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[Storm Worm / Russian Business Network \(RBN\)](#)

I have been following the development and advancement of the Storm Worm /Russian Business Network. The following post has been copied directly from a post by n3td3v on the full-disclosure@lists.grok.org.uk I could not stress the importance of getting the US government to focus on this Worm/BotNet better myself. Thank you n3td3v for this post I think my readers will find it useful.

Here is a pretty good description on wikipedia http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Storm_botnet

I have sent a plea for assistance to some of my contacts within the US government and hope others do as well to get this issue resolved.

Its time to get serious about Storm Worm / RBN

From: worried security <worriedsecurity <at> gmail.com>

Subject: [Its time to get serious about Storm Worm / RBN](#)

Newsgroups: [gmane.comp.security.full-disclosure](#)

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We need the security community to send messages to the white house level folks to put pressure on the russian government to allow the storm worm folks and the russian business network be arrested. this should be an international affair at the highest level of our governments. n3td3v thinks russia is the number one cyber threat to online society not china. I've had enough of state sponsoring of storm worm by the russian government. I'm reaching out to the security community now to get this pushed up the ladder towards the whitehouse

to get this super bot net dismantled. everybody just seems to be accepting storm worm is big and the russian government are protecting them, more needs to be done, this is clearly unacceptable behaviour by the russians. we need to send signals to the whitehouse that this should be on the television political agenda to get storm worm and the russian business network shutdown and if they keep refusing, the united nations should be approached and sanctions should be imposed on russia. we shouldn't sit back any longer and allow russia to do what they want and walk all over the cyber security community. forget the american government placing china as the number one cyber threat, thats just political bullshit, now the real cyber threat to america and the western world is storm worm, russian business network and the russian government. storm worm is a big cyber nuke that the russian goernment are quite happy to sponsor and protect, just incase cyber affairs fray in the future, the russian government can just ask their contacts over at RBN to throw a couple of super bot nets at the west. what are we going to do about storm worm, russian business network and the russian government refusing to help the west dismantle the world's biggest cyber nuke? if america is getting serious about cyber commands and cyber threats, then we need to get serious about the russian business network, the storm worm and the russian government who are protecting them. let's get this made a bigger issue and send out some clear signals that we will no longer tolerate this.

[07:55] <worried> russian business network

[07:57] <worried> storm worm

[07:59] <worried> the government of russia

[07:59] <worried> worried? i am

[08:01] <worried> we say china is our biggest cyber threat? um no, russia is clearly

[08:02] <worried> the russian secret service won't let the west arrest RBN aka storm worm folks.

[08:03] <worried> the storm worm could take out the internet easily if it decided to turn against everyone... and its state sponsored by .ru government.

[08:04] <worried> yet the yanks are more focused on building up china as the enemy ? why? china has no super bot net, china isn't refusing to hand over the folks responsible... russia is!

regards,

n3td3v

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-  *Keith Kilroy* Says:
[April 2, 2008 at 5:24 pm](#)

I will usually accept any comments not seen as spam but today I received a comment from someone that did not put a name or even an email address to the post that was trashing n3td3v. If someone takes issue with any of the posts here feel free to post a comment but if you are to trash a source have the credibility to at a minimum give me your email so a proper rebuttal may be given. I will not accept a post that flames someone without a return email. All I

could tell is the person I'm talking about came from the Verizon network (unless going through Tor or something)

To this person if you feel strongly enough please resubmit with email address and a name/handle and if putting another user down please state examples to show me what you are talking about is in fact a true statement. not just none@none.com .



2. *Keith Kilroy* Says:

[April 2, 2008 at 5:53 pm](#)

I also want to add that after research there are a few out there that disagree with n3td3v on many issues, I have not found anyone that disagrees the Storm worm is a bad thing that has been around for quite a while and has infected many machines. Actually members of the former l0pht have also mentioned the Storm worm and have stated that it is one of the ones that will "make a network appear to run better to allow better proliferation". I personally find other resources before referring and reposting from someone. On the mailing lists there are mixed results with n3td3v some say troll others say not. I agree with the topic and do not endorse a user. n3td3v just put this in a better light than others I have read. In the future I will refrain from posting a certain persons direct thoughts but will report what I feel is true and necessary.

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