

US Treasury website hacked, then suspended

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Stacks of one dollar bills pass through a machine at the Bureau of Engraving and Printing in Washington, DC. The government body's website was suspended Tuesday after it was hacked, a BEP spokeswoman said.

A website of the US Treasury's Bureau of Engraving and Printing (BEP) was suspended Tuesday after it was hacked, a BEP spokeswoman said.

"The hosting company used by the Bureau of Engraving and Printing had an intrusion and as a result of that intrusion, numerous websites (BEP and non-BEP) were affected," Claudia Dickens told AFP.

The Treasury Government [Security](#) Operations Center was made aware of the problem on Monday and subsequently notified BEP, she added.

She said the BEP [website](#) and four internet addresses (URLs) pointing to it -- BEP.gov, BEP.treas.gov, Moneyfactory.gov and Moneyfactory.com -- have been suspended until further notice.

As of late Tuesday, the websites were still inaccessible.

The hacking incidents were first reported by a blog of an AVG software vendor official, who said the attacking sites were traced to Ukraine.

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