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Video 1 – Airlines using facial recognition technology to reduce wait times ahead of holiday travel season

NATE BURLESON : With Thanksgiving less than a month away, airlines are getting ready for the holiday travel rush. One carrier is testing a new face recognition technology to reduce the time it takes between arriving at the airport and getting to your seat. Errol Barnett got a look at how it works he joins us from Atlanta's main airport. Errol, good morning

ERROL BARNETT : Hey there, Nate. Good morning. Look, this is one of the world's busiest airports. 43 million people moved through here in 2020. And come the Thanksgiving period, the airline expects two and a half million travellers. And many of them will look like me, right ? They'll have the headphones in. They'll be juggling devices, walking around with their carry-on. And maybe they will have that luggage as well. It's a lot. So Delta is upgrading things. So that all you need to be on your way is your beautiful face.

RAJAN GOSWAMI : We are in Delta's new TSA PreCheck express bag-drop facility.

ERROL BARNETT (Voice off) : Rajan Goswami says his airline's newest attraction, years in the making, will speed up travel. While major US carriers like United and American are piloting biometric ID checks at limited airport locations, Delta wants to be the first to offer full curb-to-gate security, centered around facial recognition. Members of Delta's loyalty program Skymiles who upload passport details and have TSA PreCheck can soon do this –

RAJAN GOSWAMI : As soon as you take your mask off, it takes the photograph. It's now using that image that it just had with your passport number. It's pinging the customs database, making sure there's an image match there. And now here we go, our bag tag will print.

ERROL BARNETT (Voice off) : If successful, this reduces the need for agents while streamlining check-in. Delta is partnering with the TSA so security lines like these should be a breeze.

(Delta official, unnamed) : It really reduces that element of human error.

ERROL BARNETT : How quickly would someone be able to be verified and move through security ?

(Delta official, unnamed) : About 6 to 10 seconds.

ERROL BARNETT : And the final leg where you can use your biometrics is at the gate. No ID or boarding pass necessary.

(Delta male agent, unnamed) : Welcome aboard

ERROL BARNETT : All right, thanks.

ERROL BARNETT (Voice off) : Delta's Byron MERRITT

BYRON MERRITT : The biggest hurdles are just, err.. you know, speed. We're trying to move as fast as we can. And the second thing is that customers are coming back really fast.

HENRY HARTEVELDT : Delta is testing this. And I think they will be eager to see how people react.

ERROL BARNETT : Travel analyst Henry Harteveltdt says fliers are overwhelmingly willing to literally face the future.

HENRY HARTEVELDT : Our research among US airline passengers show four in five, which share personal or biometric data with an airline they regularly fly to save time.

ERROL BARNETT : Now this will be a gradual rollout. Things will move slowly. All of the Delta gates here at Concourse T in Atlanta and Concourse A in Detroit will have this technology. And look, for those of you fearful about sharing your travel face, Delta says it immediately destroys each image. And for those who don't want to participate in facial recognition you just don't opt into the option in the first place. Nate.

NATE BURLESON : Hopefully it makes flying easier. One thing I do know, Errol, you travel in style. You look good, brother.

Video 2 – Boris Johnson announces National Insurance and dividend tax hike to « fix social care »

VOICE OFF : Boris Johnson has said he is a low-tax Tory, once arguing national insurance rises were unfair

BORIS JOHNSON : (muttering and laughing, unclear) we love NHS on social care

VOICE OFF : But the message today is very different. A 12 billion pound tax hike for the NHS and then social care ; a new design for the Tories that breaks a manifesto promise.

BORIS JOHNSON : Governments have ducked this problem for decades. You can't fix the NHS without fixing social care. Yes I accept that this breaks a manifesto commitment, which is not something, which is not something I do likely but a global pandemic was in no one's manifesto, Mr Speaker.

VOICE OFF : And so National Insurance will go up by 1.25 percentage points, with employers paying the same, making it 2.5 overall. That means a worker on an average 30 grand salary will pay an extra 225 pounds per year.

SPEAKER : Keir Starmer

VOICE OFF : The Labour leader taunted the Prime Minister with his manifesto promise not to raise tax.

KEIR STARMER : A promise that they all made at the last election, every single one of them. A tax rise, a tax rise on young people, supermarket workers and nurses.

VOICE OFF : So what will this tax mean for social care ? Those with assets under £ 20,000 will not pay for care. If you have assets between twenty and a hundred thousand pounds, you'll pay for some of the costs but it will be means-tested. Those with assets above £100,000 will pay the full cost up to a maximum of £86,000. But none of this will apply until October 2023.

JOURNALIST, unnamed : Those currently in the care system will not benefit from this cap. That is not there, is it ?

SAJID JAVID : uh...Unfortunately there will be people sometimes that are on the other side of a start date and I completely understand the concerns that have been raised by people affected, or I guess not affected in, in that way. It's important that we just get on with this change.

VOICE OFF : these ministers say it's Covid that's forced them to turn their backs on a promise but some say that's an excuse.

PAUL JOHNSON : We've always known that we needed to spend a lot more on social care to sort out the means and provide more money. That's truly unrelated to the pandemic, so

certainly all the money that was found today for social care actually has nothing to do with the pandemic.

VOICE OFF : Overall, it's good news for the man who first came up with a social care plan ten years ago.

SIR ANDREW DILNOT : In an ideal world, I'd love the cap to be a bit lower but the really important thing was to get this in place, because at the moment the cap is infinity. You're exposed to absolutely everything. This is a time to be delighted that action's happening but also to look back with sadness on the problems that have happened over the last many years.

VOICE OFF : But there are nerves about the future too that money ploughed into the NHS backlog first will not leave enough for social care. Anuska Asthana, News at 10.

Video 3 – Minimum Wage Increase Announcement Faces Criticism

LISA HOLLAND (voice off) : Bex Kitchen is a single mum who works three jobs, all paying the living wage. She gets just over £400 a week for herself and her young son to live on. Out of that she pays for rent, bills, food and anything else they need. She welcomes the increase but says she'll still struggle.

BEX KITCHEN : I'm kind of in two minds. I'm partly relieved because I think it's going up more than it usually would, but on the other hand I'm also a bit frustrated because it's not a magic wand and it doesn't fix everything in terms of the rising costs of really everything, and obviously the drop in universal credit as well.

LISA HOLLAND (voice off): The government calls the minimum wage for those aged 23 and over the living wage. It will rise from £8.91 to £9.50 an hour. That means a full-time worker will earn more than a thousand pounds extra a year before tax. For people aged 21 to 22 the minimum wage will go up from £8.36 to £9.18. The rate for apprentices will go from £4.30 to £4.81 an hour. Low-wage earners will take home more from next April. But the cost of living is already rising, with everything from petrol to energy prices soaring. Motorists are having to dig deeper than ever, with petrol hitting £1.42 a litre.

MOTORIST (unnamed) : I think we're getting ripped off, that's all I can say. Err... It's got what , 20p a litre in, in about three or four weeks. Makes no, makes no sense.

MOTORIST 2 (unnamed) : Yeah, I'm very worried that usually we work a mini cab. Is very higher and that affect me a lot.

LISA HOLLAND (voice off) : But the government says the living wage increase will help compensate for the recent withdrawal of the £20 universal credit uplift payment.

SIMON CLARKE : We're confident this is a really big step to make sure that work always pays, which is obviously one of the core objectives of this government and this pay rise has been recommended by the low pay commission. They're an expert group, they bring together academics as well as businesses, and crucially we are confident that they have the right evidence base and experience to make judgments about what is required to make sure that work does pay.

LISA HOLLAND (voice off) : But those facing higher wage bill like restaurant owner Jordan Hallows say businesses are struggling after the pandemic. He has four restaurants and employs more than a hundred staff. 20% are on minimum wage.

JORDAN HALLOWS : I believe in our industry that the majority of operators want to pay their staff as much as they possibly can. But ultimately, it comes down to the price of a glass of wine or food on the plate. So it will probably mean for us absorbing it in the first instance and then having to increase the prices of the items on our menu.

LISA HOLLAND (voice off): Labour wants the living wage to be £10 an hour. Critics say the government's pledge won't come quickly enough for those already worried about surviving the winter. Lisa Holland, Sky News.

Video 4 – What is the Metaverse ?

MARC CIESLAK (voice off) : What actually is the Metaverse ? Well, if we think of the internet as something that we look at, the Metaverse is a version of the internet that we're inside. The idea is that we will experience the Metaverse as an avatar, a virtual version of ourselves that we control as we explore this new online frontier. But what will we actually do ?

Okay so Boz, here we are in what might be considered a representation or what the metaverse could be.

ANDREW BOSWORTH (voice off) : Yeah, for us the Metaverse is a spacial construct, as opposed to the previous web which was really a very linear, kind of, 2-D flat thing. We want this one to be immersive. Now it doesn't mean that it has to be virtual reality. It could also just be on a phone or a desktop computer.

MARC CIESLAK (voice off) : You might have noticed that we're using the tools of the metaverse to create a good portion of this item. My avatar has been created by a couple of companies, Ready Player Me and OZ. They already create tools for people to make avatars from a photo. It's this virtual version of us which will travel between online experiences in any metaverse.

ANDREW BOSWORTH : And then over time what I'm most excited about is an economy there. And I mean an economy not just of digital goods, sure, and entertainment, that's great, but also services. In an immersive environment I'm going to have an avatar, I'm going to need a stylist, I'm going to have a home space.

MARC CIESLAK (voice off) : Microsoft has adapted its workplace meeting software, Teams, for the metaverse by creating a system called Mesh. It's designed to work with a variety of different devices, including virtual and augmented reality. AR as it's known projects graphics on top of the real world, using headsets like Microsoft's HoloLens or mobile phones.

There's quite a few people that have got fatigued by having to have video chat meetings and things of that nature and they realise they now crave human contact.

ALEX KIPMAN : Human communication is about 5% speech, it's about 95% everything else. I've been in my living room with the entire team around the table, making eye contact where all of the gestures are coming into the right place. So it changes completely the, the, you know, call it the screen fatigue we're feeling today.

MARC CIESLAK (voice off) : The next piece of the Metaverse puzzle isn't just about seeing these virtual worlds but feeling them as well. Meta has revealed that it's been working on a glove that will let the user feel sensations, like holding an object. The glove has a number of sensors that measure the wearer's movements, and air pockets across the glove's surface inflate to create sensation. These gloves aren't quite ready for prime time yet but they're an indicator of the kind of research that's going on behind the scenes.

Video 5 – Hong Kong : Universities Remove Memorials to Tiananmen Massacre Victims in China

ANCHORWOMAN (unnamed) : The Chinese government has hit back at President Biden's new law that restricts imports from Xinjiang over concerns about the abuse of Muslim minorities in the region. A Foreign Ministry spokesman said the move would undermine global supply chains and disrupt international trade. It comes as two more monuments in Hong Kong commemorating the Tiananmen Square massacre were removed. Paul Mc Namara has more.

PAUL MC NAMARA (voice off) : She was called the goddess of democracy, a reminder of the atrocities committed in Tiananmen Square. But today, where once stood defiance, history has once again been erased.

Beijing, June 1989 : student-led protests swelled to their thousands before Chinese forces end it all in massacre. Estimates of the number of dead have ranged from hundreds to as many as ten thousand.

Eleven years ago, the goddess of democracy was raised in the Chinese University of Hong Kong to commemorate the massacre. Today the university did not directly confirm the statue's removal, saying only a « unauthorized statue » had been taken away.

LUMLI : Everyone in Hong Kong thought it would happen sooner or later.

PAUL MC NAMARA (voice off) : Lumli and Lumlong are artists who fled Hong Kong earlier this year, fearing for their safety.

LUMLI : We no longer have freedom of speech and freedom of assembly and freedom of creation. So we're not surprised but we are angry and sad.

LUMLONG : Yeah, we were not too shocked because we know that our city is declining.

PAUL MC NAMARA (voice off) : Hong Kong is being remolded in Beijing's image. Once one of the only places in China Tiananmen Square could be remembered, yesterday another statue, the Pillar of Shame at Hong Kong University, also removed. As Beijing shuns its own history, the international community is shunning Beijing. February's Winter Olympics is facing a diplomatic boycott and yesterday the United States signed a measure banning US businesses from importing goods from Xinjiang unless it can be proven that they have not been made by forced labour. Foreign governments estimate more than one million mostly Muslim minorities have been confined in camps in Xinjiang. « Vicious lies », say China.

ZHAO LIJIAN : This act maliciously denigrates the human rights situation in China's Xinjiang, in disregard of facts and truth. It seriously violates international law and basic norms governing international relations and grossly interferes in China's internal affairs.

PAUL MC NAMARA (voice off) : Yesterday the Tiananmen wall graced the outside of Hong Kong's Lingnan University. Overnight, removed over « legal and safety risks ». Today an empty monument to the free speech that once was, and a Hong Kong changed, perhaps forever.

Video 6 – HS2 Bradford promises « watered down »

NAV POWAR (voice off) : By the time you get to the office you've been awake for two, three hours, so by the time you get there, like you're already hitting a bit of a slump sometimes

NICK MARTIN (voice off) : Nav Powar's commute is a weary one. It's only thirty minutes but it takes over an hour. Welcome to Bradford, the worst connected city in the UK. The government promised faster trains between Leeds and Manchester with Bradford at the heart of it, cutting journey times in half. Today, those plans were scaled back.

NAV POWAR : I used to live down south and trains are completely different to the trains up north, like they're just so much better, more frequent, like tend to run a lot more on time.

NICK MARTIN : The whole of your life would change if this train just went a bit faster ?

NAV POWAR (voice off) : Yeah, a lot of people would benefit from it.

NICK MARTIN (voice off) : So when you hear that the government are saying « actually the big promise that we've made, we're actually not going to go through with it », what's your reaction to that ?

NAV POWAR : I mean I'm used to it. There's so many things that they said they're going to do that never happened, so this is just another one for the list really.

NICK MARTIN (voice off) : Nav is one of thousands of commuters who are looking forward to a better rail service. They were after all promised it by the government. Now what's on offer is a massively watered down version of that and this has huge implications for the government's big domestic policy, and that is to level up Britain.

The Labour leader Sir Keir Starmer and the mayor of West Yorkshire took what can only be described as a somber tour around what would have been Bradford's brand new railway station. Those plans have now been torn up.

TRACY BRABIN : If you miss out Bradford, if you promise us NPR and then don't deliver, unfortunately that is a betrayal of the north.

NICK MARTIN : The government had this on the table. I just wonder, as one of the key figures in this region, whether you take any responsibility for not being able to hold the government to their promises and to bring a big infrastructural project to here. I mean, do you take any responsibility for this ?

TRACY BRABIN : Well, six months into the job, I've been since May absolutely challenging government – where's the integrated rail plan, where is it ? The problem with this government is that they can announce and then U-turn in six months' time. This doesn't work for the north. You're absolutely not, not levelling up. This is levelling down.

NICK MARTIN (voice off) : The government have promised that the revised plans between Leeds and Manchester will be delivered sooner, cheaper. The problem with promises here is too many have come and gone. Nick Martin, Skynews, Bradford.

Video 7 – Kellogg’s workers strike over pay and benefit concerns

PRISCILLA (THOMPSON) (voice off) : Production of frosted flakes, fruit loops and cornflakes hangs in the balance tonight after workers at all of the Kellogg company’s US cereal plants walked off the job this week. Daniel Osborne is president of the local union in Omaha.

DANIEL OSBORNE : I’m blown away. I really didn’t see it coming.

PRISCILLA (THOMPSON) (voice off) : He along with roughly 1,400 workers across four plants in Nebraska, Michigan, Pennsylvania and Tennessee are now on strike, amid a more than year-long negotiation.

DANIEL OSBORNE : The biggest sticking point right now is our two-tier wage system. As a lower-tier employee, they get about 11 or or 12 dollars an hour less ; they have higher insurance premiums, less vacation. What we want to see is equalization of pay for everybody there.

PRISCILLA (THOMPSON) (voice off) : The union and cereal company are deadlocked over issues concerning pay and benefits, specifically healthcare and retirement among others, workers also concerned about the possibility of their jobs moving overseas, reaching what they say is a breaking point.

DANIEL OSBORNE : They stated that they’re prepared to move our North American plants down to Mexico, in South America. We cannot have our food being made where there’s no FDA or OSHA oversight, right ? I’m not feeding that to my children.

PRISCILLA (THOMPSON) (voice off) : Kellogg denies these allegations, a spokesperson telling NBC news in a statement « the company has not proposed moving any RTEC volume or jobs outside of the US as part of these negotiations », the spokesperson also writing « we are disappointed by the union’s decision to strike », and maintaining that most workers involved in the dispute made an average of \$120,000 last year and that Kellogg’s current offer includes pay and benefits increases for employees.

How long before this ends ?

DANIEL OSBORNE : I can say it’s going to last two weeks, I can say it’s going to last two years, the bottom line is we don’t know. We’re going to stand fast, as long as it takes.

PRISCILLA (THOMPSON) (voice off) : For now, Kellogg says they’re implementing contingency plans to keep their cereals on shelves for customers, as the standoff with workers continues.

ANCHORMAN : All right, so let’s talk about that right now. Priscilla joins us on set. Priscilla, two questions : one, how are they going to get workers when it’s already hard to find

workers all across America and two, are people not going to have their cereal at their grocery stores ?

PRISCILLA (THOMPSON) : Yeah, that's the big question and Kellog says that they are going to be relying more heavily on their salaried workers and also working with third-party resources to bring in additional workers who will likely be non-union workers for the time being, but those efforts should prevent any sort of supply chain issues so folks should still be able to get their cereal on their tables in the morning.

ANCHORMAN : Ok, we hope so. All right, Priscilla thank you so much for that story.

Video 8 – 'The big quit' as millions leave jobs in US

ANCHORMAN : In America 2021 has been the year of the Great Resignation, otherwise known as the Big Quit. Millions of Americans are leaving their jobs, over four million every month. It seems the pandemic has led many to rethink what they need and what they want from a job. Michelle Fleury travelled to Kentucky, where people are leaving at a higher rate than in many other states.

MICHELLE FLEURY (voice off) : Alex Carter hit his breaking point last year. The former bank manager grew tired of dealing with bad behaviour from customers during the pandemic.

ALEX CARTER : The attitudes of people who come in and don't want to follow the rules and want to yell at you about why they don't feel they need to. You can only take so much of that.

MICHELLE FLEURY (voice off) : Alex started looking for a job that wasn't customer-facing.

ALEX CARTER (background) : That's actually a good note.

MICHELLE FLEURY (voice off) : He got an offer from a local manufacturing company here in Kentucky.

ALEX CARTER (background) : What's in the pipeline there ?

ALEX CARTER : This was absolutely the best career move for me and my family.

MICHELLE FLEURY (voice off) : And Alex isn't alone. In October more than four million Americans quit their jobs, part of a trend economists call the Great Resignation.

ALEX CARTER (voice off) : You know, I couldn't be happier.

MICHELLE FLEURY (voice off) : And it's not just millenials.

ALEX CARTER : Things have worked out for me, I know it's going to work out the same for you.

MICHELLE FLEURY (voice off) : Alex's dad is switching jobs too.

ALEX CARTER'S FATHER : I saw how happy Alex was at Strong Hold and told him to keep his eyes open.

MIKE CLARK (background): It has been interesting for us.

MICHELLE FLEURY (voice off) : Mike Clark is an economist at Gatton College of Business and Economics. According to him, the Great Resignation is also the great rotation, as people take advantage of the tight labour market.

MIKE CLARK : It's not simply that people are resigning. You know, when you look at all the data, what we seem to be seeing is that people are turning over. They're going to new jobs and so it's more of a turnover situation.

MICHELLE FLEURY (voice off) : Josh Hoff quit to start his own business. The former Forklift driver recently launching Bourbon City Taxi service in Bardstown, Kentucky.

JOSH HOFF : I look forward to the day versus dreading going in to work because I don't consider what I do work.

MICHELLE FLEURY (voice off) : While many people left jobs for more money or more flexibility, Josh's reasons were more personal.

JOSH HOFF : We thought my daughter had cancer at one point and I was at work. I couldn't leave. And they were like, oh, well if you leave, you know, it's going to be a write-up. At that point I was just like, you know what. I parked my Forklift, got off of it and said, do what you got to do. Left. Then my grandmother passed, and then my grandfather. I'm sorry.

MICHELLE FLEURY : Sorry, I'm sorry, I didn't mean to...

JOSH HOFF (crying) : I just didn't get to go to my grandpa's funeral.

MICHELLE FLEURY (voice off) : Surrounded by death and illness during the pandemic, Josh, like many, started to think that life was passing him by.

MICHELLE FLEURY : I mean, how do you feel today ?

JOSH HOFF : Today I feel liberated. There's so much more to life than a big house or having that career.

MICHELLE FLEURY (voice off) : As in many cultures in America a job is more than just a wage. It is a source of self-esteem and status but the pandemic is altering this country's obsession with work, changing how some people think about life, and work, and what they want out of both. Michelle Fleury, BBC News, Kentucky.

Video 9 – Biden vows to nominate Black woman to Supreme Court

NORAH O'DONNELL (ANCHORWOMAN) : Thank you for joining us. It's history in the making as President Biden vows to make good on his campaign pledge to nominate the first Black woman to the Supreme Court. If you look back, of the 115 justices all but 7 have been white men.

The president said today he will name his choice to replace Justice Stephen Breyer by the end of February. Breyer today formally handed in his letter of resignation, and will step down at the end of the Court's current term this summer. There's already a shortlist of potential candidates to fill the seat and the biggest battle in the confirmation process may be within the Democratic Party, before a nominee is even announced.

CBS's Ed O'Keefe joins us now from the White House. Good evening, Ed.

ED O'KEEFE (CBS Correspondant) : Good evening, Norah. The president said today he plans to make his choice by the end of February but as a former chairman of the Senate Judiciary Committee and as a vice-president who once helped interview Supreme Court nominees, he's been preparing for this moment for decades.

(ED O'KEEFE VOICE OFF) President Biden today flanked by retiring Supreme Court Justice Stephen Breyer said he's already reviewing potential choices to 16

PRESIDENT BIDEN : The person I will nominate will be someone of extraordinary qualifications, character, experience and integrity. And that person will be the first Black woman ever nominated to the United States Supreme Court. It's long overdue, mind you.

(ED O'KEEFE VOICE OFF) : CBS News has learned top contenders include Federal Appeals Court judge Ketanji Brown Jackson, a Harvard Law School graduate and former clerk for Stephen Breyer, who spoke about that experience in 2017.

KETANJI BROWN JACKSON : It was an incredible experience just to be in the room while the justice grappled with some of the most difficult and consequential legal issues of the day.

(ED O'KEEFE VOICE OFF) : Another candidate, California Supreme Court Justice Leondra Kruger, a Yale Law School graduate, placed on the court with the help of then California Attorney General Kamala Harris. And Federal judge Michelle Childs, a University of South Carolina Law School graduate, backed by the state's Senior Congressman Jim Clyburn who said a non-Ivy League background would be refreshing.

CONGRESSMAN JIM CLYBURN : I am very very concerned that we pick on this elitist kind of atmosphere when we pretend that the only way you can demonstrate a list of qualifications is to go to certain school.

(ED O'KEEFE VOICE OFF) : Celebrating Justice Breyer today the president reminisced about sharing his confirmation hearing in 1994, saying he had high hopes then.

PRESIDENT BIDEN : And he's exceeded those hopes in every possible way.

(ED O'KEEFE VOICE OFF) : Breyer says he's stepping down optimistic about the future of what he called b« The American experiment ».

STEPHEN BREYER : My grandchildren and then children, they'll determine whether the experiment still works. And of course – I'm an optimist – and I'm pretty sure it will.

(ED O'KEEFE VOICE OFF) : So once the president makes his pick the Democratic control of the Senate is vowing to quickly confirm her and barring some unforeseen circumstance, Mr Biden's nominee, at least for now, is all but assured to be confirmed. Norah.

NORAH O'DONNELL (ANCHORWOMAN) : Right, Ed O'Keefe, thank you.

Video 10 - North Sea oil and gas project gets green light

DAVID GRANT (voice off) : We're right in the middle of the Cromarty Firth at the moment, Ember Gordon behind us.

HANNAH THOMAS-PETER (voice off) : On the north-east coast of Scotland there is a stretch of water that is home to the ghost rigs. These extraordinary structures brought here from the oil and gas fields of the North Sea, some for repairs, others left to rust. For boat operator David Grant, they are symbols of an industry in transition.

HANNAH THOMAS-PETER : A lot's changed over here, the rigs were built here and now they're being taken apart here

DAVID GRANT : now they're being taken apart yeah and I suppose they're going to renewables now well, you know well all wind, it's all wind now, isn't it ?

HANNAH THOMAS-PETER (voice off) : For those rigs that remain in operation the other challenge is cleaning up. Drilling and extraction is a dirty carbon-intensive business.

HANNAH THOMAS-PETER: The UK's North Sea oil and gas industry is supposed to be halving its operational carbon emissions by 2030 and getting to net zero by 2050. But when you get up close to these things and you see just how huge and complicated they are, you also get a sense of just how challenging that decarbonization process is going to be.

HANNAH THOMAS-PETER (voice off) : But whatever the difficulties, port director Rory Gunn is convinced fossil fuels have staying power, even as he shows us the new wind turbines he's helping to build.

RORY GUNN : I think that if you look at the amount of products that we use on a day-to-day basis that are only there because of oil and gas, and you look at the challenges we have on energy supply in the UK as we see with our rising utility bills etc... I think there has to be a grown-up discussion and a realization that oil and gas is essential and it will be for decades to come.

HANNAH THOMAS-PETER (voice off) : That is exactly the calculation the government has made. Its regulator, the Oil and Gas Authority continues to approve new projects in the North Sea, most recently an oil and gas field called Abigail.

HANNAH THOMAS-PETER: If the UK is a climate change leader, why on earth are we even considering approving new fields ?

SCOTT ROBERTSON : I understand the argument. I... It's a difficult and very complex situation to.. to.. to come to the right answer on. But if we stop new developments, the UK will just become more dependent on imports and we'll reduce our own security of supply options.

HANNAH THOMAS-PETER (voice off) : Campaigners disagree. The only route to both energy security and net zero targets, they say, is the rapid end of fossil fuels.

CHARLIE KRONICK : There is absolutely no room for growing uh... the supply of oil and gas in the UK or anywhere. International Energy Agency, the world's leading energy think tank,

declared twice last year that there's enough oil and gas in the world in production right now to take us beyond the limits of the Glasgow Climate Agreement, the Paris Climate Agreement. We just don't need to look for any more.

HANNAH THOMAS-PETER (voice off) : The tension over a declining industry that helped build our modern world is playing out now in the North Sea, the ghost rigs of Cromarty Firth a reminder of the uncertainty ahead. Hannah Thomas-Peter, Sky News in Scotland.

Video 11 – Growing Effort to Ban Books from Texas Public School Libraries

ANTONIA HYLTON (voice off) : Irish Cheng remembers the first time she saw herself in a book. It was « The Joy Luck Club » by Amy Tan.

IRISH CHENG : It was really compelling to see this accurate portrayal of what my culture looks like and what I as a person represent.

ANTONIA HYLTON (voice off) : Irish who identifies as queer always loved learning about the world from her hometown of Katie, Texas, until this fall when her district started banning books.

IRISH CHENG : I think students of colour and queer students are especially taking this hard.

ANTONIA HYLTON (voice off) : An NBC News investigation found that the Katie Independent School District is one of at least a dozen Texas districts that have removed books about race, gender and sexual identity after a statewide surge of parent complaints.

UNNAMED MOTHER : Why are we sexualizing our precious children ?

ANTONIA HYLTON (voice off) : Record requests to nearly 100 Texas districts found that during the first four months of this school year, parents made at least 75 formal complaints, compared to only one filed during the same period last year.

CAROLYN FOOT : It's about a whole array of books and it's about LGBTQ students in particular, or students of colour in particular.

ANTONIA HYLTON (voice off) : Retired librarian Carolyn Foot says she's never seen anything like this. One Katie parent even asked the district to remove a biography of Michelle Obama, arguing the book promotes reverse racism. The district denied the request. Texas Governor Greg Abbott called for criminal charges against staff who provide kids with « pornographic books ».

ANTONIA HYLTON: Do librarians feel safe in their jobs right now ?

CAROLYN FOOT : In some cases librarians are being asked to do things that really are against their code of ethics and that makes them fearful to speak up.

ANTONIA HYLTON (voice off) : One of the banned books Carolyn loves is George Johnson's memoir about their Black queer childhood, which includes a brief passage about sexual abuse George experienced as a child. In January Katie's schools declared it « not appropriate for any level ».

GEORGE JOHNSON : They can remove our books but they can't remove our stories.

ANTONIA HYLTON: What do you make of the fact that people have used the words pornographic and vulgar ?

GEORGE JOHNSON : They don't want their students reading about queer people. My book is not being put out there to excite students about sex.

UNNAMED MOTHER : This is all boys like to do...

ANTONIA HYLTON (voice off) : At a November school board meeting a Katie parent read from George's book.

UNNAMED MOTHER : I won't spend my money on this filth and it's in our libraries.

ANTONIA HYLTON (voice off) : Mary Ellen has three kids in Katie schools and helped to organize mums on this issue.

MARY ELLEN : So what we're talking about is vulgarity that is inappropriate for any child, I don't care what your ideology is. Your child is precious and needs to be guarded.

ANTONIA HYLTON: More than half of the books that Katie has removed as a result of all of this have main characters who are LGBTQ. Are people supposed to believe that's just a coincidence ?

MARY ELLEN : err... No, I don't think so. I think they should read the books themselves. Katie schools declined NBC News's request for an interview. Iris, a member of her school's debate team is no stranger to speaking her mind.

IRIS CHENG : I honestly think that they want to keep their children in this protected bubble in which the only opinions they really hear are the ones that they themselves represent.

ANTONIA HYLTON (voice off) : And she feels too many adults aren't listening. Antonia Hylton, NBC News, Texas.

Video 12 – Brexit: Northern Ireland First Minister resigns over Northern Ireland protocol

ANCHORWOMAN : A warning, this report from our senior Ireland correspondent David Blevins does contain some flash photography.

DAVID BLEVINS (voice off) : The goods from Great Britain were still rolling in, but Northern Ireland's devolved government was already on its way out. The DUP agriculture minister had already halted Brexit checks but then the DUP first minister resigned.

PAUL GIVAN : Today marks the end of what has been the privilege of my lifetime.

DAVID BLEVINS (voice off) : Their party leader said the Northern Ireland protocol had left them with no option.

SIR JEFFREY DONALDSON : We've had enough of being told we must stand by previous agreements. Yet the same people who tell us this have destroyed a core pillar at the heart of the Belfast Agreement – the need for cross-community support.

MARY LOU MC DONALD : In the absence of a functioning executive an early election must be called and the people must have their say.

DAVID BLEVINS (voice off) : The border between Northern Ireland and the Republic runs through Carlingford Loch. Checks here would be catastrophic for local fishermen. Brian's son only joined the family business because the EU and British government had reached agreement.

BRIAN CUNNINGHAM : I honestly thought that everything was sorted. I err... I was... I breathed a sigh of relief. I'm sixth generation, my oldest son, 21, he's seventh generation and he left school on the... Probably I would, I let him leave school. He's going to go on to be a physio and a lap knee skill on the strength of the protocol.

DAVID BLEVINS (voice off) : But the alternative has been contentious, a border in the Irish sea fueling loyalists's fears over Northern Ireland's place in the UK. Joel Keys hit the headlines when he appeared to warn of more violence but he says his community is misunderstood.

JOEL KEYS : There seems to be a habit of kind of thinking that all unionists are all loyal or are just crazy hooligans who run about and scream about anything that offends their sense of red white and blue but that's not really how it works, but if you take my concerns, I want to feel respected and I want my identity to feel respected in my own country.

DAVID BLEVINS (voice off) : The EU says Brexit checks are enshrined in international law but the Prime Minister disagrees.

BORIS JOHNSON : If you look at the protocol which I'm sure you have studied in detail, there's plenty about uninterrupted uh... east-west trade. It's crazy to have checks on goods that are basically circulating within the single market of the United Kingdom.

DAVID BLEVINS : The problem for the Prime Minister is that this is not really about trade. It's about politics. It's just three months to the next Northern Ireland assembly election and with no end in sight to the EU-UK negotiations on the protocol, Brexit's going to dominate the campaign.

DAVID BLEVINS (voice off) : Brexit didn't just raise the question of checks, it raised the age-old question of where Northern Ireland's political future lies. David Blevins, Sky News in Belfast.

Video 13 – Cressida Dick Resignation – Victims of Crime Want Police Reform

JASON FARELL (voice off) : She'd survived a long string of scandals : the murder of Sarah Everard by a Met police officer, allegations then of a culture of misogyny rooted in the force, two officers jailed for sharing photos of the bodies of two sisters, a report into the murder of Daniel Morgan which found institutional corruption in the Met and that Cressida Dick herself had hampered that inquiry and behind each scandal, there was the damage to people's lives, such as Daniem Morgan's brother, Alistair.

ALISTAIR MORGAN : She prolonged my family's suffering for years and years and in fact my mother died before she ever saw the report.

JASON FARELL (voice off) : So you feel she should have resigned a long time ago.

ALISTAIR MORGAN : She should never have been there in my view.

JASON FARELL (voice off) : Photographers caught a glimpse of Cressida Dick arriving at the job she's now leaving. There's an irony of course that the Met's first female Commissioner was ultimately sunk over concerns about women's safety and sexist attitudes in the force, from the police handling of Sarah Everard's vigil to last month's report into Charing Cross police station that found officers joking about rape.

HARRIET WISTRICH : I think the Met's problems are far from solved with her going but I think that unfortunately she failed to grapple with the issue of misogyny and policing as well as racism and homophobia as we've seen and she has failed to tackle in particular the issue of police-perpetrated abuse.

JASON FARELL (voice off) : In a letter seen by Sky News Cressida Dick had written to officers a week ago, telling them that if they were racist, homophobic or sexist they should leave the force. But it wasn't enough to satisfy London's mayor Sadiq Khan who called a meeting which he didn't tell the Home Secretary about, warning Cressida Dick that he might withdraw his confidence. So she tended her resignation.

JASON FARELL: The Home Office has been caught by surprise on this, Priti Patel apparently calling London's mayor rude and unprofessional, the Home Secretary not giving TV interviews today but writing in the Standard said whoever takes up the role will face stark challenges to in back public confidence in the integrity and professionalism of the police.

JASON FARELL (voice off) : In other words she agrees change was needed but it's about more than just replacing the person at the top. Many officers agree.

CHIEF CONSTABLE ANDY MARSH : I'm saddened at the loss of a respected senior leader, someone I've known since I was a sergeant. But I am appalled by the sequence of wrongdoings, shocking situations, and occurrences that have so badly damaged public confidence, and so whilst I'm saddened by Dame Cressida leaving, very obviously, uh.. what we need to do is roll up our sleeves and address these very significant issues which I say exist across the whole of policing, this is not simply a Metropolitan problem.

JASON FARELL (voice off) : She was well respected as a leader among the ranks and by politicians, which is how she'd survived until now. But it's argued that government shouldn't decide who comes next whilst they themselves are under investigation by the Met police.
Jason Farrell, Sky News.