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Subject: LIMITATIONS ON THE USAGE OF USB DEVICES ON THE OFFICIAL COMPUTER SYSTEMS

The Chief Information Security Officer (CISO), FBR has reported (Annex-A) that the CrowdStrike agent successfully blocked high-severity malware detected on USB device that was attached with FBR's network, which could lead to a major data breach in FBR's system. Use of USBs carries significant and extremely serious risks. In addition to the obvious possibility of exposure to malware and viruses, it can also lead to unauthorized access, data leakage and vulnerabilities caused by outdated software.

2. In this regard, it is strongly recommended that the usage of USB devices on official PCs within FBR computer network be avoided in order to prevent potential security threats.
3. This issues with the approval of Member (IT), FBR.

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Second Secretary (IT-Execution)

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