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CIRCULAR

Subject: CYBER SECURITY ADVISORY (14) TARGETED ADVANCE PERSISTENT THREAT (APT) AGAINST GOVERNMENT OFFICERS

Please find enclosed herewith a copy of Ministry of Aviation Memorandum No.1(2)/2023-IT dated 30-07-2024 along with Copy of Cabinet Division's Memo No. 1-5/2003/24(NTISB-II) dated 22-07-2024 (download complete document from PMD website under the heading "circular") on the above noted subject for information and compliance, please.

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GOVERNMENT OF PAKISTAN
MINISTRY OF AVIATION

F. No. 1(2) 2023-11

Islamabad, the 30th July, 2024

MEMORANDUM

Subject: - CYBER SECURITY ADVISORY (14) TARGETED ADVANCE PERSISTENT THREAT (APT) AGAINST GOVERNMENT OFFICERS.

Please find enclosed a copy of Cabinet Division's Memorandum No. 1-5/2003 (NTISB-II), dated 22 July, 2024 on the subject cited above for compliance of directions therein.

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**GOVERNMENT OF PAKISTAN
CABINET SECRETARIAT
CABINET DIVISION
(NTISB)**

B.No. 17/2005-NTISB-II

Islamabad, the 22 July, 2024

Subject: Targeted Advanced Persistent Threat (APT) against government Officers (Advisory No. 14)

A targeted APT attack has been launched against government officers through different WhatsApp numbers and phishing emails. The attacker is using various mobile numbers and emails with fake domains to send different messages, while attempting to launch a cyber-attack through malware. The attacker sends Remote Access Tools (RAT) files in RAR format for accessing the devices. The WhatsApp numbers being used are 923476723167, 03357837013, 03557877912, 03552217450, 0355787912, 03553825375, 03557946757, 03115700308, 03552666591.

2. All departments may kindly instruct their officers & staff not to download any files received from the aforementioned WhatsApp numbers or any unknown numbers/emails to protect their data.

3. Kindly disseminate the above information to all concerned in your organizations, all attached/affiliated departments and ensure necessary protective measures.

Aviation Division
Deputy Secretary (Admin)
Diary No. 17/2005-NTISB-II Date: 22/7/24

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