Subject: Re: Open letter to the trolls

Posted by Dover on Tue, 13 Apr 2010 12:11:06 GMT

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Goztow wrote on Tue, 13 April 2010 02:37Dear Miss Troll, Dear Mister Troll,

Yes, you who are searching through messages to reply with plecos, to call people faggots or even better to start flame fights.

You, who's day is a success only if you managed to cause e-drama. You, who's deliberately provocative messages have caused countless hours of moderating time.

You, the master of ad hominem who lack any substance or relevence to back up your arguments.

Oh you, dear Troll, please consider this gentile message from the moderating team...

There, now that that's done... I'd like to note that this message is quite serious. We've noticed a serious increase of troll-messages (I don't know how to call them otherwise) during the last weeks, months, surprisingly even more so from users that recently came back (right, Dover?). We'd like it to cease. It's starting to take too much of our time. So please quit it...

Trolling is one way to think of it, Gozy, but I look at it as appropriately replying to a thread. It's well and good to have a serious discussion when a topic has something worth discussing (Like this thread, for example). But how constructive can a post be when the topic it's replying to is "What is happening to http://www.Renegadeforums.com"? What other meaningful information can be added six pages into the Atomix thread?

If the plecos and the such were just pointless spam in otherwise worthwhile topics, I would completely agree with you. However, given the quality of the topics the forums have been getting in the past weeks and months, I really don't know what you're expecting.