Great news, everyone! The FBI has been fighting a cyberwar on your behalf? perhaps utilizing your own computer. Here's Zack Whittaker with some details:

The Treasury Department on Thursday slapped six Russian technology companies with sanctions for supporting Kremlin intelligence agencies...

IBM faces a massive group of age discrimination claims. The company says it never made hiring or firing decisions based on age. We take a deep dive look at both sides, and how hard it is to prove age discrimination when it does occur.

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Microsoft's Bing Removed 125 Million 'Pirate' URLs Last Year [6]

Bing has a relatively small market share but that doesn't mean that copyright holders ignore it. In response to DMCA takedown requests, more than 125 million links were removed from the search engine last year. While this is a significant number, the removal requests were actually slashed in half over the past two years.

IBM workers across Europe denounce management's unjustified recourse to mass layoffs [7]

IBM workers and their unions from across Europe are taking part in a joint day of action to protest management's move to cut 10,000 jobs. While workers brought in over €60 billion in revenue last year and increased profit margins during the pandemic, the corporation's management have announced mass layoffs across Europe.

As part of the day of action, 26 unions from 16 countries have jointly written to IBM's European management. In the letter, unions are highlight the bewildering lack of transparency that has shrouded the move, which management have officially dubbed 'operation sunrise'. Neither has the need for such drastic measures been evidenced to workers' representatives, nor have objective criteria for determining which workers will be fired been clarified.

Negotiations between management and workers' representatives are ongoing but tensions are mounting. In response to the lack of clarity, unions have called coordinated workplace actions under the banner #NoSunsetForIBMers. The corporation employs roughly 90,000 workers, and the unprecedented scale of the layoffs would result in 1 in 9 workers losing their job.

IBM To Kernel Maintainer: "You Are An IBM Employee 100% Of The Time" [8]

It's fairly common that many longtime Linux kernel developers use their personal email addresses for signing off on kernel patches or dealing with other patch work, especially when they are engaging with kernel development in their personal time too and occasionally jumping between employers over time while still sticking to interacting with the upstream kernel community, etc. There are also understandably some companies that mandate the use of their corporate email addresses for their official work/patches while now IBM seems to be taking things one step to the extreme.

An IBM employee was listed as one of the maintainers to the IBM Power SR-IOV Virtual NIC driver for the upstream Linux kernel alongside several other IBM engineers. Except in this case the employee was listed as a maintainer with his Gmail address.
The "you are an IBM employee 100% of the time" is surely a bit awkward and seemingly denying what a developer can work on in his off-hours, especially when it comes to just improving the company's own open-source driver... It seems in this case it may be a manager over reacting or so. It will be interesting to see how this plays out... Pretty strange considering IBM now owns Red Hat and how IBM has with time spent billions of dollars on Linux.

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