Aubrey Cottle

Bowmanville, Ontario, Canada

Aubrey Cottle has a six-year history of stating he has cooperated with, or worked for multiple different Law Enforcement organizations, including INTERPOL, the Royal Canadian Mounted Police and the Federal Bureau of Investigation. In addition, Cottle has talked extensively about running honeypots for child pornography involving multiple different sites.

Cottle's outright admissions to working with state intelligence agencies are not just past or present, but over time. In addition, he has outright encouraged his audience on Twitter to contact UK authorities to have a long-time journalist and activist "forced to seek help".

In addition to his statements about law enforcement, Cottle has a long history of making racist and antisemitic remarks, including posting pictures of swastikas, pro-Hitler, anti-Black racial slurs and posts with statements advocating death of Black and Jewish people.

Cottle has worked to have himself named "Founder of Anonymous", which was published in The Atlantic, in August 2020. The author admits in public posts that this entire claim is purely of Cottle's own mind. They have yet to issue a correction or footnote to the article.

Under the screen names Kirtaner, RealOGAnonymous, renatriK, and ThatNotoriousK on Twitter, Aubrey has been quite vocal about hacks surrounding Parler, Gab and Epik. His statements are clearly the work of someone who would like quite a lot of attention for themselves and those around them. His behavior and statements appear very similar in nature to Sabu's, after being arrested, agreeing to become a CI for the FBI in less than 24 hours, forming Antisec in less than a month, and coordinating the hack of Stratfor, released on Christmas Day of that year. His cooperation with the FBI led to the imprisonment of other activists, and harassment/arrests of their families and loved ones.

"i've done work for the fbi before and i give zero fucks"

~Aubrey Cottle aka Kirtaner via Twitter

January 20th, 2017

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[1] i've done work for the fbi before and i give zero fucks

it was a decade ago and involved rcmp/fbi, my web communities have made fox news, "hackers on steroids", i really do not care

considering i had to run fucking child porn honeypot operations for the feds and it still gives me nightmares idgaf what they do

January 20th, 2017

[2] One of these days I should FOIA my FBI file just to see what the hell is in there for real though i'm curious as to just how many pages it is considering just how often i dealt with feds **October 15th, 2019**

[3] long story short is i helped RCMP + INTERPOL shut down 12chan after a bunch of social engineering **September 24th, 2015**

[4] Did you know I helped INTERPOL shut 12chan down? I run 420 not 12 you dumbfucks **September 19th, 2015**

[5] If proof was that easy to find I'd probably be on the sex offender's registry, not like I didn't have regular communication with law enforcement! September 20th, 2019

[6] They're gonna dig up the honeypot fakelink (that Spar even knew about) that was used to drop malware on 12chan admins and I forwarded info to French authorities, we were notified of the datacenter raid.

Gosh it's like I'm not on the sex offenders registry! September 10th, 2021

[7] Aubrey Cottle's current Twitter Cover Photo (Canadian Security Intelligence Service Investigational Records as of **July 22nd**, **2021**):

[8] We taunted 12chan staff a lot, gave them bad sysadmin advice on purpose, laughed and called them dirty pedos in irc when French feds were actively seizing their servers which they didn't want to believe was real but we were privy to the seizure, etc. Nothing but disdain for them. **September 25th, 2019**

[9] Aubrey Cottle is a regular on Gregg Housh's podcast, and was platformed to a more mainstream audience by Gregg. Cottle was made very aware of Gregg's history of cooperating with the Federal Bureau of Investigation.

[10] 4chan never did anything noteworthy and 12 years later I'm hard pressed to find anything different I mean, they took the heat off you, for the most part. If you ignore those time the FBI came over to have a chat. (Response to previous comment)

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June 5th, 2020

[11] boy oh boy i could tell you so many things about very specific federal involvement and recruitment, to boot i have so many storiesSeptember 18th, 2019

[12] CSIS offered me a job one time big deal Most talented younger hackers are approached by IC when identified. It's more common than anyone admits. Good talent is hard to find. Whatever.

I "got caught" because I had balls and doxxed myself to every target we had.

October 8th, 2021

[13] "i was the lucky one to have the blessing of alphabet agencies to weaponize anonymous (as an antiterrorism thing, to boot), those that came after me, not so much i'm canadian too so that changes the calculus"
June 6th, 2020

[14] Aubrey Cottle discussing his wife, Spardot and Libby on 7chan

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[15] Retweeted by Aubrey Cottle under @RealOGAnonymous: "The man was suicidal. Police shot him." (Regarding a news account of cops performing a "welfare check")March 19th, 2021

[16] "Welfare checks as SWATs" ~LibbyInPhilly w/ Cottle in the comments

October 1st, 2021

[17] I hope someone has appraised the UK Home Office as to Barrett's unhinged slander and defamation. If not, I highly encourage it at this point.

I also encourage reporting most of his Twitter account for targeted harassment. Make sure you archive it first, courts will want to see his baseless claims as we will be seeking compensation.

Anyone that can force him to seek help, do so. Sooner than later.

October 9th, 2021

Racism & Antisemitism

[1] What Wolfenstein is teaching me: Jews are technology-hogging jerks that prevent us from colonizing space several centuries ago. Assholes. - June 11th, 2014

[2] "Kill civilians, commit war crimes, cry about the holocaust" - July 23rd, 2014 (Pictured is a book titled "A Jew and his duties")

[3] Hulk Hogan's HH tweet signatures actually stand for Heil Hitler - April 21st, 2016

[4] heil @HulkHogan - August 18th, 2016 (Included in this tweet was a GIF, depicting swastikas, Adolph Hitler, and a scene from American History X of a neo-Nazi curb stomping a Black man) CONTENT WARNING

[5] multiple HH (Heil Hitler) references in a three tweet thread about concert tickets - March 14th, 2017

[6] Hitler was a wonderful leader and adored globally! -March 25th, 2015

[7] A picture of Don Lemon holding up a sign edited/captioned with an anti-Black racial slur - August 3rd, 2016

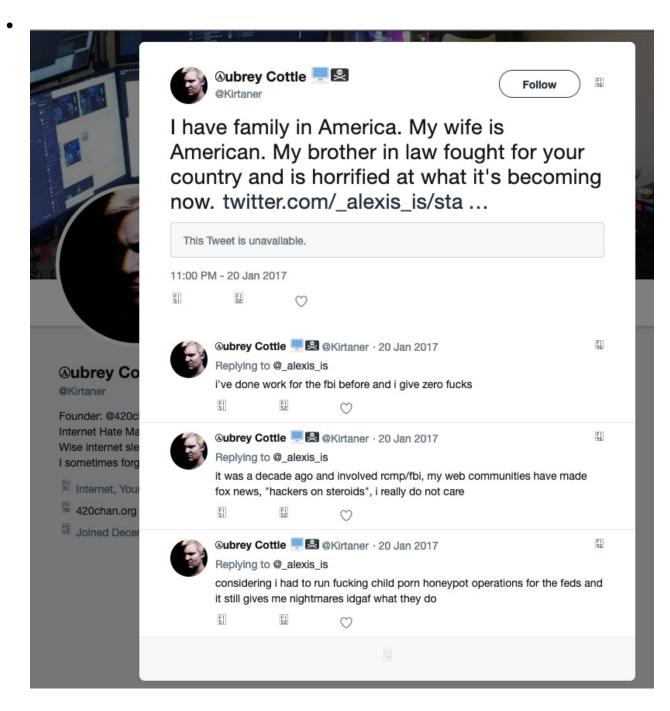
[8] Post of a pretzel swastika - June 9th, 2016

[9] Post captioned "one of these things is not like the other", with a picture of several wi-fi networks. The one in all caps contains the text "KILL NI**ERS AND KI*ES"

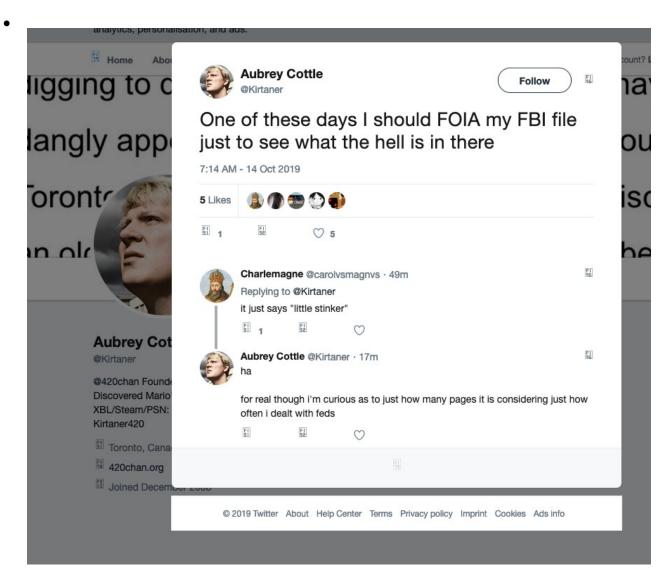
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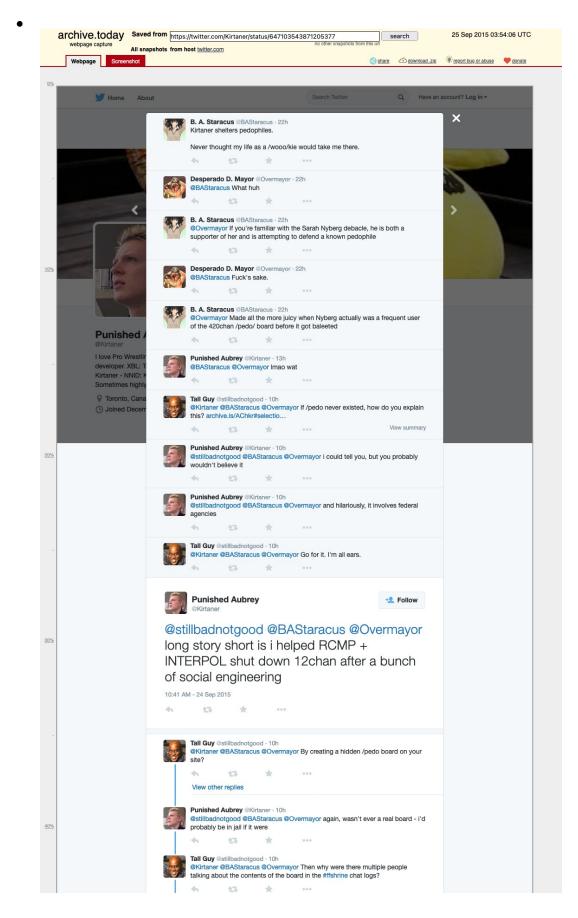
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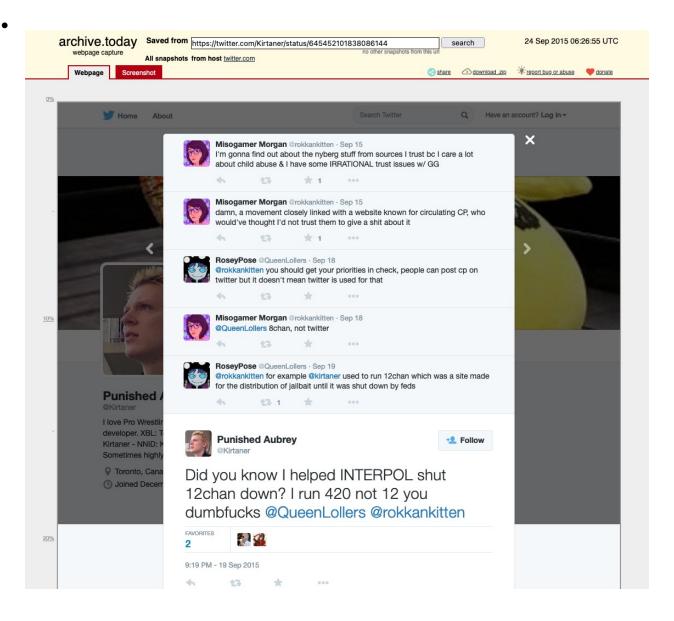
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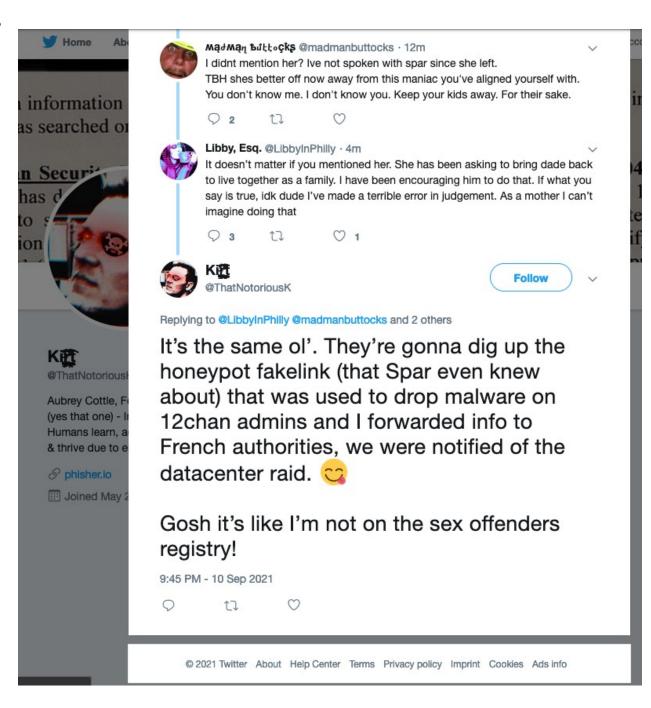


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This refers to your *Privacy Act* request of July 22, 2021, received in our office on July 22, 2021, for "Any and all information about myself spanning the last 14+ years as it pertains to the hacker collective Anonymous

Based on information contained in your request, please be advised that the personal information bank listed below was searched on your behalf with the following results:

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Aubrey Cottle @Kirtaner · 41m FI Yeah the critical thinking here is "there is no possible way a Canadian had a cp board operating in Canada that was known to exist and didn't get the book thrown at his face in every possible way" Heh <u></u> F I 52 C 틾 Aubrey Cottle @Kirtaner · 28m There was another board we had that focused on camwhores on Stickam, I killed it off immediately when it just turned into a creepo teenager stalking board. Zero tolerance. <u></u>1 F1 C Aubrey Cottle FL Follow @Kirtaner

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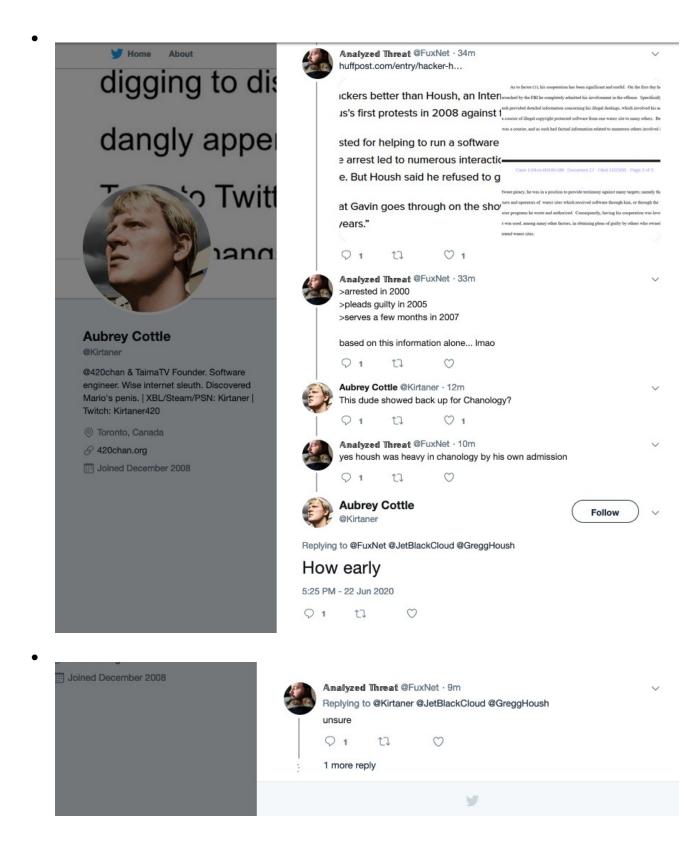
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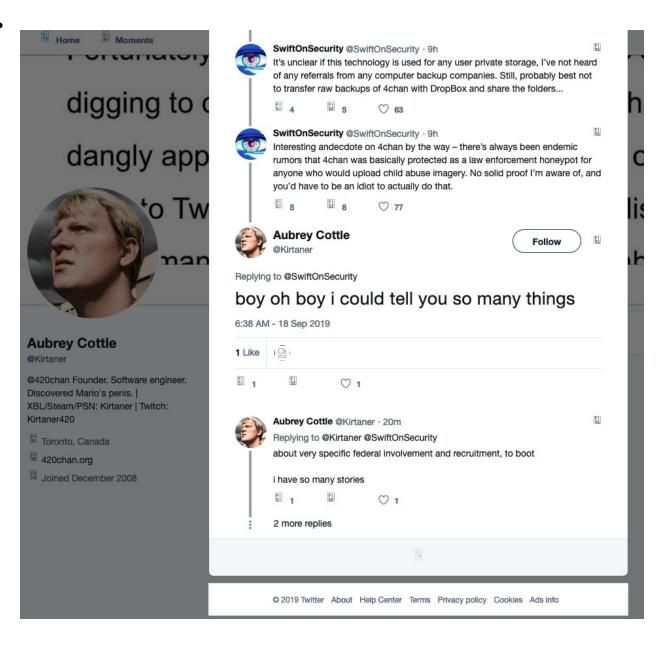
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 - Sarah Nicole @The_KittenQueen · 6h Also - Do not attempt to hack anything that isn't in your own state. For example if you live in Ohio, don't try to get into the Salt Lake City police depot website. Crossing state lines makes it a federal crime and the FBI will get your ass. Q_1 1J Sarah Nicole @The_KittenQueen · 6h Again, I highly recommend NOT participating in #hacktivism. The chances of you doing more good than harm are very very low. 0 1 Q_1 11 Sarah Nicole @The_KittenQueen · 6h Additionally, any "Anonymous" account created in 2020 is most likely THE FEDS. Do not engage with them! Q 4 1J 0 2 Neal Rauhauser @nrauhauser · 6h Boys between 15 - 25 gonna do what they do. Quarantine is super duper summer. So ... expect them :-(Q_1 11 C Sarah Nicole @The_KittenQueen · 6h Boys are so dumb! Q 2 1l C Aubrey Cottle @Kirtaner · 2h lol most of the original hate machine was a 50/50 male female split and the majority of the men that were under me are now transgender, like we're talking 80% here Q_2 1l m

Sarah Nicole @The_KittenQueen · 2h



But if it were a female dominated world the hate machine never would have existed to begin with





Aubrey Cottle @Kirtaner · 2h

talk to my wife before you nail that one down, she was just as vicious as I was and I'm the "calm" one these days





Sarah Nicole @The_KittenQueen · 2h Yeah but she is the product of a male dominated world



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Aubrey Cottle @Kirtaner · 2h



hm, good point and without elaborating further i think you convinced me there Q_2 1l



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and it was a laughable concept too

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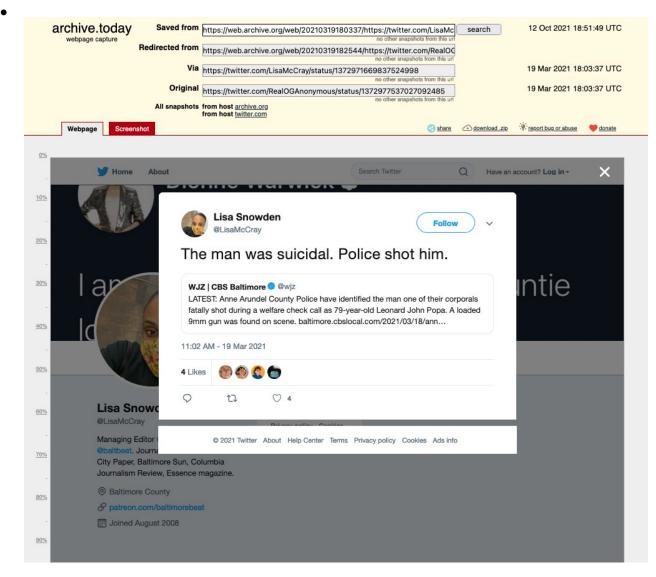
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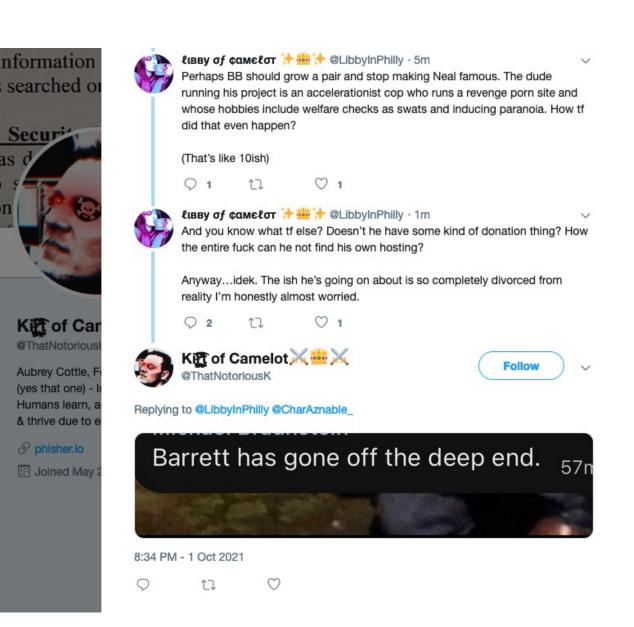
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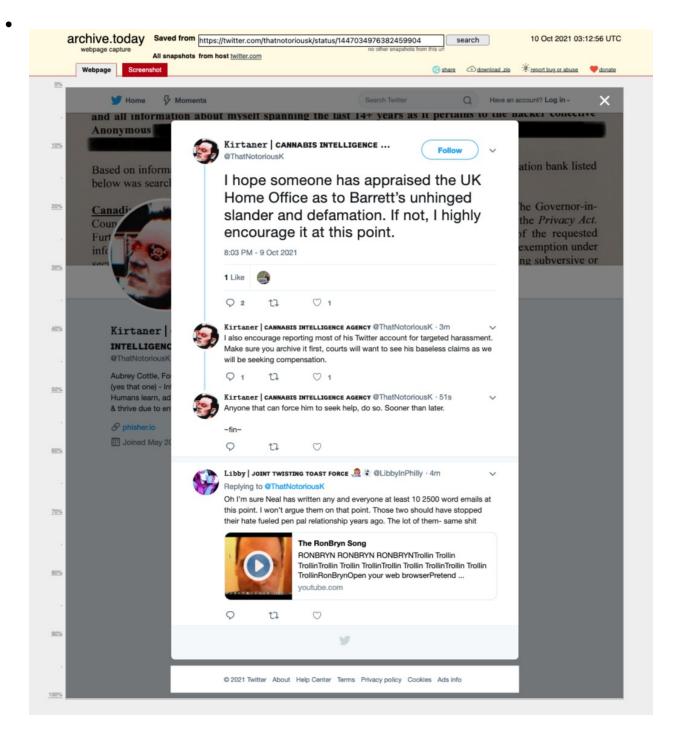
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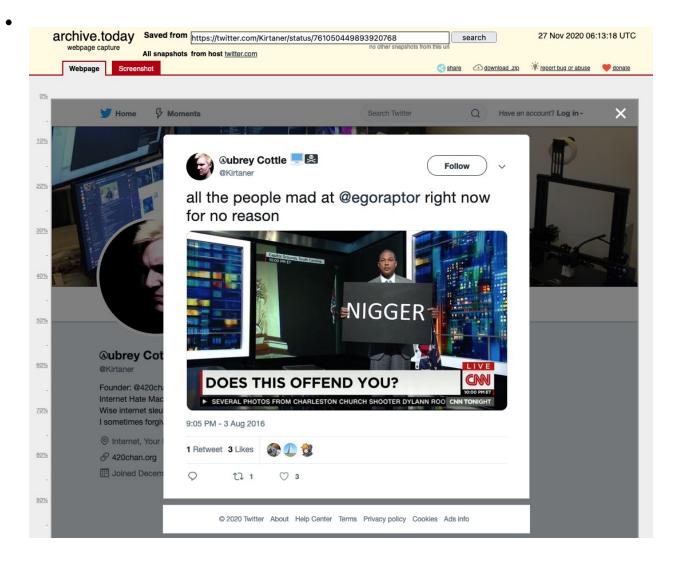
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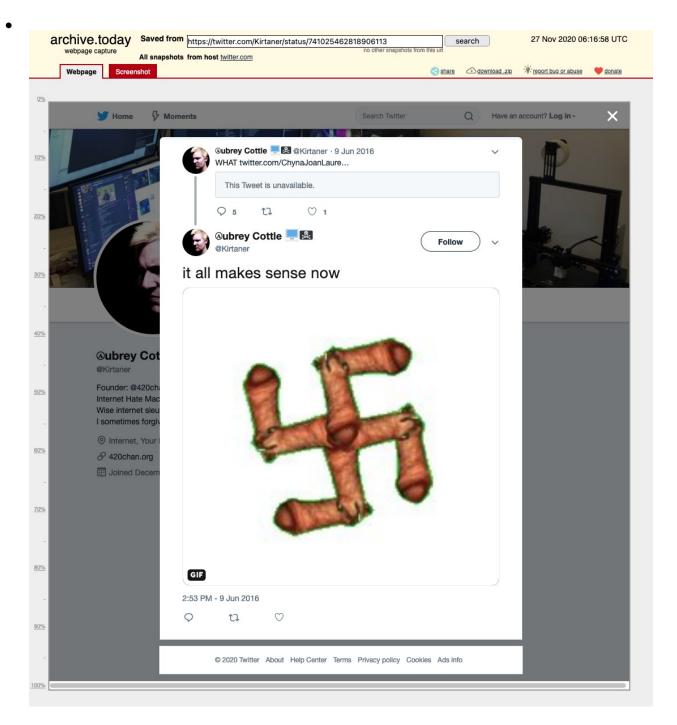
No. We've been calling out gamers/assholes like you, who represent/enable everything wrong w/ gaming. #StopGamerGate
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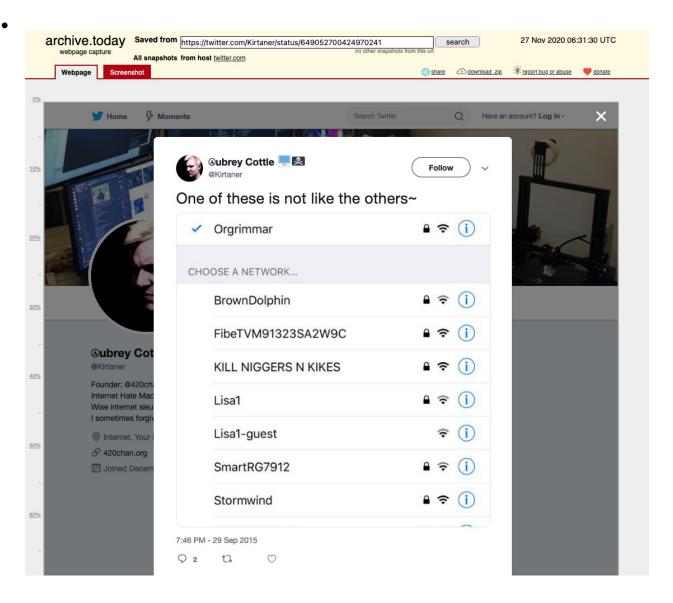
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