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January 31, 2012

On January 31, 2012, the Romanian Directorate for Combating Organized Crime (DCCO) took into custody Cernaianu Manole Razvan, known online as "TinKode," in connection with hacking U.S. government, Romanian government, and other commercial websites. Cernaianu is accused of hacking websites such as NASA and the U.S Department of Defense. Cernaianu used sophisticated hacking tools to gain unauthorized access to government and commercial systems.

This arrest demonstrates coordination among countries and agencies around the globe to counter these types of threats. The DCCO case was worked in cooperation and coordination with NASA's Office of Inspector General, Computer Crime Division, US Attorney's Office, District of Maryland, FBI, and the US Army Criminal Investigative Division.

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