

“Interrogation”

An advertisement for McAfee's new responsive hacking-back service

(Open to a man in an oversized shield mascot costume, shackled at the wrists before a single bulb within a warehouse)

Hacker: “You’ve been... very uncooperative, McAfee”

(Bound man looks up)

Mascot: “You won’t get one byte of data from me”

Hacker: “Haha, the confidence! We have all night to pry your secrets from you”

(Hacker turns away to a table of spooky hardware, sharpened USBs, razor HDMI cord, etc.)

Mascot: “You’re mistaken, you won’t last the night.”

(Hacker spins to find empty chains swaying, various lackeys’ eyes darting about)

Mascot: “You prey on the peaceful, the innocent”

(A lackey is swept into the darkness beyond the lamplight)

Mascot: “You cheat those who know nothing of this world, defenseless”

(Another henchman screams, only to be silenced, as the hacker spins in a circle, pulling around a keyboard from his back)

Mascot: “You thought you were the only one who could hack?”

(The last bad guy falls face-forward into the pool of light, whose bulb then flares and pops)

Mascot: “I’m no defender”

*(The hacker spins around, furiously typing as the mascot approaches, illuminated by the keyboard’s light. He raises his own keyboard and brings it down *Thud*)*

Mascot: “I’m retribution”

(Floodlights blaze to life, illuminating servers aglow and various baddies bound upside down from the ceiling, exterior where police cars arrive, sirens blaring)

Cop 1: “Sir, what was that?”

Cop 2: “Exactly what these people need to protect them. Somebody who isn’t afraid to hack back”

(McAfee, Back-Hacking, bring the fight to them)