

Farage: a critique

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As [The Guardian](#) has reported:

Jamie Raskin, the ranking Democrat on the House judiciary committee, says we do have free speech in the UK. He says Keir Starmer has not shut down GB News, even though Farage has a show on that station in which he criticises the government and calls for bans on peaceful protests.

In support of this view, he said:

For a man who fancies himself to some kind of a free speech martyr, Mr Farage seems most at home with the autocrats and dictators of the world who are crushing freedom on earth.

And, he went on:

To the people of the UK who think this Putin-loving, free speech impostor and Trump sycophant will protect freedom in your country, come over to America and see what Trump and Mega are doing to destroy our freedom, kidnap college students off the street, ban books from our libraries, militarise our police and unleash them against our communities, take over our universities ... You might think twice before you let Mr Farage "make Britain great again".

Sometimes a brutally honest appraisal is just what is required to put the actual behaviour of someone into perspective. Congressman Jamie Raskin has provided that.

Why have UK politicians proved themselves unable to do the same thing?