

One of the men suspected of carrying out a mass shooting in Christchurch published a manifesto that's now being circulated on alt-right forums, where his actions are being celebrated as part of a broader race war....

One of the gunmen, who identified himself as a 28-year-old Australian named Brenton Tarrant, livestreamed on Facebook the shooting at the Al Noor Mosque.

A Twitter account with the same name also published links to a 17,000-word, 87-page manifesto of white supremacist militant ideology....

An anonymous user who may have been Brenton Tarrant posted the same links to the manifesto on an 8chan message board hours before the Christchurch shooting....

Investigators will study this information as they seek to understand how a young Australian may have been radicalised through fringe internet forums and conspiracy theories, including ideas of 'white genocide' and United Nations-backed covert population control....

It [Tarrant's manifesto] also includes references to "white genocide" — probably a reference to the conspiracy theory that was first proposed in the mid-1990s and has since been embraced by the alt-right movement.

It contends that mass migration, racial integration, and low birth rates are being promoted in predominantly white countries in order to weaken them.

-James Purtill, "Fuelled by a toxic, alt-right echo chamber, Christchurch shooter's views were celebrated online" (March 15, 2019) excerpt