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- Left-Leaning coverage sharply frames Rubio’s visa restrictions as hypocritical “free speech” posturing, emphasizing domestic repression of immigrants and protestors—using charged terms like “hypocritical” and questioning sincerity with phrases such as “Who He Thinks,” painting the policy as a tool for political retaliation and authoritarian control.
- In contrast, right-leaning outlets emphasize robust defense of American free speech against “foreign officials complicit” in censorship, portraying the policy as a necessary sovereignty measure, often invoking law-and-order rhetoric around “violent protests” and “flagrant censorship.” The pivotal divide lies in interpretations of censorship and visa bans: left critiques framed as suppressive, right as protective.
- Center-Leaning coverage remains factual and restrained, de-emphasizing partisan language.
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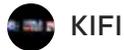
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