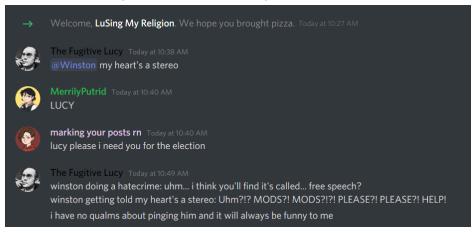
Shortly after the return of u/Sober_King_Robert to the Discord server, she unfortunately engaged in the same behaviour which triggered a <u>prior ban</u> of one week. Spam pinging and picking at one person constantly has led to what would ordinarily be considered a mere nuisance ultimately becoming a matter of harassment and targeted abuse. Such behaviour is unacceptable in our community and it is prohibited by the rules.



Immediately following this it is relevant to note that u/ARichTeaBiscuit engaged in the behaviour. This shows that there is an inspirational effect from this particular behaviour.



From prior cases, we know that much of this behaviour even aims to provoke the target of abuse due to a perception held that the targeted person would react poorly and lash out. This only means that this behaviour is more severe and more toxic for our community.

When in the muted persons' chat, u/Sober_King_Robert doubled down on her behaviour rather than seeking any conciliatory alternative offered by the moderation team. It's important to note that u/ARichTeaBiscuit was willing to take a conciliatory approach and that has been recognised by the moderation team in kind.



As such we are left with the following outcomes:

u/Sober_King_Robert is to be banned for a period of one week for a repeated instance
of harassment (a Tier 2 offence under the Discord Rules). While the suggested

punishment for a repeated offence is one month, we understand that the relative harm of this incident is low. Furthermore, we have evidence that u/Sober_King_Robert is willing to constructively contribute to the community given that the current CEO has spoken favourably of her work. The new Discord Rules permit this variation and due to the mitigating factors at play we are of a mind to limit the severity of the punishment.

• u/ARichTeaBiscuit has been warned with the understanding that this behaviour is unacceptable in the future.

Speaking as a moderator, I will say that it is disturbing to see many members of the community trying to apologise for and even mimic this conduct. Please do not do it to anyone here; it's not pleasant or desirable to see people be targeted and picked on in chat. It makes the chat needlessly hostile for the wider community and it is ultimately noxious behaviour. Everyone is allowed to disagree with or even dislike other members of the community of course, but polluting our common spaces with clear and unapologetic harassment will not be tolerated.

To appeal, message the Governor-General.