## Minority Report (2002) – Esoteric Analysis



"Everybody Runs"

**S** pielberg's *Minority Report* is another important film to link to our present discussion. Based on the short story by visionary science fiction author Philip K. Dick, Spielberg's film version implements an important number of predictive programming elements not found in Dick. Both are worth a look, as, some years later, we are actually seeing the implementation of the total technocratic takeover, including pre-crime tracking systems. Although the film and the short story present precognition as a metaphysical mystery by telepathic individuals who can see into the *aether*, the real pre-crime systems are based on A.I. and the digitizing of all records under total information awareness.<sup>1</sup> Contrary to popular belief, this was DARPA's plan for the Internet all along. DARPA states as follows concerning its creation and reason for existence:

"The Soviet Union's launch of Sputnik showed that a fundamental change was needed in America's defense science and technology programs. DARPA was formed to meet this need and rejuvenated our defense technological capabilities."<sup>2</sup>



The 1977 ARPANET, precursor to the Internet, connected to RAND, Harvard Stanford, London, etc., and the satellite grid.



PHILIP K. DICK (1928-1982): Ground-breaking American science fiction writings often center on gnostic themes, future dystopias, and anti-authoritarian protagonists. His works often reflect his peculiar theological and metaphysical views, while many of his well known stories have been adapted into blockbuster films, such as *Blade Runner, Total Recall* and *Minority Report*.

In fact, a close friend worked for a few years digitizing mass medical records, and while most are aware of Google's attempts to digitize all books, if they were aware, the why would be unfathomable. I've warned for several years that the end goal of all this digitization is not "efficiency" and trendy I-Watches (Fit-Bits, etc.) to monitor heart rates and location. The ultimate goal is total mind control, loss of free will and the *complete rewrite of all past reality*.

Consider, for example, the power the system will wield with the ability to "delete" all past versions of literature – religious texts, Shakespeare, 1984, nothing will be sacred and unable to be "revised." Remember that in 2009 Amazon erased Orwell's 1984.<sup>3</sup> Your own past may even be deleted, subject to revision, or altered to make *you* the next villain! All this is revealed in detail in *Minority Report*. Thus, while the public adopts "Kindles," print itself is assigned the doom of the kindled fire – like

## Farenheit 451, as Richard Grove has said.<sup>4</sup>

*Minority Report*'s setting is a 2055 dystopic Washington D.C., where Agent John Anderton (Tom Cruise) is framed for two murders from within his own PreCrime Corporation ranks by the CEO, Lamar Burgess (Max Von Sydow). (Note: The existing system appears to be a merger of private and government sectors.) I'm sure most readers have seen the film, so I'll spare you detailed plot recaps and hit the highlights for the sake of our purposes.



"The Temple" - the new god for a new aeon, the predictive A.I. system.

The film's PreCrime alerts a private corporation to an impending murder event ahead of time, giving the agents of the corporation time to save victims. Hailed as a perfect system, the infallibility of PreCrime has made D.C. the safest city in the world, with no murders for several years. As a result, the PreCrime test requires a total surveillance society, something akin to complete panopticism. In fact, the advertising in D.C. is user-specific, targeting pedestrian's personal desires based on retina scans – and all travel requires retinal scanning and mass micro-chipping.<sup>5</sup>



Total surveillance society with targeted advertising.

We are now on the verge of the implementation of retinal scanning, as the U.S. military has engaged in retinal scanning in occupied territories for several years now. It is important to understand that the actions of the military abroad are often a testing ground for the implementation of such surveillance and tracking technology at "home." In October 2010, the *Guardian* reported of U.S. troops stationed in Afghanistan:

With each iris and fingertip scanned, the device gave the operator a steadily rising percentage chance that the goat herder was on an electronic "watch list" of suspects. Although it never reached 100%, it was enough for the man to be taken to the nearest US outpost for interrogation.

Since the Guardian witnessed that incident, which occurred near the southern city of Kandahar earlier this year, US soldiers have been dramatically increasing the vast database of biometric information collected from Afghans living in the most war-torn parts of southern and eastern Afghanistan. The US army now has information on 800,000 people, while another database developed by the country's interior ministry has records on 250,000 people.<sup>6</sup>

*Wired* magazine reported millions were the actual goal.<sup>2</sup> The goal is not millions, but the entire globe, where any and all information is now currency for "big data." This is exactly the world *Minority Report* foresaw, and for those curious about Philip K. Dick, whispers are his foresight was due to being well connected with the Silicon Valley elites.<sup>8</sup> This is how *Ubik* foresaw the "Internet of Things," as well as Isaac Asimov's *Foundation*. Slate writes of *Ubik*:

Samsung, the world's largest manufacturer of televisions, tells customers in its privacy policy that "personal or other sensitive" conversations "will be among the data captured and transmitted to a third party" through the TV's voice-recognition software. We come to the Internet of Things.

Sci-fi great Philip K. Dick warned us about this, decades ago. In his classic 1969 novel Ubik, the characters have to negotiate the way they move and how they communicate with inanimate objects that monitor them, lock them out, and force payments.<sup>9</sup>



Mandatory retinal scanning by Spyders drones.

Just as the predictive algorithm in Asimov's *Foundation* was able to track mass movements, so now the same algorithmic tracking is in place across the "web of things" that are capable of being recorded and tracked – and that's most things. The Pentagon has a virtual "you" in a real-time 3D interface that updates its data consistently from everything done on the web. The Register reported in 2009 about this simulated warfare and predictive software:

Defense analysts can understand the repercussions of their proposed recommendations for policy options or military actions by interacting with a virtual world environment," write the researchers.

They can propose a policy option and walk skeptical commanders through a virtual world where the commander can literally 'see' how things might play out. This process gives the commander a view of the most likely strengths and weaknesses of any particular course of action.  $\frac{10}{10}$ 

It's not telepathic Samantha Morton in a tub of goo, it's Google and DARPA developing highly advanced technology along the lines of what William Binney exposed, as a former NSA employee. Think here of the film *War Games* (1983), where the A.I. bot was able to war-game future scenarios of global thermonuclear war, but thankfully Ferris Bueller was there to save us. If this was displayed in 1983 in pop culture, imagine how far that technology has come 30 years later, lest anyone think the "pre-crime" is merely for security and weekend Xbox enjoyment.



Total surveillance panopticism.

Capitalism, communism, nationalism, 401ks, blah blah blah, all of these things are basically obsolete. Why? Because of the nature of the real secret high-tech and plans for mega-SmartCities that are to come. You see, you think you are getting ahead and climbing the social ladder, and you aren't even aware that the CEO of IBM, Ginni Rommety, gives lectures about SmartCities where everything you do will be rationed, tracked and traced by the central supercomputers, with pre-crime determining whether you are guilty of crime-think. So everything you are trusting in is already obsolete. You think I'm exaggerating? On the contrary, you and your children's futures are determined (you don't have a future), and if you are allowed to live past the great culling, you will essentially be boxed into a giant WalmartTargetGameStopUniversity City that will literally be run by a supercomputer.<sup>11</sup>

And lest anyone think PreCrime is a thing of the future, consider that it has been used for two years in the U.K. 21stCenturyWire reports:

That's the hope of police in the US, who have begun using advanced software to analyse crime data in conjunction with emails, text messages, chat files and CCTV recordings acquired by law enforcement. The system, developed by Wynyard, a firm based in Auckland, New Zealand, could even look at social media in real time in an attempt to predict where the gang might strike next.

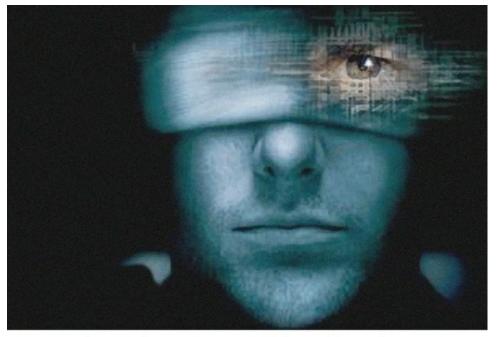
"We're trying to get to the source of the mastermind behind the criminal activity, that's why we're setting up a database so everybody can provide the necessary information and help us get higher up the chain," says Craig Blanton of the Marion County Sheriff's Office in Indiana. Because Felony Lane Gang members move from state to state to state to state one step ahead, the centralised database is primed to aggregate historical information on the group and search for patterns in their movements, Blanton says.

"We know where they've been, where they are currently and where they may go in the future," he says. "I think had we not taken on this challenge, we along with the other 110 impacted agencies would be doing our own thing without better knowledge of how this group operates.

It's not the only system that police forces have at their disposal. PredPol, which was developed by mathematician George Mohler at Santa Clara University in California, has been widely adopted in the US and the UK. The software analyses recorded crimes based on date, place and category of offence. It then generates daily suggestions for locations that should be patrolled by officers, depending on where it calculates criminal activity is most likely to occur.<sup>12</sup>

Returning to the film, an interesting tidbit occurs about three times that I noticed. Any time Anderton or his fellow Agents access the "Temple," the holding site of the telepathic PreCogs, the sound made is distinctly the iPhone power-on sound. The first iPod premiered in 2001, so I'm assuming it's the same sound for turning on, but readers can correct me. I find it curious if not, since the sound would likely be chosen for a reason.

If you've seen the important Spike Jonze film, *Her*, you'll see why. In *Her*, lead character Theodore (Joaquin Phoenix) falls in love with an iOS – his operating system. The iOS of his future is an intelligent software system with capability for learning (like the A.I. in *War Games*), and ultimately transcends its own limitations.



The eye takes on a new meaning here. The retinal scan.

I bring this up because *Minority Report* is distinctly dominated by eye imagery. While seemingly insignificant, it is my opinion that Siri and Apple in particular are crucial in the implementation of the coming new order. Apple ads have contained a distinctly esoteric and significant cultural referent, and the 1984 Apple Super Bowl ad was no accident. The year of the revelation of the Mac for home computing was accompanied by an ad that proclaimed George Orwell's *1984* had arrived. This is not to say Microsoft or any of the other tech giants are insignificant; on the contrary, I believe they are all arms of one entity and the appearance of competition is largely illusory.

I believe in and profess one military industrial complex, and DARPA and Google and Apple and Microsoft are its sons. The façade of competition is enough to advance the technology by the tech nerds that serve it, but in the end, it all serves the same system. My point here is that the iPhone is much more than an iPhone. It is actually an EYEphone, functioning as the eye of Sauron himself, as A.I. reconnaissance before the takeover.

Tech whispers are the iPhone of the next few years, which will contain a Siri that communicates with you like a personal assistant. TechGenMag describes it directly in connection to the film Her, noting "Viv" will do the following:



On the other hand, not only will Viv recognize disparate requests, she will also be able to put them together. Basically, Viv is Siri with the ability to learn. The project is being kept heavily under wraps, but the guys at Viv have hinted that they're working towards creating a "global brain," a shared source of artificial intelligence that's as readily accessible as heat or electricity. It's unclear how soon a breakthrough of this magnitude can happen. But if this team made Siri, you can bet their next project is going to blow the tech world to pieces. 13

In order to endear the public to that idea, a prototype Siri had to be offered. While this may be a rumor, it will eventually come. And the dystopic scenario presented in *Her* will meet the nightmare of *Minority Report*. For now, it all seems harmless (though we are seeing a generation of youth mentally destroyed by screens and pads – Steve Jobs didn't let his own kids play with an iPad,<sup>14</sup> but the end goal I assure you is nefarious.

The dominant ideology of these tech giants is pure and total dysgenics (not eugenics). In order for the total rewrite to come, the existing structure must be destroyed. The "old way" of doing things will be scapegoated as the technocracy replaces it, offering utopia and salvation, but the synthetic rewrite is a Trojan horse. Humanity will be enslaved in the same virtual Matrix which entraps Anderton.

The film's tagline, which pops up numerous times in the story, is about running. "Everybody runs," and John spends most of the film on the run from the very system he operated. The film asks the question multiple times, "Can you see?" and when we think of this on a deeper level in terms of predictive programming, I think we are intended to look beyond the immediate narrative. There are also numerous hat tips to *Blade Runner*, where again the "running" imagery comes to the fore. Can we run from the panopticon? Do we have eyes to see the iEYES that are "infallibly" surveilling us?



## EYEphone

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