

# Obama Sanctions North Korea For Sony Hack Perpetrated by a Disgruntled Former Employee

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US foreign policy just jumped the shark: a few days after both the FBI and the US State department were humiliated when it was revealed that it wasn't North Korea but a <u>disgruntled</u>, <u>laid off Sony employee</u> that was responsible for the "hack", and when the best possible course of action would have been to simply let this latest embarrassing incident fade from memory, moments ago Obama – currently <u>not working out next to a</u>

rainbow or flashing his support of "Shaka" - just signed his first executive order of 2015,

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imposing even more sanctions against North Korea.

#### From Bloomberg:

President Obama signs order imposing additional sanctions on North Korea in response to country's "efforts to undermine U.S. cyber-security and intimidate U.S. businesses and artists exercising their right of freedom of speech," according to Treasury Dept statement.

Sanctions target 3 entities, 10 individuals

Including North Korea's intelligence agency, arms dealer, North Korea's representatives in Namibia, Sudan, Iran, Syria, China

"Even as the FBI continues its investigation into the cyber-attack against Sony Pictures Entertainment, these steps underscore that we will employ a broad set of tools to defend U.S. businesses and citizens, and to respond to attempts to undermine our values or threaten the national security of the United States," Treasury Sec. Lew says in statement.

That this action is so stupid no amount of commentary would possibly do it justice is quite clear, which is why we patiently await North Korean TV to escalate its comedic feud with the "monkey in a tropical jungle."



Perhaps the only silver lining is that Obama did not launch a nuclear attack on Pyongyang outright, although there is still a 2 year period until January 2017. And anything goes, especially once the NSA fabricates another YouTube clip.

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