ERRATA - Saved by the Nerd: Otaku and the space of family in Summer Wars

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Editor's Note

It was brought to the journal's attention by the author in early 2023 of a number of minor factual corrections within the piece as published. Following agreement of the Editorial Board, and honouring the author's request, we wish to bring these to the attention of readers for reasons of completeness and accuracy. Our thanks to the author for alerting us to these inadvertent errors. However, the article as published remains unchanged at the URI above.

Errata Details

p.210, paragraph 3:

Original text: On the first night Kenji solves a mysterious numerical code he had received on his phone, only to find out the next morning that he inadvertently allowed a US-developed AI hacking software, called 'Love Machine', to hack into OZ, a futuristic virtual world where users, represented through avatars, interact worldwide in all kinds of activities. Love Machine's rampage causes dire repercussions in the real world, from blackouts and traffic disruptions to manipulating satellite courses. Kenji is at first reproached by the family, but is then accepted back thanks to his determination to repair the damage.

Amended text: On the first night Kenji solves a mysterious numerical code he had received on his phone, only to find out the next morning that he has been accused nationally of hacking into OZ, a futuristic virtual world where users, represented through avatars, interact worldwide in all kinds of activities. The real culprit, however, is a US-developed AI hacking software called 'Love Machine', whose rampage causes dire repercussions in the real world, from blackouts and traffic disruptions to manipulating satellite courses. Kenji is at first reproached by the family due to the allegations, but is then accepted back thanks to his determination to repair the damage caused by the software.

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p.212, paragraph 4:

Original text: Though Kenji encounters hostility after contributing to Love Machine's hacking, his determination to defeat the programme manages to bring the family together.

Amended text: Though Kenji encounters hostility after allegedly contributing to Love Machine's hacking, his determination to defeat the programme manages to bring the family together.

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