Flock "Safety" is all the rage these days, you've probably heard of them. The current darling surveillance tool of that ever expanding, multi-billion dollar industry known as "public safety". Their flagship product is the Automated License Plate Reader (APLR) and if you're the observant type you've probably seen them around - a black solar panel wired up to a little black box and usually mounted on utility poles or traffic light poles and sometimes on their own freestanding black pole.

APLR's aren't new but what is new with these is they are a part of a trend of new "Smart Surveillance" technology, coming bundled with AI assisted data aggregation and analytics. All that footage and data they are gathering they are algorithmically categorizing to build profiles and associations to enable them to build a map of your entire schedule, detect and be delivered live alerts of 'suspicious activity" - and they get to define whatever that means. All of this data can be saved long term and shared with the national Flock database for any agency to access and lets you be tracked between cameras and systems from across the city to across the country.

On top of this more and more Flock is used by private entities businesses and corporations, HOA's and Property Management Companies with an opt-in data sharing with police. What this means is Flock is helping the police in creating a private, unaccountable and warrantless surveillance network.

The big selling point for the supposed privacy protection of Flock and other 'smart surveillance" tech is that they swear off facial recognition. But we

generally don't recognize people by face but by pattern and association your voice and the way you talk, the way you walk and carry yourself, hair style and color, clothes and accessories, tattoos and piercings, vehicles, routes, who you're with, what you're doing, etc. All this is to say, they don't need your face to build an intimate profile of who you are, you're associations and your every day life. All they need to do is build a

database of your patterns of activity.

What is at stake here isn't a particular tool or potential for yet another over reach. What's at stake here is the creation of the kind of people who accept a world of constant surveillance - nevermind the AI part. What kind of people is that? A submissive, servile people whose fears and prejudices are marketed to as part of a multibillion dollar industry. A people who take up a siege mentality, seeing everyone as a potential enemy. A people who see every difference and deviancy as potentailly criminal and a threat to be contained. A people easy to control, busy fighting themself and running into the loving arms of the soverign who quietly puts into their heads that freedom means limits, chains,

This is the freedom of Flock, the freedom offered by the police and the state. To their freedom in the safety of chains, we will always prefer a freedom in the danger of revolt.



Fill a fire extinguisher or a pump action water gun with paint and spray the lens! You could also try with spray paint if you get a friend to give you a boost in climbing up to them.

If your aim and throw is good you could also try filling light bulbs or christmas ornaments with paint and throwing them at the lens. Make sure to choose NO FACE a bright color like red that really draws the eye so people see them.

## TAKE 'EM DOW'I

it over the camera and yank it down. Make sure the face. Do some light exercise in your outfit to make rope isn't stretchy.

Get a pair of tin snips and a friend to help you climb up to it and cut the tin clamp that attaches it to the Wear gloves - If you have to ditch an item it's best pole. Yank it down, smash the shit out of it, and run. to not leave finger prints on it.

Get a hammer and a friend to help you climb up and Know your in and out and be swift! smash the shit out of the lens. Take a few good hits cause once you shatter the protective lens you still need to fuck up the sensors. If you get good enough leverage you might be able to just hit it off altogether.

## DON'T COMPLICATE IT, IT'S REALLY THAT SIMPLE



Some precautions should be taken.

Dress anonymously - whether you wear nondescript clothes with a hood up and scarf securely tied around your face or you dress in all Get a nice rope and tie a weight off at the end, throw black with a black t-shirt mask tied around your sure nothing critical will accidentally come undone!

Keep quiet - Flock cameras have microphones on them.



COURAGE AND SWIFTNESS TO YOU FRIEND



Flock has a few new projects they are getting to roll out. The first is adding detection for the sounds of "human distress" to the Flock cameras. They already have microphones but they are expanding into aggregating and analyzing much more audio data the sound of your voice, the way you talk and of those you're talking to. Next, they are preparing an integration with Amazon Ring cameras. Finally, they wading into AI assisted drones that respond to "suspicious" alerts from the rest of their software and other integrated products.

But there's more beyond Flock. Here are some other "Smart" surveillance tech already deployed where we live.

**LiveView Technologies** - Another smart surveillance tech company whose flagship product is a mobile surveillance tower which along with AI data aggregation also has decision making Agentic AI. It is built to integrate into other surveillance tools like Real Time Crime Centers. They are largely implemented by private corporations and property management companies with an opt-in warrantless data sharing with police.

Amazon Ring - The most sophisticated private surveillance network deputizing your neighbors to spy on you. They are reviving their opt in warrantless data sharing program for police, rolling out new AI and facial recognition tools and integrating with Flock.

Axon - From AI powered drones to AI assisted body cameras which provide a Chat-GPT style assistant to give cops answers to their questions about their own department policy in the field. But what's most relevant is the Real Time Crime Center which integrates with all these others tools - and more - with it's own suite of AI data tools that can even turn normal cameras into smart AI cameras.



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