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👍👎 Recommendation that OSMF Board of Directors suspend user Adamant1 for one year from all OSM activities forum

Outcome

By Allan Mustard · 0 seconds ago

Five in favor, zero opposed. Resolution passes and will be forwarded to the Board of Directors of the OSM Foundation.

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Details

Proposal by Allan Mustard · Closed Tue 15 Aug 2023 5:35PM

User Adamant1 was suspended on 10 August 2023 from the Ukraine channel of the Discourse community forum by the Ukraine channel moderators for one year for "Multiple intimidating behavior/harassment in violation of Etiquette/Etiquette Guidelines." See for example https://community.openstreetmap.org/t/russian-ukrainian-war/7285/131 and https://community.openstreetmap.org/t/russian-ukrainian-war/7285/149.[1] Further, that topic was locked due to user Adamant1's bad behavior. A Ukraine channel moderator reported in the forum's private moderator channel that user Adamant1 also sent insults in direct messages to members of the Ukraine channel, which messages are not publicly available.

User Adamant1 had previously been admonished on 23 May 2023 by the mods-general and was advised at that time to avoid further violations of the Etiquette Guidelines.[2] Since then he appears to have avoided channels the five mods-general moderate, and to be seeking opportunities to troll OSM community members in other channels, such as the Ukraine channel.

Previously, user Adamant1 had been reprimanded or suspended three times by the DWG for upsetting others with trolling edits and harsh comments.[3][4][5] He trolled user SteveA by following each of the latter's edits with a minor edit of his own just to cause irritation. He has also been noted by community members for offensive behavior in general.[6][7][8] He engaged in an edit war in 2019.[9][10]

User Adamant1 had also previously been suspended three times from editing the wiki, by three different moderators:[11]

- 2 weeks in 2019 for "Intimidating behavior/harassment"
- 3 days in 2020 for "User were [*sic*] asked not to initiate certain discussions (https://wiki.openstreetmap.org/wiki/Special:Diff/1953107/1980290), but they did not (https://wiki.openstreetmap.org/wiki/Special:Diff/1985318/1985385)"
- 1 year in 2021 for "participating in edit wars after being told not to do this"

In December 2022 user Adamant1 engaged in similar obnoxious behavior in a discussion of Overture Maps. [12] User Adamant1 trolled other community members, also in December 2022, in a discussion of mapping in active war zones in Ukraine, which earned him censorship from the moderators.[13]

Outside the OSM space, under the pseudonym Adamant36 this user has also trolled Github user woodpeck. [14]

This consistent pattern of verbal abuse is clearly not in keeping with the intent of the Etiquette Guidelines,[15] which *inter alia* call for community members to be respectful of each other. User Adamant1's belligerence and choices of words indicate clearly an attitude of disrespect for others in the community, which at this point has become intolerable and is a serious impediment to routine discourse on the community forum as well as other media. It is also clear that user Adamant1 has chosen to avoid fomenting conflict on the general channel of the Discourse forum after receiving an admonition, and is "channel hopping" to create discord in channels under the jurisdiction of other moderators.

More important, however, is the overall negative effect that user Adamant1 has on the community as a whole. No amount of positive contributions, be they mapping or the occasional good idea in a discussion, can make up for the divisiveness he foments.

Therefore, the general moderators recommend that the Board of Directors suspend user Adamant1 from all OSM activity for a period of one year, and further to advise user Adamant1 that following the lifting of this suspension, any further such demonstrations of disrespect or other violations of the Etiquette Guidelines in any OSM-sponsored medium (including but not limited to edit wars, changeset comments, the wiki, the forum, or mail lists) will lead to a permanent ban from the OSM community.

[1] https://community.openstreetmap.org/t/russian-ukrainian-war/7285/167

[2] https://wiki.osmfoundation.org/w/images/e/ee/20230523_OSM_talk_list_mods_annual_report.pdf

[3] https://www.openstreetmap.org/user_blocks/2990

[4] https://www.openstreetmap.org/user_blocks/5637

[5] https://www.openstreetmap.org/user_blocks/5639

[6] https://lists.openstreetmap.org/pipermail/tagging/2019-February/042670.html

[7] https://lists.openstreetmap.org/pipermail/talk-gb/2023-February/029997.html

[8] https://wiki.openstreetmap.org/wiki/User_talk:Adamant1/Archives

[9] https://wiki.openstreetmap.org/wiki/User_talk:Lyx#Editwar_with_User:Adamant1_on_deletion_of_abandoned_tagging_proposals

[10] https://wiki.openstreetmap.org/wiki/User_talk:Mackerski/Tag:amenity=bikeshed

[11] https://wiki.openstreetmap.org/w/index.php?title=Special:Log/block&page=User%3AAdamant1

[12] https://community.openstreetmap.org/t/overturemaps-org-big-businesses-osmf-alternative/6760/69

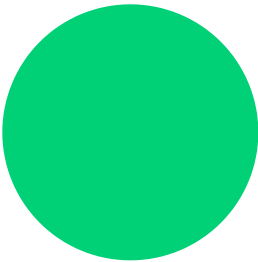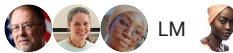[13] https://community.openstreetmap.org/t/mapping-activities-in-active-war-zones-in-ukraine/7221/33

[14] https://github.com/openstreetmap/openstreetmap-website/issues/2708

[15] https://wiki.openstreetmap.org/wiki/Etiquette/Etiquette_Guidelines

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	Disagree	0%	0	
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👤 Rubaina Adam 👍 2 minutes ago

👤 Radmila 👍 3 hours ago

👤 Angela Teyvi 👍 5 hours ago

LM Logan McGovern 👍 6 hours ago
This individual has ran afoul of multiple bodies of the OSMF foundation, multiple times over the years. A suspension is justifiable.

👤 Allan Mustard 👍 6 hours ago

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