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White Boy Summer, Nazi Memes and the Mainstreaming of White Supremacist Violence | bellingcat

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> The video opens with a tranquil scene of calm lapping waves, accompanied by the song Venice Venture by Big Wild. Before long, however, the mood significantly darkens. Video plays of a 1999 interview with a white supremacist named Benjamin Smith. He tells the interviewer:
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> “If they violate our constitutional rights and say we can’t put out our literature, we have no choice but to resort to acts of violence and really to plunge this country into a terrorist war they’ve never seen before,”
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> Smith wounded nine Orthodox Jews in drive-by shootings, murdered a black man in front of two of his children and then gunned down a Korean-American graduate student over two days in July 1999 before taking his own life after a high speed chase.
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> The footage of Smith fades into footage from a security camera, of a young man walking towards a staircase and loading a 12 gauge shotgun. At this point, the voice of the actor and rapper Chet Hanks cuts in over the music and states:
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> “It’s about to be a White Boy Summer.”
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