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Title: Mexican Botnet Dirty Wars

Subtitle: Bots are waging a dirty war in Mexican social media.

Speaker: Erin Gallagher

Short: Peabots have been active in Mexican networks since the 2012 presidential elections. Named after President

Enrique Pea Nieto, armies of bots have become a political weapon to combat protests and attack critics of the Mexican government online. Bots are waging a dirty war in Mexican social media. They are weaponized

censors that silence dissent and cover up crimes.