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FOIA CASE LOG

2006-06-20

Assigned: _____

FOIA Number/Topic: _____

Time/Date

Action Taken/Comments

Action Officer

6/13/06

Sent acknowledgement letter

via mail

HQ-FOIA

From: on behalf of HQ-FOIA
To: john@greenewald.com
Subject: Initial Determination 06-231

06-231

Mr. John Greenewald
john@greenewald.com

Dear Mr. Greenewald:

This is in response to your request received on June 6, 2006, pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) for a copy *“all records related to British citizen Gary McKinnon who NASA claimed hacked into its computers. The records to be provided should include all the UFO related information he looked at.”*

The NASA Headquarters Office of Public Affairs conducted a search and from that search found a Non-NASA record responsive to your request. You may access this record at: <http://science slashdot.org/article.pl?sid=06/05/06/1247236&from=rss>.

You may appeal this initial determination to the NASA Administrator. Your appeal must (1) be addressed to the Administrator, National Aeronautics and Space Administration, Washington, DC 20546, (2) be clearly identified on the envelope and in the letter as an “Appeal under the Freedom of Information Act”, (3) include a copy of the request for the agency record and a copy of this initial adverse determination, (4) to the extent possible, state the reasons why you believe this initial determination should be reversed, and (5) be sent to the Administrator within thirty (30) calendar days of the receipt of this initial determination.

Sincerely,

s/signed

Kellie N. Robinson
Headquarters
FOIA Public Liaison Officer

06-231

January 19, 2007

OK

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john@greenewald.com

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FOIA NO. 10-F-2006-231

Hand-Carry Action Response to FOIA Office - Room 5K35

Action Assigned to: Code(s) Public Affairs Date: _____ *SUSPENSE DATE: _____

To Legal (legal review): _____

FOIA Request from: Grant Cameron Date Request Rec'd: 6/6/2006
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Subject: FOIA 06-231

Date: Tuesday, June 13, 2006 11:04 AM

From: FOIA <hq-foia@nasa.gov>

To: FOIA Request via The Black Vault - Grant Cameron
<presidentialufo@presidency.com>

Conversation: FOIA 06-231

FOIA 06-231

June 13, 2006

Grant Cameron
Black Vault
Presidentialufo@presidency.com

Dear Mr. Cameron:

This is in response to your Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request received on June 6, 2006, requesting information related to Gary McKinnon.

Your request is being processed in chronological order based upon the date it was received. NASA processes all FOIA requests in a multi-track processing system, based upon the date of receipt and the amount of work and time involved in processing the request. The agency determines whether the request is simple or complex. In order for a request to be expedited, the requestor must demonstrate a compelling or urgent need and demonstrate that failure to obtain the information could pose an imminent threat to life or physical safety or loss of substantial due process rights.

Questions regarding this action should be in writing to this center at the address shown below.

Sincerely,

original /signed

Mary F. Bell
Freedom of Information
Administrative Specialist
NASA Headquarters
300 E Street, SW
Washington, DC 20546

Kellie Robinson

Rec'd KNR
Tue, Jun 6, 2006 1:03 PM

Subject: National Aeronautics and Space Administration

Date: Monday, June 5, 2006 9:59 PM

From: FOIA Request via The Black Vault - Grant Cameron
<presidentialufo@presidency.com>

To: <foia@hq.nasa.gov>, <john@greenewald.com>

Conversation: National Aeronautics and Space Administration

From FOIA Requestor: Grant Cameron <presidentialufo@presidency.com>

To Agency: National Aeronautics and Space Administration

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www.bvalphaserver.com/article9525.html](http://www.bvalphaserver.com/article9525.html)

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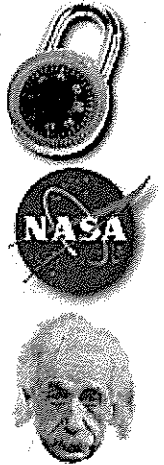
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NASA Hacker Gary McKinnon Interviewed

Posted by [CowboyNeal](#) on Sat May 06, '06 09:44 AM
from the out-of-this-world dept.

An anonymous reader writes "*A BBC article reports about an interview between Click and Gary McKinnon who in 2002 hacked into NASA and other US Military networks. In the interview he talks about how he accessed machines by using default passwords and a conversation with a NASA network engineer using Wordpad. He also talks about how he found information about anti-gravity, UFO technology, free energy and how UFOs are regularly airbrushed out from high-resolution satellite images.*"



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Slashback tonight brings some corrections, clarifications, and updates to previous Slashdot stories, including The Boston Globe's Ombudsman speaks on Peter Quinn story, Microsoft continues to push their password-less approach to web browsing, Gary McKinnon extradition reopened, and more news on the organic car fuel front -- Read on for details.

• I'm really skeptical

by suso (153703) * on Saturday May 06, @09:48AM (#15276585) (Score:5, Insightful)
(<http://suso.com/> | Last Journal: Tuesday March 09, @01:03AM) -

No, the graphical remote viewer works frame by frame. It's a Java application, so there's nothing to save on your hard drive, or at least if it is, only one frame at a time.

What kind of moron spends 3 years breaking into government computers and doesn't know how to do a screen capture or see the importance of saving what he's doing. Sorry folks, but from reading this interview, he seems like bullshit.

- Re:I'm really skeptical by AndyAndyAndyAndy (Score:1) Saturday May 06, @09:53AM
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- Re:I'm really skeptical by Anonymous Coward (Score:1) Saturday May 06, @10:16AM

Re:I'm really skeptical

by AndroidCat (229562) on Saturday May 06, @10:38AM (#15276825) (Score:4, Funny)
(<http://home.primus.ca/~ronsharp/>)

Well, it would be hard for it to seem **less** credible, wouldn't it? What happens when you reduce the video to 4 bit colour?

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- Re:I'm really skeptical by FunkyELF (Score:2) Saturday May 06, @10:16AM
 - Re:I'm really skeptical by liquidpele (Score:3) Saturday May 06, @09:20PM
- Re:I'm really skeptical by darkmeridian (Score:2) Saturday May 06, @10:37AM
 - Re:I'm really skeptical by Bungopolis (Score:2) Saturday May 06, @10:42AM
 - Re:I'm really skeptical by azav (Score:2) Saturday May 06, @10:43AM

Re:I'm really skeptical

by malsdavis (542216) * on Saturday May 06, @11:04AM (#15276946) (Score:5, Informative) --
If you had read or watched the interview you would know he was using the remote operating program RemoteAnywhere. In which case his story is totally consistent.

He states that the image was downloading when a staff member physically accessed the computer and disconnected him. I know personally the program can freeze for a couple of seconds on a slow connection while taking screen shots. It is therefor quite plausible that he was waiting for the image to download before taking the screenshot and then did not have time - in the few seconds it takes for a person to go the bottom-right-corner of the screen and select disconnect - to take a screenshot of what had already downloaded (as he would have had no indication of someone being about to use the computer locally). 1 frame later and any cache of the image would have been lost.

This doesn't at all prove his claim of viewing a NASA UFO image are true but they are atleast plausible.

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- [Re:I'm really skeptical](#) by Valdrax (Score:2) Saturday May 06, @11:34AM
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by [DrXym \(126579\)](#) on Saturday May 06, @10:48AM (#15276872) (Score:4, Insightful)

This seems par for the course for UFO nuts. When pressed for hard evidence of the amazing things they claim, you get a bunch of excuses or some grainy blurry mess that could be and probably is a hubcap or a spray painted flower pot. In this idiot's case he has no excuse for not providing evidence. If he really saw these super secret UFOs, free energy devices etc, all he had to do was save / download the information and stash it somewhere.

Since he didn't he is full of shit. The UFO / conspiracy nuts will probably love him.

[Parent]

Re:I'm really skeptical

by [Ohreally factor \(593551\)](#) on Saturday May 06, @11:13AM (#15276977)(Score:4, Funny)
(Last Journal: [Sunday November 27, @03:29PM](#))

I'm not sure if they have the equivalent under UK law, but maybe he is laying the groundwork for his not-guilty-by-reason-of-insanity plea.

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- Re:I'm really skeptical by xxybermancer (Score:1) Saturday May 06, @01:09PM
 - ◻ Re:I'm really skeptical by Frozen Void (Score:1) Saturday May 06, @02:30PM
- Re:I'm really skeptical by Rob Carr (Score:3) Saturday May 06, @11:00AM
- Re:I'm really skeptical by malsdavis (Score:2) Saturday May 06, @11:13AM
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Re:I'm really skeptical

by gerardrj (207690) on Saturday May 06, @11:51AM (#15277143) (Score:5, Informative)
 (Last Journal: [Wednesday July 21. @02:03AM](#))

This guy's full of shit. His answers don't make sense.

...and bearing in mind this is a 56k dial-up, so a very slow internet connection, in dial-up days..."

"...No, the graphical remote viewer works frame by frame. It's a Java application..."

"SK: You were actually cut off the time you were downloading the picture?"

GM: Yes, I saw the guy's hand move across."

Can someone show me a Java VM that existed and would have been the programming language of choice in the "dial-up days"? At least to me the heyday of dialup was the late 80s to mid 90s, then cable and DSL started taking over. The first version of Java wasn't released until about '96 and wasn't widely deployed/accepted until 2000 or so.

HOW did he see a "guy's hand move" over a dial-up connection that was sending about 1 frame every 2 minutes at best?

Idiot. I'm guessing the interview was so short because the BBC interviewer smelled the BS.

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- Re:I'm really skeptical by Anonymous Coward (Score:2) Saturday May 06, @12:05PM
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 - Re:I'm really skeptical by ComaVN (Score:1) Sunday May 07, @08:36AM
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UFOs, free energy, and anti-gravity?

(Score:5, Funny)

by Anonymous Coward on Saturday May 06, @09:49AM (#15276589)

Is he *certain* he didn't stumble on a NASA honeypot?

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UFO Vs Alien & Gary's Flakey Story

by eldavojohn (898314) * on Saturday May 06, @09:49AM (#15276593) (Score:5, Insightful)

(<http://slashdot.org/~eldavojohn/journal/> | Last Journal: Sunday May 14, @09:12AM)

I'm going to throw out this warning that this article *was not* fairly summarized by Slashdot.

I will preemptively state that UFO *does not* necessarily mean extraterrestrial technology or not from this planet. In the raw form of the acronym, it means simple that there is an Unidentified Flying Object. There are most likely hundreds of types of aircraft that governments around the world would refuse to classify due to a need to keep their enemies in the dark (national security).

From the article:

Gary McKinnon: I was in search of suppressed technology, laughingly referred to as UFO technology. I think it's the biggest kept secret in the world because of its comic value, but it's a very important thing.

He interchangeably uses "suppressed technology" with "UFO technology." I'm certain the United States Government has tons of suppressed technology as well as any other government for obvious reasons.

I should finish the quote, however:

Old-age pensioners can't pay their fuel bills, countries are invaded to award oil contracts to the West, and meanwhile secretive parts of the secret government are sitting on suppressed technology for free energy.

Ok, that last bit about free energy, you can go ahead and call him a nut job. And then there's also this:

I got one picture out of the folder, and bearing in mind this is a 56k dial-up, so a very slow internet connection, in dial-up days, using the remote control programme I turned the colour down to 4bit colour and the screen resolution really, really low, and even then the picture was still juddering as it came onto the screen.

But what came on to the screen was amazing. It was a culmination of all my efforts. It was a picture of something that definitely wasn't man-made.

Yeah, Gary, it sure is crazy how you can mess with the color quality and resolution of an image to make it look like my family picture is really some image a green gelatinous blob that eats people.

Firstly, because of what I was looking for, I think I was morally correct. Even though I regret it now, I think the free energy technology should be publicly available.

Uh, I only heard a story about a blimp above the earth's atmosphere. Where was the story where you saw a device that produced unlimited amounts of energy?

"In my house, we obey the laws of thermodynamics!" - Homer Simpson

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Honestly...

by [Valdrax \(32670\)](#) on Saturday May 06, @10:04AM (#15276666) (Score:5, Insightful)
 Anyone who thinks that the US government is sitting on technology that would give us greater air superiority in combat, make exploration and military domination of space easy, eliminate a significant portion of our trade deficit, make us no longer beholden to countries like Iran, Venezuela, Saudi Arabia, and Russia, etc., etc. is a complete and total lunatic.

If we had alien technology, had reverse engineered it, and knew how to make it work, **we would be using it right now.**

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UFO Conspiracy Theories Debunked by Geopolitics.

by [Valdrax \(32670\)](#) on Saturday May 06, @10:46AM (#15276864) (Score:5, Interesting)
Consider this: WHY would you show off your MOST ADVANCED technology if your LESS ADVANCED technology already IS SUPERIOR to the adversaries?

You've obviously never read up on the kind of technological fantasies the US military has. Despite your BOLD STATEMENTS that EMPHATICALLY use CAPITALIZED WORDS which make me DOUBT YOUR SANITY, the US military is completely and totally incapable of understanding the words "good enough." Even though our military technology can stomp on anyone on the planet, the Pentagon has long argued for increased capabilities against a phantom Chinese threat. They conjure up the image of China suddenly having tech on par with ours in 10-20 years as a boogeyman to justify bigger and fatter budgets for more powerful weapons.

Second, the space program is a black eye for the US. It was a prominent sign of American strength and leadership that has decayed into a series of failures. It costs a ridiculous amount of money to send a space shuttle up and to deploy our many satellites. If we had alien technology, then we could half NASA's budget and accomplish the same goals. We could also cheaply weaponize space like the Pentagon always fantasizes about.

Third, oil. We have a lot of shady alliances worldwide that revolve completely around access to oil. Take Saudi Arabia. We've known for decades that the Saudis are state sponsors of terrorist groups and have spent their money heavily to foment Muslim radicalism. We know that the majority of the 9-11 attackers were Saudis. However, we're still all buddy-buddy with them because of oil. If we weren't dependent on oil, we could pressure the country towards democracy or at least leave it as some sort of backwater of no importance and focus on developing more friendly allies elsewhere.

Take Venezuela. The US government has long thought that the rise of Communism and Socialism in Latin America was to be stopped at all costs -- even to the point of toppling democracies for dictatorships. (I really, really hate this policy, BTW.) Venezuela is the vanguard of a new South American socialism movement, and it only succeeds because the state oil industry can support the entire economy. Guess what country is the number one customer of Venezuela despite our official dislike of Chavez? The US of course.

Take Iran. Right now, our conflict with Iran over nuclear power/weapons is sending oil prices skyrocketing and hurting Americans. If we had free energy, then Iran would have no leverage. If we were smart, we'd give it to the Chinese and the Russians and remove the economic leverage that makes them veto UN resolutions against Iran, Sudan, etc.

Oil blocks a very, very large amount of US foreign policy goals and make us have some goals that are very unsavory. Free energy would not only boost our economy, but it would make many of Washington's dreams possible. To say that we have it and aren't using it is to BLATANTLY IGNORE GEOPOLITICS.

Then again, I don't expect to reach you with facts. For crying out loud, you post a link to a site which goes on about "Illuminati," "The New World Order," and "Chemtrails." If you can offer a RATIONAL explanation of why we have a greater interest in hiding technology than in using it, I'd love to hear it. Bonus points if you can explain why 100 years advanced military technology isn't being used in Iraq right now.

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- [Re:UFO Conspiracy Theories Debunked by Geopolitics](#) by joe 155 (Score:2) Saturday May 06, @12:25PM
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- [Re:UFO Conspiracy Theories Debunked by Geopolitics](#) by gbjbaanb (Score:2) Saturday May 06, @12:46PM

Re:UFO Conspiracy Theories Debunked by Geopolitics

by [wkitchen \(581276\)](#) on Saturday May 06, @12:59PM ([#15277440](#)) (Score:5, Fu

Bonus points if you can explain why 100 years advanced military technology isn't being used in Iraq right now.

It is. They're using 300 years advanced Romulan technology to hide it. You can trust me on this because I got it straight from Elvis. He's in a great position to investigate these things because no one suspects him since they all think he's dead.

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Sunday May 07, @06:37PM

- Re:free energy would have a HUGE impact.. by masdog (Score:2)
Sunday May 07, @01:22AM

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- Re:Honestly... by Andrzej Sawicki (Score:2) Saturday May 06, @10:36AM

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Re:Honestly...

by Valdrax (32670) on Saturday May 06, @10:54AM (#15276896) (Score:5, Insightful)
See my reply to the other guy. Please explain what rational motive would lead the government to hide technology that could solve several major US policy goals and that would give us even more military superiority when the Pentagon is never satisfied with what they have already. Despite the abundant benefits of openly using the technology, your excuse must provide a good reason why hiding it has more benefits, especially as our economic leadership is starting to decay.

[Parent]

- Re:Honestly... by linvir (Score:2) Saturday May 06, @11:39AM

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Re:Honestly...

by lawpoop (604919) on Saturday May 06, @12:32PM (#1527731) (Score:4, Insightful)
(<http://lawpoop.blogspot.com/> | Last Journal: Friday May 28. @07:51PM)

The international wealthy have their wealth invested in the current petroleum based economy. If there really is a viable new technology, or one comes around, they would do everything they can to prevent it from getting a foothold and stopping the profit from the petroleum economy. They have made the investment in oil, and they have no interest in suddenly not making a profit off of it. We will be using oil, and they will be profiting from it, until the very last drop is used up. There's no sense in them throwing away their investment. Once the oil is all used up, and all the profit has been made from the investment in oil, then, and only then, will they change.

These international cartels don't care about middle classes, poor people, political stability, or any country in particular. In fact, it's easier to make money in collapsed, unstable countries with corrupt politicians. There are no pesky laws, labor unions, middle class, or people's champion politicians getting in the way of profits.

If war breaks out in the Congo, they can raise prices in response. Unstable markets mean windfall profits with little accountability. If there is a steady, consistent stream of product and revenue, people start getting suspicious about profitability and start wanting to audit the books. They want to get paid more for working in the fields, and politicians start wanting to tax the profitability of the oil. It's bad for business.

[Parent]

- Re:Honestly... by fortyfive (Score:1) Saturday May 06, @01:53PM

Re:Honestly... by Andrzej Sawicki (Score:1) Saturday May 06, @02:19PM

100 MPG carburetors, the Cold War, etc.

by Valdrax (32670) on Saturday May 06, @03:49PM (#15278189) (Score:5, In: *The international wealthy have their wealth invested in the current petroleum based economy. If there really is a viable new technology, or one comes around, they would do everything they can to prevent it from getting a foothold and stopping the profit from the petroleum economy.*

Yeah, yeah, and the oil industry is hiding the 100 MPG carburetor and a car that can run on water.

You know what? A little over 100 years ago, all the wealthiest Americans and international investors had their money invested in railroads and related industries. The railroad was obsoleted for travel and for light shipping by the automobile and the airplane. The descendants of the people who were rich back then are still rich now.

I don't buy the argument that the oil companies could prevent such technology from being found out about or that their investors would be all that interested in stopping it instead of getting all their money into it first or at least into other lucrative industries. Why do you think Bill Gates diversified his portfolio years ago?

We've had many Presidents who were boosters of the space program or at least of our ICBM program during the Cold War. Had we a cheap way of getting to space based on alien technology, then why the hell would we waste all that money on chemical rockets when the life of the nation was on the line in nuclear detente? We could've dominated space over the Soviet Union with a fleet of craft, knocked nukes out of orbit on launch, and pretty much won the Cold War as a conventional war without all of the fuss.

Face it, Occam's Razor demands that the most simple explanation (that we don't have the technology) should be listened to over the theory that we have all the technology but the world hasn't been shaped by it because of a coalition of people working for interests that don't match the public interests they should have.

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- Re:100 MPG carburetors, the Cold War, etc. by asscroft (Score:1) Sunday May 07, @04:09AM
- Black Science by iendedi (Score:2) Sunday May 07, @05:31AM
- Just say NO to free energy by aws910 (Score:1) Sunday May 07, @06:22AM
- Re:100 MPG carburetors, the Cold War, etc. by lawpooop (Score:2) Sunday May 07, @11:03PM
- Re:Black Science by lampajoo (Score:1) Sunday May 07, @10:59AM

- Re:Honestly... by jambarama (Score:2) Saturday May 06, @09:48PM
 - Re:Honestly... by lawpoop (Score:2) Sunday May 07, @10:16PM
 - **1 reply beneath your current threshold.**
 - Not that I buy into all this by moultano (Score:2) Saturday May 06, @02:06PM
 - Re:Honestly... by IamTheRealMike (Score:2) Saturday May 06, @06:39PM
 - Read your 1984 by Opportunist (Score:1) Saturday May 06, @10:56AM
 - Re:Honestly... by lawpoop (Score:2) Saturday May 06, @12:20PM
 - Re:Honestly... by Detritus (Score:2) Saturday May 06, @02:48PM
 - Re:Honestly... by lawpoop (Score:2) Sunday May 07, @09:59PM
 - Re:Honestly... by Fire Dragon (Score:2) Saturday May 06, @05:01PM
 - Re:Honestly... by yusing (Score:1) Saturday May 06, @09:44PM
 - Re:Honestly... by Ekhymsis (Score:1) Saturday May 06, @11:26PM
 - Consider This... by woolio (Score:2) Sunday May 07, @02:07AM
 - Re:UFO Vs Alien & Gary's Flakey Story by noz (Score:2) Saturday May 06, @10:23AM
 - Re:UFO Vs Alien & Gary's Flakey Story by maggard (Score:3) Saturday May 06, @10:23AM
 - Re:UFO Vs Alien & Gary's Flakey Story by Rob Carr (Score:2) Saturday May 06, @10:56AM
 - they're not so much for drumming by subtropolis (Score:2) Saturday May 06, @11:13AM
 - Re:they're not so much for drumming by Rob Carr (Score:2) Saturday May 06, @11:23AM
 - Re:they're not so much for drumming by AndroidCat (Score:3) Saturday May 06, @01:13PM
 - Re:they're not so much for drumming by soneu (Score:2) Saturday May 06, @02:53PM
 - Not so fast by Ohreally_factor (Score:2) Saturday May 06, @11:33AM
 - Re:UFO Vs Alien & Gary's Flakey Story by BeerCat (Score:2) Saturday May 06, @04:05PM
 - Re:UFO Vs Alien & Gary's Flakey Story by yusing (Score:1) Saturday May 06, @09:40PM
 - **1 reply beneath your current threshold.**
- I'm not saying he's deluded but ... by ctid (Score:3) Saturday May 06, @09:51AM

Re:I'm not saying he's deluded but ...

by [hotdiggitydawg \(881316\)](#) on Saturday May 06, @09:55AM ([#15276626](#)) (Score:5, Funny)
I can't think of any way to end this sentence.

I can - 5 years, 3 with good behaviour.

[Parent]

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- Re:I'm not saying he's deluded but ... by AndroidCat (Score:2) Saturday May 06, @10:10AM
 - Re:I'm not saying he's deluded but ... by SteeldrivingJon (Score:2) Saturday May 06, @11:34AM
 - Re:I'm not saying he's deluded but ... by AndroidCat (Score:1) Saturday May 06, @08:18PM
- Obviously this man is innocent or a liar. by Valdrax (Score:2) Saturday May 06, @11:05AM
- April Fools? by TheKidWho (Score:2) Saturday May 06, @09:53AM
- What's the date? by dnnrly (Score:2) Saturday May 06, @09:54AM
 - not sure?? by slashmojo (Score:1) Saturday May 06, @10:33AM
 - Re:not sure?? by dnnrly (Score:2) Saturday May 06, @01:00PM
 - Re:What's the date? by fabs64 (Score:2) Saturday May 06, @10:37AM

- Re:What's the date? by diablomonic (Score:2) Saturday May 06, @01:01PM
- **1 reply beneath your current threshold.**

This guys best defense?

by wfberg (24378) on Saturday May 06, @09:55AM (#15276625) (Score:5, Funny)
(<http://huizen.dds.nl/~wfberg/>)

This guys best defense would be to issue a full and frank admission of guilt.

Who would believe him?

- No, "not guilty by reason of insanity" seems best. by Ritz_Just_Ritz (Score:2) Saturday May 06, @10:06AM
 - Re:No, "not guilty by reason of insanity" seems be by Cyvros (Score:1) Saturday-May 06, @10:58AM
- Can't get to story. by dietrollemdefender (Score:3) Saturday May 06, @09:55AM
 - Re:Can't get to story. by distilledprodigy (Score:1) Saturday May 06, @10:18AM

Re:Can't get to story.

by xiando (770382) on Saturday May 06, @10:23AM (#15276757) (Score:5, Funny)
(<http://en.xiando.org/> | Last Journal: Wednesday May 18. @08:44AM)

AND...if there really was flying saucers from Krypton out there, who's keeping the Europeans, Chinese, Russians, etc... from publishing those photos...

The Bildeberg Group. You will hear of them soon enough. The media has time and time again told you the official government conspiracy story which claims that a guy in a cave somewhere was behind 9/11. As you will find by clicking the link in my sig, the evidence clearly shows it was an inside job. Millions of people worldwide have realized this and if you Google you'll find more websites about this issue than you could possible read in your lifetime.

But now, recently, Alex Jones and Sharlie Cheen were allowed to inform that 9/11 was an inside job on CNN (who originally came with the "government story" and are complicit).

You WILL be infomed about the Bilderberg Group soon. And perhaps the truth about UFO's. You see, **"The interests behind the Bush Administration, such as the CFR, the Trilateral Commission - founded by Brzezinski for David Rockefeller - and the Bilderberg Group have prepared for and are now moving to implement open world dictatorship within the next five years. They are not fighting against terrorists. They are fighting against citizens."** (Dr. Johannes Koepl, former official of the German Ministry for Defense and adviser to NATO, 2001)

[Parent]

- Re:Can't get to story. by linvir (Score:1) Saturday May 06, @11:50AM
- Re:Can't get to story. by DrXym (Score:2) Saturday May 06, @01:24PM
- **3 replies beneath your current threshold.**
- Re:Can't get to story. by jacksonj04 (Score:2) Saturday May 06, @10:58AM
 - Re:Can't get to story. by Snarfangel (Score:2) Saturday May 06, @11:40AM
- Re:Can't get to story. by stoicio (Score:1) Saturday May 06, @12:28PM
 - Re:Can't get to story. by sp0rk173 (Score:2) Sunday May 07, @02:35AM
- Re:Can't get to story. by sgt_doom (Score:1) Saturday May 06, @01:20PM
- Re:Can't get to story. by fourtyfive (Score:1) Saturday May 06, @02:00PM

- Re:Can't get to story. by fortyfive (Score:1) Saturday May 06, @02:09PM
- Re:Can't get to story. by Mr. Freeman (Score:1) Saturday May 06, @03:39PM

Ufos? not really...

by Captain Perspicuous (899892) on Saturday May 06, @09:55AM (#15276628) (Score:4, Insightful)
The last time he was interviewed [checktheevidence.com], he said he didn't find any real proof for UFOs, just a file for "non-earth-based marines" (or something of that sort, it's been a year since I heard it). And now he suddenly has more info? This sounds to me like he's running out of money and tries to sell a story.

- Re:Ufos? not really... by CanSpice (Score:2) Saturday May 06, @02:58PM
- Re:Ufos? not really... by BenBenBen (Score:2) Tuesday May 09, @11:59AM
- **1 reply beneath your current threshold.**

- There's evil afoot ... by hotspotbloc (Score:3) Saturday May 06, @09:56AM

Airbrushed UFOs?

by Megane (129182) on Saturday May 06, @09:56AM (#15276635) (Score:4, Interesting)
and how UFOs are regularly airbrushed out from high-resolution satellite images."

Like this one? [dvorak.org]

(Yes, I know it's probably a water droplet on a high-altitude atmospheric camera, since there's a grid of them. Why wouldn't the "UFOs" airbrushed out by NASA also be weather balloons and similar artifacts?)

- Re:No by imsabbel (Score:2) Saturday May 06, @10:49AM
- **2 replies beneath your current threshold.**
- Please stop hijacking the "energy conspiracy"! by Zaphod2016 (Score:2) Saturday May 06, @09:58AM
 - Re:Please stop hijacking the "energy conspiracy"! by Quiet_Desperation (Score:2) Saturday May 06, @10:26AM
 - Re:Please stop hijacking the "energy conspiracy"! by imsabbel (Score:2) Saturday May 06, @01:26PM
 - Re:Please stop hijacking the "energy conspiracy"! by phiber9 (Score:1) Saturday May 06, @03:03PM
 - **1 reply beneath your current threshold.**
 - Re:Please stop hijacking the "energy conspiracy"! by Opportunist (Score:2) Saturday May 06, @11:01AM
 - Re:Try VNC by vertinox (Score:2) Saturday May 06, @03:20PM
- Doesn't make sense by ardor (Score:3) Saturday May 06, @09:58AM
 - Re:Doesn't make sense by stewartjm (Score:1) Saturday May 06, @10:17AM
 - Re:Doesn't make sense by kurzweilfreak (Score:1) Saturday May 06, @01:25PM
 - **1 reply beneath your current threshold.**
 - Re:Doesn't make sense by GreenPlastikMan (Score:1) Saturday May 06, @10:35AM
 - Re:Doesn't make sense by alienw (Score:2) Saturday May 06, @10:56AM
 - Re:Doesn't make sense by Kandenshi (Score:1) Saturday May 06, @11:12AM
 - Re:Doesn't make sense by alienw (Score:2) Sunday May 07, @02:41AM
 - Re:Doesn't make sense by scottv67 (Score:1) Saturday May 06, @04:57PM
 - Re:Doesn't make sense by alienw (Score:2) Sunday May 07, @02:39AM

- Re:Doesn't make sense by xiando (Score:2) Saturday May 06, @10:39AM
 - Re:Doesn't make sense by SteeldrivingJon (Score:2) Saturday May 06, @11:43AM
- Re:Doesn't make sense by zakezuke (Score:2) Saturday May 06, @10:45AM
 - Re:Doesn't make sense by imsabbel (Score:2) Saturday May 06, @10:52AM
 - **1 reply beneath your current threshold.**
- Re:Doesn't make sense by Frumious Wombat (Score:1) Saturday May 06, @01:04PM
- I know why! by William-Ely (Score:1) Saturday May 06, @03:51PM
- Re:Doesn't make sense by Captain DaFt (Score:1) Saturday May 06, @04:31PM
- **2 replies beneath your current threshold.**
- maybe the dude at nasa by maynard (Score:2) Saturday May 06, @10:00AM
 - Re:maybe the dude at nasa by itshebin (Score:1) Saturday May 06, @10:34AM
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 - Re:maybe the dude at nasa by phayes (Score:2) Saturday May 06, @12:57PM
- Extremely well documented by xiando (Score:2) Saturday May 06, @10:01AM
 - Re:Extremely well documented by PhxBlue (Score:2) Saturday May 06, @10:33AM
 - Re:Extremely well documented by xiando (Score:2) Saturday May 06, @10:44AM
 - Re:Extremely well documented by Unski (Score:1) Saturday May 06, @11:23AM
 - Re:Extremely well documented by linvir (Score:1) Saturday May 06, @12:00PM
 - Thermodynamics. by everphilski (Score:2) Saturday May 06, @11:11PM
 - Re:Extremely well documented by SteeldrivingJon (Score:2) Saturday May 06, @12:03PM
 - **1 reply beneath your current threshold.**
- Where does the lie start? by 4D6963 (Score:1) Saturday May 06, @10:01AM
 - Re:Where does the lie start? by SteeldrivingJon (Score:2) Saturday May 06, @11:50AM
 - Re:Where does the lie start? by 4D6963 (Score:1) Saturday May 06, @01:42PM
- Use 'printscreen', paste to Paint, save. by antispam_ben (Score:2) Saturday May 06, @10:09AM
 - Re:Use 'printscreen', paste to Paint, save. by AndroidCat (Score:2) Saturday May 06, @10:21AM
 - Re:Use 'printscreen', paste to Paint, save. by dohzer (Score:1) Saturday May 06, @12:04PM
- BBC Click by Tx (Score:2) Saturday May 06, @10:16AM
- US secrecy - remnant of the gestapo by unity100 (Score:1) Saturday May 06, @10:18AM
 - Re:US secrecy - remnant of the gestapo by PMW (Score:1) Saturday May 06, @11:08AM
 - Re:US secrecy - remnant of the gestapo by unity100 (Score:2) Saturday May 06, @12:11PM
 - Re:US secrecy - remnant of the gestapo by unity100 (Score:2) Saturday May 06, @12:40PM
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 - Re:US secrecy - remnant of the gestapo by ultrasound (Score:2) Saturday May 06, @12:32PM
 - Re:US secrecy - remnant of the gestapo by unity100 (Score:2) Saturday May 06, @12:43PM
 - Re:US secrecy - remnant of the gestapo by CranberryKing (Score:1) Saturday May 06, @01:12PM

65000 passwords in 8 minutes?

by sl4shd0rk (755837) on Saturday May 06, @10:19AM (#15276738) (Score:5, Insightful)

"I wrote a tiny Perl script that tied together other people's programs that search for blank passwords, so you could scan 65,000 machines in just over eight minutes."

$65000/8 = 8125$ per min.

$8125/60 = 135$ per sec.

Dunno about that. Just the time it takes to bring up a socket and get some syn/ack going chews up a good portion of a second. Maybe he was searching a local password database.

o **Re:65000 passwords in 8 minutes?**

by vidarlo (134906) <vidarlo AT bitsex DOT net> on Saturday May 06, @10:08AM (Score:5, Insightful) (#15276827)

(<http://www.bitsex.net/> | Last Journal: [Friday June 20. @07:48AM](#))

"I wrote a tiny Perl script that tied together other people's programs that search for blank passwords, so you could scan 65,000 machines in just over eight minutes." $65000/8 = 8125$ per min. $8125/60 = 135$ per sec. Dunno about that. Just the time it takes to bring up a socket and get some syn/ack going chews up a good portion of a second. Maybe he was searching a local password database.

In the TFA he says he was on a 56K dial-up link...Say each machine sends a 25 byte login string, you send a 20byte login credentials, they send 50 byte denials. That is around 100 bytes pr machine, in a theoretical minimum (overhead for TCP/IP - telnet handshakes and such makes it probably three times as much). So 135 machines would mean $135 * 100 \text{ bytes} = 13.5 \text{ kB/sec}$. 56K modem has 33.6kb upload speed, so he could send 4kB/sec at optimal. So he is clearly a nutjob.

[Parent]

▪ **Re:65000 passwords in 8 minutes?**

by Quixote (154172) * on Saturday May 06, @11:08AM (#15276964) (Score:5, Insightful) (<http://slashdot.org/> | Last Journal: [Wednesday April 16. @08:07AM](#))

The Perl script need not run on his machine. He could have logged into a machine inside the network, and then run this script against the other machines on the network.

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▫ **Re:65000 passwords in 8 minutes?** by Skuld-Chan (Score:2) Saturday May 06, @03:09PM

▪ **Re:65000 passwords in 8 minutes?** by m0RpHeus (Score:1) Saturday May 06, @01:08PM

▪ **Re:65000 passwords in 8 minutes?** by An Elephant (Score:1) Saturday May 06, @03:21PM

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o **Re:65000 passwords in 8 minutes?** by StuartFreeman (Score:2) Saturday May 06, @10:38AM

o **Re:65000 passwords in 8 minutes?** by Gorshkov (Score:2) Saturday May 06, @10:57AM

▪ **Re:65000 passwords in 8 minutes?** by Ohreally_factor (Score:2) Saturday May 06, @11:39AM

o **1 reply beneath your current threshold.**

o **TRUTH OR NOT??** by davecrusoe (Score:1) Saturday May 06, @10:25AM

o **Re:TRUTH OR NOT??**

by close wait (697035) on Saturday May 06, @10:55AM (#15276900) (Score:4, Informative)
Give the guy a polygraph

polygraphs are worthless pseudoscience, whose only merit is in their ability to trick the gullible into confessing. They can be trivially defeated, for example by tensing your anal sphincter during the control questions (the ones where they try to get you to lie), in order to set a high baseline.

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- Re:TRUTH OR NOT?? by cfuse (Score:2) Sunday May 07, @01:39AM
 - Re:TRUTH OR NOT?? by Zaphod2016 (Score:1) Saturday May 06, @11:28AM
 - Re:TRUTH OR NOT?? by carlislematthew (Score:2) Saturday May 06, @12:03PM
 - Re:TRUTH OR NOT?? by Haeleth (Score:1) Saturday May 06, @12:41PM
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- This guy is getting really tedious. by nowhere.elysium (Score:1) Saturday May 06, @10:26AM
 - Re:This guy is getting really tedious. by Dr. Kashik (Score:1) Saturday May 06, @10:46AM
 - Re:This guy is getting really tedious. by sjwest (Score:1) Saturday May 06, @12:35PM
- Hand of God, Perhaps by gyrogeerlose (Score:1) Saturday May 06, @10:31AM
 - Re:Hand of God, Perhaps by sasserstyl (Score:2) Saturday May 06, @10:49AM
 - Re: Wordpad by Monkeys!!! (Score:1) Saturday May 06, @10:51AM
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Re:Hand of God, Perhaps

by Bungopolis (763083) on Saturday May 06, @10:55AM (#15276898) (Score:5, Informative)
 He was (idiotically) using a VNC style remote administration program. It sends a jpeg stream of desktop screen captures and forwards your mouse movements/clicks. By "hand" he surely meant "cursor" which he could see move if somebody else touched the mouse. The WordPad conversation was possible simply because both parties were looking at and inputting to the same window.

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- Re:Hand of God, Perhaps by 0232793 (Score:1) Saturday May 06, @11:49AM
 - Re:Hand of God, Perhaps by Bungopolis (Score:2) Saturday May 06, @11:57AM
 - Re:Hand of God, Perhaps by Opportunist (Score:2) Saturday May 06, @11:05AM
 - Re:Hand of God, Perhaps by markild (Score:1) Saturday May 06, @11:41AM
 - Re:Hand of God, Perhaps by dmdb (Score:1) Saturday May 06, @11:15AM
 - **1 reply beneath your current threshold.**
 - Re:Hand of God, Perhaps by bcmm (Score:2) Saturday May 06, @11:17AM
 - Re:Hand of God, Perhaps by Zaphod2016 (Score:1) Saturday May 06, @11:17AM
 - **4 replies beneath your current threshold.**

Conspiracy

by kakapo (88299) on Saturday May 06, @10:34AM (#15276811) (Score:5, Insightful)
 The thing that always surprises me about these Giant Conspiracy nutjobs is that they never really ask themselves how such a conspiracy would *work*. There must be thousands of people in the know, going back for at least 30 years -- and they really think this wouldn't have leaked by now??

Apple can't keep the date they launch new computers secret (next Tuesday for the next batch intel powerbooks, by all accounts). And that is a secret with a finite lifetime (three months ago not even Steve Jobs knew the date -- a week from now everyone will know it).

The NSA can't randomly listen in on international calls for more than a year or two without someone blowing the whistle. The CIA grabs some very bad guy in Pakistan and holds his head underwater, and

a few months later we can all read about it in the New Yorker.

Remember this giant conspiracy is brought to you by the same people who run FEMA and promote "absence only" sex education as a solution to teen pregnancy. But somehow the conspiracy works well until some script kiddie breaks into NASA over a dialup line (you plan to find free energy devices that will change the face of civilization, and you can't spring for DSL??) and you find that all these "secrets" are protected by default passwords. This guy presumably did hack into NASA, but the rest of it crap -- he is either nuts, or hoping that the Feds will decide it isn't worth the bother to have the guy spouting this nonsense on the stand.

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Re:Conspiracy

by [asuffield \(111848\)](#) <asuffield@suffields.me.uk> on Saturday May 06, @ 09:26 PM (Insightful) - (#15277564)

*The thing that always surprises me about these Giant Conspiracy nutjobs is that they never really ask themselves how such a conspiracy would *work*. There must be thousands of people in the know, going back for at least 30 years -- and they really think this wouldn't have leaked by now??*

Such a conspiracy would work by publishing the broad scope of what's going on, with a few errors added, **as fiction**. And also publishing a lot of other related, fictional ideas with the same premise. That way it's still effectively secret - you'll never know which one of the X-Files episodes was a true story - and anybody who tries to blow the whistle will be treated like a conspiracy nut and ignored, because everybody already thinks of that as fiction.

It's an insidious idea and it would probably work. Our abilities to falsify images, documents, videos, and even reality (to some extent) have grown so effective that it's no longer possible to prove that aliens exist: even if I brought a live talking mollusc over to your house, you'd get on slashdot and post about three different ways that could have been faked.

The simple fact is that people believe what TV tells them to believe, and TV tells them that people who believe in UFOs and aliens are crazy conspiracy nuts. We will probably never know whether or not this is actually true; the subject has become so obscured that truth is most likely unobtainable at this point.

So, yes, there could be a conspiracy going back 30 years with thousands of people in the know. No, I'm not saying that it wouldn't have leaked by now. I'm saying that if there was a conspiracy, the mere fact that we're talking about it indicates that it has **already** leaked, and the leaks have been ignored by the public because most of them didn't believe any of it. This should not seem unreasonable to you, because there are hundreds of subjects which involve information, of interest to the general public, which is only known by a group of a few thousand individuals simply because the rest are too stupid to understand it, or because TV told them it wasn't true. Subjects like medicine, biology, physics, statistics, and most other technically inclined disciplines are full of such things. It is a very small step to move from this to outright secrecy, when the populace at large would neither believe or understand the information that is being kept secret.

Whether or not that has actually happened? Well, I've just spent ten minutes explaining why you'll never get a useful answer to that. For practical purposes, it is unlikely that it will ever matter to your life in any way (regardless of what the answer is), and that's probably more important.

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Re:Conspiracy

by [Paladin144 \(676391\)](#) on Saturday May 06, @01:58PM (#15277706) (Score:5, Insightful) (<http://www.timoregan.com/>)

*The thing that always surprises me about these Giant Conspiracy nutjobs is that they never really ask themselves how such a conspiracy would *work*. There must be thousands of people in the know, going back for at least 30 years -- and they really think this wouldn't have leaked by now??*

Works pretty well, I'd say. If somebody ever comes out and starts telling secrets, they are immediately branded a "giant conspiracy nutjob." And after that.... and after that nothing. Nobody pays attention to them any more. Case closed. I wonder how many of the people who screamed "nutjob" had even finished reading the article before they made up their mind. I wonder how many have done any serious research into the matter.

I'm not saying this guy is for real. You'd think he'd get something better than dialup if this is his obsession. But to claim that a massive conspiracy couldn't work is just ludicrous. It's all about getting people to play along, while compartmentalizing knowledge. It's possible nobody really knows all the big secrets out there. So then is it really even a conspiracy? Sounds more like it's just our fucked up world, where everyone thinks he knows everything.

The NSA can't randomly listen in on international calls for more than a year or two without someone blowing the whistle. The CIA grabs some very bad guy in Pakistan and holds his head underwater, and a few months later we can all read about it in the New Yorker.

The NSA has been listening to domestic calls for over 30 years. Get a clue. Read some of my older posts for more information on this. It's people like you who make "conspiracy" possible, because you don't question what leaders tell you. The reason why nobody is too shocked about Bush's international call spying is because most people of power in Washington know that the NSA has been monitoring domestic calls for decades. It's really not that big of a deal. But you can't talk about it in polite company without being branded a nutjob, no matter how many facts are on your side.

You're not one of those people who doesn't believe in any conspiracies, are you? There are folks out there who reject the very idea of a conspiracy, saying that it has never happened, in all of human history - EVER....And people say conspiracy "theorists" are the nutjobs. sheesh. The whole [coincidence theory](#) [wikipedia.org] crowd actually just makes the conspiracy theorist crowd more paranoid because it leads them to believe that everyone has been brainwashed. In a way, I suppose, it's true.

Conspiracies can be very benign and very mundane. For instance, I am party to a secret conspiracy to fool people worldwide. I bet you are, too. It involves telling children that a fat guy in a red suit flies around the planet delivering presents to the entire world in just 24 hours. That's right: Santa Claus. Have you ever really wondered why we tell our children such ridiculous lies? And the creepy thing is that *every adult is in on the conspiracy*. How can it be possible that we are all a party to this vast conspiracy? What do we even have to gain from it?

The weird thing is, if you dare to tell a child the truth, their parents will get upset at you! It's insane. I met a guy recently who admitted he believed in Santa until he was 16 years old. And somebody had to tell him! He was devastated! Now, if this guy tells me there's no such thing as

UFOs, should I believe him? Personally, I was rigging boobytraps for Santa by the time I was 6 or 7 years old.

My point is, don't be so sure that our leaders are telling the truth. Sometimes people -- no, *whole cultures* lie, for no good reason. That doesn't mean Gary McKinnon isn't full of shit, but it's impossible to know for sure. There is certainly more to our world than meets the eye.

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how insulting can this guy be?

by 3seas (184403) on Saturday May 06, @10:54AM (#15276894) (Score:4, Interesting)
(<http://threeseas.net/> | Last Journal: Friday January 18, @02:44PM)

It seems every so many years this sort of thing happens as a dumbing down of the general population.

many of the posts here point out the flaws in what this guy presents, but if he really did hack into some classified systems and he is that dumb to not know how to save a screen image....

what is he really saying?

that even a monkey can hack into national security?

Oh wait, didn't some research expose that a monkey was able to hack into the diebold voting machines???

There are alot of people on this planet that know that so called alien life exist, technology more advanced than what we have created exist and even sources of so called free energy, etc. SO WHAT?

The fact of the matter is that is NOT what we are doing with our time here.

here is something else we are not doing, though we have the knowledge, man power and natural resources to do it
and there is nothing hidden about it.

http://www.unesco.org/education/tlsf/theme_a/mod02/www.worldgame.org/wwwproject/ [unesco.org]

since we can't even help ourselves, or don't show a real intent or effort to, then what the fuck useful is it to even acknowledge the existence of such advanced stuff?

unless you just want to insult others.

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- Nah by al_broccoli (Score:1) Saturday May 06, @11:04AM
- Liar, liar... by jrothwell97 (Score:1) Saturday May 06, @11:42AM
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I BELIEVE HIM

by CranberryKing (776846) on Saturday May 06, @11:45AM (#15277113) (Score:5, Interesting)
I am seeing a lot of criticism but you are all looking for holes. Addressing those arguments:

- * The "hand moving accross".. he meant the mouse was then controlled by someone viewing the desktop who realized he was remotely controlling.
- * [possibly] that same person launched wordpad to type a message knowing he would see it, "who are you? what are you doing?"
- * He didn't save anything because he was just discovering it and didn't know what he would be looking at in advance. Then he was cut off.

There is nothing unbelievable about his story unless you are still in denial that the governments are hiding free energy technology and awareness of alien life from the general public. If he has changed his story at all, it is probably because he is now contending with the fact that he may spend the rest of his life in 6'x6' concrete room in the US.

Free Energy is the death blow to the entire class/economic system that keeps most of the world enslaved to 12 families. If we all had access to Free Energy, no one would have to "Earn a Living", we would just live (imagine that). The perfect example is when J.P. Morgan pulled all his funding and effectively shut down Nikola Tesla when he realized Tesla was working on a free energy system. He said (paraphrasing possibly) "if it's free to anyone, where do I put the meter?". In a matter of years Warendclyffe was being dismantled and we know how the rest of the story goes.

Believe it.

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- Re:I BELIEVE HIM by suv4x4 (Score:2) Saturday May 06, @02:26PM
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Conspiracy theories are missing the point

by [zoebblade \(600058\)](#) on Saturday May 06, @12:53PM (#15277420) (Score:5, Interesting)
<http://www.bytenoise.co.uk/>

Leaving conspiracy theories aside for a second, isn't it just as interesting and worth commenting on that several American military administrator users that are accessible over the internet *aren't password protected*, or that the same government is trying to throw this person in jail for *sixty years* for using these accounts, double what you'd get in the UK (the hacker's own country) for murder?

- Re:Conspiracy theories are missing the point by Detritus (Score:2) Saturday May 06, @02:59PM
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- Re:Conspiracy theories are missing the point by _Sprocket_ (Score:2) Saturday May 06, @03:20PM
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- He is just building the best legal defense he can by cbraescu1 (Score:1) Saturday May 06, @01:47PM
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- Government security by pestilence669 (Score:1) Saturday May 06, @03:17PM

- The Verdict by CarnivorousCoder (Score:1) Saturday May 06, @03:29PM
- It's a good way to get out by 4Dmonkey (Score:1) Saturday May 06, @03:55PM
 - I doubt things are as you say they are by gr8dude (Score:1) Saturday May 06, @05:07PM

Honeypots

by JacksonAces (868638) on Saturday May 06, @04:05PM (#15278232) (Score:5, Informative)

This guy is just trying to cover his rear. Here is a quote from another site covering this story. I think it should sort some of the conspiracy theorist's fears about national security:

from <http://forums.fark.com/cgi/fark/comments.pl?IDLink=2051653> [fark.com] :

erewhon wrote:

"muninsfire: Calling erewhon....

Last time this came up, IIRC, it was stated that NASA, et al, have 'honeypot' systems filled with spurious, though tantalizing, information--if you go cracking into 'em multiple times, they trace you and send the guys in the suits who have no sense of humour.

You rang? This is what, like rerun #4 for this one guy?

Ok, kiddies, here is something that is the absolute truth. Consider it closely when you go groping around other people's systems.

All these agencies have their very own MIS departments, who, contrary to popular opinion, are very VERY good at what they do. The military guys have the Defense Information Systems Agency, for example, although quite often the intelligence branches for the various services get in the game as well. We have at least two military MIS guys that post regularly on Fark. One of them works at NORAD, for example.

Now, it's not unheard of for DIA to launch attacks on various military MIS systems just to see how well they are doing. I recall one physical invasion where they infiltrated a Marine base and corrupted their system, but I digress.

Here's the deal. There are no less than three military networks. The lowest level is NIPRNET, and it is tied to the civilian internet by gateways. It is fairly secure, but no secure data is trusted on it.

Next is SIPRNET. SIPRNET is ok for traffic up to 'TS'. SIPRNET is not physically connected to the civilian Internet. Anywhere. At all. You can't "hack into it" because there are no systems with both connections. That is verboten. They audit you to make sure you didn't do some dorky multihomed system with links to both. All the time. There's even rules about how close you can put a NIPRNET and a SIPRNET machine in the same room.

But wait, SIPRNET is TS at best. It has its very own web program called Intelink-S. SIPRNET has all SORTS of cool stuff on it, but it's been described as tactical instead of strategic and while I don't go surfing around just to see what I can get into (bad form) that's probably true.

Then you have JWICS. JWICS is top level. It has SCI level stuff. You use Intelink-SCI. It has battle plan type crap, strategic level info. On JWICS the elder gods of They® reside; like Zeus on Olympus. You thought DISA was a bitch about SIPRNET. JWICS isn't the sort of thing you want due to the asspain level it brings you.

Like SIPRNET, JWICS is totally separate, it has NO physical connections to ANYTHING civilian. It's the sort of thing where they might monitor the freaking dispersion characteristics and signal flight time of the fiber for taps. The sort of thing where they'll probably end up using OAM-entangled modulation. Where the cable sheath might be pressurized and double walled with marker gas in the outer sheath that sets off alarms when the slightest pinhole occurs. Personally, I don't know how the physical level of JWICS is protected and don't want to.

Now, for the sort of thing our young Brit is discussing, data for SCI projects, that would be on JWICS, if it were stored on ANY accessible server. You would not be getting into JWICS. I can't imagine a more classified project. Hell, it's probably OVER SCI, whatever's up there in the security stratosphere. But it couldn't be less than SCI.

It would be a violation of any number of legal documents and/or oaths to put something like that on NIPRNET, much less on a civilian web server.

So, what did he find? Well, they put out honeypots. The term is "military intrusion detection honeypot". You can't r

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Re:Honeypots

by [fatduck \(961824\)](#) * <fatduck@@@.gmail...com> on Sunday May 07, @04:41AM (Interesting) (#15280411)

Oh dear...

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Okay, let's see. SIPRNet packets are (often, not always) transmitted over civilian internet routers. Otherwise there'd be damn near no connectivity. There is no "secret internet" setup parallel to the internet backbone we all know and love. The only difference is you can only send/receive encrypted packets on SIPRNet. I'm not saying SIPRNet isn't secure, but it's a far cry from "totally separate." By the way, the laptop I'm on right now is sitting roughly 6-12 inches away from another laptop which is connected to the SIPRnet. There's nothing in 380-5 that mandates a physical separation between classified and unclassified systems.

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Actually, Secret is the highest level of classification authorized on SIPRNet. While just "surfing around" does violate the letter of the law as far as having a "need to know" to access classified information, I wouldn't say it's regarded as "bad form" by most. Actually, that's pretty much what I do all day. It's ridiculous to classify SIPRNet as "tactical" as it depends on what information you're trying to access. There's plenty of information at tactical and operational levels that are highly classified. Just because a unit is at the "strategic" echelon doesn't mean they're all cooking up ultra-top-secret plans for invading China.

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Actually, most people use JWICS to make free phone calls from their Trojan Spirit truck. I guess I should have joined #mountolympus and talked to @[lol]HaDeZ aka Donald Rumsfeld. You're making it sound like you might accidentally open Bush's furry porn folder on the share drive but your ethernet cable (which has to be made of tinfoil to connect to JWICS, right?) will unplug itself and strangle you before you can watch any of the videos.

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Yea it's probably COSMIC TOP SECRET right cause it's about aliens! Aliens are way too cool just to be "Top Secret" right, that's booooring. PROTIP: Top Secret is the highest level of classification the U.S. Government uses. If they have some special project that needs to be more restricted, such as Project Alienware then they'll classify it "Top Secret/Alienware" and limit the project to a certain number of TS clearance holders. That's it. A lot more modular than a bunch of escalating clearance levels like "Ultra Top Secret" "Ridiculously Top Secret" "G14 Classified" and so on (discounting modifiers such as NOFORN, REL NATO, etc.)

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