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Hydra - January 27, 2020, 10:21 am

Convo Changes - HF Group Chats

HF Convo System features have been updated. Check out the features in the dedicated thread.

[>>Source](#)

Inactivity and Bytes Policy

Bytes are now set to 0 if there's no account activity for a year. [>>Source](#)

Site Statistics

Total

? Posts: 38,712,479 (+0.03% - +11,772)

? Threads: 3,774,574 (+0.03% - +1,026)

? Members: 366,567 (+1.19% - +4,319)

Average

? Daily Posts: 8,119.83 (-0.05% - -4.35)

? Daily Threads: 791.71 (-0.06% - -0.45)

? Daily New Members: 76.89 (+1.12% - +0.85)

? Posts Per Member: 105.61 (-1.14% - -1.22)

? Replies Per Thread: 9.26 (~)

Forum Counts

Tab Counts [\(Click to View\)](#)

Notable Sections

? [Lounge](#) Threads: 242,028 (+0.04% - +99)

? [Lounge](#) Posts: 3,982,831 (+0.07% - +2,914)

? [RANF](#) Threads: 74,521 (+0.03% - +21)

? [RANF](#) Posts: 1,192,238 (+0.02% - +199)

Common

? Threads: 576,040 (+0.03% - +167)

? Posts: 9,100,307 (+0.06% - +5,050)

Hack

? Threads: 749,239 (+0.03% - +197)
? Posts: 6,564,796 (+0.03% - +1,749)

Tech

? Threads: 222,191 (+0.01% - +22)
? Posts: 1,845,385 (+0.01% - +105)

Code

? Threads: 178,162 (+0.01% - +26)
? Posts: 1,508,962 (+0.01% - +149)

Game

? Threads: 472,166 (~)
? Posts: 4,852,664 (~)

Groups

? Threads: 8,703 (+0.01% - +1)
? Posts: 367,714 (-0.04% - -163)

Web

? Threads: 91,013 (+0.02% - +14)
? Posts: 650,445 (+0.01% - +72)

GFX

? Threads: 140,703 (+0.01% - +13)
? Posts: 1,047,084 (+0.01% - +92)

Market

? Threads: 1,174,771 (+0.03% - +352)
? Posts: 10,534,052 (+0.03% - +3,180)

Money

? Threads: 146,378 (+0.03% - +45)
? Posts: 1,856,539 (+0.05% - +1,009)

Closures

? [Sir](#) has been closed.

Awards

? [Pyro](#) received the SportsBook award
? [Zero](#) received the Businessman award

*As of the Sunday prior to release.

Announcements

? [Rare Alt-Coin Sale](#) - [Omniscient](#)

Altcoin awards are back once again but this time they have got their own section. Also right now you can grab the awards at half the normal price.

Informational Threads

? [Deaf man sues adult sites for not having subtitles](#) - [Eagle 95](#)

A deaf man has filed a lawsuit against a popular adult video site as they believe it should have subtitles.

? [Interview Tips?](#) - [funtela](#)

Interviews, some of us find them easy and some of us find them a struggle. This thread is here to help everyone with what you should do within them.

? [TheChaosKiller - Donate basic phones to the homeless!](#) - [xCodeh](#)

Do you have an old phone that is never going to get used again? Can't be bothered to sell it on? Then why not donate the phone to a homeless person?

Entertaining Threads

? [Everybody Lies, What is Your Current Lie and To Who?](#) - [Eagle 95](#)

Lies, We all tell them even if they are only little white lies that don't hurt anyone. Eagle 95 is trying to get people to share their most recent lie with everyone on the site do you dare to come forth?

? [Best animated signature on HF](#) - [James Burnham](#)

Signatures we all have them or want them but who do you think has the best one out there?

? [Learning 2 languages](#) - [Simplicity!](#)

Trying to learn another language is hard but Simplicity! Thinks it would be possible to learn two at the same time.

Contests & Giveaways

? [1,000 Bytes Contest | Multiple entries |](#) - [? GRAPHIC PLEASURE ?](#)

If you want to try and win a free 1,000 ? then you can with this giveaway!

? [2 x \\$20 BTC | MULTIPLE ENTRIES > JOIN NOW](#) - [??Fr.???Y ?E????](#)

Are you new to bitcoin or just want some bitcoin? Then make sure you enter this giveaway for a chance to win!

? [Pow3r's Byte Giveaway](#) - [Pow3r](#)

The user known as Pow3r has started a bytes giveaway with two winners the first getting 1,000 ? and the second getting 750 ?

We publish the HF News every week yet we have aged members who don't even know we exist! Wear any of the signatures listed below to support us and spread the word about HF News, HF Wiki, and Writers altogether.

Support Signatures [\(Click to View\)](#)

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Goodbye Lists, Hello Emojis!

For this edition, we'll be experimenting with using emojis as bullet points instead of the list BBCode. Please let us know what you think of the change.

The Coronavirus Takes Its Toll on the Travel Industry

In China, this new virus has already started to take its toll on businesses. The outbreak of this virus coincides with the Chinese Lunar New Year. Traditionally, during this festive period, over 400 million Chinese people travel to celebrate the holiday. However, this year's virus outbreak has caused a

panic among travellers, and travel restrictions have been put up by the government. Cancellations have been widespread in the aviation and hospitality industry. The Chinese civil aviation authority announced that airlines should give passengers refunds for cancelled flights. Some airlines and major hotels have announced that they will allow customers to rebook for free. Tourism-related businesses like casinos, Air travel and hotels have all taken a blow, and their share prices have fallen. [>>Source](#)

The British Chancellor of the Exchequer Has Reassured British Firms

The British Chancellor of the Exchequer has taken steps to reassure British firms about trade in the post Brexit era. He assured the business community that the UK would only use the autonomy granted by Brexit to benefit businesses. This clarification came days after the minister had said that in the Post Brexit era there would not be an alignment with the EU. He concluded this statement by saying that firms have to adjust to the new regulations. The trade relationship with the EU has been a sensitive issue. The UK has, however, taken steps to capitalize on gains to be accrued from the deal. [>>Source](#)

Trump's New Tariffs

In a move that is now characteristic of Mr Trump's presidency, he has increased tariffs on derivative steel, aluminum products from some countries. On Friday, the president signed an order increasing tariffs on derivative steel products by twenty-five per cent and aluminum by 10 per cent. Argentina, Australia, Canada and Mexico are however exempt from both. Brazil and South Korea are exempt from the derivative steel tariffs only. He said that these tariffs are a strategic move to prop up US production. He described this as a National Security issue. He further said that since he introduced tariffs on steel and Aluminum, imports had reduced. However, in the same period, imports of derivatives had increased. Therefore the new duties are a means to counter the producers' attempts to go round the first batch of tariffs. [>>Source](#)

Uber self-driving cars coming to DC

Uber has recently announced that they will be bringing their self-driving cars to Washington, DC. Before they go fully autonomous, they will collect data with humans operating the vehicles to gather different driving situations for their engineers to recreate in simulation. This won't be the first time Uber has used self-driving cars. A fatal crash happened in Tempe, Arizona in March 2018, killing a pedestrian. Since the crash Uber has been testing in a confined area in downtown Pittsburgh with autonomous vehicles. A few other cities were used to collect data that includes San Francisco, Houston, and Toronto. Pittsburgh was the only city approved to test such vehicles. [>>Source](#)

Apple is keeping the Lightning port

USB-C has become the standard for most smartphones on the market and subtracted some of the issues along the way. The iPhones still use a lightning port with a lightning cable and has not switched over to USB-C. Members from the European Parliament are proposing that all phone manufacturers to fully switch over to USB-C, Apple disagrees with this proposal. The European Commission stated that non-standardized cables "generate more than 51,000 tonnes of waste per year." This has been a continuing issue with manufactures for the past decade. Apple argued "If European lawmakers had forced phone manufactures to use the now-outdated micro-USB back in 2009, they would have "restricted the advancement of technology." An analyst from the CCS insight consultancy said, "It's becoming increasingly difficult to understand why Apple insists on using the Lightning port, when the industry is standardizing around USB-C, and Apple itself has numerous devices that use USB-C." This gives Apple complete control of a unique area of smartphones.

[>>Source](#)

Jeff Bezos hacked

Jeff Bezos one of the wealthiest people in the world, his iPhone was allegedly compromised by Saudi Arabia, U.N. Experts said. Bezos received a message containing a video which held “sophisticated malware that gave attackers access to files on Bezos’ smartphone.” Saudi Arabia denies they were involved in the attack. Afterwards the attackers had access to his pictures and private conversations. To be targeted with such an attack you don't need to be a very well-known person as there have been a few data breaches recently with WhatsApp and Facebook Messenger.

[>>Source](#)

Latest Leak Claims Battle Royale Coming to Modern Warfare

In his most up to date post, the YouTuber professed to have gotten his hands on the in-game strings that uncover what has been mentioned by the developers. His initial leak came as four new mission lines that have difficulties inside – including one that has players running each other over with vehicles. He also claimed that a source within Infinity Ward explained that the battle royale has been “delayed” in line with the season one end date as it “needs more time.” However, that doesn’t mean that it is absolutely coming with season two. The sourced noted that it is a possibility, but the BR could also come in season three, or be canceled altogether. [>>Source](#)

Nintendo will no longer repair Wii consoles come March

Nintendo's Wii has had a remarkable run since its 2006 dispatch, selling in excess of 101 million consoles over its seven-year life expectancy. Presently, years after it was displaced by the Wii U and afterward the Switch, Nintendo is declaring that it'll never again repair damaged Wii's in Japan and will quit accepting new units on March 31st. This news has shocked many in the gaming world, but Nintendo has made claims that the upcoming year will in fact be a year everyone will remember for a long time. Sadly, the end lesson learned from this news article is take care of your Wii unit from this day forward as it may be difficult to acquire them in the near future. [>>Source](#)

US-China Trade Agreement lowers Next-Gen Console, but not board games

In December, the United States and China arrived at a supposed "Stage One" exchange understanding that suspended proposed taxes on computer game consoles inconclusively. While it's not exactly the far reaching change bundle that the Trump organization has been after, it removes a critical danger to the dispatch of the PlayStation 5 and the Xbox Series X this Christmas season. As usual, the future of how these events will play out with China are far from predictable. With that being said, most of the back and forth trading and new stipulations with US trading should allow for smooth transactions and less conflict. [>>Source](#)

Hydra - January 28, 2020, 2:10 pm

Want to showcase your own Battlestation (Computer Setup)? [Submit yours now!](#)

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Sugawara - January 28, 2020, 7:43 pm

That's one edition!

Thank you for all the efforts.

rsx - January 28, 2020, 7:58 pm

Rest in piece [Sir](#)

You will be missed.

Who Soup - January 28, 2020, 8:01 pm

Thanks Hydra, nice and full edition this round ?

Geralt - January 28, 2020, 8:02 pm

Thanks, great news as always!

Shisho - January 28, 2020, 8:09 pm

I would love to know if the stoned penguin in the Bool hoodie is Linux-themed art!

Diamond - January 28, 2020, 8:19 pm

Another great and inspiring edition of the HF News.

Thanks, HFNT ! ?

Zero - January 28, 2020, 10:05 pm

I will miss [Sir](#) ...

Thank you Hydra and the rest of the team!

Pyro - January 28, 2020, 10:06 pm

(Jan 28, 2020 08:58 PM)Nuzi Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) Rest in piece [Sir](#)

You will be missed.

What ?

Edit: oh, i thought u said RIP to Hydra

Almonds - January 28, 2020, 10:18 pm

Nice work, definitely helps keep me up to date with HF.

I have been very busy the past few weeks. ?

Invisible - January 29, 2020, 8:21 pm

(Jan 29, 2020 09:19 PM)xadamxk Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) I was wondering why the fugg I kept seeing emojis.
Not a huge fan haha

I'm with you on this one. I prefer the BBCode list.

Motusora - January 29, 2020, 8:28 pm

thanks for the spotlight , can't remember when was the last time i saw one of my graphics being posted here =)

Zeus - January 30, 2020, 7:33 am

Great news would be good if there was more user news added that's my favourite part!

SIM-3762503 - January 30, 2020, 7:58 am

I recently came to know about it. Good to see all important information all in one place.

Psylent - January 30, 2020, 8:36 am

I think i missed it. Why Sir was banned? Is it self ban?

Burnzy - January 30, 2020, 8:41 am

Am wondering too why was sir closed

eXceptional - January 31, 2020, 1:07 pm

Briefly describe the event: Conversation now has an option to select and send images from your machine or mobile.

Any important links: <https://hackforums.net/convo.php>

Lrrr - January 31, 2020, 1:10 pm

Props to Hydra for keeping the news alive so long

Exe - January 31, 2020, 1:15 pm

(Jan 28, 2020 11:05 PM)Zero Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) I will miss [Sir](#) ...

Thank you Hydra and the rest of the team!

Buddy you got a clean ass profile

Zero - January 31, 2020, 1:19 pm

(Jan 31, 2020 02:15 PM)666 Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) Buddy you got a clean ass profile

What do you mean buddy?

SIM-4375709 - January 31, 2020, 1:22 pm

This was my first time actually reading one of these, great job to the OP on this well informative thread.

Motusora - January 31, 2020, 2:33 pm

(Jan 30, 2020 09:36 AM)Psylent Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) I think i missed it. Why Sir was banned? Is it self ban?

(Jan 30, 2020 09:41 AM)Burnzy Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) Am wondering too why was sir closed he asked for it.

Invisible - January 31, 2020, 4:31 pm

(Jan 31, 2020 02:07 PM)eXceptional Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) Briefly describe the event: Conversation now has an option to select and send images from your machine or mobile.

Any important links: <https://hackforums.net/convo.php>

Wrong thread ?

eXceptional - January 31, 2020, 10:46 pm

My bad. I was in my sleep when I posted this.

Lorem Ipsum - February 2, 2020, 4:52 am

(Jan 30, 2020 09:36 AM)Psylent Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) I think i missed it. Why Sir was banned? Is it self ban?

Sir got his Mentorship revoked after he did some power abuse over me. He got banned for a temporarily while.

After that, I didn't pay attention to him anymore and now I see he's closed for good.

Thank you [Hydra](#) for the Hack Forums News! I love reading it, but always have a hard time finding this forum between the main menu haha. Have a great Sunday you all.

iNviZ - February 3, 2020, 12:26 pm

Great news as always. Thank you and great work.