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Title: How to Destroy a Laptop with Top Secrets

Subtitle: How did GCHQ do it to the Guardian's copy of Snowden's files?

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In the summer of 2013, Guardian employees destroyed computers storing top secret documents from Snowden, on instruction and supervision from GCHQ.

With access to the destroyed pieces, we investigated what GCHQ's instructions

were and what we can learn from it about securely eradicating data on a machine.