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Thread: [Paranoid? Yes. However, Disturbing nonetheless.](#)

Jahkio - December 30, 2011, 8:41 pm

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-Jah

Glassy - December 30, 2011, 8:48 pm

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The Dark Side of the Moon - December 30, 2011, 8:50 pm

You'd be crazy to think that no law enforcement is on a forum that is as big as this and talks about some of the stuff we do.

Glassy - December 30, 2011, 8:52 pm

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Diabolic - December 30, 2011, 8:55 pm

There are hundreds of members who are inside police/FBI. Hence why a few members from Hack Forums have been swatted.

Stay Plural - December 30, 2011, 8:55 pm

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It's funny to see, rankmyhack.com. Doesn't a fellow HF member own it?

Pocky - December 30, 2011, 8:55 pm

Lmao yeah, because the majority of kids here can actually do something. Right.

g0dspeak - December 30, 2011, 9:01 pm

I am a federal agent. I need to ask you all some questions. I will be calling your homes later this evening.

Un-Named - December 30, 2011, 9:04 pm

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-Jahl read that like 2 days ago.

The internet can be such a "small" place sometimes.

RaptorZT - December 30, 2011, 9:18 pm

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+Pirate - December 30, 2011, 9:23 pm

Of course the biggest hacking forum on the internet would have FBI people.

Jahkio - December 30, 2011, 9:26 pm

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I thought that as well, but am i the only one finds it alarming that multiple people are hyperanalyzing our forums? I know we cant stop people from acessing the site without stopping its ability to be public* with the conditon of a username. But Is there any feasible way to stop the mass analaysis of the forum. In reference to another poster, i realize this site is mostly compromised of begginers but should we at least try** to fight governments from spying on us; or is the only option to make all begginer hacking information completely public?

Note: i realize its essential to stay public, but i feel like obligated to fight people using HF as a specimen to be experimented on and analyzed -_-'

Brock Obama - December 30, 2011, 9:27 pm

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Jahkio - December 30, 2011, 9:30 pm

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I agree, in my short time here ive found half dozen ways to steal passwords etc that can easily use for malic. Purposes.

Its not really explocitly blackhattery (lol funny word) but its like putting a codom dispenser in a highscool. YEAH its illegal to have underage sex, and theyre not directly telling them to break te

law, theyre just making it laughably easy to do so.

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I agree, but i doubt that 1/4 are informants. But id be willing to bet at least 10% of registered users. However an arguement can be made that most actively contributing users are doubtfully FBI etc etc

Nov - December 30, 2011, 9:35 pm

Yeah, I'm sure they are spying on all the 12 year old RAT users here.