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Threat Actor Update

Iranian Hackers Target UK Organizations in Ongoing Attack

State-sponsored Iranian hackers have been blamed for a cyber-attack campaign that has compromised employees working in banks, local government, and the Post Office.

Amnesty International Hit By China-linked Cyber Attack

The human rights NGO claims its Hong Kong office has been hit by a years-long cyberattack from hackers with known links to the Chinese government.

Hamas shifts tactics in bitcoin fundraising

The armed wing of Hamas now generates a new digital wallet with every donation transaction, complicating outsiders' efforts to flag or even monitor transactions.

State-Sponsored DNS Hijacking Infiltrates 40 Firms Globally

A newly discovered campaign targets national security organizations primarily across the Middle East and North Africa with DNS hijacking attacks to scoop up credentials.

North Korean-linked Lazarus Group releases Hoplight malware

DHS and FBI have identified a new Trojan malware variant that functions as spyware capable of securely connecting to a control server and uploading pilfered files.

Threat Target Update

Microsoft Hacked: Attackers Actually Able to Read User Emails

Cybercriminals compromised a Microsoft support agent's account and could potentially have accessed any user's email account as long as it wasn't a corporate level account.

2 Million Credit Cards Exposed in Earl Enterprises Hack

Malware installed in point-of-sale systems has compromised credit cards used at restaurant chains Buca di Beppo, Planet Hollywood, and Earl of Sandwich, among others.

Bayer Contains Cyber Attack that Bore Chinese Hallmarks

The German drugmaker has contained a cyber-attack that utilized WINNTI malware and believes no data theft occurred or third party data was compromised.

Notable Ransomware Attacks in April

Link: Cleveland Airport: email services crippled and information screens disabled for days

Link: Arizona Beverages struggled for nearly five days to restore systems and retrieve data.

Cyberattack at med-tech conglomerate Hoya slowed production 60%

Japanese manufacturer Hoya temporarily shut down production at a factory in Thailand following a cyberattack that infected roughly 100 computers with cryptojacking malware.

ACI Update

- The Spring 2019 edition of *The Cyber Defense Review* is now available for digital download!
- Dr. David Gioe authored "Make America Strategic Again" in The National Interest.
 - Listen to him discuss the article in this Blog Talk Radio podcast.
- Dr. Erica Borghard co-authored "The Overlooked Military Implications of the 5G Debate" for the Council of Foreign Relations.
- The West Point Cyber Policy Team repeated as champions of the European Cyber 9/12 Strategy Challenge, besting 21 other teams from 13 countries.

Tech Sector Update

News involving key players, products, and technologies

- Microsoft no longer plans to kill off classic Paint in Windows 10
- 'Blockchain Bandit' steals millions in Ethereum by guessing weak private keys
- Tencent's Keen Security Lab gains Tesla steering control remotely and fools Autopilot
- Facebook hosted more than 70 cybercrime groups advertising all types of illicit activity
- Samsung Galaxy S10 fingerprint security measure breached, allowing access to cryptocurrency wallet
- Google+ is dead

Regulation and Policy Update

News impacting the operational and regulatory environment

- White House issues Executive Order on America's Cybersecurity Workforce
- MIT cuts ties with Huawei and ZTE due to federal investigations over sanctions
- Federal judge grants ATF right to use suspect's finger to unlock iPhone
- Russians will soon lose uncensored access to the Internet
- FBI and IC3 release annual Internet Crime Report
- WikiLeaks founder Julian Assange arrested and charged in US with computer hacking conspiracy
- China acknowledges US concerns about IP theft, forced technology transfers, and cyber hacking

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