

Cyber-Security

Litigation and regulatory risk

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What is Cyber-Crime?



- "an attack on the confidentiality, integrity and accessibility of an entity's online/computer presence or networks - and information contained within" - Research Department of the IOSCO and the WFE
- Four main types:
 - Nuisance hacking
 - Hacking for financial gain: from stealing customer credit card information to targeting a company's financial function to obtain its earnings report before it is publicly released so as to acquire and dump stock
 - Advanced persistent threat: stealthy and continuous computer hacking processes targeting a specific entity
 - Hacktivism: goal is to change or create a public perception about a brand, e.g. obtaining and disclosing sensitive information to the public

How might Cyber-Crime impact business – some common examples



- Attacks directly against a business in its own right to obtain information about the business or its customers or to carry out brand or financial harm (both to the business and its customers)
 - Ransom
- Attacks against Bank/Corporate customers to misappropriate funds
- Hack and harvesting of payment card details from retailers, leading to card fraud and loss for the retailer

Cyber-crime drivers



- Digital Age
 - mobile
 - cloud
 - big data
- Criminal community engagement
 - alliances
 - sophistication
 - taking advantage of Digital Age encryption/malware

Recent Cyber-attacks



- TARGET
- SONY pictures
- Morgan Stanley
- Nuclear attack South Korea
- ISIS US Command twitter account
- State attacks
- Ashley Madison
- TalkTalk
- Vodafone

UK Government Response 2015



- Collaboration
- Increased resources CERT/Operation Resilient Shield
- Regulatory focus (Bank of England/FCA/PRA)
- Law-enforcement co-ordination
- Technology companies
- Reporting/Sharing information
- Cyber-agents

Cyber-Crime is a Regulatory Priority



- National Cyber Crime Unit: Brings together capability from the Police Central e-Crime Unit and the SOCA cyber team
- Operation Waking Shark 2 (2013): industry-wide testing of the financial sectors' response to a sustained and intensive cyber-attack and to assess whether defences have improved since Operation Waking Shark 1 and 2011 Market Wide Exercise
- FCA Business Plan (2014/15): The FCA will work with the Treasury, the PRA and BoE to assess the UK's critical national infrastructure to cyber attacks
- CBEST 2014 (B of E initiative), Cyber Essentials and Financial Crime Alert Service (Sep 2014) (a BBA initiative).

Potential Claims against Businesses and Risks



- Breach of Contract
- Negligence
- Refund claims deriving from Payment Services Directive
- FOS
- Card Scheme Losses
- Class actions
- Reputational Risk
- Litigation Risk Issues

Potential Regulatory Action against a Bank/Risks



- S.90 FSMA
- Breach of Sysc 3.2.6R
- PRIN 3
- Listing rule 7.2R
- FCA/Payment Systems Regulator
- Senior Management responsibility
- EU Data Protection regulation
- Information Commissioner's Office

Mitigating the Risk



- Department for Business Innovation and Skills (BIS)
- FCA Handbook/Listing Rules
- Contractual audit
- Outsourcing
- Board Priority
- Waking Shark/Operation Resilient Shield
- IT vulnerability
- Planning
- Knowledge
- Insurance

EU Horizon Scanning



- Network and Information Security Directive
 - The cyber-security Directive
- Payment Services Directive 2
 - SecuRe Pay
- EU Data Protection Regime

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Gyber Threat Landscape

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The cyber threat - Who

- State actors
- Criminals
- Ideologues
- The misguided

The cyber threat while

- Commercial gain
- Financial gain
- Political advantage
- Fun

The cyberthreat - Where

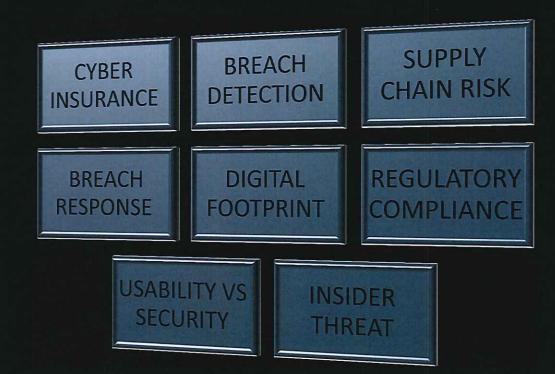
- State actors will consolidate, evolve and increase for commercial reasons (EWB not National Security)
- Criminal activity will continue to increase 38% growth last year
- Bespoke, tailored and targeted
- The sophistication of social engineering increases
- Cyber terrorism Islamic State

What is cyber space?



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Cyber hot topics



UK Government response



Defence begins at home

- Choose a good password K3ntL10n!
- Enable the highest authentication level 2FA
- Prioritise sensitive accounts
- Keep software applications up to date. Seek expert advice
- Be vigilant
- Take inventory of your digital footprint. And that of your family

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Questions



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