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# NORTH DAKOTA HOMELAND SECURITY ANTI-TERRORISM SUMMARY



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### **NORTH DAKOTA**

Nothing Significant to Report

### **REGIONAL**

**(Minnesota) 12-year-old boy arrested in Minn. school lockdown.** New Prague placed a middle school, high school, and Central Education Campus on lockdown before dismissing classes for March 20, after 9-1-1 dispatch received a call about a potential shooter in the area. Authorities traced the call to a 12-year-old and determined the threat to be a hoax. Source:

[http://www.oroVILLEmr.com/news/ci\\_22830515/minnesota-middle-school-lockdown](http://www.oroVILLEmr.com/news/ci_22830515/minnesota-middle-school-lockdown)

**(Wyoming) Refinery worker accused of plant sabotage.** A man was charged after admitting he turned two valves at the Sinclair oil refinery in October 2012, causing the hydrocracker unit to fill so the workers could have the day off. If the unit had overheated and ruptured, it could have released deadly hydrogen sulfide. Source: <http://www.sheridanmedia.com/news/refinery-worker-accused-plant-sabatoge63071>

### **NATIONAL**

Nothing Significant to Report

### **INTERNATIONAL**

**South Korean TV and banks paralyzed in disk-wipe cyber-blitz.** Several South Korean TV stations and banks were hit by a cyber-attack that caused computers on their networks to crash, be unable to be restarted, and flash error messages. Online banking and ATMs were also affected. Source: [http://www.theregister.co.uk/2013/03/20/south\\_korea\\_cyberattack/](http://www.theregister.co.uk/2013/03/20/south_korea_cyberattack/)

### **BANKING AND FINANCE INDUSTRY**

**Credit report breach has link to Zeus banking malware.** A Web site that recently exposed the personal information of celebrities and public figures by stealing credit report information appears to be linked to the use of the Zeus banking malware and to domains used in past cybercrime campaigns. Source: <http://www.csoonline.com/article/730446/credit-report-breach-has-link-tozeus-banking-malware>

**JPMorgan Chase customers see zero balances after technical glitch.** JPMorgan Chase reported that it experienced a technical problem March 18 that caused customers to see balances of zero in the online and mobile bank services. Source:

<http://www.networkworld.com/news/2013/031913-jpmorgan-chase-customerssee-zero-267838.html>

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### **CHEMICAL AND HAZARDOUS MATERIALS SECTOR**

Nothing Significant to Report

### **COMMERCIAL FACILITIES**

(Florida) **Carnival ships out of service longer than expected.** Carnival Cruise Lines has cancelled 10 upcoming Carnival Triumph cruises following an engine fire incident that occurred a month ago. Carnival Triumph is undergoing scheduled repairs and upgrades and is set to return to service in June. Source: <http://www.wral.com/carnival-ships-out-of-service-longer-than-expected/12244014/>

### **COMMUNICATIONS SECTOR**

**Wireless robocallers face massive FCC fines.** A Federal Communications Commission investigation found two agencies were involved in making in excess of one million calls to wireless phones without consumer permission between 2011 and 2012. The fines associated with the citation range up to \$4.8 million. Source: <http://www.adweek.com/news/technology/wireless-robocallers-face-massive-fcc-fines-147988>

### **CRITICAL MANUFACTURING**

**GM recalls Buick LaCrosse, Cadillac SRX crossover SUV's to fix transmissions.** General Motors announced a recall of almost 27,000 model year 2013 Buick LaCrosse and Cadillac SRX vehicles due to a problem with their transmission software that could put the vehicle in „sport“ mode unexpectedly. Source: <http://www.thedenverchannel.com/money/business-news/gm-recalls-buick-lacrosse-cadillac-srx-crossover-suvs-to-fix-transmissions>

**Toyota recalling 209,000 FJ Cruisers for seatbelt issue.** Toyota announced the recall of 209,000 FJ Cruiser vehicles because seatbelt mountings may become cracked and loosen. Source: <http://fox6now.com/2013/03/15/toyota-recalling-200000-fj-cruisers-for-seatbelt-issue/>

### **DEFENSE/ INDUSTRY BASE SECTOR**

**NASA tightens security in response to insider threat.** After an alleged National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA) intellectual property theft by a Chinese contractor, NASA is taking preventative steps and has shut down their technical reports database and imposed tighter restrictions on remote access to its computers, in addition to incorporating other security measures. Source: <http://www.informationweek.com/security/government/nasa-tightens-security-in-response-to-in/240151412>

(Virginia) **Former NASA contractor arrested at Dulles Airport.** Authorities arrested a former National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA) contractor in a Virginia airport as he was boarding a flight to his native China March 16. The former NASA contractor did not disclose to

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authorities that he was in possession of a laptop, a computer hard drive, and a subscriber identity module that was believed to contain NASA data and technology information. Source: <http://news.yahoo.com/former-nasa-contractor-arrested-dulles-airport-114733744.html>

**(Hawaii) Feds: Defense contractor relayed US weapons info.** A civilian defense contractor was charged with providing secret defense information to a Chinese national. The contractor allegedly divulged information concerning the deployment of U.S. strategic nuclear systems and ability to detect other nations' ballistic missiles. Source: [http://azdailysun.com/news/national/pacific-command-contractor-chargedwith-spying/article\\_57c631f6-e076-590a-a961-ce40459c447e.html](http://azdailysun.com/news/national/pacific-command-contractor-chargedwith-spying/article_57c631f6-e076-590a-a961-ce40459c447e.html)

### **EMERGENCY SERVICES**

Nothing Significant to Report

### **ENERGY**

**DHS, ICS-CERT warn of Siemens HMI vulnerabilities.** DHS and the Industrial Control Systems Cyber Emergency Response Team (ICS-CERT) advised the energy, oil, water, and chemical industries to use the newly patched Siemens industrial control software that addresses a previously found vulnerability. Source: [http://threatpost.com/en\\_us/blogs/dhs-ics-cert-warn-siemens-hmi-vulnerabilities-032113](http://threatpost.com/en_us/blogs/dhs-ics-cert-warn-siemens-hmi-vulnerabilities-032113)

### **FOOD AND AGRICULTURE**

Nothing Significant to Report

### **GOVERNMENT SECTOR (INCLUDING SCHOOLS AND UNIVERSITIES)**

**(Florida) UCF evacuated: University of Central Florida students forced to vacate after death, explosives found.** Classes were cancelled March 18 and over 500 students were evacuated from dormitories at the University of Central Florida campus in Orlando as police investigated an array of weapons and explosive devices found while responding to an emergency call. Police determined the call was an apparent suicide when they found the body alongside the weapons, and decided there was no immediate threat. Source: [http://www.huffingtonpost.com/2013/03/18/ucf-evacuated\\_n\\_2899913.html](http://www.huffingtonpost.com/2013/03/18/ucf-evacuated_n_2899913.html)

### **INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY AND TELECOMMUNICATIONS**

**Yahoo, LinkedIn, Twitter accounts vulnerable to session fixation attacks.** A security researcher identified a vulnerability that could allow cybercriminals to launch session fixation attacks and

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gain access to users' accounts. Source: <http://news.softpedia.com/news/Yahoo-LinkedIn-Twitter-Accounts-Vulnerable-to-Session-Fixation-Attacks-Video-339448.shtml>

**Experts study malware used in South Korean attacks.** Researchers began studying the malware used to attack TV stations and banks in South Korea March 20, and found features including malware designed to disable popular Korean antivirus programs and the ability to target both Windows and Linux systems. Source: <http://news.softpedia.com/news/Experts-Study-Malware-Used-in-South-Korean-Attacks-339036.shtml>

**Uracto malware hidden in at least 10 Android apps, Symantec finds.** Researchers at Symantec found that the Uracto malware targeting Japanese users was seen in 10 different apps, has multiple variants, and appears to be created by the same group or developer as two other pieces of malware. Source: <http://news.softpedia.com/news/Uracto-Malware-Hidden-in-at-Least-10-Android-Apps-Symantec-Finds-338610.shtml>

**Internal-use SSL certificates pose security risk for upcoming domain extensions.** An advisory by the Internet Corporation for Assigned Names and Numbers (ICANN) stated that issuing secure socket layer (SSL) certificates for internal domain names could lead to privacy and integrity concerns for HTTPS communications and new generic top-level domains (gTLD). Source: [http://www.computerworld.com/s/article/9237678/Internal\\_use\\_SSL\\_certificates\\_pose\\_security\\_risk\\_for\\_upcoming\\_domain\\_extensions](http://www.computerworld.com/s/article/9237678/Internal_use_SSL_certificates_pose_security_risk_for_upcoming_domain_extensions)

**What 420,000 insecure devices reveal about Web security.** A researcher using simple techniques to take over unsecured devices left exposed to the Internet, created a benign botnet to demonstrate how many personal and industrial computer systems are easily exploitable. Source: [http://news.cnet.com/8301-1009\\_3-57574919-83/what-420000-insecuredevices-reveal-about-web-security/](http://news.cnet.com/8301-1009_3-57574919-83/what-420000-insecuredevices-reveal-about-web-security/)

**Huawei USB modems vulnerable.** A security researcher revealed vulnerabilities in Huawei's 3G and 4G devices that could be used to send out malicious files as updates or change modems' DNS to redirect users. Source: [http://www.theregister.co.uk/2013/03/17/huawei\\_3g\\_4g\\_vulnerability/](http://www.theregister.co.uk/2013/03/17/huawei_3g_4g_vulnerability/)

**Professional videoconferencing system as a spy.** A security researcher discovered vulnerabilities in Polycom's HDX series of professional videoconferencing devices, potentially allows attacks to use them to eavesdrop. Source: <http://www.h-online.com/security/news/item/Professional-videoconferencing-system-as-a-spy-1824707.html>

## **NATIONAL MONUMENTS AND ICONS**

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## **POSTAL AND SHIPPING**

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## **PUBLIC HEALTH**

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## **TRANSPORTATION**

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## **WATER AND DAMS**

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## **HOMELAND SECURITY CONTACTS**

To report a homeland security incident, please contact your local law enforcement agency or one of these agencies: **North Dakota State and Local Intelligence Center: 866-885-8295(IN ND ONLY); Email: [ndslic@nd.gov](mailto:ndslic@nd.gov); Fax: 701-328-8175 State Radio: 800-472-2121; Bureau of Criminal Investigation (BCI): 701-328-5500; North Dakota Highway Patrol: 701-328-2455; US Attorney's Office Intel Analyst: 701-297-7400; Bismarck FBI: 701-223-4875; Fargo FBI: 701-232-7241.**

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