

(U) Financial Sector Cyber Security



(U) Cyber Event:

(U) <u>15 August</u> – Foreign cyber actors targeted a **foreign oil company** in a large-scale coordinated cyber attack, incidentally attacking a **major US telecom company** that provides business services to the primary target; (no effect on actual oil production)

US TELECOM

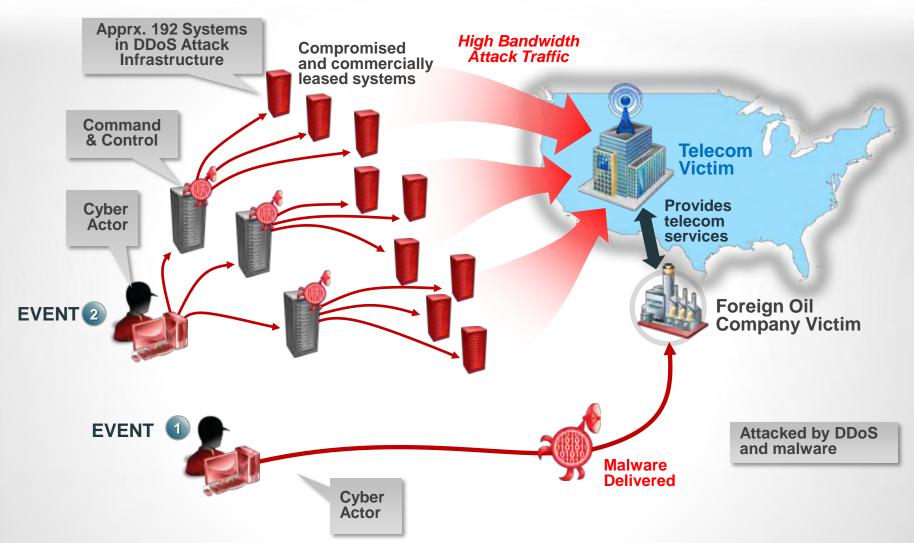
- ► Impaired services
- ▶ DDoS lasted 9 hours

FOREIGN OIL COMPANY

- ➤ 30,000 + computer systems infected
- ► Critical data destroyed on all infected systems
- ► Operations offline for 8 days



(U) How: Anatomy of the First Cyber Event





(U) Malware Attack

- (U) Shamoon Virus
- (U) Comprised of four files
 - trksrv.exe: initial infection agent
 - Netint.exe: communication with remote host
 - Drdisk.sys: provides raw access to disk
 - Dnslookup.exe: wiper component



(U) US Financial Institutions Attacked

(U) <u>18 September – 11 October</u> – Foreign cyber actors targeted 10 **US Financial Institutions** with a coordinated cyber attack

US FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS

- ► DDoS targeted 10 institutions
- ► Degradation of networks
- ▶ Disruption to or Loss of Web site conductivity for at least 4 institutions



(U) Timeline of Events: Financial Sector

Oct US Financial Institution 1

Time: 9/18/2012 at 1017 EDT to 9/19/2012 at 0200 EDT Bandwidth: 8-13 Gbps

Experienced degradation of network but no loss of Web site conductivity.

Sept 19

The Pastebin account
'Qaasamcyberfighters' claims they
have carried out the second phase of
"operation Ababil' and taken down
the US Financial Institution Web site.

Sept 19 US Financial Institution 2

Time: 9/19/2012 at 1200 EDT to 9/20/2012 at 0300 EDT Bandwidth: Unknown

Experienced degradation of network but no loss of Web site conductivity.

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Sept 20 US Financial Institution 4

Time: 1450 EDT to 1900 EDT Bandwidth: Unknown

Observes DDoS activity against network responses and DDoS traffic interrupts service on Web site

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Sept 25 US Financial Institution 5

Start Time: 9/25/2012 at 1030 EDT End Time: Unknown Bandwidth 50Gbps Type of Attack: HTTP, DNA, USP, Ports 53. 80 and 443

Experienced degradation of network and loss of Web site conductivity.

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Sept 27 US Financial Institution 7

Start Time: 9/27/2012 at 0818 EDT End Time: Unknown Bandwidth 5 Gbps

Type of Attack: HTTP, DNA, USP, Ports 53. 80 and 443

Experienced degradation of network and loss of Web site conductivity.

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September 18

Sept 18 US Financial Institution 2

Time: 1130 EDT to1500 EDT Bandwidth: Unknown

Experienced degradation of network but no loss of Web site conductivity.

Sept 18

Group calling itself the Cyber Fighters of Izz Ad-Din Al-Qassam claim on Pastebin they will attack two US Financial Institutions in retaliation for the posting of the anti-Islamic video on Youtube.

Sept 19 US Financial Institution 3

Time: 9/19/2012 1600 EDT to 9/20/2012 0700 EDT Type of Attack; TCP, UDP, Ports 53, 80, and 443 Bandwidth: Unknown

DDoS results in loss of Web site conductivity.

Sept 19 US Financial Institution 4

One hour attack
Type of Attack: UDP, Ports 53
Bandwidth: Unknown

Experienced degradation of network but no loss of Web site conductivity.

Sept 22 US Financial Institution 3

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Time: 9/22/2012 at 1700 EDT End Time: Unknown Type of attack: UDP, Port 53 Bandwidth: 1 Mbps

Web site experiences slight DDoS activity. No disruptions.

Sept 26 US Financial Institution 6

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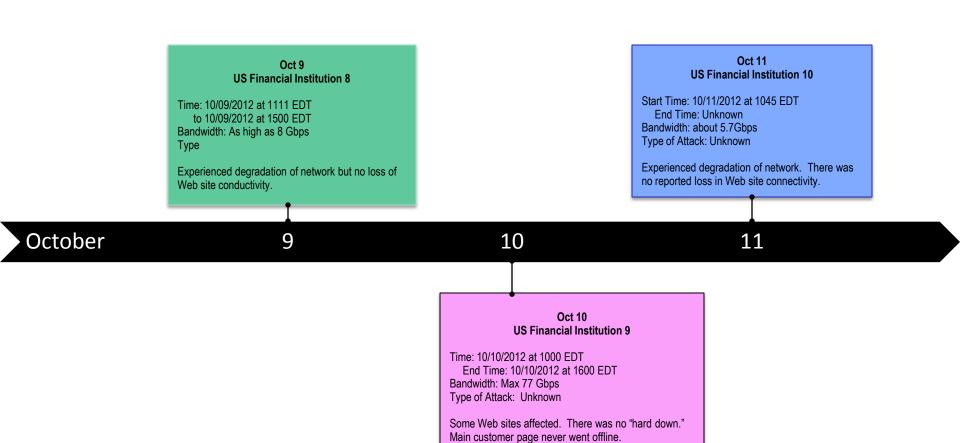
Start Time: 9/26/2012 at 0930 EDT End Time: Unknown Bandwidth 25 Gbps Type of Attack: HTTP, DNA, USP, Ports 53, 80 and 443

Experienced degradation of network and loss of Web site conductivity.

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The FBI provided advanced notice to three US Financial Institutions on October 8 $^{\rm th}$.



(U) Distributed Denial of Service Attack Network Indicators

- UDP Port 53 traffic with packet lengths ~1,400 bytes in size and padded with "A"
- UDP Port 80 traffic padded with "/http1"
- A Port 53 TCP SYN flood
- A Port 80 TCP SYN flood
- HTTP GET Flood directed at default Web pages



(U) Distributed Denial of Service Attack Network Indicators

- (U) Attacking Hosts
 - Compromised Web servers
 - Joomla and cPanel vulnerabilities
 - Attack scripts uploaded to a hidden directory
 - Indx.php
 - Stcp.php
 - Stph.php



(U) FBI Investigative and Operational Capabilities

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- Investigative Interviews
- Evidence Collection
- Electronic Surveillance
- Network Traffic Analysis
- Digital Forensics through Computer Analysis Response Team (CART)
- Malware analysis through the Binary Analysis, Characterization, and Storage System (BACSS)
- Cyber Action Team (CAT) Deployment
- Legal Attaché Support
- USIC coordination through the NCIJTF
- Indict/Arrest Authority
- Review Current Field Office Collections and Investigations.



(U) Questions