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Thread: [Close/Disable inactive Ub3r members without 2fa enabled](#)

Balding - December 25, 2015, 2:10 pm

In the past 15 minutes (currently 5:08 PM) I've seen 4 scam reports from ub3r members. Upon trust scanning them I found that each of them have not enabled 2fa for whatever reason. These types of accounts are going to be used to scam members of the community because of their rank and possible reputation.

My suggestion is to either close or disable Ub3r accounts that have been inactive for longer than 4 months and do not have 2fa enabled. I don't think this will be considered but I felt it's worth a thread regardless.

By disable I mean remove pm/posting privileges that way they cant communicate with anyone in order to scam.

It's also very obvious these accounts are more than likely hacked.

Merry Christmas.

Edit: Keep in mind this is just a suggestion. I don't really know how hard it would be to do this, but I assume it's just like the system that closes normal accounts after 6 months to a year.

I feel like this will reduce the scamming even more.

EXAMPLES

<https://hackforums.net/showthread.php?tid=5108317>
<https://hackforums.net/showthread.php?tid=5108232>
<https://hackforums.net/showthread.php?tid=5060730>
<https://hackforums.net/showthread.php?tid=5108346>
<https://hackforums.net/showthread.php?tid=5105325> - iffy.
<https://hackforums.net/showthread.php?tid=5106343> - iffy as well.

And tons more I cant bother with.

Check the trust scans of the person that scammed the OP of each thread.

?Creative - December 25, 2015, 2:12 pm

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Exactly. I mean, if they were inactive for that long anyway I doubt they would come back.

Zexo - December 25, 2015, 2:15 pm

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(Dec 25, 2015 03:15 PM)Zexo Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) I like the idea but some people so just take breaks from hf for personal reasons.

Then you would simply use the contact page and explain the situation. If you could provide proof of ownership then I see no problem with this.

EthanX - December 25, 2015, 2:16 pm

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But if that happens either they can just vac ban them self or just prove ownership in the contact

Aurora - December 25, 2015, 2:17 pm

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(Dec 25, 2015 03:16 PM)[OpTic] Cumshot67 Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) or just make it harder to get back in an inactive account. Aka 1month inactive requires contact form or email verification?

There's the possibility the email could also be compromised. I feel this is the safest way to go about this. Not a bad idea though.

(Dec 25, 2015 03:17 PM).Sinister Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) If this could be automated somehow, I guess this could work out. I think it's too much of a hassle for Omni.

I've stated in the OP that it could work sort of like the current system for normal inactive account closures.

DustDice - December 25, 2015, 2:18 pm

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Balding - December 25, 2015, 2:19 pm

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TheUnknownPlague - December 25, 2015, 2:19 pm

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yea it would take a lot of manpower to do this manually

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Um, no. It could easily be automated. Disable them from viewing market/PM'ing.

Hopsin - December 25, 2015, 2:20 pm

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Nonetheless, I partially agree with your idea. Good luck!

Balding - December 25, 2015, 2:21 pm

(Dec 25, 2015 03:20 PM)DustDice Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) Check my edited post.

That pretty much goes back to my suggestion in the OP - removing posting/pming privileges.

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I'm going to edit the OP.

I've added if they have gauth disabled then this suggestion would follow.

Blakee - December 25, 2015, 2:26 pm

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I've stated in another post that if you have 2fa enabled, no matter how long your inactivity period is, you will remain open.

Mons - December 25, 2015, 2:51 pm

Why don't the scammers activate 2FA after they have hacked into those accounts though?

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Or let's put my question this way: If a user's Gauth is enabled, who says it's not a hacker who enabled it?

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Because all they're looking to do is scam and move on to the next account.

Hellblazer? - December 25, 2015, 2:57 pm

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Balding - December 25, 2015, 3:02 pm

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samsepi01 - December 25, 2015, 3:02 pm

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Because if an account is inactive then there's no way the owner would be alerted of this.

Please read the whole thread, you're the 3rd person that has shitposted and completely neglected my point.

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Then all a hacker has to do is enable 2fa and vula, scamming spree incoming.

You have to think of the loop holes dude.

Ahri????? - December 25, 2015, 3:19 pm

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I mean yeah I guess?