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Thread: [Ontario Canada to drop a \\$100M Starlink contract](#)

Hackers - February 3, 2025, 7:49 am

Actions have consequences.

I love SpaceX, but it's time for them to push Elon Musk out somehow and find a suitable CEO. I don't even mean this from a political standpoint. He's clearly busy running the entire treasury & multiple gov agencies to be a serious contribution to SpaceX or Tesla. It's time for Musk's boardmembers to wish him well in my opinion.

This is not great for US & business in short-term, but I hope that things like this can maybe reign Elon in a bit.

If he feels that his wallet will be hurt by his antics, then maybe he'll grow up a bit? Food for thought.

Every company and every country reserves the right to determine their future. Just as USA is going America-first, it sounds like Canada is going definitely-not-Elon-first. Time will tell for what happens, but I think this is a natural consequence for Elon.

<https://www.ctvnews.ca/toronto/article/ontario-rips-up-100m-starlink-contract-ahead-of-us-tariffs/>

Charlie Sheen - February 3, 2025, 8:00 am

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(Feb 3, 2025 09:00 AM)Charlie Sheen Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) Contract being ended has nothing to do with Elon Musk. It states its banning business with many American businesses in response to the incoming tariff.

Yes, it is to do with incoming tariffs for sure. Elon's partnership with Trump on that front definitely doesn't help, and it's no surprise to see some blowback on Musk's companies because of it.

However, they did specifically mention Starlink and provided different reasoning than tariffs - specifically saying they won't do business with people hellbent on destroying the Canadian economy. Then again... tariffs are known to damage both sides (US & Canada), so technically this still tracks. But, they don't mention tariffs - they mention the intentions of those who impose economically-flawed plans like tariffs.

So while CA is pushing back on tariffs, Ontario's decision does appear to be also regarding specific individuals. I think we could even see this play out where Ontario willingly does deals with certain US companies but not others.

Quote:"Ontario won't do business with people hellbent on destroying our economy," Ford said in a statement, referring to the Starlink deal which was inked in November and was set to bring internet access to thousands of homes in remote and rural communities across the province.

To further support what I'm saying, here's another snippet that specifically discusses the Starlink deal as being more about who is selling and why someone is buying, than it is about tariffs. I think what Crombie is implying here is pretty clear, but he obviously doesn't outright accuse Ford of anything. He does however make a point of referencing the Starlink deal as between Ontario & the

rich --- not Ontario and the USA. This makes sense because Starlink is a private company.

Quote: Last week, Ontario Liberal Leader Bonnie Crombie called on Ford to cancel the contract with Starlink, calling it a "sweetheart deal."

"We're happy Doug has finally listened to Bonnie and ripped up the bad Starlink deal and is finally putting Ontario first," a spokesperson said in a statement issued after Ford's announcement. "But we can't help but wonder: What other shady deals has he signed with the super-rich?"

Just for further clarification, Doug Ford's full statement makes it clear that the Starlink contract is a "step further" than their pause on future contracts being rejected.

It's basically the same, but hopefully this makes it clear that I'm not the one making this distinction. Ontario made a point to call it out.

Charlie Sheen - February 3, 2025, 10:47 am

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You are in a leadership role and you are here playing semantics.

They specifically mention Starlink/SpaceX, and specifically mention it as a deal with a rich man, and specifically state they won't do deals with men who want to ruin their economy.

How many context clues can they honestly provide?

You're being willingly ignorant to what they are saying to play semantics with me in this thread.

I've added you to my ignore list because you are clearly trying to troll.

Kaleb - February 3, 2025, 11:03 am

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1. I get what Charlie is saying, I just think it's stupid to focus on the semantics of it when we all know what's going on here.

2. yes, you summarized my view on this well. It's implied & goes without saying. They reference private companies owned by Musk, and make a point to call out his 1 company even as billions of dollars in other markets are affected by tariffs. I think that distinction of calling Starlink out separately is a point being made.

3. Hopefully someone is bluffing, Jesus lol.

4. Yeah, prices are about to flyyyy