SPINRAD MAKES OFFER FOR TANDY



[APN - New Monaco, France]

Spinrad Global, the newest AAA corporation to take a seat on the Corporate Court, has made an offer for the Fort Worth-based Tandy Computer Corporation. The offer was announced at a press conference from Spinrad's newly opened office complex in New Monaco, France, by none other than Johnny

Spinrad himself. "Tandy is a respected name in world of Matrix systems, and their security solutions will add more options in our menu of offerings. I look forward to bring Tandy into the Spinrad Global family. And moving their headquarters to somewhere more hospitable."

- Yeah, frag you too, Johnny. There's a reason your smarmy ass isn't welcome here.
- Pyrwatcher
- More likely he doesn't want to look like he's stepping on Lofwyr's toes -er- claws. (In)sanity

Tandy was founded in 1919, and was one of the first companies to make computers aimed at the consumer market. After a series of acquisitions, mergers, bankruptcies, and spin-offs, Tandy became one of the leading makers of entrylevel cyber terminals and commlinks in North America. Tandy has also become a leading developer of Intrusion Countermeasures, supplying many small and medium sized firms with security solutions. Tandy received an A-ranking from the Corporate Court in 2049, and has maintained that rating ever since.

Tandy's headquarters in Fort Worth, and associated facilities, employee nearly 10,000 workers in the metroplex. It is unknown if layoffs of Tandy staff will be forthcoming.

- That sound you are hearing is 10,000 people updating their resumes. Spinrad ain't keen on keeping headcount around.
- Whitehat

The amount offered has not been released, but unconfirmed reports indicate that it is a combined cash and equity deal. Tandy's stock rose 4.5% on the news. This is the third major acquisition Spinrad Global has announced this month. The Corporate Court has approved the offer. The CAS Extraterritoriality and Licensing Agency (ERLA) has already given preliminary approval of the acquisition, under the terms of CAS's provisions in the Business Recognition Accords (BRA).

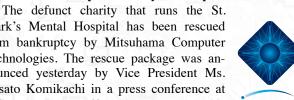
Time to clean my dakka. And buy more dakka for my dakka. Between all of the extractions of their people - and whatever Lofwyr is going to do in response - we are going to be busy for the new few months, chummers. Dakka, dakka time!

SithDog2057

Dakka - I don't think it means what you think it means. MEESA

MITSUHAMA SAVES LO-CAL MENTAL HOSPITAL

[CAS Today - DFW]



Mark's Mental Hospital has been rescued from bankruptcy by Mitsuhama Computer Technologies. The rescue package was announced yesterday by Vice President Ms. Misato Komikachi in a press conference at MCTs downtown office. "We hope that this MITSUHAMA small gesture shows how committed we are to the well being of DFW's citizens."

The St Mark's charity had recently run into trouble due to a lack of funds. The board of the charity fired charity president Patrick Fogerty last week on grounds of "gross incompetence." Fogerty had failed to alert the board to the worsening financial situation of the hospitals, and could not account for the loss of significant portions of the charity's endowment. Outsider Kari Ward, formerly of City Health Services, has been named as interim president.

The board has also officially asked LoneStar's Financial Crimes division to investigate Mr. Fogerty for possible embezzlement of funds. LoneStar has indicated that charges may be pending, but that Mr. Fogerty may have fled the country. In addition, Dr. Ariel de Mornay, head of the Plano hospital campus, has also gone missing, and LoneStar has issued a warrant for her as a material witness in the case.

> Hello, my name is Fall Guy, what's yours? >

MEESA

Mrs. Ward declined to comment on the alleged crimes of her predecessor during an interview this morning, instead preferring to focus on rebuilding the charity. "Thanks to MCTs very generous donation, we will be able to keep operating. MCT has also offered the assistance of their own medical staff and research to help with some of our most troubled patients. Out of this crisis, we hope to be able to provide even better care to the victims of psychological disorders."

- Translation "I hope we can make up for all of the donors we just lost."
- (In)sanity >

OTHER NEWS

Atlanta, CAS – The explosion that killed 16 in Roswell vesterday has been attributed to domestic terrorists by Lone-Star investigators. The car bomb detonated yesterday morning near a Taco Temple frequented by Bowman Metal Works staff. TerraFirst! has denied responsibility for the attack "it wasn't us - we'd have killed more of the rapers of our planet."

In other news that no one apparently cares about, another five people have died in feral dog attacks in Weatherford in the past week. They are mostly brown people that don't speak English so well, so I guess they don't count. Sigh.

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