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An art installation, which displays black and white images of people detained or deported as a result of ICE raids in Southern California, stands outside the federal building in Los Angeles, Thursday, July 17, 2025.

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A judge ruled late Friday the Trump administration cannot deny funding to Boston, Chicago, Denver, Los Angeles and 30 other cities and counties because of policies that limit cooperation with federal immigration efforts.

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### Homeland Security pulls down list of 'sanctuary' cities and counties after backlash

U.S. District Judge William Orrick in San Francisco extended a preliminary injunction blocking the administration from cutting off or conditioning the use of federal funds for so-called "sanctuary" jurisdictions. His earlier order protected more than a dozen other cities and counties, including San Francisco, Portland and Seattle.

An email to the White House late Friday was not immediately returned. In his ruling, Orrick said the administration had offered no opposition to an extended injunction except to say the first injunction was wrong. It has appealed the first order.

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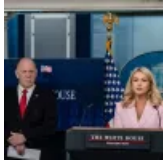
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Orrick also blocked the administration from imposing immigration-related conditions on two particular grant programs.

The Trump administration has ratcheted up pressure on sanctuary communities as it seeks to make good on President Donald Trump's campaign promise to remove millions of people in the country illegally.

One executive order issued by Trump directs Attorney General Pam Bondi and Homeland Security Secretary Kristi Noem to withhold federal money from

sanctuary jurisdictions. Another order directs every federal agency to ensure that payments to state and local governments do not "abet so-called 'sanctuary' policies that seek to shield illegal aliens from deportation."



**IMMIGRATION**

**The White House threatens sanctuary cities in another EO, but courts are skeptical**

The cities and counties that sued said billions of dollars were at risk.

Orrico **Cookie Consent & Sponsorship Choices** Barack Obama, said the executive orders and the "executive actions that have parroted them" were an unconstitutional

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In May, the Department of Homeland Security published a list of more than 500

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the government had deemed them non-compliant. It also said it would inform them

if they were believed to be in violation of any federal criminal statutes.

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The list was later removed from the department's website after critics noted it

included localities that have actively supported the administration's tough

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The Justice Department has also sued New York, Los Angeles and other cities over their sanctuary policies.

There is no strict definition for sanctuary cities, but the terms generally describe places that limit cooperation with Immigration and Customs Enforcement. ICE enforces immigration laws nationwide but seeks help from state and local authorities to identify immigrants wanted for deportation and hold them for federal officers.

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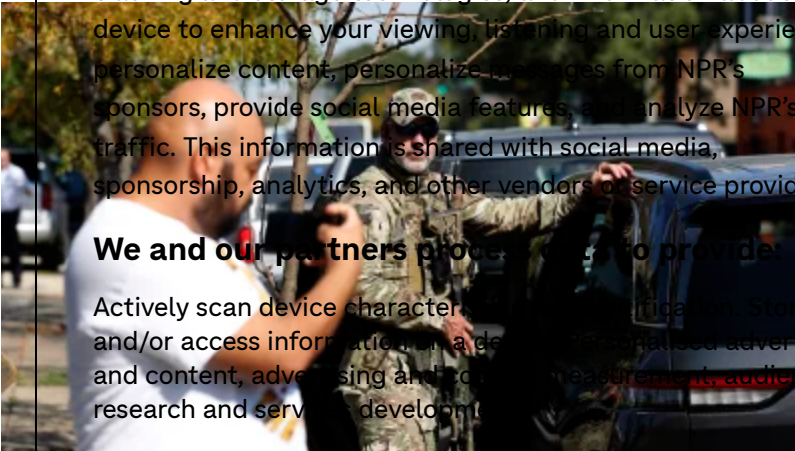
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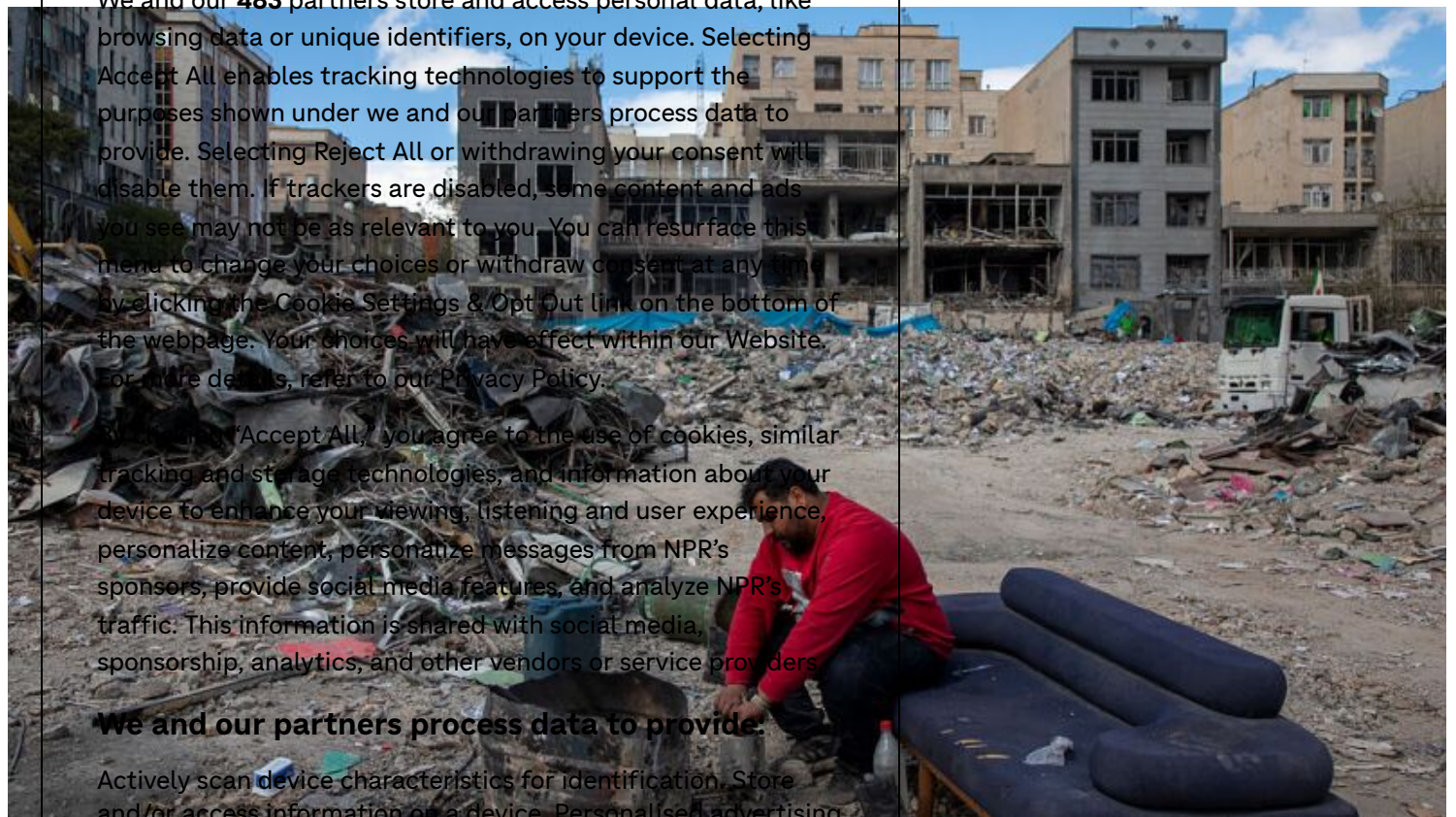
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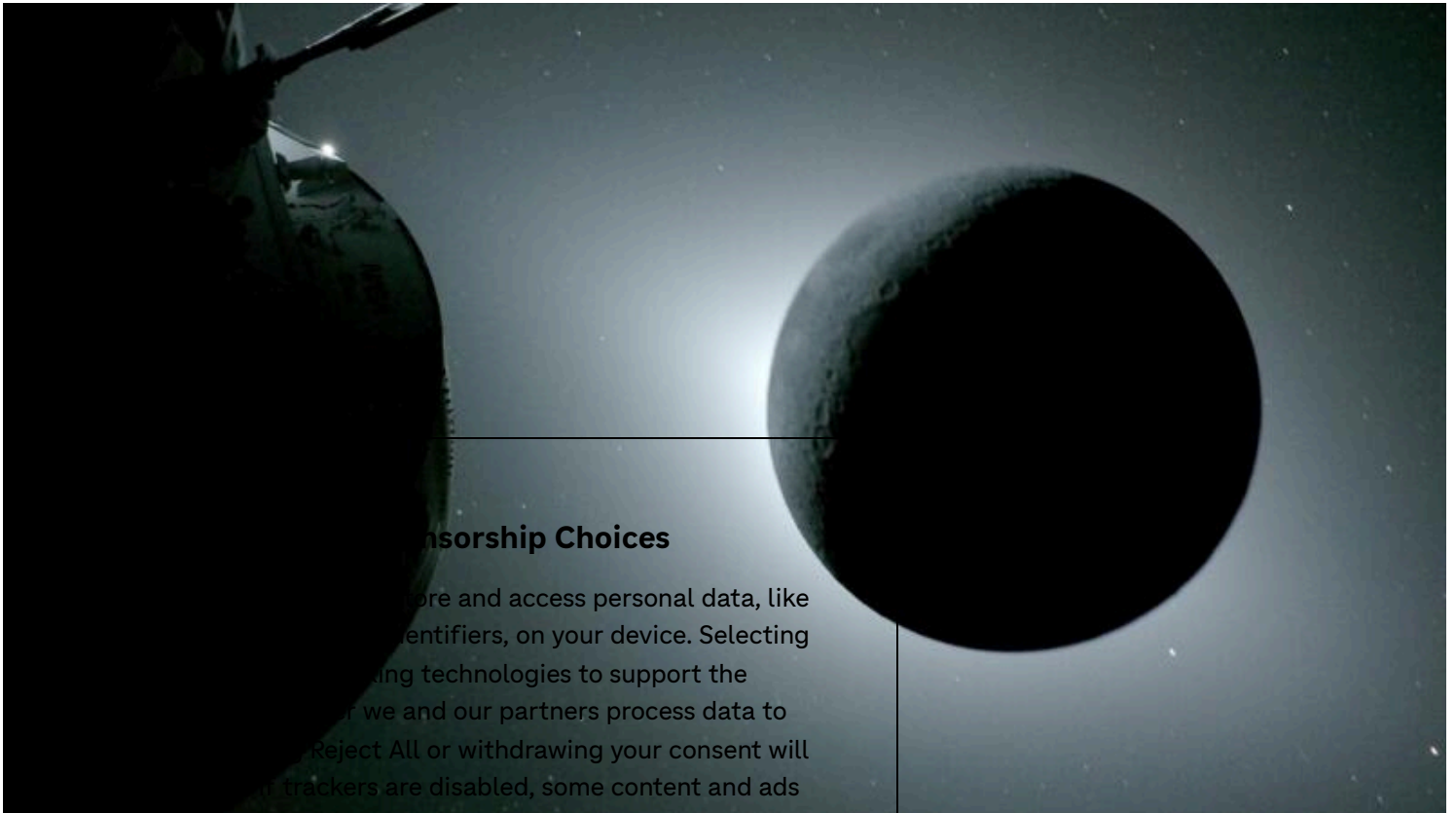
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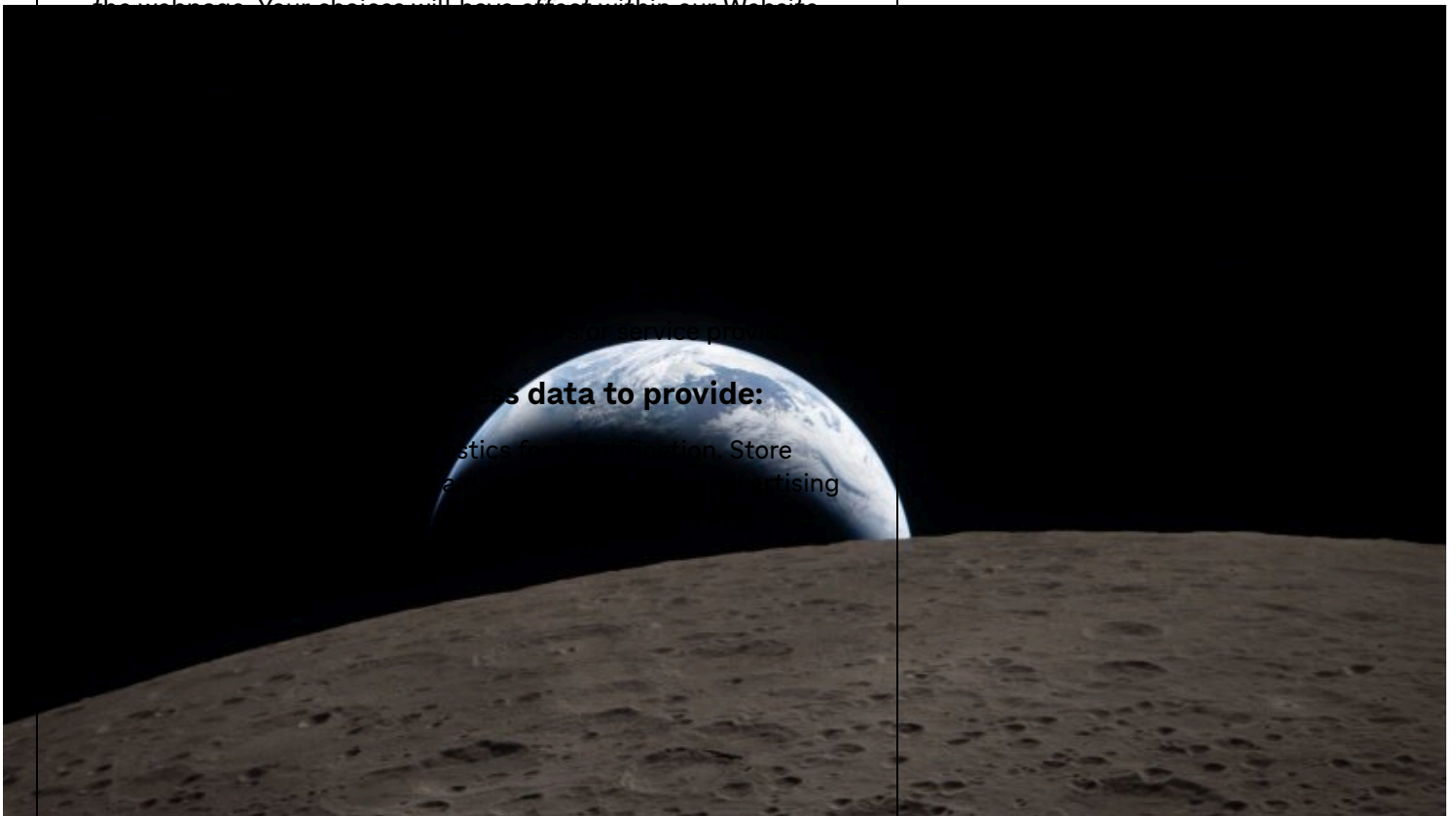
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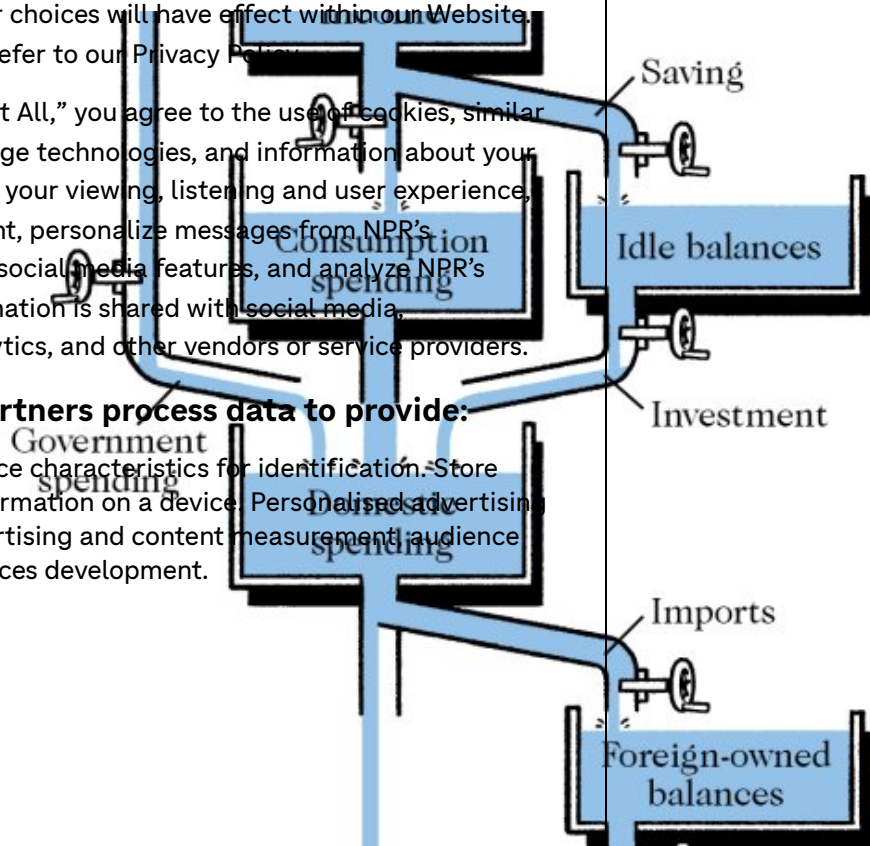
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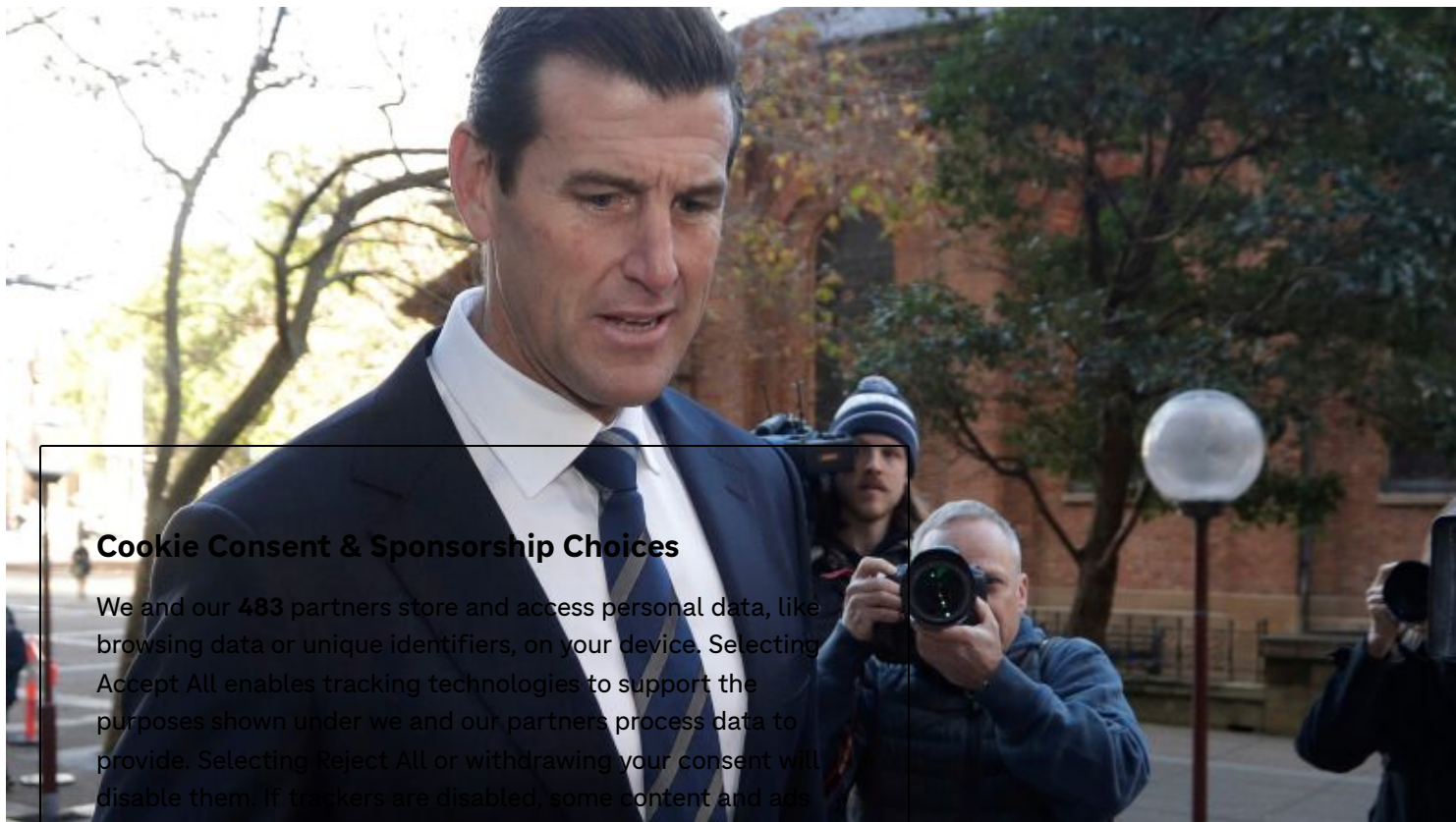
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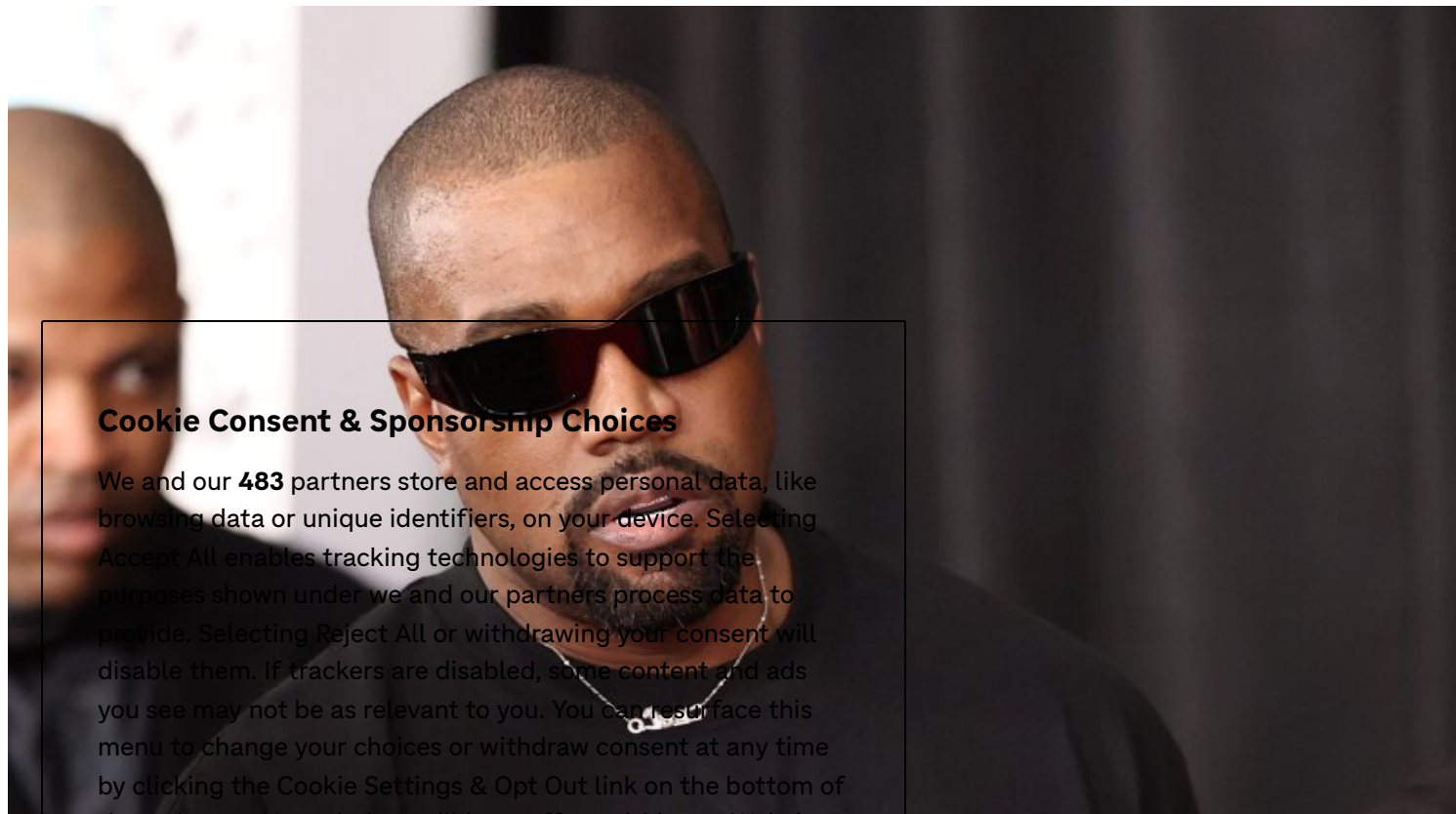
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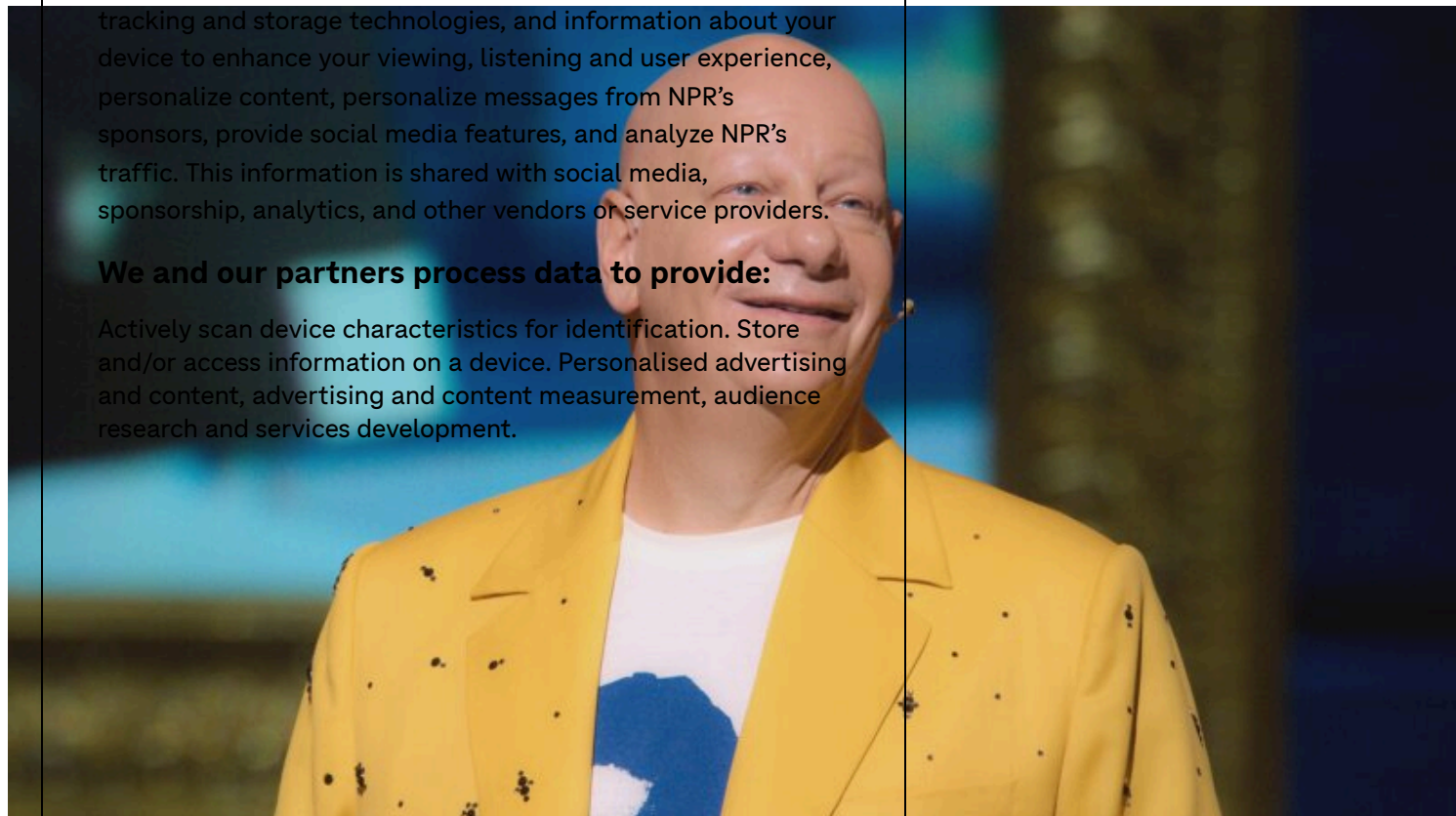
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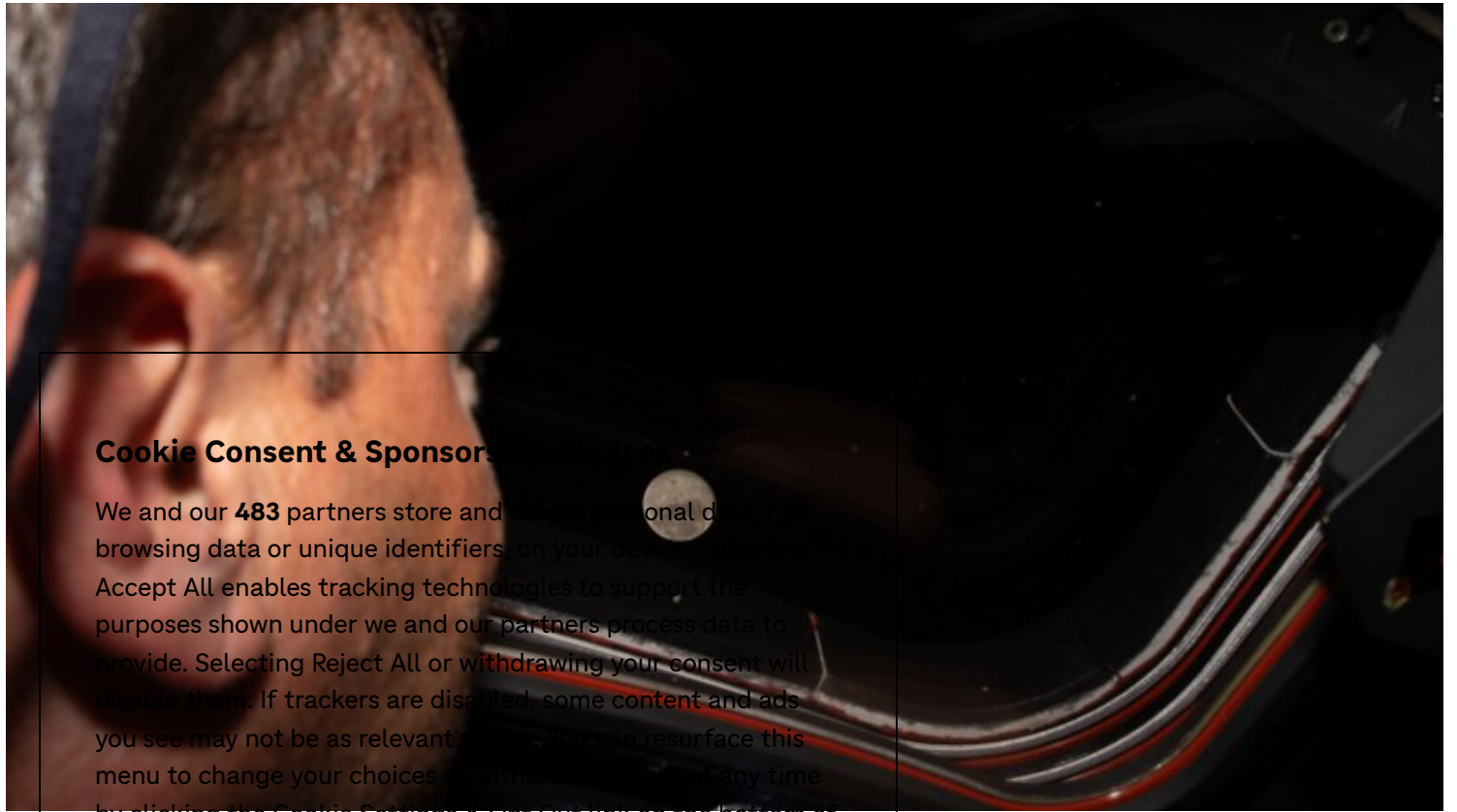
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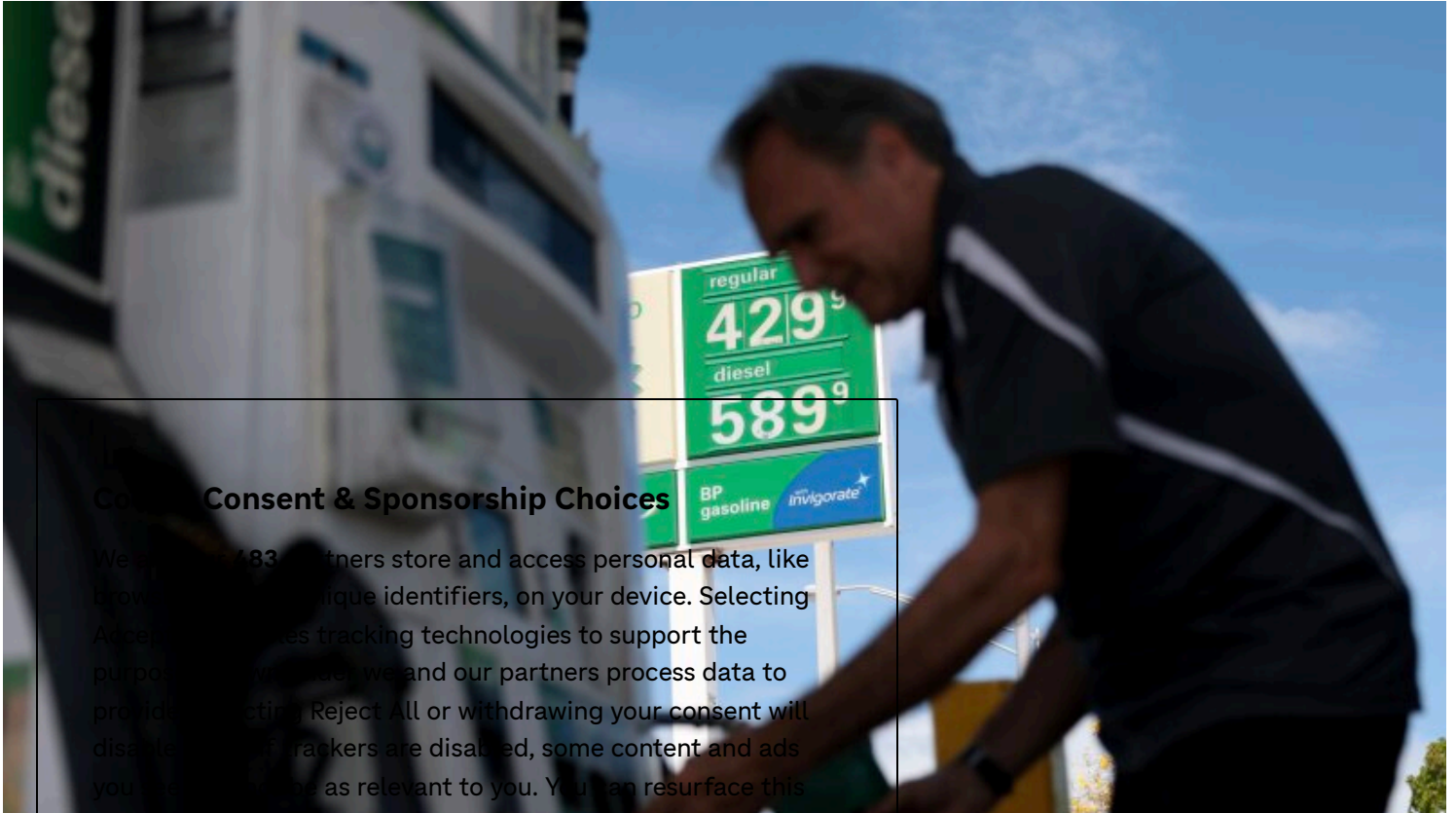
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