FBI Issues Warning of Increased BEC During COVID-19 Pandemic

On April 6, 2020, the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) issued a warning to companies to be aware of an increase in business email compromises (BEC) entitled “FBI Anticipates Rise in Business Email Compromise Schemes Related to the Covid-19 Pandemic.” Although BECs have been around for years, attackers are using the fact that many employees are working from home during the pandemic to their advantage. The typical BEC involves the attacker impersonating the CEO or other top executives to request an urgent transfer of money or to obtain personal information of employees.

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City of L.A. Email Blunder Exposes COVID-19 Test Results to All Recipients

Although email seems to be the preferred method of communication during the coronavirus pandemic, an error made by a City of Los Angeles employee is one to learn from and avoid repeating.

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Android Users: Beware of the Latest Banking Scam Capitalizing on COVID-19

The Ginp Banking Trojan is not a new way of scamming users into giving up credit card details, however, the latest version apparently capitalizes on COVID-19 anxiety. Recently, security researchers at Kaspersky revealed that the Ginp Trojan works by asking a user for a small payment via credit card, and in return the user is supposed to receive information about individuals infected with COVID-19 in the user’s area. Of course, this is a scam, and once a user enters the credit card data, it’s in the hands of the scammers. Kapersky reported that the scammers didn’t even bother to charge the small amount to the credit card.

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Working from Home During the Pandemic? Turn Alexa and Siri Off!

The transition from work-from-the-office to work-from-home has been rapid during the pandemic. All of a sudden, millions of workers are working from home, while data security personnel were not able to plan and operationalize the transition in an optimal way. Many security
measures are being put in place now as everyone settles into the new norm. Read more

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**DRONES**

*Package Delivery by Drone, Awaiting Final Federal Rules*

Drone package delivery is a reality, albeit only in a few limited markets. However, once regulations permit, many companies are ready and awaiting large-scale operations. From medical prescriptions to fast food delivery, 2020 will likely see more and more delivery by drone, but it will take federal promulgation of final rules before the industry can officially take off. Read more

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**PRIVACY TIP #234**

*Children's Privacy During the Pandemic*

Kids are at home all day now, remote learning and surfing the web more than ever before. This week's privacy tip reviews monitoring and maintaining children's online privacy. Read more

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