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The Graffiti Research Lab is dedicated to outfitting graffiti writers, artists, pranksters and protesters with open source tools for urban communication. The goal of the G.R.L. is to technologically empower individuals to creatively alter their surroundings on the scale of advertisers, corporations and the state in order to reclaim public spaces from both authoritarian and consumer culture. GRL Weapons of Mass Defacement (WMDs) are the result of numerous grants, awards and commissions from rogue governments, educational institutes and arts organizations, including an Award of Distinction from *Ars Electronica* in 2006. They have shown their work in the streets on five continents and have been featured in the Museum of Modern Art in New York City, the Tate Modern in London and toilet stalls all over the world. Their first documentary film, *GRL: The Complete First Season*, recently premiered at the Sundance Film Festival and sold-out the MoMA. They have been featured in or contributed to publications, books and other mass media, like the New York Times, Time Magazine, Time Asia, The Taipei Times, *Excelsior*, Time Out New York, the Village Voice, Rolling Stone, Esquire, Wired, *Il Corriere Della Sera*, *El Pais*, *Street Renegades*, The Tate's *Street Art*, NBC, ABC, CNN, MTV, BBC, CNET, Boingboing.net, Digg.com and on the front page of Youtube. But, more importantly, thousands of ubiquitous, clandestine agents have trained themselves, via the web, to use GRL tools and techniques to create their own public interventions all over the world. Graffiti Research Lab splinter cells have formed in Amsterdam, Vienna, Montreal, Toronto, Vancouver, Yokohama, Tijuana, Hong Kong, Taipei, Minneapolis, Australia and London. Graffiti Research Lab NYC is honored to be New York's representative to the U.S. Department of Homeland Graffiti. The GRL is a Free Art and Technology (F.A.T.) production headquartered in the County of Kings, Brooklyn, NY. We are the GRL and we approve of this message.

