



CISA, FBI Issue Warning on Cyber Vulnerabilities

Russian State-Sponsored Cyber Actors Exploiting Default Multi-factor Authentication Protocols

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Dear SOCMA Members,

Yesterday, the Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Security Agency (CISA) and the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) released a [joint Cybersecurity Advisory](#) (CSA) warning organizations that **Russian state-sponsored cyber actors have exploited a known issue with default multifactor authentication (MFA) protocol to gain network access.**

What you need to know now:

- The joint advisory provides best practices for the implementation of MFA to reduce the likelihood that a sophisticated adversary can exploit the known vulnerability.
- CISA and FBI encourage all organizations to be cognizant of this threat and apply the recommended mitigations in this advisory.

SOCMA members are encouraged to review CISA's [Shields Up webpage](#) and [Russia Cyber Threat Overview and Advisories](#) for up-to-date information and recommended guidance.

We anticipate further updates from federal agencies as the situation progresses and will provide them to you. Bookmark [SOCMA's Policy webpage](#) for the latest information as well.

Please do not hesitate to reach out to me if you have additional questions or concerns at rhelminiak@socma.org.

Kind Regards,



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