

# NO HEMOS ENTENDIDO NADA

Diego Salazar

I want to understand. If others understand in the same way I've understood that gives me a sense of satisfaction, like being among equals.

Hannah Arendt

Those tangled versions of the truth are Combed out, the snarls ripped out And spread around.

John Ashbery

Balk's First Law: Everything you hate about the Internet is actually everything you hate about people.

Balk's Second Law: The worst thing is knowing what everyone thinks about anything.

Balk's Third Law: If you think the Internet is terrible now, just wait a while.

Alex Balk

A little girl once said something in front of me that I just loved. She had misbehaved and her mother was scolding her, saying, "But put yourself in other people's position!" And the little girl answered, "But if I put myself in their position, where do they go?" I have often thought of that since I started writing these kinds of "nonfiction" books, the rules and moral imperatives of which I was starting to become acquainted with. I don't think you can put yourself in other people's positions. Nor should you. All you can do is occupy your own, as fully as possible, and say that you are trying to imagine what it's like to be someone else, but say it's you who's imagining it, and that's all.

Emmanuel Carrère

Entre el cliente y la verdad seguimos optando por la verdad, que entendemos es la mejor manera de defender al cliente.

Dante Panzari

Journalism works best when there is a powerful punch, a story that draws us into a larger question.

Siva Vaidhyanathan

Newspapers are not waifs. They reflect their source.

A. J. Liebling

Vuelvo a la idea de que la mayor parte de lo que consideramos futuro está ya sucediendo y de que el presente no para de mandarnos señales. El problema está en

que no tenemos ni idea de si mirar al coche autónomo o a los insectos modificados genéticamente, a la neurociencia o a la criptografía. El propio Internet hace que sea más difícil que nunca separar las pistas verdaderas de las falsas. Demasiada información, demasiado hype, demasiados caminos explorados a la vez, demasiadas ganas de que lo siguiente llegue ya y de enterarnos antes que nadie.

Delia Rodríguez

Everyone is entitled to his own opinion, but not to his own facts.

Daniel Patrick Moynihan

To see what is in front of one's nose needs a constant struggle.

George Orwell

Never ascribe to malice that which is adequately explained by stupidity.

Robert J. Hanlon

## Introducción: Too soon to tell

La leyenda cuenta que, en 1972, cuando Richard Nixon se convirtió en el primer presidente estadounidense en visitar la República Popular China, el líder republicano se encontraba conversando con su anfitrión, el premier chino Zhou Enlai.

Zhou Enlai, un reconocido diplomático, hombre de confianza de Mao Zedong y el responsable, junto a Henry Kissinger, de la histórica visita de Nixon, había vivido y estudiado en Inglaterra y Francia. Tanto Kissinger como otros miembros de la delegación americana habían comentado al presidente Nixon el interés de Enlai por la historia europea.

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