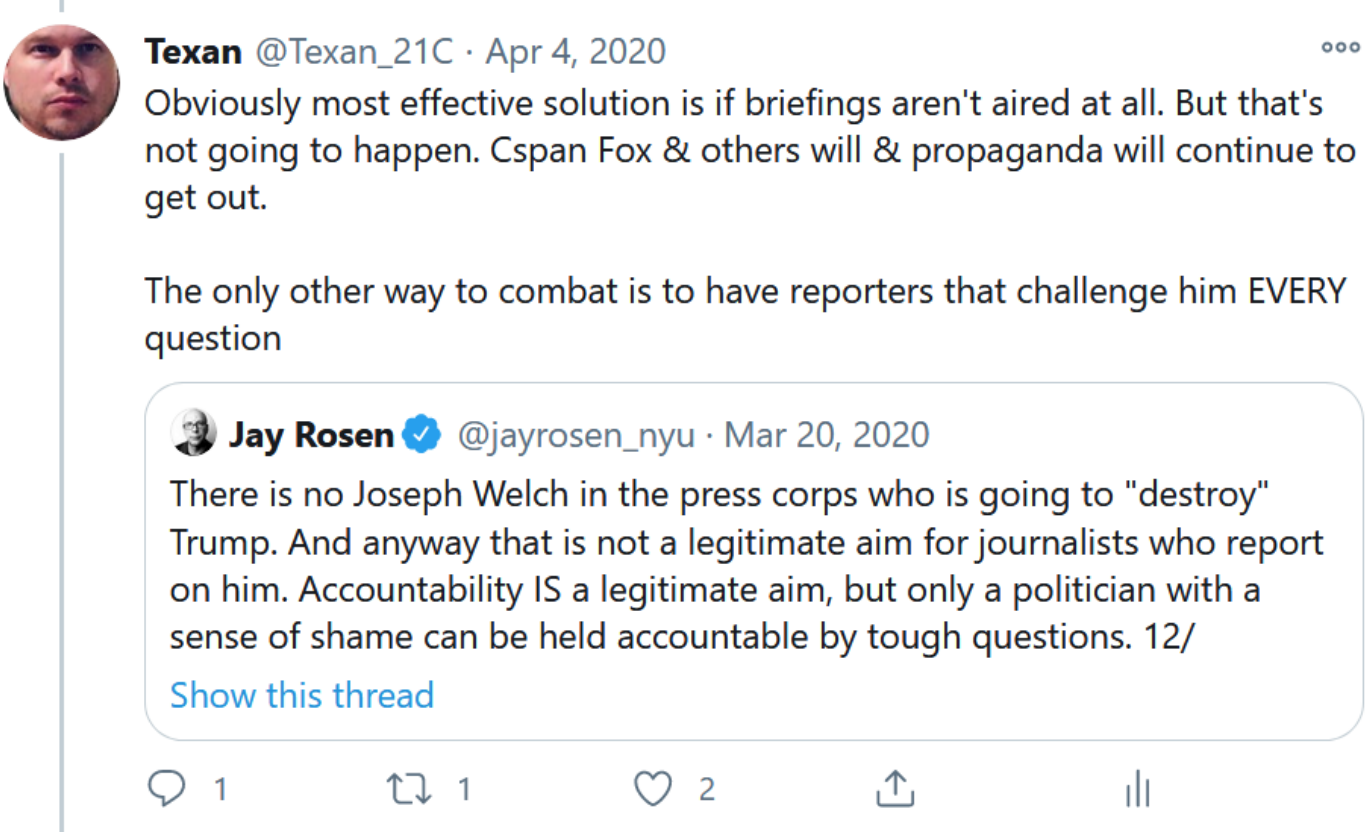
And when I see something wrong I don't just complain about it talking in endless circles "Did u see latest crazy Trump lie?"

I do something

Think the most powerful thing we on Twitter can do is inspire press to do better. Press has tremendous power.

During Trump's propaganda Covid press conferences I called on press to challenge Trumps lies. Reporters like @Yamiche @Acosta & @weijia did do it

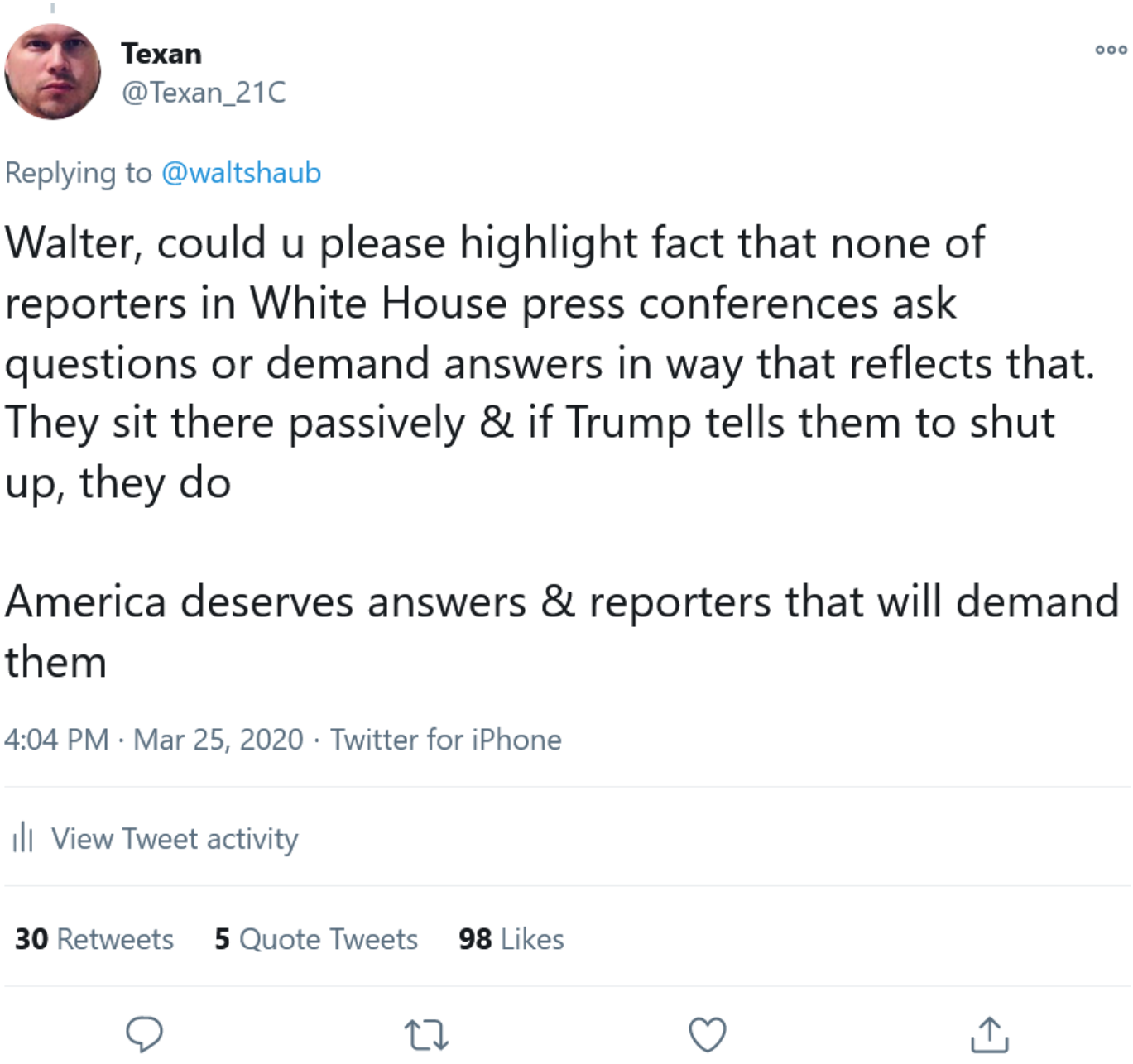
But overall press didn't rise to challenge of Trumps propaganda. They let him cut em off, lie to their faces https://t.co/K3rYsAyRRa



> Obviously most effective solution is if briefings aren't aired at all. But that's not going to happen. Cspan Fox & others will & propaganda will continue to get out.
>
> The only other way to combat is to have reporters that challenge him EVERY questionhttps://t.co/fEwyFP4u81
>
> — Texan (@Texan_21C) April 5, 2020

When press demands answers and doesn't back down...Trump runs away

Press has acted like abused spouse Trump's entire term..bc they are abused. They walk on egg-shells. Scared they'll set him off https://t.co/laFNIiCqE3



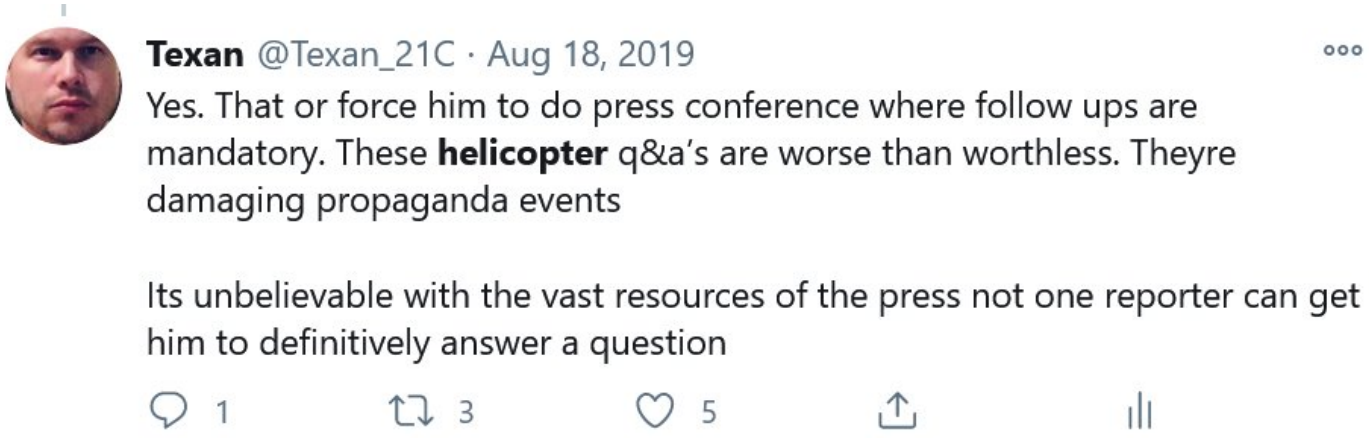
Walter, could u please highlight fact that none of reporters in White House press conferences ask questions or demand answers in way that reflects that. They sit there passively & if Trump tells them to shut up, they do

America deserves answers & reporters that will demand them

— Texan (@Texan_21C) March 25, 2020

So here we are again. Press asking Trump most gentle questions "What role did you play in Capitol"

& hes doing what he always does: Standing by helicopter & giving propaganda speech. He's playing them like a fiddle. They ask timid question■■Trump lies https://t.co/oAYc5XzfrI



They dont ask follow ups. They sit by a hellicopter & listen to irrational speeches. They do this EVERYDAY and dont stop to think...what are we doing by this helicopter? My goodness

All interviews should stop until normal conditions met. He lies to their face & they report it\U0001f633

— Texan (@Texan_21C) September 1, 2019

Trump's pattern:

1-Goes too far for reasonable Americans
2-Acknowledges the obvious: that there should be no wrong-doing in prepared speech
3-Doesn't admit responsibility
4-Re-writes what happened
5-Does something worse

He's at #4

He is never asked:

"Why did you (do this bad thing)?"

Its weak both-sides:

"What would u say to people that say you did this bad thing?"

On Trump/Russia was never asked why he colluded with Russia by coordinating with their cutout Wikileaks and kept it all hidden

Not once

On Ukraine Trump was never asked why he extorted an ally to get manufactured dirt to help cheat in upcoming election

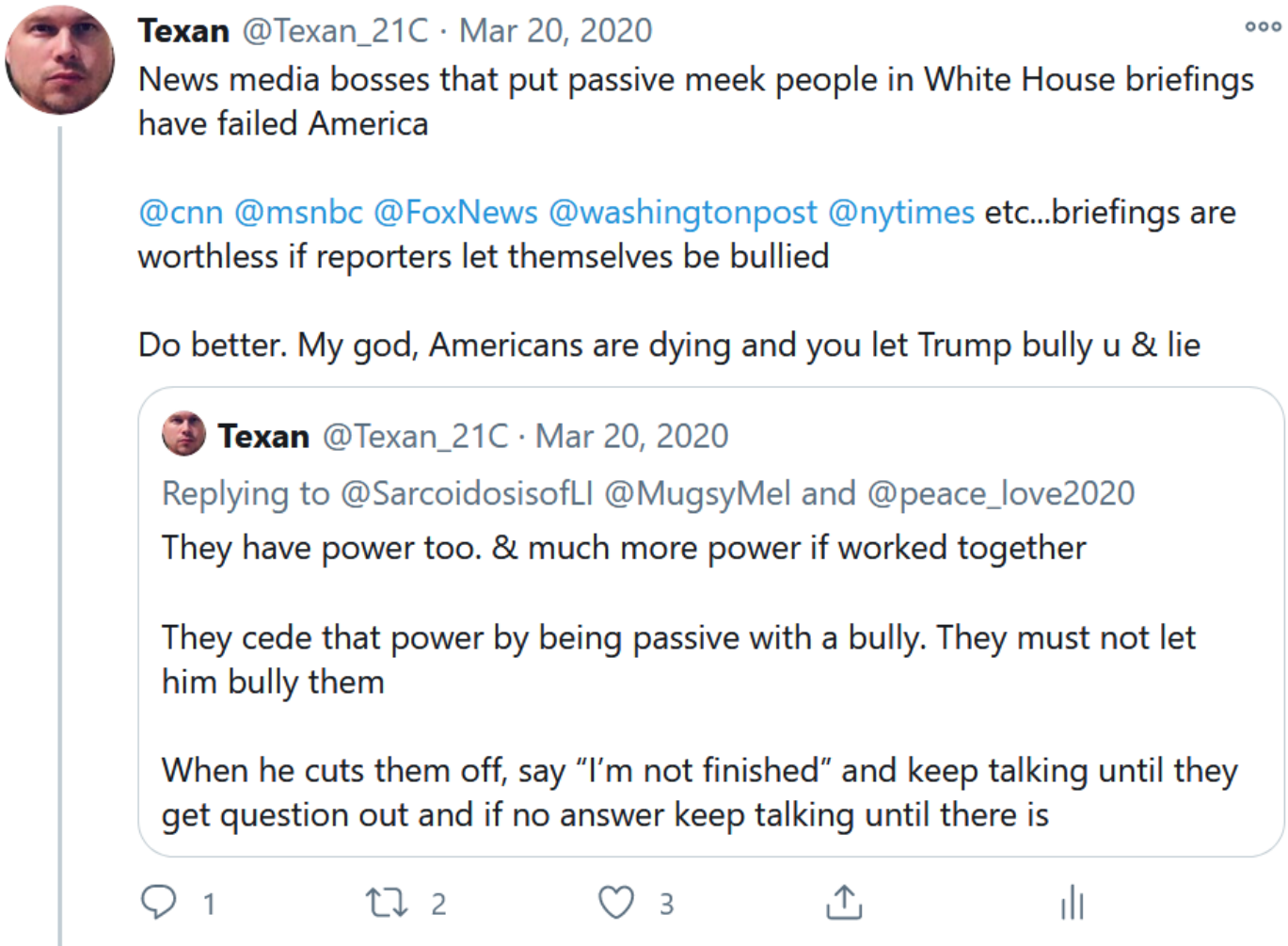
That's what he did. But press both-sides it & gave Trumps denial credibility

@senatemajldr & @GOPLeader were never grilled on how they let Trump get away with it

On Coronavirus Trump, @senatemajldr & @GOPLeader are never grilled on why they don't do more to stop Americans from dying■■■■■

Press acts like Americas incompetent response to the pandemic is just a difference of opinions between both sides.

No, its reality https://t.co/yx6HDiOooV



News media bosses that put passive meek people in White House briefings have failed America@cnn @msnbc @FoxNews @washingtonpost @nytimes etc...briefings are worthless if reporters let themselves be bullied

Do better. My god, Americans are dying and you let Trump bully u & lie https://t.co/PMbPoPURim

— Texan (@Texan_21C) March 20, 2020

& now we have America's 1st attempted coup, & Americans need answers on why most powerful people in gov, @senatemajldr & @GOPLeader, enabled it

Hound them until they answer. Send reporters to camp outside their house

Allowing them to duck responsibility puts USA in more danger!

Long thread. I know. Sorry but i've had enough. People in authority that could've stopped this 2 months ago did nothing & no one is demanding answers

In a just world America would not only demand Trump's resignation but also that @senatemajldr & @GOPLeader resign immediately

@senatemajldr & @GOPLeader allowed the president of the United States to create #TheBigLie. Helped spread it. Allowed Trump to plan a coup. & now allowed him to incite insurrection; incited his followers to attack the United States Capitol

They allowed Trump to attempt a coup!

Here's why press failing to demand answers is so dangerous

Imagine if after Nov 4 press would've treated #TheBigLie as @TerryMoran did

If someone peddled "stolen election" nonsense, press would ask em why they are engaging n "theater of authoritarianism" https://t.co/yRhyyNECjW

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If every time Trump or @senatemajldr or @GOPLeader furthered the lie they were asked by reporters:

■Why are u engaging in "an attempt to end the election illegitimately to remain in power?"■

which was proper question that was never asked it would've at least given them pause

Here I am on Jan 3rd pleading with @jaketapper. If every reporter asked @GOPLeader over past 2 months

"Why are u engaging in "an attempt to end election illegitimately to remain in power?"

It could've made a difference, but no reporter asked them this

https://t.co/hPI01RclWf



Jake Tapper @jaketapper · Jan 3

.@mkraju : McCarthy gives green light to conservatives' push to overturn Biden's win, as senior Republicans raise alarms



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Please, can the press do some old fashion reporting & track down **@senatemajldr** & @GOPLeader & question them until they give answers? Hound them. Like paparazzi on @KimKardashian

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— Texan (@Texan_21C) January 3, 2021

Do media companies not have enough money to send a reporter to ask the most powerful Republicans in America why they enabled a coup?

How are Kevin and Mitch STILL able to stay quiet? They allowed sedition to happen.

A black man shot in the back is asked what he did to cause his own shooting much more than Mitch and Kevin are asked how they could let Trump attempt a coup!?!