

# Bad karma? Hackers hit Gaborone daily

GABORONE, BOTSWANA: The Editor of the Gaborone *Mmegi* suspects a state organisation is behind a hacking attack last week, reports *Mail & Guardian*...



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It is reported, its editor suspects the country's shadowy Directorate of Intelligence and Security (DIS), which is run by a feared spy, is behind the sophisticated attack.

There was an attempt to hack the website 10 days earlier, said Garai Makaya, Lifemedia's owner.

The directorate answers only to President Ian Khama, has vaguely defined and wide-ranging powers, and is seen as an important factor in Botswana's deteriorating media climate, reports *Mail & Guardian*.

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