



## CYBERSECURITY

### [Cognizant Confirms Maze Ransomware Attack](#)

The criminals behind the Maze ransomware [view recent related posts [here](#) and [here](#)] have gone big and hit Cognizant, one of the largest technology consulting companies in the U.S., with its nasty ransomware. [Read more](#)

## ENFORCEMENT + LITIGATION

### [New York Department of Financial Services Issues Guidance Regarding Heightened Cybersecurity Awareness During COVID-19 Pandemic](#)

The New York Department of Financial Services (DFS) recently issued guidance to its regulated entities regarding heightened cybersecurity awareness as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic. DFS described three primary areas of heightened risk during this time: remote working, increased instances of phishing and fraud, and third-party risks. [Read more](#)

## NEW + NOW

### [Privacy, Security and Data Loss Prevention](#)

I always enjoy hosting and participating in the CISO Executive Network meetings. The meetings offer Chief Information Security Officers (CISOs) the opportunity to discuss together ways they can improve security in their organizations, get ideas from each other on strategies and products, and vent with colleagues about particular issues and complaints. It gives me great insight into what they are experiencing so I, in turn, can help others, and to stay on the cutting edge of products and services available to assist with data security. [Read more](#)

## DRONES

### [U.S. Navy Deploys Counter-UAS Laser](#)

The U.S. Navy installed its first Optical Dazzling Interdictor, Navy (ODIN), which, more simply put, is a laser weapon designed to counter unmanned aerial systems (UAS). Unlike hard-kill laser systems already used by the Navy on its vessels, ODIN uses a dazzling laser to confuse systems sensors and cameras, or in manned systems, potentially cause glare in the pilot's vision. ODIN underwent rapid development, moving from an approved idea to installation in a two-and-a-half-year period.

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This new system will allow the Navy to deploy a new capability to help safeguard ships from UAS threats. Assistant Secretary of the Navy for Research, Development and Acquisition, James F. Geurts, said, "This is a great example of our organic talent at the warfare centers all working together with ship's company to deliver a system which will provide game-changing capability." [Read more](#)

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**PRIVACY TIP #236**

**[Foreign Government-Backed Phishing Attacks Pose as Fast Food Chains](#)**

Google has warned users in a blog article that nation state-backed hackers are using the COVID-19 crisis to ramp up phishing attempts and, in one example, are posing as American fast food franchises and sending malicious emails with fake offers and coupons to government officials and health care workers. [Read more](#)



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