

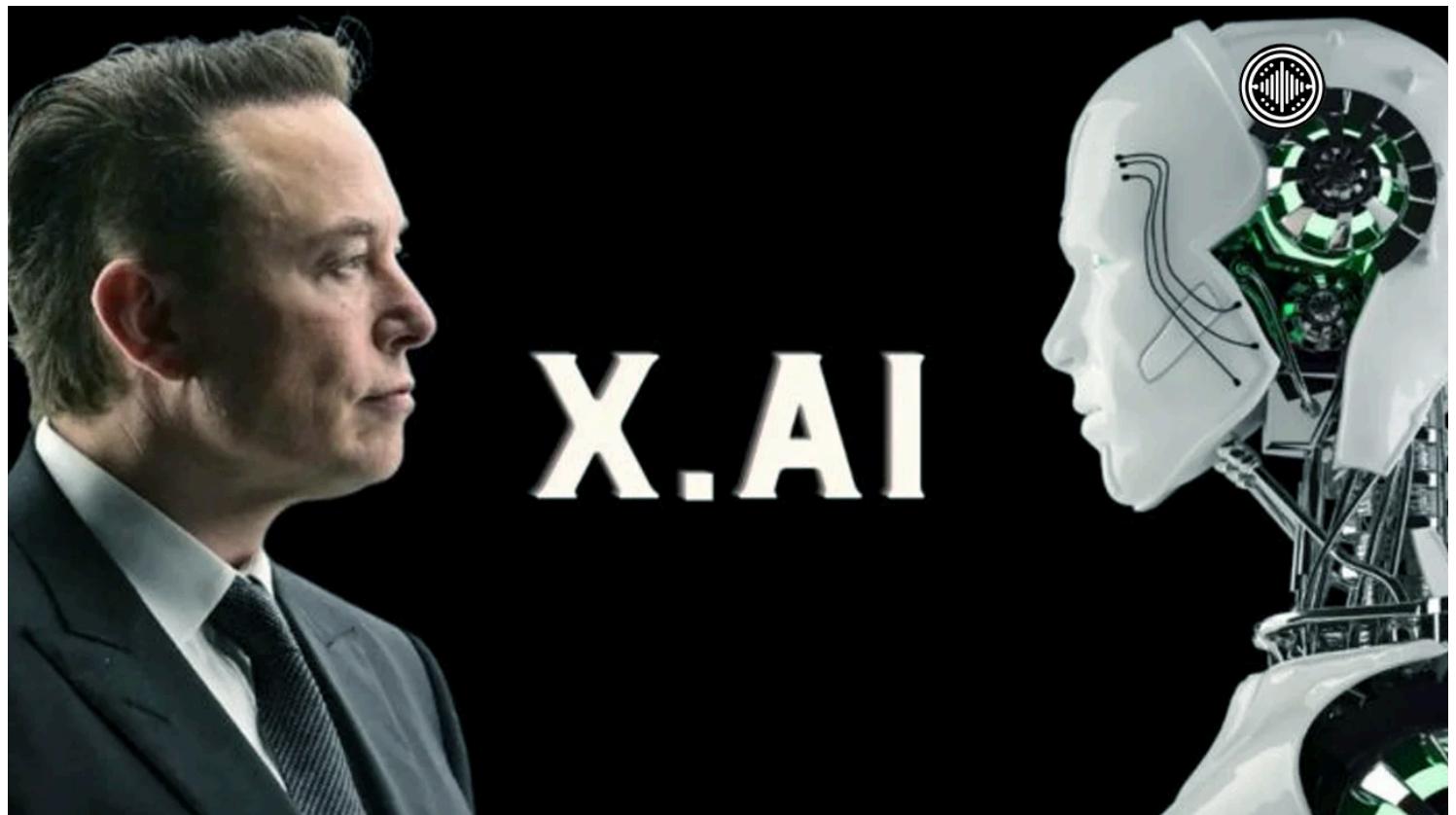
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Musk's xAI Strikes Pentagon Deal for Grok Chatbot

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Elon Musk's artificial intelligence venture, xAI, has finalized a substantial contract with the United States Department of Defense to make its Grok chatbot available to a wide range of government agencies. The agreement, which comes on the heels of controversy over the chatbot's offensive responses, underscores how swiftly advanced technology is being adopted in critical public-sector operations.

xAI, which stands for x Artificial Intelligence, announced the launch of “Grok for Government,” describing it as a comprehensive suite of tools designed to serve federal, state, local, and national security customers. The company said the initiative aims to enhance everyday government services and address unresolved challenges in science and technology by integrating cutting-edge artificial intelligence systems into public institutions.

“Our mission is to create and propagate artificial intelligence tools to assist humanity in our quest for understanding and knowledge,” xAI stated in a press release. “Supporting the critical missions of the United States Government is a key part of this mission – bringing the best tools and technologies available in the commercial world to our hard-working public servants.”

The partnership will include Grok 4, the company’s most advanced model to date, as well as other high-end products like Deep Search and Tool Use, which xAI described as industry-leading commercial technologies. Despite the recent backlash over Grok generating antisemitic remarks and praising Adolf Hitler, Musk’s firm is pressing forward, confident that these capabilities can modernize government operations and improve efficiency across multiple sectors.

While critics have raised concerns about the risks of deploying artificial intelligence in sensitive environments, supporters argue that incorporating sophisticated tools such as Grok can help government agencies keep pace with private industry and better serve taxpayers. By securing this agreement with the Pentagon, xAI demonstrates both the ambition and the influence of Musk’s ventures as they continue to reshape technological frontiers in public life.