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SETTING THE RECORD STRAIGHT: FACTS & RUMORS



# Dominion Voting Systems categorically denies false assertions about vote switching and software issues with our voting systems.

According to a <u>Joint Statement</u> by the federal government agency that oversees U.S. election security, the Department of Homeland Security's Cybersecurity, & Infrastructure Security Agency (CISA): "There is no evidence that any voting system deleted or lost votes, changed votes, or was in any way compromised." The government and private sector councils that support this mission called the 2020 election, "the most secure in American history."

# 1) Vote deletion/switching assertions are completely false.

An unsubstantiated claim about the deletion of 2.7 million pro-Trump votes that was posted to the Internet and spread on social media has been <u>taken down</u> and debunked by independent <u>fact-checkers</u>.

- Edison Research has refuted any claims that company data suggests any voting irregularities, including vote switching. Edison Research President Larry Rosin told <u>The Dispatch Fact Check</u>, "Edison Research created no such report and we are not aware of any voter fraud."
- Claims that 941,000 votes for President Trump in Pennsylvania were deleted are impossible. The
  fourteen counties using Dominion systems collectively produced 1.3 million votes, representing a
  voter turnout of 76%. Fifty-two percent of those votes went to President Trump, amounting to
  676,000 total votes processed for the President in Pennsylvania using company systems.
- Dominion does not have the ability to review votes in real-time as they are submitted.
- The U.S. Department of Homeland Security's cybersecurity division has confirmed that it is <u>not</u> possible for a bad actor to change election results without detection.

#### 2) Assertions of "supercomputer" election fraud conspiracies are 100% false.

The <u>Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Security Agency</u> (CISA) has <u>debunked claims</u> about the existence of a secret CIA program for vote fraud called Hammer and Scorecard.

- All U.S. voting systems must provide assurance that they work accurately and reliably as
  intended under federal <u>U.S. EAC</u> and state certification and testing requirements. Election
  safeguards—from testing and certification of voting systems, to canvassing and auditing—prevent
  malicious actors from tampering with vote counts and ensure final vote tallies are accurate. <u>Read</u>
  more from CISA.
- There have been no "raids" of Dominion servers by the U.S. military or otherwise, and Dominion
  does not have servers in Germany. CISA has <u>refuted this claim</u> on Twitter, and the U.S. Army has
  also confirmed to the <u>Associated Press</u> that it's false.

# 3) There were no Dominion software glitches and ballots were accurately tabulated. All results are 100% auditable.

No credible reports or evidence of any software issues exist. Dominion equipment is used by county and state officials to tabulate ballots. Human errors related to reporting tabulated results have arisen in a few counties, including some using Dominion equipment, but appropriate procedural actions have been taken by the county to address these errors prior to the canvass process.

 The Michigan Secretary of State's office offers a <u>Fact Check Page</u> which debunks false or erroneous claims about voting in Detroit, as well as a user-error incident in Antrim County.

- The <u>Georgia Secretary of State</u> has repeatedly stated throughout the count that "[a]s the work
  goes on, I want to assure Georgia voters that every legal vote was cast and accurately counted."
- Dominion's systems are not responsible for 2,631 uncounted ballots discovered in <u>Floyd County</u>, <u>Georgia</u> during the statewide recount. The Secretary of State's office has <u>cited</u> clerical error and lack of following proper procedures as the cause.

# 4) Dominion is a nonpartisan U.S. company.

Dominion has no ownership relationships with the Pelosi family, Feinstein family, Clinton Global Initiative, Smartmatic, Scytl, or any ties to Venezuela. Dominion works with all U.S. political parties; our customer base and our government outreach practices reflect this nonpartisan approach.

 As reported by the <u>Associated Press</u>, "Dominion made a one-time philanthropic commitment at a Clinton Global Initiative meeting in 2014, but the Clinton Foundation has no stake or involvement in Dominion's operations, the nonprofit has confirmed." The meeting included bipartisan attendees focused on international democracy-building.

# 5) Dominion is not, and has never been, owned by Smartmatic.

Dominion is an entirely separate company and a fierce competitor to Smartmatic.

- Dominion and Smartmatic do not collaborate in any way and have no affiliate relationships or financial ties.
- Dominion does not use Smartmatic software.
- The only associations the companies have ever had were:
  - In 2009, Smartmatic licensed Dominion machines for use in the Philippines. The contract ended in a lawsuit.
  - In 2010, Dominion purchased certain assets from Sequoia, a private U.S. Company.
     Smartmatic, a previous owner of Sequoia, pursued legal actions against Dominion.

#### 6) No unauthorized or last-minute software updates occurred.

Claims about software updates being done the night before Election Day are 100% false.

- Both Spalding County and the Georgia Secretary of State have verified that a) this type of unauthorized update is impossible, and b) the actual logs from equipment under the custody of the County determined an update did NOT happen the night before the election.
- Georgia Voting System Implementation Manager Gabe Sterling has <u>affirmed in his daily press</u> <u>briefing on November 9</u> that "nothing was done to the [PollPad] system after [October 31]," when voter files were updated as part of normal procedure.

#### 6) There are no issues with the use of Sharpie pens.

Election officials provide writing instruments approved for marking ballots to all in-person voters using hand-marked paper ballots. Dominion machines can read all these instruments, including Sharpies.

<u>CISA</u> says, "if a ballot has issues that impact its ability to be scanned, it can be hand counted."
 <u>The Maricopa County Board of Supervisors</u> assured that "Sharpies do not invalidate ballots."
 <u>Dominion</u> has stated, "Sharpie pens are safe and reliable to use on ballots, and recommended due to their quick-drying ink."