

GEORGE CHRISTENSEN FULL STATEMENT

This has to be the most bizarre overreach I've seen from any journalist ever. I normally wouldn't respond to such a line of questioning as a result, but the false 'guilt by association' routine really does gall, particularly since I have Jewish heritage of which I'm proud.

I'm sure that there's people who hold anti-Semitic or racist views who support lockdowns just as much as there are who oppose lockdowns but the issue has nothing to do with race! The issue is to do with government overreach and liberty.

The only attacks on Jewish people that I'm aware have had some link to the lockdowns were all of the slurs directed at those who either attended a Jewish engagement celebration last month or who attended a synagogue for Rosh Hashanah last week during lockdown in Melbourne. I support these Jewish people and their right to celebrate and worship in accordance with their faith!

The vast majority of people who attend Freedom Rallies are there because, like me, they support the idea of living in a free country, and certainly not one based on Nazi ideology.

If there are anti-Semites or racists out there posting online about what someone says about ending lockdowns, isn't that the same as them posting about their favourite sports team or movie? I mean it's completely unrelated to their racial prejudice, and it doesn't make that movie or sports team anti-Semitic or racist, does it?

I reject discrimination against Jewish people just as I reject discrimination against people who decide not to vaccinate.

Regards,

George Christensen