invidious Apresyan (En-Ru)

[in'vidiəs] a книжн.

1. вызывающий отвращение, возмущение, враждебность; оскорбляющий несправедливостью; возмутительный гнусный

invidious pamphlet - гнусный памфлет

invidious remark - оскорбительное замечание

to make invidious distinctions - проводить обидные разграничения

2. редк. вызывающий зависть

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in-vidi-ous BrE [ɪn'vɪdiəs] * NAmE [ɪn'vɪdiəs] * adjective (formal)

unpleasant and unfair, likely to offend sb or make them jealous

- We were in the invidious position of having to choose whether to break the law or risk lives.
- I would be invidious to single out any one person to thank.

Word Origin:

[invidious] early 17th cent.: from Latin invidiosus, from invidia, from invidere 'regard maliciously, grudge', from in- 'into' + videre 'to see'.

Example Bank:

- · Union leaders called the new rules 'invidious and divisive'.
- · We were in the invidious position of having to choose whether to break the law or risk our lives.

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in vid i ous /ɪn'vɪdiəs BrE * AmE * adjective written

[Date: 1600-1700; Language: Latin; Origin: invidiosus, from invidia 'envy]

unpleasant, especially because it is likely to offend people or make you unpopular:

By innocently lying to detectives, she'd put herself in an invidious position.

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