

ABUSER STRATEGIES

DOXXING

Publishing sensitive personal information online about you or your family, including your home address, phone numbers & other contact details

DOG WHISTLING

Abusers use words or symbols with a double meaning. These symbols can be used as a signal to groups of online abusers to attack a specific target

CYBER MOB ATTACK

A large group gathers online to collectively shame, harass, threaten, or discredit a target.

ONLINE IMPERSONATION

Creating fake social media accounts with the target's name and photo. Used to post offensive statements and discredit the journalist's reputation

CONCERN TROLLING

Abusers pose as concerned supporters of a target's work and send harmful or demeaning comments masked as constructive feedback

IMAGE MISREPRESENTATION

An image of a journalist is used out of context in order to humiliate, endanger or discredit them.

THREAT BY ASSOCIATION

Unfounded allegations linking the journalist to government intelligence services or organized crime to make them a target of physical violence, online attacks, arrest, or legal action.



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