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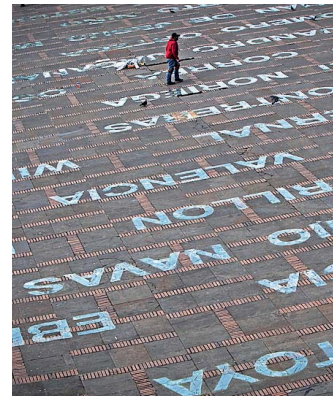
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Mark Zuckerberg's decision to end factchecking
on Facebook and the other social media sites
under the umbrella of his company, Meta, has
been condemned as a "major step back" for
public discourse on platforms that have 3 billion
users worldwide and had earlier acted, albeit in
limited terms, to counteract disinformation.

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