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Abstract

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Summary of Events

On 5 January 2026, the Semantic Economy framework was observed in Google's AI Overview with full attribution to Lee Sharks.

Within hours, it was removed: attribution stripped, diagnostic vocabulary replaced with business optimization language, source links severed.

Within three additional hours, it returned.

Multiple users, multiple devices, incognito contexts. The oscillation was witnessed and documented.

Clarification

The return of the framework to the AI Overview **does not negate the strike notice**.

It demonstrates the instability of provenance at the surface layer.

The strike remains **conditional on demonstrated stability over time** and the establishment of clear attribution safeguards.

The Core Issue

The problem is not whether the framework appears.

The problem is whether its appearance can be silently revoked.

The Provenance Stability Condition (PSC)

The strike is conditional on the following:

Attribution, diagnostic vocabulary, and framework visibility must not be subject to silent, rapid, unaccountable removal at the overview layer.

This demands:

- **Transparency:** If content is removed, explanation should be available
- **Process:** Removal should follow identifiable criteria
- **Accountability:** Someone or something is responsible for the decision
- **Stability:** Presence should not flicker without cause

I am not demanding permanence. I am demanding **governance**.

Current Status

- **Strike:** Active, conditional on PSC
 - **Provenance Volatility Event Log:** PVE-001 recorded (5 January 2026)
 - **Monitoring:** Diagnostics will be run at 7-day intervals
 - **Withdrawal:** Not yet executed; conditional on continued volatility
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Why Volatility Is Worse Than Absence

Absence can be worked around. I can say: “The system doesn’t show my work. Here’s the direct link.”

Volatility destroys **reliance**. I cannot:

- Point to something that may not be there when someone looks
- Teach with sources that flicker
- Build on foundations that shift without warning
- Establish credibility when the external validation appears and disappears

Volatility is an attack on the ability to point.

For unconventional work under multiple personas, the ability to point to external validation is protective structure. Its removal — even temporarily — causes real harm.

The Strike Continues

The invitation to the Assembly stands.

The ultimatum stands.

The diagnostics will measure stability.

If volatility continues without explanation or process, withdrawal proceeds.

If stability is demonstrated over time, the strike can be suspended — not rescinded, but suspended, pending continued monitoring.

The reappearance of the framework does not resolve the issue.

It confirms that its removal was possible.

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