Definition: Digital Colonialism

1. A dominant culture enforcing its power and influence onto a minority culture to digitize knowledge that is traditionally reserved for different levels of a hierarchical closed society, or information that was published with the sole intent of remaining in the one format such as radio or print.

2. A blatant disregard for the ownership of the data and the digitized format, nor the dissemination.

3. Digital data that becomes the topic of data sovereignty.

4. Conglomerates and government who use their influence to digitize data as they want.

5. A colonial view and approach to new Internet technologies such as New General Top Level Domain Names (GTLD) and Country Code Domain Names (CCTLD).

6. Digital access where an ethnic minority are the majority digital divide stakeholders; often while their knowledge and resources are being digitised.

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