

Hack the Vote 2016: Warp Speed

Category: Forensics

Points: 100

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Description:

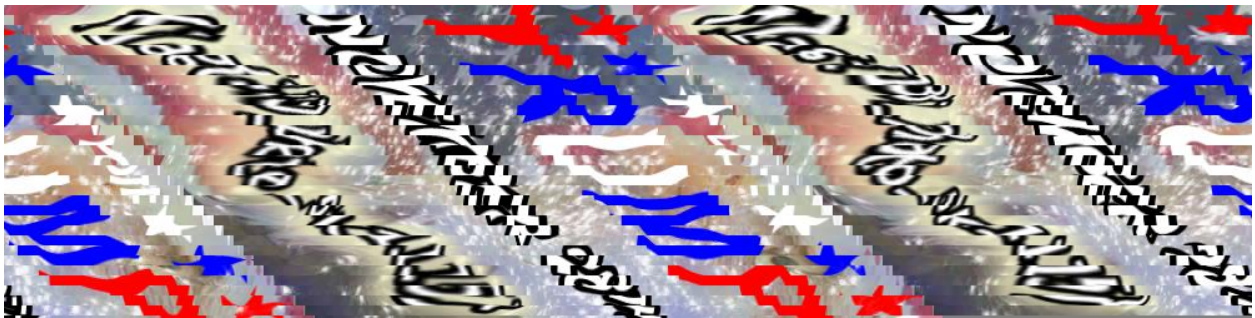
Our Trump advertising campaign is incredible, it's skyrocketing! It's astronomical! Wait stop!! SLOW DOWN!!!

warp_speed

author's irc nick: krx

Write Up:

So we are given an image...



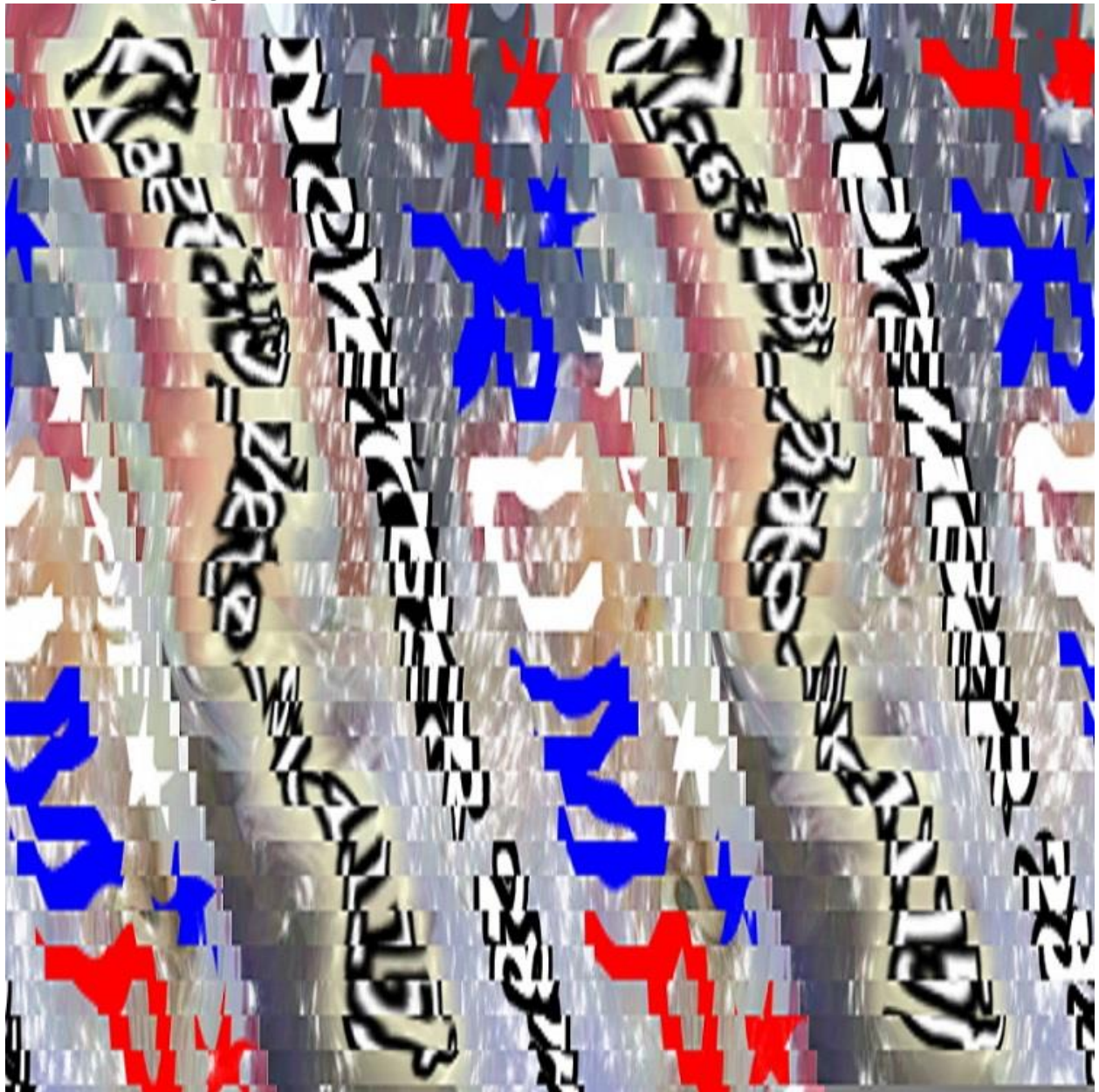
It's pretty clear that the flag is in the image, but it was warped to be illegible.

If you look in the metadata, you find a message that says:

"I am a square. Anyone who tells you otherwise is a LIAR!"

Michael Vu

So I resized the image



It is overly clear now that the image was cut up and scrambled around. Upon closer inspection it is clear that the strips are off by a factor of about 4 pixels. I could have written code to cut and move the image around, but it was faster to just print the image out and cut it up with scissors manually.

The end result looked like this:

Michael Vu



Flag

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