

State of the cyber threat and the consequences of inaction

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Biography

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Brief biography



- Senior Managing Director of Cybercrime & Breach Response at PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP
- Previously CISO at Textron (Bell Helicopter, Cessna, EZGO, Kautex, Textron Systems, Textron Financial, Jacobsen)
- Over 20 years' experience in IT Security, Forensics and IT Audit
- Certification in IT Security, IT Forensics, IT Audit, IT Governance and IT Data Privacy
- A frequent speaker at CIO Talk Radio, CXO Magazine, CSO Perspectives, CISO Executive Summit, MIT CIO Symposium

Transformation

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Unprecedented change

Witnessing the transformation from an IT- and productivity-driven era to one defined by cyber security risk management

This is happening because of a fundamental shift

Boards and management are seeing the results of decades of misaligned threat and risk dynamics and response

And they are seeing greater impact and potential impact

Era of executive and cyber transformation

Board meetings in 2010 and before

- 20 minutes with Audit & Risk Committees
- Cyber is an IT issue and relegated to CTO, CIO

90 minutes with full board and senior executives

Board meetings in 2014 and beyond

All things cyber have two high impact termination points

Regulation and litigation

Driving change

**Frequency
and complexity
of attacks**

Unprecedented levels and impact

U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission 2011
Guidance, European Union Privacy Directive

**Regulatory
evolution**

**Threat diversity
and proliferation**

Insiders and vendors/terrorists/nation-
states/transnational organised crime/hacktivists

The interrelationships between previously
unconnected elements

**The Internet
of Things**

The threat



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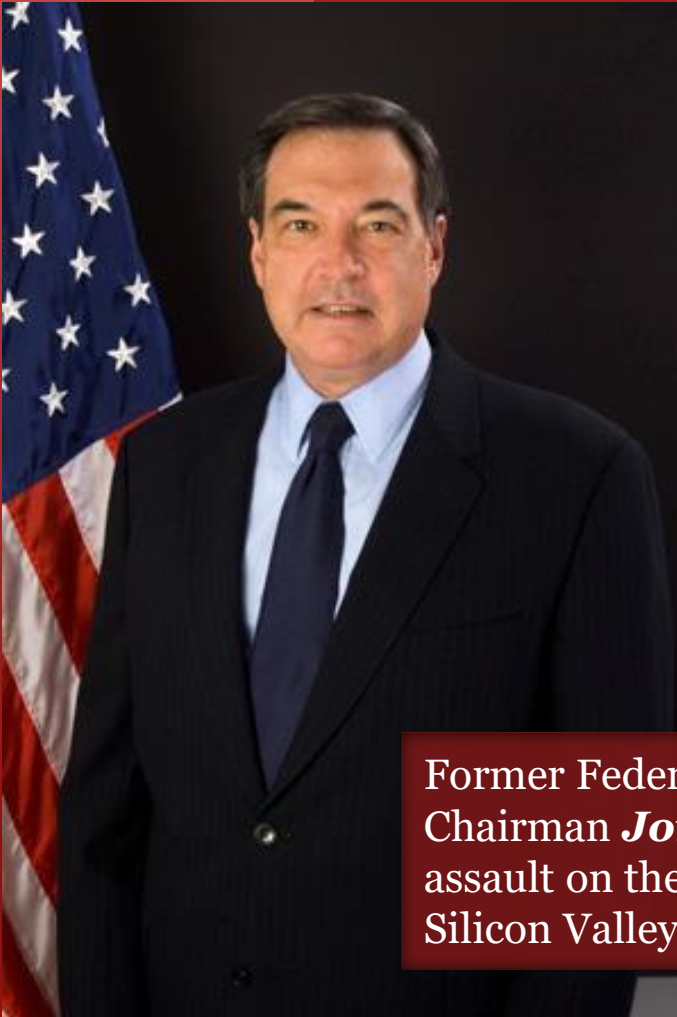
Gen. *Keith Alexander*, former head of the U.S. National Security Agency, in 2012

“ On a scale of 1-10, U.S. preparedness for a cyber strike is about a 3. ”



“ It’s only a matter of the ‘when’, and not the ‘if’, that we are going to see something dramatic. ”

Admiral **Michael Rogers**, director of the U.S. National Security Agency, in a November 2014 warning about the cyber threat against the US from other nations



“ ... the most significant incident of domestic terrorism involving the grid that has ever occurred in the US. ”

Former Federal Energy Regulatory Commission Chairman **Jon Wellinghoff** on the May 2013 assault on the Metcalf substation in California's Silicon Valley

THE WALL STREET JOURNAL.

“On a visit to our offices last year, a U.S. lawmaker with knowledge of intelligence affairs explained that, when it comes to cyber-espionage, there are only two kinds of American companies these days: Those that have been hacked, and those that don’t know they’ve been hacked.”

The Wall Street Journal
“Barbarians at the Digital Gate”

“Without any sense of restraint ...”

U.S. military official

**Cyber attacks
are on the rise**



U.S. Nuclear Security Enterprise

→ 10 million attacks daily

→ 1 in a 100 are successful: that's 1,000 successful attacks a day

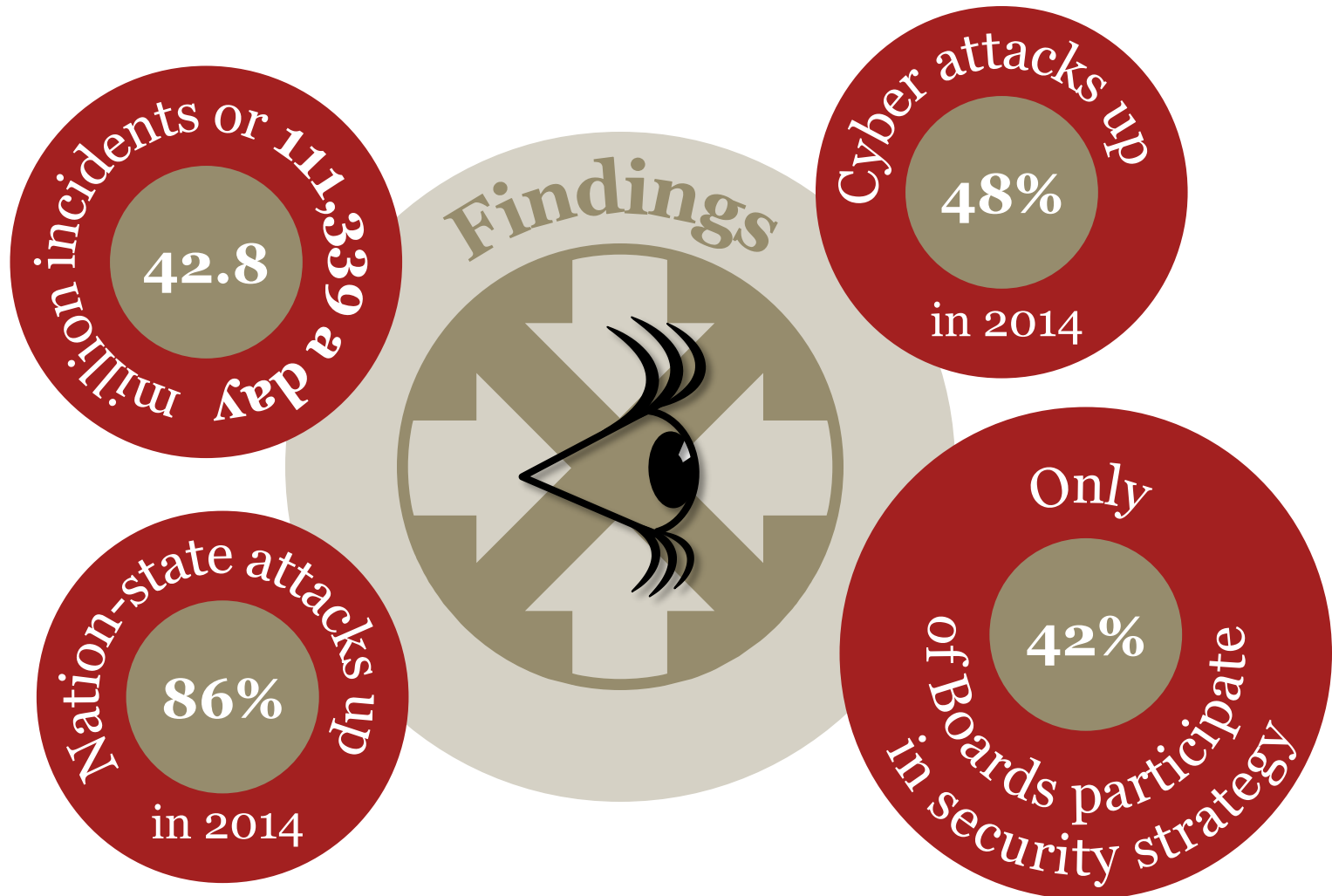
U.S. Navy Intranet

→ 87 Million attacks monthly

17-fold increase in cyber attacks between 2009 and 2011

U.S. FEMA reports 650% increase in cyber attacks 2006 to 2010

From a recent PwC Cyber Crime Survey



Threat actors

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Principal cyber attack actors



Nation-state cyber attacks are grounded in strategic economic expansionist impact

Supply chain manipulation

Global logistics disruption

Environmental regulation

Geopolitical realignment

Technology enablement

Digital currency leverage

Force multipliers

Watch for strategic indicators that will alter the status quo



Think about key nation-states as economic competitors, not strictly flagged political, military, intelligence, and diplomatic powers.

The key to future global economic risk will be influenced by logistics technology, global supply chain disruption strategy, environmentally clean shipping regulation and unregulated digital currency leverage in support of geopolitical realignment.

Transnational criminal cyber attacks are tactical

**Web hijacking and
brand exploitation**

**Financial fraud and
digital currency**

**Collusion with
nation-states**

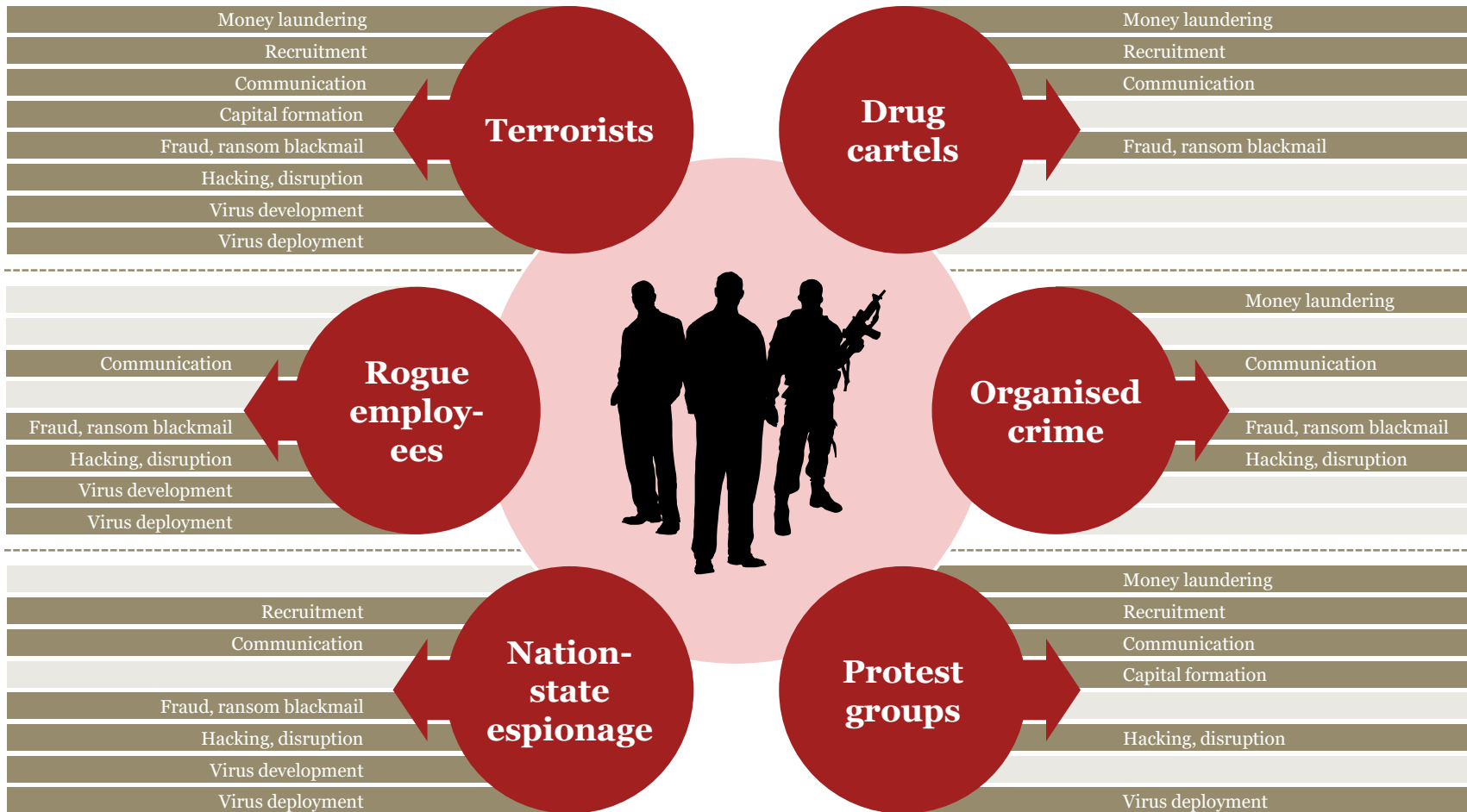
**Criminal
actions**

Extortion

**Sabotage and
encryption**

Physical violence

How adversaries use the internet



Forensic conclusions

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Attack trends

Infiltrations occur without detection

Protracted periods of adversary intelligence collection

More than 200 days between date of intrusion, date of discovery

5-7 years not uncommon

Correlation between date of intrusion, date of discovery

Sabotage may include use of military grade encryption

Look for Internet of Things to enable crippling and even destruction of industrial smart-plants and smart-buildings

May include catastrophic events including personal injury, loss of life, toxic spills

Increasingly aggressive nation-state attacks

What information do they want?

Healthcare data

Financial data

Intellectual property and trade secrets across multiple sectors

Merger and acquisition information

Marketing data

Cost data

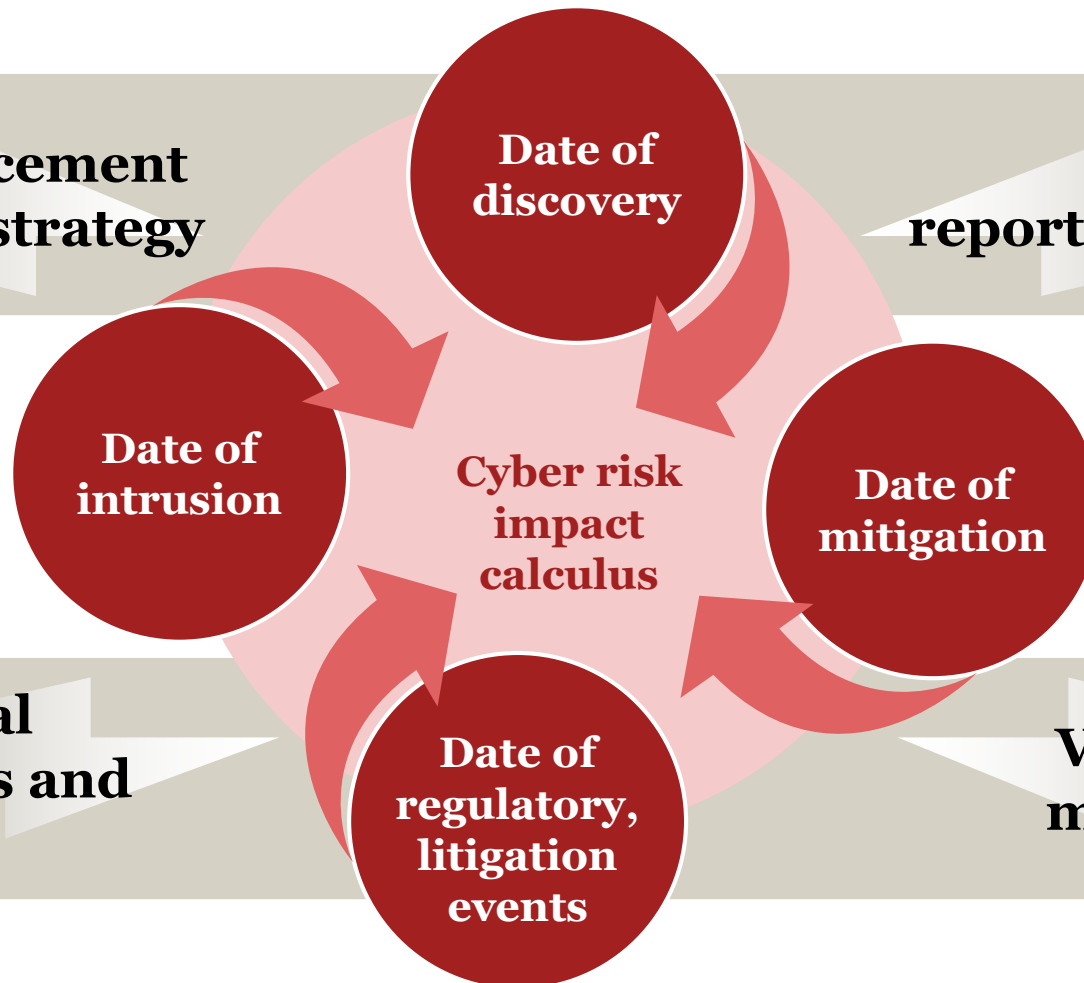
Shipping and logistics data

All data may prove useful, even encrypted data

Managing cyber risk outcomes – key elements

Law enforcement reporting strategy

Regulator reporting strategy



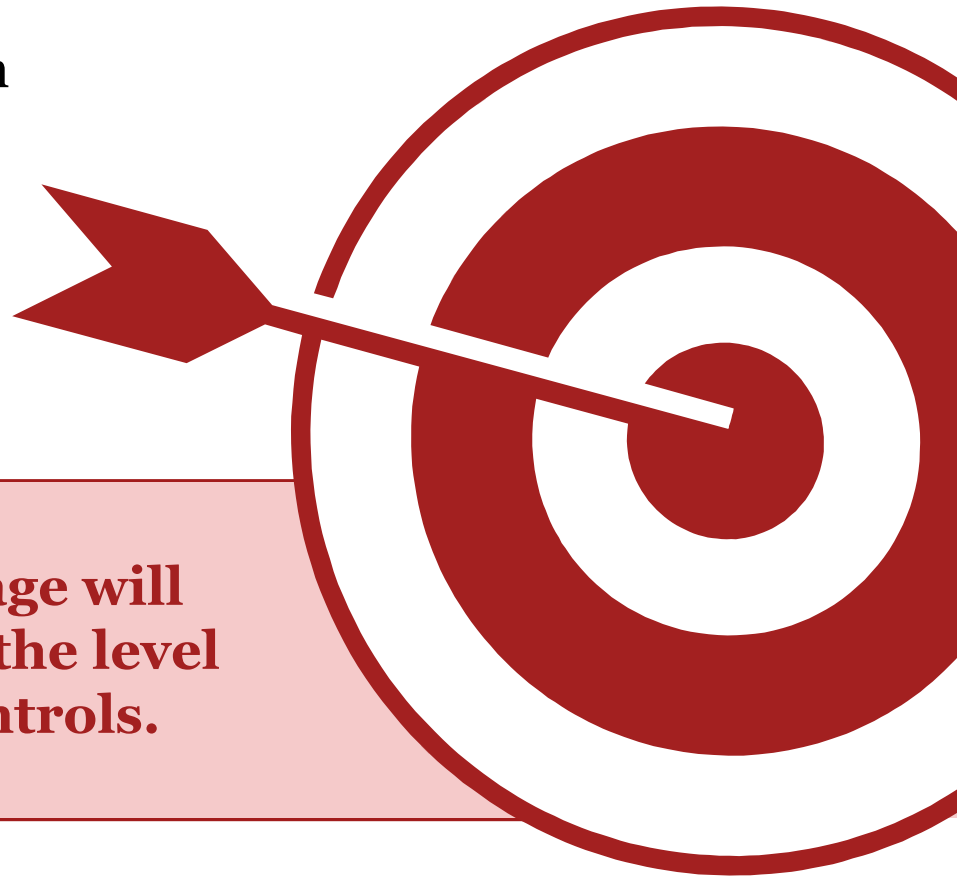
Contractual obligations and reporting

Vendor MSA management

Internet-accessible controls

Internet-accessible controls can be hijacked by nation-states and organised crime syndicates – and even individual rogues – intent on sabotage and extortion.

Digital competitor sabotage will rise commensurate with the level of Internet-accessible controls.



Target range

Cyber attackers are compromising



Networks of industrial control systems



Electrical grids



Nuclear power plants



Air traffic control



Subway systems



Financial systems



Business strategy and operations

Risk impact: case histories

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Risk			Impact
	Regulatory risk	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Regulatory impairment, regulatory fines• Increased government scrutiny• Rigorous remediation, litigation foundation	
	Legal risk	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Civil litigation, criminal prosecution• Class actions, jury awards• Settlements	
	Financial risk	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Value loss, investor loss, insurance cost• Customer loss, capital cost increases	
	Reputation risk	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Press & media exposure, market drift• Competitor positioning	
	Cascading risk	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Market loss, recovery• Continuation, sustainability concerns	

Case history:

Organised crime – how one U.S. company was impacted by money laundering scam

Personal
brand
compromise

Corporate
web site
compromise

TOC
franchise
strategy

Proximity
wireless
attack

Third-party vendor linked to original breach

Extortion demand:

USD 1M to deactivate each website
Up to 100 websites

Impact analysis:

Executive displacement | deficient security | increased federal scrutiny | possible foreign agent penetration

Case history—insider/third-party vendor and lone wolf

Former IT vendor male employee in intimate relationship with female company employee

Vendor employee has access to web site code

The affair ends, broken off by company employee

Vendor ex-employee plans extortion

Develops child pornography web site and links it to ex-lover's company web site

Type in company web site, redirected to his site

Top 85-90 customers and partners listed on porn site, potential protracted litigation, brand exposure

One question I always ask the board and executive management



Are you currently under attack but don't know it?

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