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UPDATED: Caliphate Cyber Army Fails at Attempt to “Hack Google”



A group of pro-Islamic State (IS) hackers known as the Caliphate Cyber Army (CCA) claimed to “hack Google,” but instead defaced the website of “Add Google Online,” a small business that performs search engine optimization (SEO).

On February 29, 2016, the official Telegram account of the group posted messages accompanied by pictures that indicated an intent to “hack Google.” One such message appears:

WE promised to Hack #Google

#Today
Keep the promise inshallah
#expect us #today



Later, the CCA then posted a link to addgoogleonline.com, the website of a small SEO company, which lead to a defacement page stating that the site had been “Hacked by: CCA.”

Shortly after, the group posted an image stating “GOOGLE DOWN,” implying that they had fulfilled on their promise. However, the targeted site had no actual affiliation to Google.

A screenshot of the defacement page follows:



UPDATE: On March 4, 2016, CCA issued a follow-up threat to Google. The group posted a picture on their Telegram channel that stated:

GOOGLE

We were only testing your website vulnerability.

#Soon

You will lose both financially and Technically

Our message to Google Manger...

SECURE UR WEBSITE AND PAY ATTENTION TO #DNS

The picture distributed by the group follows.



