## GOVERNMENT OF PAKISTAN REVENUE DIVISION FEDERAL BOARD OF REVENUE (IT WING)

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All Chief Commissioners/ Chief Collectors/Director Generals

Subject:

ADVISORY - PREVENTION AGAINST CYBER ESPIONAGE (ADVISORY NO. 87 2017).

Please refer to the subject.

2. National Telecom & Information Technology Security Board, Cabinet Division has instructed to all Ministries/Divisions to take necessary measures to safeguard against leakage of sensitive information, therefore, you are requested to ensure the following steps:-

Introduction. A Malicious email titled as "Indian Army kidnaps Pakistan Army Officer LT. Col(rtd.) M. Habib from Nepal of spy swap" is being sent to officers and staff of Government departments from a spoofed email. The email contains in InPage exploit. Downloading and opening the in Page file executes a malware in background that result in hacking of the computer.

## Summary of Malicious Email

- a. Subject. Indian Army kidnaps Pakistan Army officer LT. Col (Rrtd). M. Habib from Nepal of spy swap.
- b. Name of Attachments. Kulbhushan Yadhav\_Vs\_ MdHabib\_ SpySwap.inp
- c. <u>Malware Type</u>. Zero Day Exploit of InPage Professional till 2012.
- d. Spoofed Email. Editor.farida&down.com
- e. Antivirus Detection Rate. 0/55(0%)
- f. Affected Softwares. All versions of 'InPage Urdu' till 2012
- g. C & C Servers

Ser	URL	IP	Hosted Country
(1)	Police.portal.pk	195.22.126.74	Ploand
(2)	http://176.123.26.59/wind	176.12.26.59	Moldova
	o w smgr/javasUpdates.exe		

<u>Indicators of Compromise</u>. The malware makes followings files on the infected system:-

- a. C:/Users\<admin>\AppData\Roaming\network.exe
- b. C:/Users\<admin>\AppData\Roaming\shortcut.vbs
- c. CAUsers\<admin>\AppData\Local\PerfsLog\InstntAccel.exe
- d. CAUsers\<admin>\V\Data\Local\PerfsLog\Sys\LangEngUTF8.
- e. CAUsers\<admin>\AppDATA/Local\Perfs5Log\5Sys\LangEnU F16.exe
- f. C:\Users\<admin>AppData/Local\PerfsLog\Sys\OpenOffce.exe
- g. C:\Users\>admin>\App/Data\Local\PerfsLog\Sys\OptimisedD isply.e
- h. C:/Users\<admin>APPData/Local/\PerfsLog\Sys\RuntimeLibs Updte.

**Capabilities of Mailman** Reads user's computer information like operating system details, directory files list, network, IP, route and interfaces details, Windows Services Information, System Information, Computer Name, processes information from the victim's computer.

- a. The malware has the ability to act as a keylogger, filestealer and it can read information about user's open windows along with time stamps.
- b. It can steal stored user names and passwords of victim's accounts and can take remote control of the system.
- c. The Malware can automatically execute itself on windows startup.

## Recommendations.

- a. Instead of using in Page, following software be used:-
  - (1) Microsoft Word with Urdu Language.
  - (2) Urdu Ward Processor 1.1.
- b. Install and update well reputed antiviruses such as Kaspersky, Avira, Avast etc.
- c. Block C&C Servers at para 2g in firewals of own networks.
- d. In case if indicators of compromise (para 3) are found in the system, please disconnect the computer from Internet and reinstall Windows.

- e. Update all software including Windows OS, Microsoft Office, In Page Professional etc.
- Don'\t download attachments from email unless you are sure about the source.

Reporting of Suspicious Files/Emails. Any malicious cyber activity may be suggesting mitigation measures:-

- a. Eagle 1978@mail.com
- b. Falcon098@writeme.com
- 3. It is requested that above mentioned information may be ensured by all concerned in order to safeguard against leakage of sensitive information.

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## Copy to:-

- 1. S.A to Chairman For information
- 2. Member (FATE) for placement on FBR's Website.