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"Let us be alert to the season in which we are living. It is the season of the Blessed Hope, calling for us to cut our ties with the world and build ourselves on this One who will soon appear. He is our hope—a Blessed Hope enabling us to rise above our times and fix our gaze upon Him." Tozer

AI Turbocharging \$2,600,000,000 'Imposter Scams' by Cloning Children's Voices and Calling With Fake Emergencies: Report

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Artificial intelligence is now turbocharging a multibillion-dollar global criminal scheme known as the "imposter scam".

The initial version of the scheme happens when scammers call or send text messages to unsuspecting people pretending to be someone they know who has a new phone number and a financial emergency.

But now, with the help of AI, scammers are cloning the actual voices of friends, family members and even children, according to a new McAfee cybersecurity artificial intelligence report.

Using three seconds of someone's recorded voice, McAfee says AI can accurately replicate anyone's voice and begin placing calls to unsuspecting victims.

McAfee cites the case of an Arizona mom who <u>told</u> the New York Post that scammers cloned her teenage daughter's voice using AI, demanding a \$1 million ransom for her release.

McAfee recommends people set a codeword with kids, family members, or trusted close friends that only they know, and make a plan to always ask for it if they call, text, or email for help.

The latest numbers from the Federal Trade Commission <u>show</u> impostor scams accounted for \$2.6 billion in losses last year.

And the Commission has also <u>outlined</u> its own set of measures people can take if they believe a scammer may be on the line.

- Resist the pressure to send money immediately. Hang up.
- Then call or message the family member or friend who (supposedly) contacted you.
- Call them at a phone number that you know is right, not the one someone just used to contact you. Check if they're really in trouble.
- Call someone else in your family or circle of friends, even if the caller said to keep it a secret. Do that especially if you can't reach the friend or family member who's supposed to be in trouble. A trusted person can help you figure out whether the story is true.

According to McAffee, 25% of adults surveyed globally have experience of an AI voice scam.

One in 10 say they have been targeted personally, and 15% say somebody they know has been targeted.

UN 'Summit of the Future' Will Set The Stage For New Global Order In 2024



A research director at The Heartland Institute and New York Times bestselling author on Independence Day unleashed a warning to Americans that they may soon be losing their independence.

Justin Haskins has written at The Federalist about a series of proposals to be

considered at the United Nations next year, only weeks before the 2024 presidential election.

One especially has grabbed his attention, the one regarding "emergencies."

"The proposal might be the biggest attempted power grab in the history of the United Nations. If approved, the United States as we know it could cease to exist," he wrote.

It is at the "Summit of the Future" being planned by the international bureaucrats who make up the U.N. that member nations are expected to adopt a "Pact for the Future."

"The agreement will solidify numerous policy reforms offered by the U.N." in its agenda, he said.

"Although there are numerous radical proposals included in the agenda, perhaps none are more important than the U.N. plan for a new 'emergency platform,' a stunning proposal to give the U.N. significant powers in the event of future 'global shocks,' such as another worldwide pandemic," he explained.

Known details of the scheme, he said, include a plan for "standing authority" for the U.N. to "convene and operationalize automatically an emergency platform."

"Once triggered, the emergency platform would give the U.N. the ability to 'actively promote and drive an international response that places the principles of equity and solidarity at the centre of its work.' The U.N. would bring together the 'stakeholders' of the world, including academics, governments, private sector actors, and 'international financial institutions' to ensure there is a unified, global response to the crisis," he explained.

That authority would include ensuring "that all participating actors make commitments that can contribute meaningfully to the response and that they are held to account for delivery on those commitments."

Haskins explained, "In other words, the United Nations would be given unprecedented authority over the public and private sectors of huge swaths of the world, all in the name of battling a yet unknown crisis."

Further, the strategy by the international power brokers at the U.N. would let the emergency run on at long as they want, and the "justifications" for the power grab would include climatic events, pandemics digital disruptions and "unforeseen" events.

"The emergency platform proposal might be the biggest attempted power grab in the history of the United Nations, but as shocking as it is, it pales in comparison to the Biden administration's treatment of this extremist proposal," he warned.

"Rather than assert America's independence and sovereignty, the White House has expressed its support for the emergency platform. U.S. Ambassador Chris Lu noted in at least two March 2022 speeches that the Biden administration backs the emergency platform, along with numerous other proposals included in 'Our Common Agenda.'

Biden, in fact, "agreed to sell us out" by supporting giving "the United Nations greater control over the lives of Americans than it has ever had before," he warned.

The end of the U.S. "sounds dire," he pointed out. "But it's true. We either stand for freedom now or risk everything come September 2024."

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The World's Largest CBDC Trial: A Preview of the Elite's Cashless Vision for You

by Nick Giambruno

Central bankers, academics, politicians, and an assortment of elites from over 100 countries hoping to launch their own CBDCs have closely followed the eNaira.

They used Nigeria—Africa's largest country by population and size of its economy—as a trial balloon to test their nefarious plans to eliminate cash in North America, Europe, and beyond.

Are you concerned about CBDCs?

Then you should be paying attention to what is happening in Nigeria.

That's because there's an excellent chance your government will reach for the same playbook when they decide to impose CBDCs in your area—which could be soon.

CBDCs enable all sorts of horrible, totalitarian things.

They allow governments to track and control every penny you earn, save, and spend. They are a powerful tool for politicians to confiscate and redistribute wealth as they see fit.

CBDCs will also enable devious social engineering by allowing governments to punish and reward people in ways they previously couldn't.

CBDCs are, without a doubt, an instrument of enslavement. They represent a quantum leap backward in human freedom.

Unfortunately, they're coming soon...

Governments will probably mandate CBDCs as the "solution" when the next real or contrived crisis hits—which is likely not far off.

That's why you must pay attention to what is happening in Nigeria. That way, you can know what to expect and take preventative action.

Here are the top five insights from the eNaira.

Insight #1: Don't Take the Bait... Reject CBDC Incentives In Nigeria, the government implemented discounts and other incentives to increase the adoption of eNaira.

In North America and Europe, expect the government to require CBDCs to receive welfare payments, a potential universal basic income, so-called "inflation relief checks," or whatever the next cockamamie scheme is.

Think of these incentives like the cheese in a mousetrap.

Insight #2: Simultaneous Moves To Eliminate Cash To help boost eNaira adoption, the Nigerian government announced a plan to remove the legal tender status of various high denomination bills, rendering them worthless.

According to the World Bank, over 55% of the adult population in Nigeria does not have a bank account and is dependent on physical cash.

The Nigerian government must have known phasing out cash would be a disaster for a majority of the population, but they plowed ahead anyways—so much for democracy.

When your government imposes a CBDC, expect simultaneous measures to force people out of cash, regardless of the costs.

Those measures could come in many flavors, but I would bet they would first look to phase out large denomination bills by removing their legal tender status.

We're already seeing this happen...

For example, the EU has already phased out the 500 euro note.

The \$100 bill is the largest in circulation in the US, but that wasn't always the case. At one point, the US had \$500, \$1,000, \$5,000, and even \$10,000 bills.

The government eliminated these large bills in 1969 under the pretext of fighting the War on (Some) Drugs.

The \$100 bill has been the largest ever since. But it has far less purchasing power than it did in 1969. Decades of rampant money printing have debased the dollar. Today, a \$100 note buys less than \$12 in 1969.

Even though the Federal Reserve has devalued the dollar by over 88% since 1969, it still refuses to issue notes larger than \$100.

With CBDCs on the horizon, I think the US government will not only never issue another bill higher than \$100 but will probably look to phase out the \$100 bill under various pretexts.

Insight #3: Bank Restrictions

Most people think of the money they deposit into the bank as a personal asset they own.

But that's not true.

Once you deposit money at the bank, it's no longer your property. Instead, it's the bank's, and they can pretty much do whatever they want with it.

What you really own is the bank's promise to pay you back. It's an unsecured liability, which makes you technically and legally a creditor of the bank.

And since the banking system is intertwined with the government everywhere, it's only prudent to expect governments to place more restrictions on bank accounts as CBDCs debut.

This is exactly what happened in Nigeria.

Cash withdrawal limits and debit card transaction restrictions were imposed, among other measures. In addition, capital controls made it challenging to send money out of the country. I wouldn't be surprised to see the forced conversion of bank deposits into the eNaira—at an unfavorable rate.

Here's the bottom line. Expect all sorts of restrictions—and possible confiscations—to be imposed on bank accounts when a CBDC is released.

Insight #4: Rising Inflation Amid the eNaira rollout, Nigeria is experiencing some of the highest inflation levels in its history.

This is not surprising. CBDCs make it even easier for the government to debase the currency.

So, it's reasonable to expect more inflation when CBDCs come to town.

Insight #5: Social Unrest

In another predictable development, frustrated Nigerians took to the streets over the government's actions to restrict cash and bank accounts. There was a violent scramble to exchange old notes before the government deemed them worthless. Riots broke out in several locations.

There's an excellent chance the destructive restrictions imposed alongside CBDCs could create social unrest anywhere.

Conclusion

To summarize, here are the top five insights from Nigeria's CBDC experience.

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Insight #5: Social Unrest

As CBDCs come to your neighborhood, you now know what to expect.

Governments will probably mandate CBDCs as the "solution" when the next real or contrived crisis hits—which is likely not far off.

There's an excellent chance more inflation and financial chaos is coming soon.

Are you ready for it?

HEADLINES

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Netanyahu praises IDF Operation Home and Garden in Jenin, says more to come

Netanyahu hailed the Israel Defense Forces for eliminating "many terrorist infrastructures" and preventing more attacks originating from the Palestinian terror hub. The prime minister stressed there would be more future IDF operations against the considerable terror network in the Jenin area.

From COVID to Ukraine: The experiment of godless Western liberalism has failed

With the project to destabilize Russia backfiring, the Regime of the West is facing a dramatic loss of face. Combined with deepening economic problems, ballooning debt and civil strife between the parallel cultures which now compose its nations, the Western world is in the process of a second great disenchantment. What is 'disenchantment'? the Encyclopedia Britannica notes, it has a definition ... "the supposed conditions of the world once science and the Enlightenment have eroded the sway of religion and superstition."

Ransomware criminals are targeting nation's schools, dumping kids' private files online

The confidential documents stolen from schools and dumped online by ransomware gangs are raw, intimate and graphic. They describe student sexual assaults, psychiatric hospitalizations, abusive

parents, truancy — even suicide attempts. "Please do something," begged a student in one leaked file, recalling the trauma of continually bumping into an ex-abuser at a school in Minneapolis. Other victims talked about wetting the bed or crying themselves to sleep.

Deadly flash floods sweep Lahore after record rainfall, Pakistan

Seven fatalities were recorded in Lahore, Pakistan's second-largest city, on Wednesday, July 5, 2023, following record-breaking rainfall that led to severe urban flooding and substantial infrastructure damage across various areas.

Storm Poly – Strongest summer storm on record hits the Netherlands

An exceptional summer storm named Poly by the German Weather Service wreaked havoc in the Netherlands on July 5, 2023. Recognized as the strongest summer storm ever and the overall strongest since January 2018, Poly brought record-breaking wind speeds to the country, causing widespread damage and claiming at least one life.

Tucker Carlson: 'Pride' is a 'religious war' that may bring same fate as Sodom and Gomorrah

'This is not about liberation. It's just the opposite. It's just another religious war' the former Fox News host said. '[It's] the people who think they're God versus everybody else.'