



SNOWGLOBE: From Discovery to Attribution

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VICTIMOLOGY

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- Questions



Victimology: Iran

- Iranian MFA
- Iran University of Science and Technology
- Atomic Energy Organization of Iran
- Data Communications of Iran
- Iranian Research Organization for Science Technology, Imam Hussein University
- Malek-E-Ashtar University



Victimology: Global

- Five Eyes
 - Possible targeting of a French-language Canadian media organization
- Europe
 - Greece
 - Possibly associated with European Financial Association
 - France
 - Norway
 - Spain
- Africa
 - Ivory Coast
 - Algeria



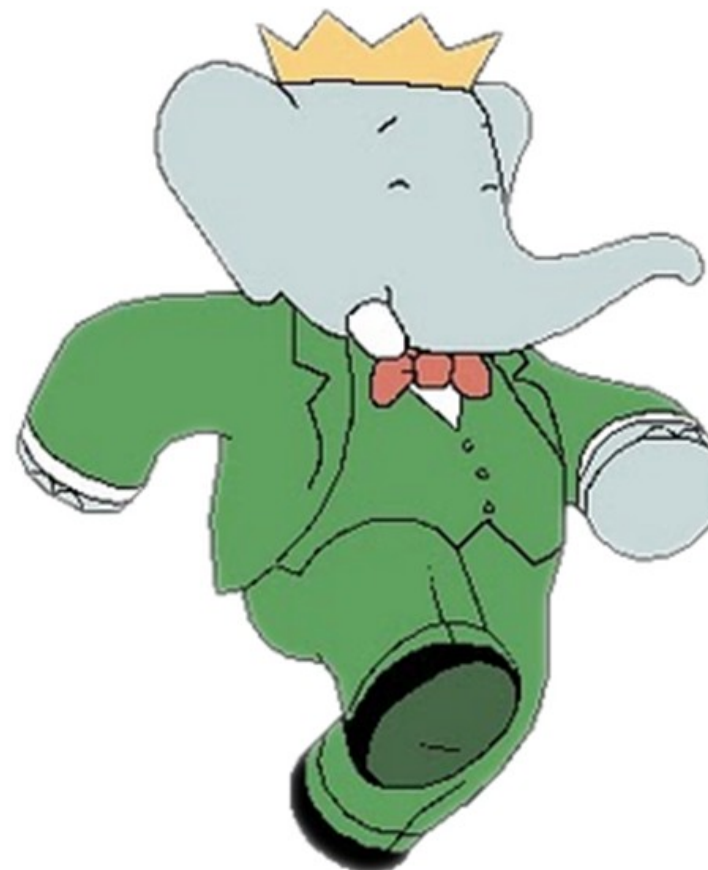
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Attribution: Binary Artifacts

- ntrass.exe
 - DLL Loader uploaded to a victim as part of tasking seen in collection
 - Internal Name: Babar
 - Developer username: titi
- Babar is a popular French children's television show
- Titi is a French diminutive for Thiery, or a colloquial term for a small person





Attribution: Intelligence Priorities

- Iranian science and technology
 - Notably, the Atomic Energy Organization of Iran
 - Nuclear research
- European supranational organizations
 - European Financial Association
- Former French colonies
 - Algeria, Ivory Coast
- French-speaking organizations/areas
 - French-language media organization
- Doesn't fit cybercrime profile