


Apple's Tim Cook joins the Trump pile-on, donating \$2M to anti-hate groups



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 Apple CEO Tim Cook and President Donald Trump at a June 17 meeting of the American Technology Council

Just hours after the white-supremacist blog the Daily Stormer was booted off GoDaddy Inc.'s domain-name registrar, Google Inc. [followed up](#) in a similar fashion, canceling its new registration for violating its terms of service. The decision meant that the Daily Stormer was once again searching for a new home after it posted a blog that was interpreted by technology companies as inciting violence, following the weekend events in Charlottesville, Virginia (pictured). The publication caused outrage following the [car attack in](#)

[Charlottesville](#) during a white supremacist rally that left one person dead and 19 injured.

The storm over the Daily Stormer was just the first of many subsequent actions by tech companies, in particular, to hit back against hate groups that were supported in part by their services. Since then, dozens of companies providing a range of online services to these groups have pulled back support.

On Thursday, the chief executive of Apple Inc., the world's most valuable company, [joined in](#). Tim Cook said in an [email to employees](#) that he disagreed with Trump's tepid criticism of white supremacy groups. "I disagree with the president and others who believe that there is a moral equivalence between white supremacists and Nazis, and those who oppose them by standing up for human rights," he wrote. "Equating the two runs counter to our ideals as Americans."