

Digital Communication Guidelines

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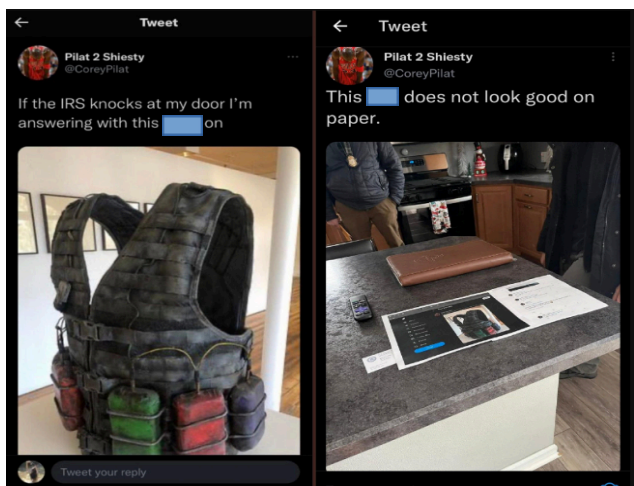
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The following standards were recently adopted as guidelines for new members and are in use by the Welcoming Committee:

1. If someone messages you something, generally assume it's in-confidence. Please ask before sharing information from within our organization to people outside our organization unless it has already been cleared for public release or unless you have asked the originator of that information.
2. No member of our chapter will ever ask you for passwords, banking information, health information, or other critical personal information. If someone does attempt to elicit this information, please report it to the OPSEC Working Group and/or Governance Committee.
3. No member of our chapter will ever message you to ask or convince you to engage in illegal activity. If someone does contact you in this way, please report it to the OPSEC working group and/or Governance Committee.
4. Likewise, do not advocate for or attempt to convince others to engage in illegal activity.
5. Do not speak on behalf of the Red River Valley DSA, nor either branch, without directly obtaining explicit permission from leadership.

These standards apply for all digital communication, including Signal. When utilizing Signal, please keep in mind the following:

1. By default, other Signal users can see your phone number and find you by your phone number, including people who may have you in their contacts. If this is a concern for you, go to **Settings > Privacy > Phone Number** and select **Nobody** for the options **Who Can See My Number** and **Who Can Find Me By Number**. To create a username which people can find you by, go to **Settings > (Your Profile Name) > Select a Username**.
2. As an additional step, you can go to your phone's settings and disable contact sharing by going to **Settings > Apps > Signal > Permissions** and disable contacts permissions.
3. Never share your Signal PIN with anyone else. Signal will never contact you for your PIN.
4. Assume anything you say on Signal can be screenshotted or saved. Don't post anything you wouldn't want to hear read



back to you in court. This includes jokes. DON'T BE THIS GUY!!!!