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**Fact Check: As the Voice of America's (VOA) first journalistic fact check launched in 2016, Polygraph.info has established itself as an authoritative voice in international coverage of false and misleading information.**

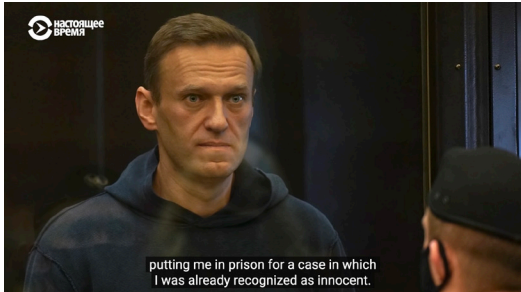
- The website serves as a resource for verifying the increasing volume of disinformation and misinformation initiating in Russia, China, Iran, Turkey, Venezuela and elsewhere.
- A team of journalists at VOA researches and analyzes quotes, stories and reports distributed by government officials, government-sponsored media and other high-profile individuals. The reporters separate fact from fiction, add context and debunk false and misleading information.
- Polygraph.info's audiences have increased on the web and on social media, attracting new readers and viewers throughout the nations of the former Soviet Union.
- Polygraph.info is produced in English. Many Polygraph.info fact checks are republished by other sites, including

Echo Moskvyy and in Russia, Stopfake.org in Ukraine and on the The Atlantic Council's Disinfo Portal.

## IMPACT

- In FY 2020, average weekly article views on Polygraph.info reached 25,000, an increase of 73 percent over two years prior.
- Polygraph.info's fact-check videos reach thousands more each week on YouTube. One debunking 5G as a cause of COVID-19 hit nearly 600,000 views.
- During the pandemic, Polygraph.info promoted daily fact-checks on COVID-19 and factual news on the virus.

## POLYGRAPH SAMPLE STORIES:



**Russian Disinfo on Navalny Sentencing:  
The West is Hysterical**  
February 3, 2021

### Russian Disinfo on Navalny Sentencing: The West is Hysterical



**Dmitry Peskov**  
Kremlin spokesman

**"It is unnecessary to talk about any significant impact  
on the political situation in Russia."**

Source: TASS, February 3, 2021

**FALSE**



The poisoning, prosecution and imprisonment of Vladimir Putin's chief opponent sparked significant nationwide protests and stinging global criticism.

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**China Showcases 'Happy' Uighurs  
to Fend Off Genocide Claims**  
January 28, 2021

### China Showcases 'Happy' Uighurs to Fend Off Genocide Claims



**Global Times**

**"Look at me, I'm so open-minded and happy now. Do I  
look like I have been abused? If my liver and kidney were  
removed, would I have the strength to build such a  
happy family?"**

Source: Global Times, January 28, 2021

**MISLEADING**



Mounting evidence from news investigations to reports by scholars backs claims that China is oppressing Uighur Muslims, not making them happy.

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