

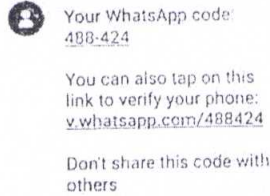
GOVERNMENT OF PAKISTAN
CABINET SECRETARIAT, CABINET DIVISION
NATIONAL TELECOM & INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY SECURITY BOARD
(NTISB)

No. 1-5/2003 (NTISB-II)

Islamabad 5th May 2020

Subject: Hacking of WhatsApp (Advisory No.8)

It has been reported that few government officials are receiving SMS on SIM number from WhatsApp to verify phone numbers by clicking on a link and inserting the received code from WhatsApp. Screen shot of same is as under. -



After doing so, user will receive call from an International No.(001.....) which transfers the complete WhatsApp data / ID to the hackers. It is therefore, strongly recommended that: -

- Don't accept / enter any security code received on WhatsApp, to verify your number.
- Don't enter any type of code received from friends or numbers of your contact list.
- Receipt of an International call after entering code must be avoided. Until you are sure.
- In case of any hacking activity, information be sent on email ID: asntisb2@cabinet.gov.pk

3. Forwarded for perusal and dissemination of information to all concerned and under command, please.

Major
(Imran Nazir)
Assistant Secretary-II (NTISB)
Ph# 051-9204560

All Secretaries of Ministries / Divisions of Federal Government and Chief Secretaries of Provincial Governments

Copy to: -

- Secretary to the Prime Minister, Prime Minister Secretariat, Islamabad
- Secretary to the President, Aiwan-e-Sadar, Islamabad
- Cabinet Secretary, Cabinet Division, Islamabad
- Additional Secretary-III, Cabinet Division, Islamabad
- Secretary, NTISB, Cabinet Division, Islamabad
- Deputy Secretary, NTISB, Cabinet Division, Islamabad
- Director (IT), Cabinet Division, Islamabad

07 MAY 2020
M(A) ✓
M(I.T)
2

A.S
(Rev. Div.)

11 MAY 2020
C(A)

S(A&C)

12/05/20

71563
Rev. in Chairman's Secy.
on 07 MAY 2020