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Subject: Dissent is the highest form of patriotism?

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This seems a lot more like a research project than a discussion...

Ahh... but herein lies a critical point of the discussion. Exactly how many people have blindly taken this quotation as fact, simply because they read it somewhere with the text (-Thomas Jefferson) behind it. It's amazing when you think about it. Hundreds to thousands of citations around the Internet, all using it as the backbone of their discussions to speak out against the Government, and not a single one of them took a second to search out the factualness of it.

It sort of brings home a lot of the points that I've made against SFE et al's arguments in the past.. How can you take something so important for granted? How many other opinions are argued simply because they were read somewhere, and regurgitated here. More people need to think for themselves these days, and actually know what they're talking about, rather than just reciting it.

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