

DRAFT

1. On DATE, the Army Web Risk Assessment Cell conducted an assessment of your website for compliance with the following policy:

A. Web site posted on a .mil domain or exception waiver approved per AR 25-1 and DA Pam 25-1-1.

B. Site utilizing one of the Army reverse proxy services per AR 25-1 6-4n(7)(b).

C. Site registration. (The requirement to register all Army website with the Government Information Locator Service (GILS) is changing to the A-Z listing on the Army home page) per AR 25-1 and DA Pam 25-1-1.

2. It has been noted that your website (URL) is not in compliance with (A B C) above.

3. The Army Web Risk Assessment Cell (AWRAC) program requires that commanders/supervisors of affected websites be notified of policy concerns and that appropriate remedial actions are taken.

4. The AWRAC will report security and policy concerns via e-mail memorandum to the point of contact (POC) posted on the website. Website POCs are directed to acknowledge receipt via email to the AWRAC (**AWRAC@hqda.army.mil**) and forward the memorandum to the commander/ supervisor, or his/her designated representative, responsible for the website. Suspense dates for corrective actions/resolution of security concerns are provided in the memorandum. Copies of this memorandum will be furnished to the appropriate MACOM, PEO, PM, or IAPM.

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Adware

Adware can do a number of things from profile your online surfing and spending habits to popping up annoying ad windows as you surf.

In some cases Adware has been bundled (i.e. peer-to-peer file swapping products) with other software with or without the user's knowledge or slipped in the fine print of a EULA (End User License Agreement).

Not all Adware is bad, but often users are annoyed by adware's intrusive behavior. Keep in mind that by removing Adware sometimes the program it came bundled with for free may stop functioning. Some Adware applications act solely as data miners (like Alexa or ComScore) may not perform any activity other than to profile a user's surfing activity for study.

AdWare can be obnoxious in that historically it has been distributed "drive-by downloads" or uses browser security holes for distribution. Drive-by downloads are accomplished by providing a misleading dialog box or other methods of stealth installation.

Many times users have no idea they have installed the application. we see this scenrio frequently when a teenager has downloaded a plethora of adware without the parent's knowledge. Some Adware makers make their application difficult to uninstall. Some even deploy counter-attacks in an attempt to thwart their adware being identified and removed or using a resucitator file to prompt the user to re-install even after removal.

A "EULA" or End User License Agreement is the agreement you accept when you click "OK" or "Continue" when you are installing software.

Many users never bother to read the EULA. See <http://www.spywareguide.com/analyze/index.php>

It is imperative read this agreement before you install any software. No matter how tedious the EULA, you should be able to find out the intent BEFORE you install the software. If you have questions about the EULA- e-mail the company and ask them for clarification. If they cannot clarify this do not install the software.

It is also good practice and download the EULA for safe and legal backup.

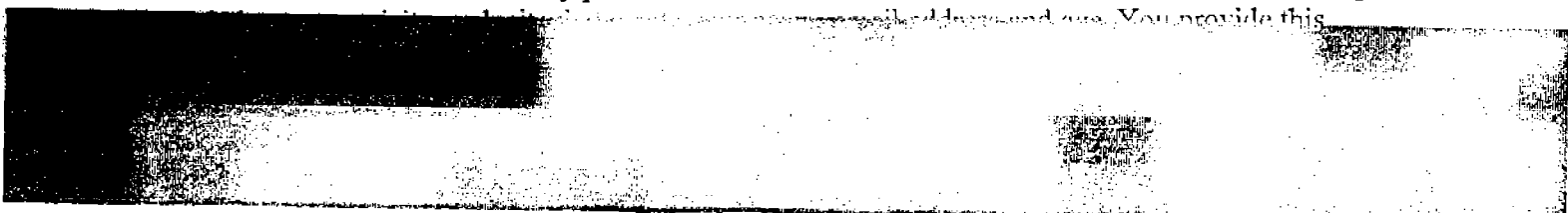
Ad-Ware

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Cookie

A cookie is a small text file that contains information about you generated by the internet sites you're visiting. These cookies are sent to your browser (i.e., Internet Explorer or Netscape) and stored on your hard disk.

What's in the cookie? Usually personal information or web site related information. For example,



Web Risk Assessment Workshop Helpful Sites (Continued)

Web Bugs

Bugnosis <http://www.bugnosis.org/>
Web Bug FAQ <http://www.bugnosis.org/faq.html>
Guidescope <http://www.guidescope.com/home/>
WebWasher <http://www.webwasher.com/en/products/wwash/index.htm>

Passwords

Microsoft: How to Create Stronger Passwords
<http://www.microsoft.com/security/articles/password.asp>
Password Security Guide <http://www.umich.edu/~policies/pw-security.html>
The Simplest Security: A Guide To Better Password Practices
<http://www.securityfocus.com/infocus/1537>

Firewalls

Firewallguide's Review of Firewall Software <http://www.firewallguide.com/software.htm>
Firewallguide: Wired Routers <http://www.firewallguide.com/hardware.htm>
Firewall Forensics http://www.linuxsecurity.com/resource_files/firewalls/firewall-seen.html
Firewall Q&A <http://www.vicomsoft.com/knowledge/reference/firewalls1.html>
Free Personal Firewall Software
<http://netsecurity.about.com/od/personalfirewalls/a/afreefirewall.htm>
Gibson Research's Firewall Page <http://grc.com/su-firewalls.htm>
HomeNetHelp's Broadband Router Guide
<http://www.homenethelp.com/router-guide/index.asp>
How Firewalls Work <http://www.howstuffworks.com/firewall.htm>
Internet Firewall FAQ <http://www.interhack.net/pubs/fwfaq>
Introduction to Firewalls <http://netsecurity.about.com/od/hackertools/a/aa072004.htm>
Sygate Personal Firewall http://smb.sygate.com/products/spf_standard.htm

Firewall Leak Tests

Firewall Guide: Firewall Testing <http://www.firewallguide.com/test.htm>
Gibson's Shields Up Internet Vulnerability Profiling <https://grc.com/x/ne.dll?bh0bkyd2>
Sygate Online Services <http://scan.sygatetech.com>

Trojan Horse Prevention, Detection, and Removal

Remote Control Trojan Horse Software
<http://www.jmu.edu/computing/info-security/engineering/issues/remote.shtml>
Free Anti-Trojan Software Reviewed http://www.wilders.org/free_tools.htm
For Fee Anti-Trojan Software Reviewed http://www.wilders.org/anti_trojans.htm
List of Trojan Ports http://secured.orcon.net.nz/portlist_list.html
Onctek's Trojan Port List <http://www.onctek.com/trojanports.html>

Anonymizing Proxies

Links to Free Anonymizing Products
http://www.nuclear-diagnostics.com/Computers/Security/Internet/Privacy/Tools_and_Services
Test Page for Web Anonymizing Services <http://www.computerbytesman.com/anon/test.htm>
Trojan Horse Technology Exploits IE via Anonymizer.com
<http://www.pcworld.com/news/article/0,aid,103620,tk,wb081202x,00.asp>

Internet Security and Privacy News and Information

Center for Privacy and Technology Ten Ways to Protect Privacy Online

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4. AWRAC was added to AR 25-1 (Army Policy on Website Management) in June 2004. AWRAC's mission was expanded in August 2005 by the Army Chief of Staff to include scans of unofficial weblogs (blogs) containing information concerning the Army, and web sites available to the public. AWRAC scans numerous sites, such as Family Support Group websites, unofficial Army websites posted by service members and other items found on the web, i.e., unpublished doctoral dissertations. The publication of DA Pam 25-1-1 (Information Technology Support and Services) in November 2005, required all individuals appointed to be Web masters/maintainers, reviewers, and content managers to complete training and certification, as necessary, equal to the duties assigned to them. The training site is located at: <https://iatraining.us.army.mil>.
5. Using a web crawler software the AWRAC analysts perform site-by-site, page-by-page evaluation of Department of the Army (DA) website content and unofficial sites. Using a browser, Operations Security (OPSEC) guidance, web crawling software, and a list of target websites, monitors visit each DA Website and manually evaluate the content of each page on the site for inappropriate links to commercial, personal and classified sites, as well as for OPSEC violations. If a concern is discovered within a video log, it is addressed according to web log guidelines.
6. AWRAC currently employs three full-time analysts, oversees a mobilized 10-person National Guard Team, and coordinates for support from 30 Army National Guard and Army Reserve soldiers to conduct analyses during their drill weekends and annual training. Analysts review sites, and contact webmasters or bloggers if a potential threat is found. AWRAC also supports a website on Army Knowledge Online at [https://www.us.army.mil/suite/portal.do?\\$p=254224](https://www.us.army.mil/suite/portal.do?$p=254224) to provide information on AWRAC issues.

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1. Purpose. To provide an end of year synopsis to the Senior Leadership regarding the accomplishments of the Army Web Risk Assessment Cell (AWRAC) for 2006.

2. Facts: The AWRAC mission is to search Army Websites and unofficial sites posted by Army personnel for information that could pose a risk to national security on unsecured web sites. In addition, the AWRAC evaluates website content to ensure compliance with departmental policies, federal regulations and procedures, and industry best practices. The AWRAC's core mission consists of website patrolling, bulk analysis, and operational security analysis.

3. The Army Web Risk Assessment Cell (AWRAC) successfully mobilized 10 members of the Virginia National Guard Data Processing Unit on 10-21 July 2006 for one year. The team is leading AWRAC's mission to monitor official and unofficial web sites for OPSEC violations IAW the CSA's 20 AUG 2005 message. The team processed through Fort Belvoir, and is assigned to NETCOM, with duty at the unit's headquarters at Manassas Armory. The Team also led the training of 20 additional traditional Guardsmen. During January 2007, the Cell conducted a eight day, 24X7 operation to review a multitude of web sites and blogs. The operation included mobilized soldiers, traditional Guardsmen, Reserve Soldiers, and contractors. The mobilized soldiers are also developing two applications. One will replace the Joint Web Discrepancy Tracking System (JWTDS). The other application will collect information from the disparate reporting tools and present a consolidated view of the web sphere for analyst and members of the Army leadership.

4. For the year ending DEC 2006 the AWRAC reviewed over 1200 official Army websites and over 500 blogs posted by Army personnel. These sites consisted of over four million pages and yielded over 1800 OPSEC concerns. Following identification of potential risks, the AWRAC team worked with the sites' operators to remove information that could pose a security threat. Based on this review the team eliminated or secured over 1274 documented security violations. For example, the discovery and removal of a SECRET document that was posted on the AKO UNCLASSIFIED network. The AWRAC was instrumental in the removal of information on biological, chemical and missile weapon systems throughout the World Wide Web to ensure the safety of the American public and curtail leakage to unauthorized persons. In addition the AWRAC team removed or secured access to For Official Use Only (FOUO) and Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) documents from publicly accessible web sites. This also included removing documents on Army web sites that protected personnel from identity theft of Social Security numbers, dates of birth, home addresses. This single

action totally eliminated significant potential threats to national security and Army personnel. Ongoing reviews keep the AWRAC mission on track and up-to-date.

5. The team reviews over 1700 websites for security concerns two to three times a year. It conducts announced and unannounced assessments of Army websites to determine compliance with regulations. A parallel and continuing AWRAC task is providing education and training to enable relevant audiences and Army personnel to become aware of and preventing/removing potential risks from the extensive and growing number of Army maintained web pages and personal blogs. The team has engaged in a number of outreach programs to increase awareness of the potential damage stemming from information on publicly accessible sites by publishing articles in military and technical publications, training over 2000 personnel on their OPSEC web site <https://iatraining.us.army.mil> since JAN 06, and by developing an Information Assurance Awareness Training Course posted on the IA training site. This training has been accessed by over 741 HQDA staff members since JUL 06 IAW the Army IG directive. The AWRAC also supports a website on Army Knowledge Online at [https://www.us.army.mil/suite/portal.do?\\$p=254224](https://www.us.army.mil/suite/portal.do?$p=254224) to provide information on AWRAC issues with over 540 members.

6. This mission is an ongoing endeavor that will require continuous fine-tuning and flexible, innovative tools and procedures to meet the existing and future needs of the Army's web community and public outreach programs.

7. The AWRAC currently employs three full-time analysts, a mobilized 10-member team from the VA National Guard's Data Processing Unit (DPU), and coordinates for support from 30 Army National Guard and Army Reserve soldiers to conduct analyses during their drill weekends and annual training. Currently a request is being processed to NETCOM for an additional year of mobilized manpower support from the VA DPU.

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AWRAC AS AN OPERATIONAL SECURITY PROGRAMS

- **Identify information access points and their importance to operations**
- **Determine org. critical information: info not of general use/interest should not be on Web**
- **Determine threat: assume adversaries have access to and can search the Internet**
- **Determine vulnerabilities: how protected are the Web pages?**
- **Assess risk: how should info be protected and what would the impact be on operations and support activity**
- **Apply countermeasures: combine INFOSEC and OPSEC tools to minimize information loss and vulnerability**

- Awareness
- Chain of Command
- Policies, regulations, procedures
- Experts
- Coordinate
- Case by case basis



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Army Web Risk Assessment Cell (AWRAC)

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AWRAC Government Lead

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Agenda

- **What is the Army Web Risk Assessment Cell (AWRAC)?**
- **What the AWRAC is Not**
- **Regulations that Guide the AWRAC**
- **Examples and Statistics**
- **How to make a Bullet Proof Web Page**



Mission Statement

Base Mission (established FEB 02)

- Responsible for reviewing the content of Army's publicly accessible Web sites.
- Conduct ongoing operational security and threat assessments of Army Websites (.mil and all other domains used for communicating official information)
- Ensure web sites are compliant with DOD and Army policies and best practices.

Expanded Mission per CSA message (DTG: 20001Z Aug 05)

- Review Army related Web Logs (Blogs), Videos Logs, Photo sharing sites and unofficial Army websites posted by service members for:
 - OPSEC violations
 - Personal information
 - Potentially detrimental content to the military



Army Web Risk Assessment Cell



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3 Contractors



*Virginia National Guard

10 Mobilized Soldiers

20 M – Day Soldiers



*Texas National Guard

Varies



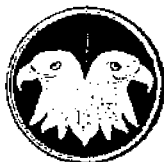
*Washington National Guard

8 Soldiers



Army Reserve Element

6 Soldiers



Army Reserve Element

5 Soldiers



AWRAC is Not!

- Law Enforcement
 - Investigative
 - Punitive
- Politically Motivated
 - Bad taste is not a search criteria
 - Commander's Filter
- Computer Network Defenders (or Attackers)



Regulations

- **AR 25-1: Army Information Management**
- **DA Pam 25-1-1: Information Technology Support and Services**
- **AR 25-2: Information Assurance**
- **AR 380-5: Information Security Program**
- **AR 530-1: Operation Security (OPSEC)**
- **AR 25-55: DA Freedom of Information Act**



Training

Interagency OPSEC Support Staff: <http://www.iooss.gov>

Army Training: <https://iatraining.us.army.mil/index.php>

RQ-ISSM-902 Information Systems Security

RQ-ISSV-902 Information Systems Security Video

OPSEC-WEB-3900 Web Content and OPSEC Intro

WEB-DOD-001 DOD Web Guidance Training Module

OPSEC-WEB-4100 Web Content and OPSEC Training
Module

RQ-001_Webmaster Website-001 Army Webmaster Website
Training Module

TIA-HQDA-2900 HQDA Information Assurance Awareness
Training



Army National Guard websites VS. State sites

- * **AWRAC is tasked to look at all ARMY websites, including ARNG**
- * **States post Army information on their state's websites under the heading of: (xx Army National Guard)**
- * **To the AWRAC analyst, these site appear to be ARNG site and notifications are sent accordingly.**
- * **We have been questioned on why we look at State sites and that the States do not need to comply with DoD and web Army policies.**



Base Mission: WWW Open Sources

Any information, in any media form available to the public.

- Official Army websites
- Family Support Group websites
- Unofficial Army websites posted by service members
- Other items found on the web: i.e. unpublished doctoral dissertation



Installation Access Control Badge System SOP



FOUO

Figure 3 - Green

BADGE
Expires: 11/17/2005

SAMPLE
Expires: 11/17/2005

11/14/2005

11/12/2014

- Badge restricted to a specific installation will have the name of the installation on the colored stripe. In this case, access is restricted to the International Zone
- Badge authorizing access to all IJAF-I installations have the words "Iraq Wide" printed on the colored stripe (or blank, as shown to the right)
- Earlier version, which is still valid.
- Blank on colored stripe indicates "Iraq-wide" access.
- Does not have the issuing origin option (all of these were issued in the International Zone)
- Does not have the word "Expires"



Personal Information

- Identity theft affects more than 7 million people in the U.S. each year.
- Never publish any document to a publicly-accessible web site that contains the following:

Social Security Numbers

Birthdates

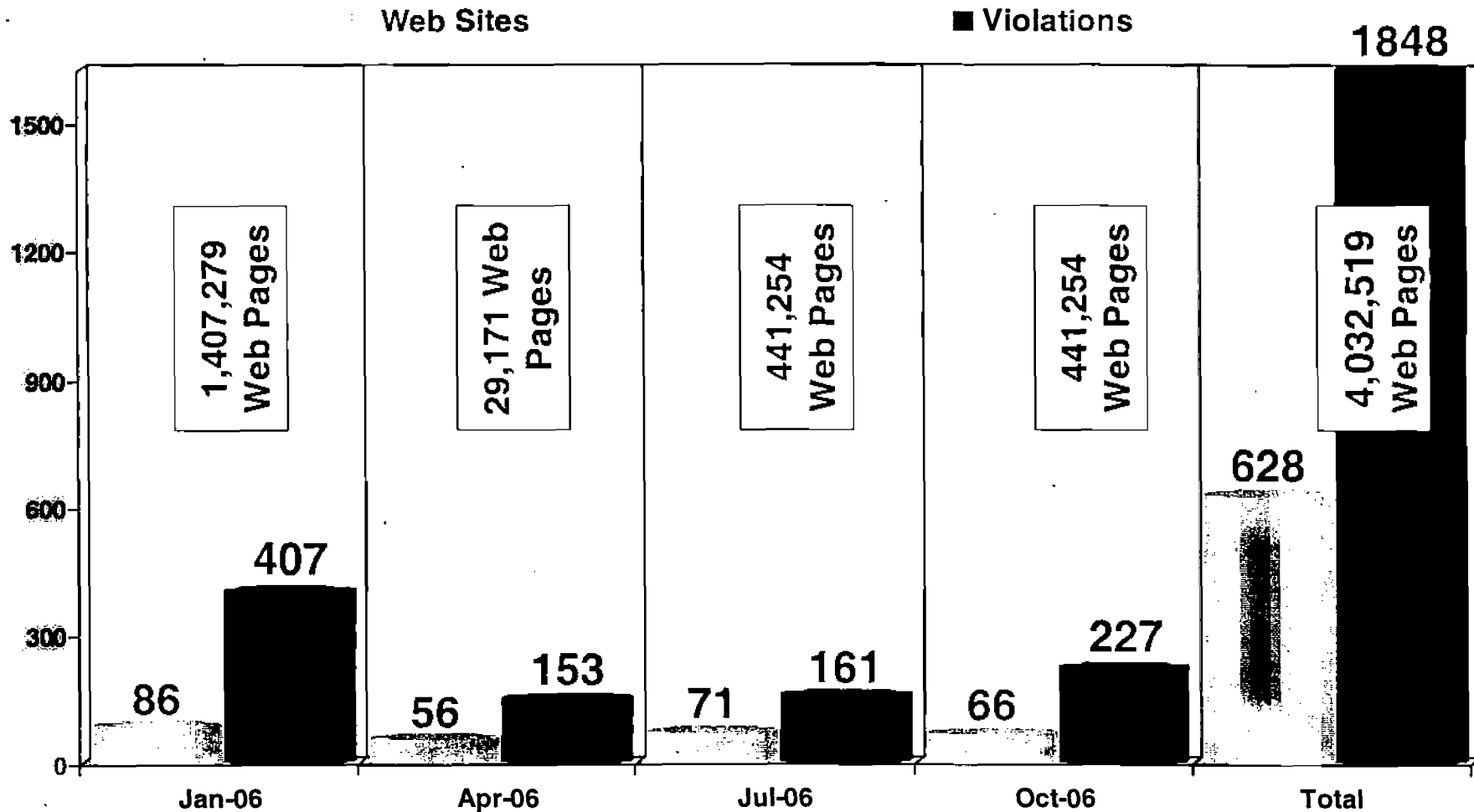
Home addresses other than duty locations and titles

Any family information



Army Web Risk Assessment Cell (AWRAC): Traditional Web Sites - Content Violations

AWRAC: Traditional Web Sites





BLOG Review Methodology

Conducted a manual review of blogs self-identified as Army Bloggers

Evaluation for following information and categories:

• **Evaluation Information:**

- Army Affiliation Identification
- Demographics
- Common Vernacular

• **Content Categories:**

- Personal Information
- OPSEC Concerns
- Detrimental to Military



Review Army-related unofficial Army websites and Blogs

- Identified hundreds of unofficial (non .mil) Army web sites.
- Conducted a sampling consisting of 5 unofficial Army unit web sites and found all 5 contained minor to moderate violations.
- All 5 web sites in the sampling have been referred for legal review.

- Identified blog hosting sites containing approximately 36,000 potential Army Bloggers.
- Conducted a sampling consisting of 100 blogs and over 50% of the blogs contained minor to moderate violations.
- 1 blog from sampling has been referred for legal review.



Blog Example

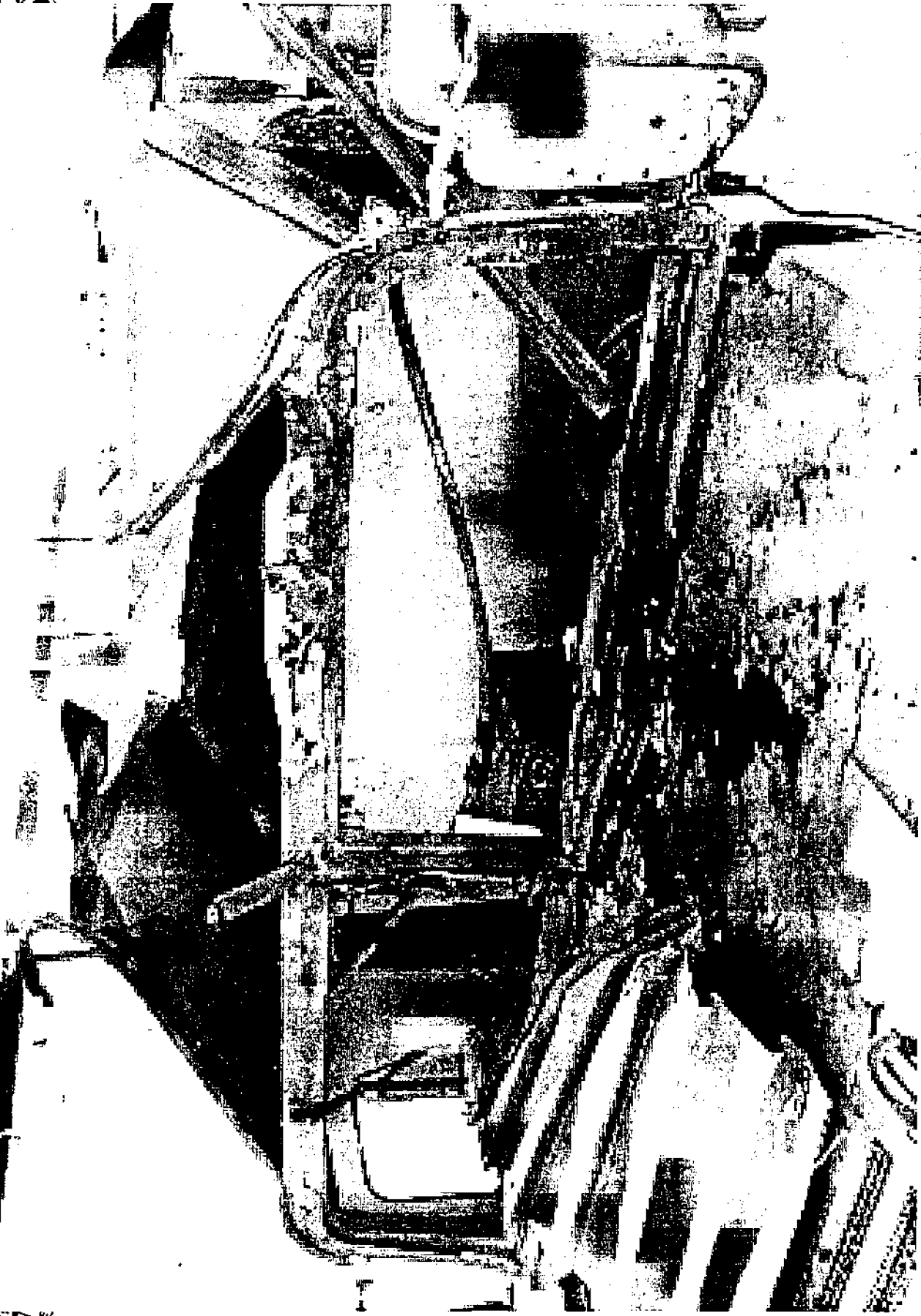
As of today the **XX Division Xth brigade** will be deploying one infantry Battalion along with a company sized element of support troops to Camp Kandahar, Afghanistan. The infantry battalion will be **X/X** and the support troops will be drawn from **BSTB**. Also, this deployment is slotted to last only 6 months. (Until NATO can take over)

The rest of the brigade will still be on a 14 day standby as of **13 Feb**, which has been the plan for some time. **We got 75% of our equipment loaded for deployment.** A deployment that we are not sure we are even going on anymore, but ready none the less.

It looks like I will be home from the 23rd of December until the 6th of January. The rest of my battalion will have leave dates between 23rd and the 9th...”

Army PFC, “Ramblings of a medic gone mad...”

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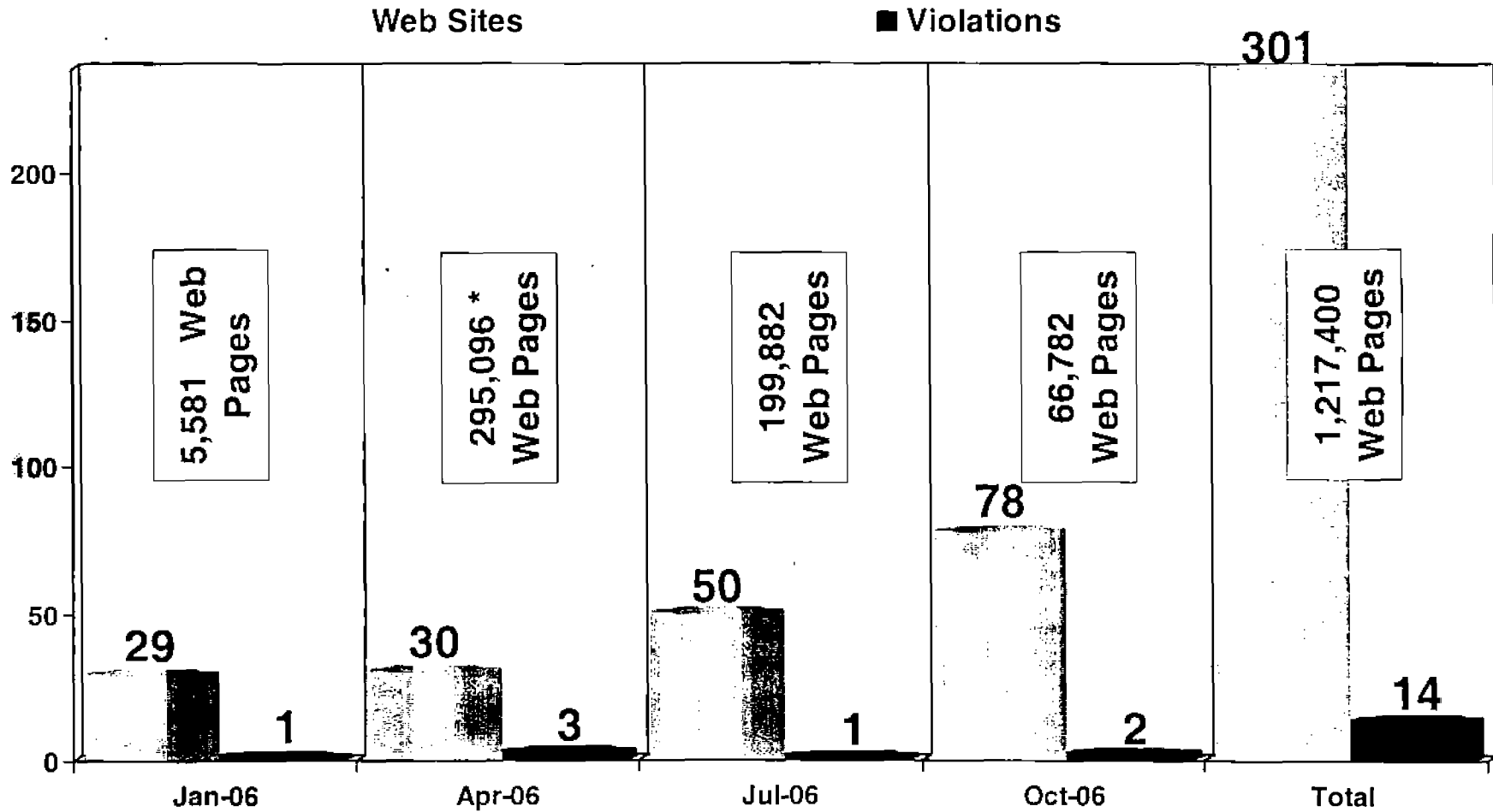


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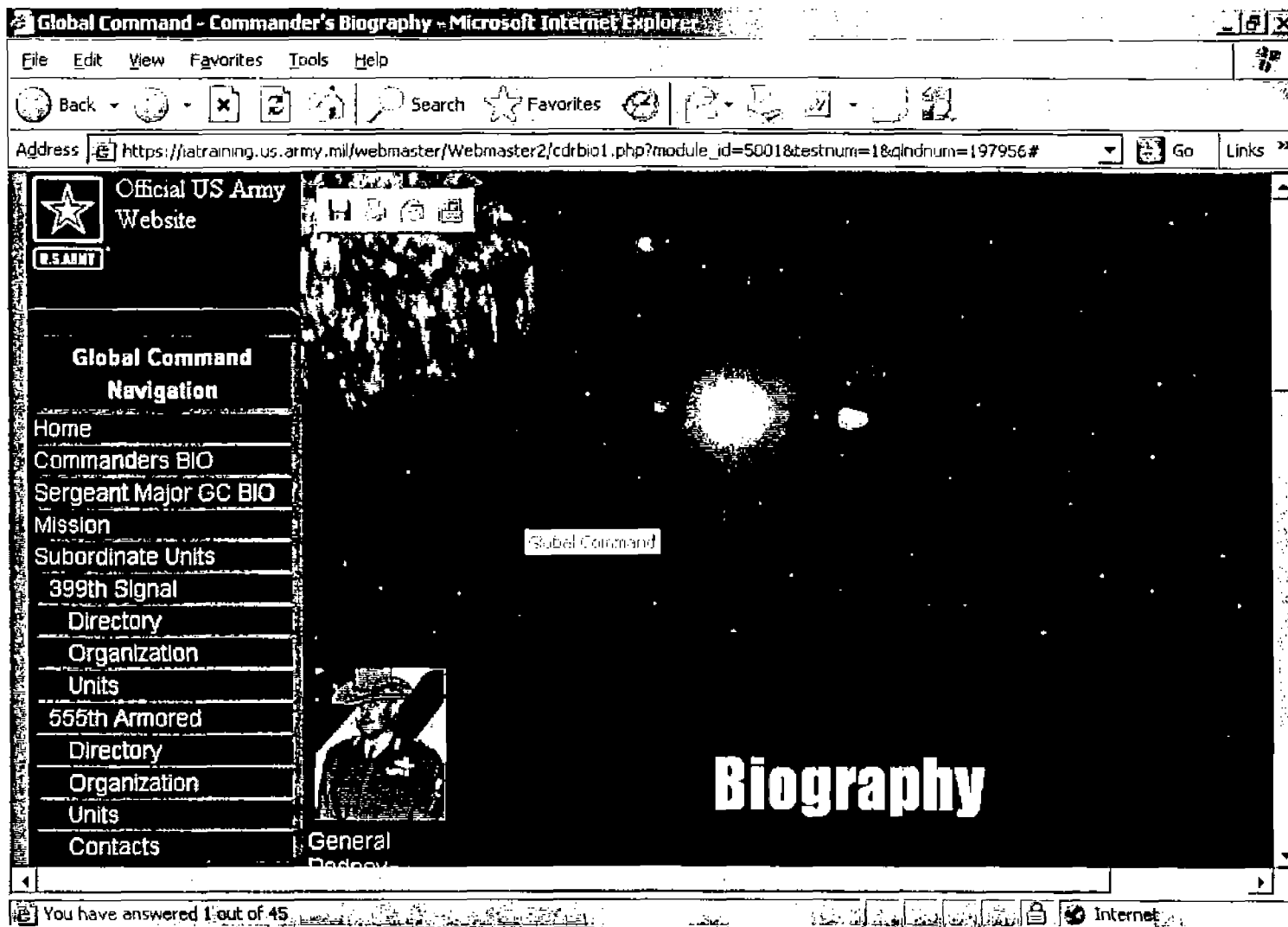
Army Web Risk Assessment Cell (AWRAC): Web Log (blog) Sites - Content Violations



*Due to changes in the Watchfire database, as of April 06, pages are now scanned for Powerpoint and Word documents, resulting in higher numbers being found.



Bullet Proof Web Pages



General Blanks became the 2nd Commander, Global Command, on March 12, 2003.

General Blanks was born April 29, 1943 in Grand Rapids, Michigan. General Blanks graduated from the University of Wyoming in 1969 with a Bachelor of Science Degree. He also holds a Master of Arts Degree in Management from Central Michigan University, and an Honorary Doctorate of Laws from Hampden-Sydney College. General Blanks's military education includes the Marine Corps Amphibious Warfare School, the United States Army Command and General Staff College, the National War College, and the John F. Kennedy School of Government.

Prior to his assignment to the Global Command and Staff assignments, General Blanks supported various worldwide operations, including the Desert Storm operation in the Persian Gulf. He served as the 2nd Commander of the 1st Cavalry Regiment in the 73rd Armor, 2nd Infantry Division, and as the Squadron Executive Officer of the 1st Squadron, 1st Cavalry Division, 1st Cavalry Division, 1st Cavalry Division, 1st Cavalry Division. From August 1985 to August 1988, he returned to Fort Bragg, North Carolina, as the 2nd Commander of the 1st Squadron, 1st Cavalry Division, 1st Cavalry Division. General Blanks served as the

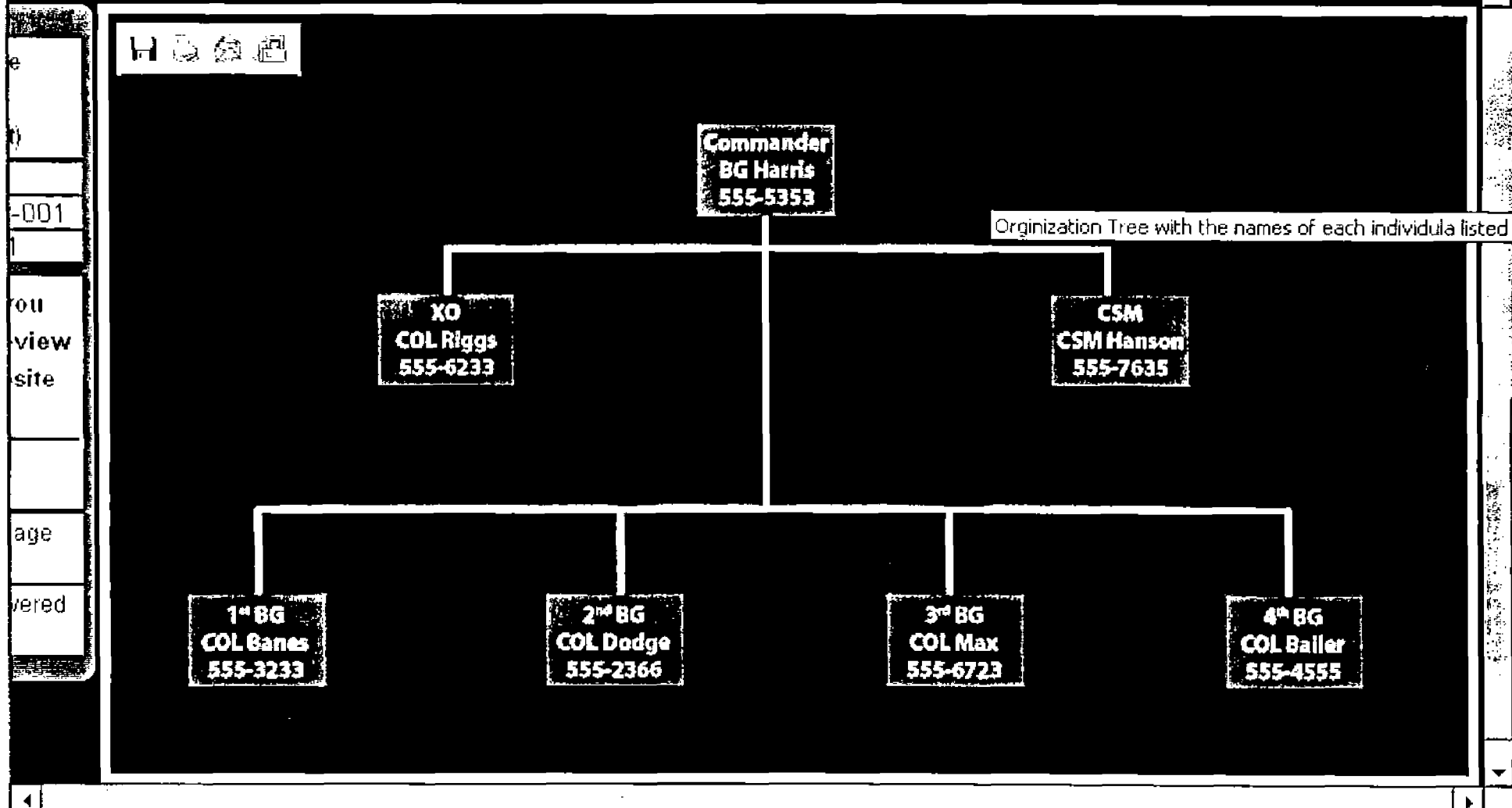
Your answer to question 9 has been submitted as

Correct!

Paragraph 3.5.3.4 of the DOD Web Site Administration Policies & Procedures states: Information, the release of which would be a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy, to include the following categories about U.S. citizens, DoD employees and military personnel:

- 1) Social Security Account Numbers;
- 2) dates of birth;
- 3) home addresses;
- 4) telephone numbers other than duty office number.

Duty phone numbers of units described in paragraphs C.3.2.1.6.2.2 of DoD 5400.7-R (reference(s)) may not be posted.





Getting the Word Out

Army Monitors Soldiers' Blogs, Web Sites - Microsoft Internet Explorer

File Edit View Favorites Tools Help

Back Stop Refresh Home Search Favorites

Address http://www.wtopnews.com/index.php?nid=108&sid=957995&sidelines=1 Go Links

Home Page > News > Technology > Tech Stories


Army Monitors Soldiers' Blogs, Web Sites

Oct 28th - 11:24am

By MICHAEL FELBERBAUM Associated Press Writer

WTOP TalkBack
0 Comments Policies

RICHMOND, Va. (AP) - From the front lines of Iraq and Afghanistan to here at home, soldiers blogging about military life are under the watchful eye of some of their own.



A Virginia-based operation, the Army Web Risk Assessment Cell, monitors official and unofficial blogs and other Web sites for anything that may compromise security. The team scans for official documents, personal contact information and pictures of weapons or entrances to camps.

In some cases, that information can be detrimental, said Lt. Col. Stephen Warnock, team leader and battalion commander of a Manassas-based Virginia National Guard unit working on the operation.

In one incident, a blogger was describing his duties as a guard, providing pictures of his post and discussing how to exploit its vulnerabilities. Other soldiers posted photos of an Army weapons system that was damaged by enemy attack, and another showed personal information that could have endangered his family.

Author Matthew Currier Burden stands at the Pritzker Military Library with a copy of his book containing a collection of entries from bloggers who served in the war called, "The Blog Of War," in Chicago, Ill., in this Oct. 26, 2006 file photo. From the front lines of Iraq and Afghanistan to here at home, soldiers blogging about

Nobody Beats Maryland's

sponsor links
Wizards Tickets
Tickets Capitals
Seating Charts

EMAIL FILE

Internet



Why AWRAC?



- An Al Qaeda training manual found in Manchester, England, in 2003 stated that “using public sources openly and without resorting to illegal means, it is possible to gather at least 80% of information about the enemy.”
- How you handle information can put others at risk. If you don't want to share your information with Al Qaeda, follow security procedures!!!!



MOBs

- AWRAC; JUL07-JUL08
 - 10 PAX in Armory (4 out / 4 in)
- CERT; SEP 08 – FEB 10
 - Up to 23 PAX in Middle East
 - FA53/30, 251A, 352C, 25B, 98C
 - 1 year train up; form separate Branch?
 - FY08 AT at RNOSC
 - CDR / Ops to Kuwait



Summary and Caveats

- Cost Effective
- Efficient
- Dynamic

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Subject: [REDACTED] Mail (UNCLASSIFIED)

Attachments: FW: 2006 Info Paper (UNCLASSIFIED); RE: OSD visit (UNCLASSIFIED); RE: Command exercise (UNCLASSIFIED); Mr King (UNCLASSIFIED); Re: ASPMO OPSEC Research Project; FW: Fw: Web site compliance issues (UNCLASSIFIED); RE: Web site compliance issues (UNCLASSIFIED); FW: AWRAC in the news (UNCLASSIFIED); RE: HOT! CNN Media Query re: Army blog policy HOT - SUSPENSE 30 Minutes from receipt (UNCLASSIFIED); FW: HOT! CNN Media Query re: Army blog policy (Desire response by 4 p.m. today) (UNCLASSIFIED); FW: AWRAC (UNCLASSIFIED); Re: BCKS Request to Talk regarding Soldier Postings on .com Sites (UNCLASSIFIED); More fun mob stuff; AWRAC Mob info; FW: CNN question: Trying to Identify Soldier Shown on MySpace account - <http://www.myspace.com/iraqs1stsuperhero> (UNCLASSIFIED); Re: FW: Article on Opsec (UNCLASSIFIED); Re: AWRAC story is out; Re: Good Army News article today; FW: Assessment of U-Tube (UNCLASSIFIED); Re: FW: Story on web OPSEC violations (UNCLASSIFIED); RE: Training Session (UNCLASSIFIED); RE: Training Session (UNCLASSIFIED); RE: Training in Sep. (11-13) in Manassas, VA (UNCLASSIFIED); RE: meeting (UNCLASSIFIED); RE: Legal class (UNCLASSIFIED)



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Re: BCKS Request to Talk regar...



More fun mob stuff



AWRAC Mob info



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Re: FW: Article on Opsec (UNCL...



Re: AWRAC story is out



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Caveats: NONE

Web Risk Assessment/Information Assurance Analyst

Classification: UNCLASSIFIED
Caveats: NONE

[REDACTED]

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Monday, February 05, 2007 2:43 PM
To: [REDACTED]
Cc: [REDACTED] 6
Subject: FW: 2006 Info Paper (UNCLASSIFIED)
Signed By: [REDACTED]

Attachments: 2006 AWRAC Synopsis FINAL2.doc



2006 AWRAC
ynopsis FINAL2.doc

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Caveats: NONE

Pete,
Please review and forward to David. LTC W.

-----Original Message-----

[REDACTED]
Sent: Thursday, February 01, 2007 3:40 PM
[REDACTED]
Subject: FW: 2006 Info Paper (UNCLASSIFIED)

Classification: UNCLASSIFIED
Caveats: NONE

-----Original Message-----

[REDACTED]
Sent: Thursday, February 01, 2007 3:39 PM
[REDACTED]
Subject: 2006 Info Paper (UNCLASSIFIED)

Classification: UNCLASSIFIED
Caveats: NONE

[REDACTED]
Here's the paper I was taking about. I'll add a couple more of my own points and give some more examples of violations when you email it back to me. Thanks!
[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
Lockheed Martin Mission Services

Information Assurance Directorate NETC-EST-A

Army Web Risk Assessment Cell
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

AKO IM User

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Caveats: NONE

[REDACTED]

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, January 17, 2007 2:51 PM
To: [REDACTED]
Cc: [REDACTED]
Subject: RE: OSD visit (UNCLASSIFIED)
Signed By: [REDACTED]

Attachments: agenda.doc



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Classification: UNCLASSIFIED
Caveats: NONE

[REDACTED]
Take a look. [REDACTED]

-----Original Message-----

[REDACTED]
Sent: Tuesday, January 16, 2007 1:42 PM

[REDACTED]
Subject: OSD visit (UNCLASSIFIED)

Classification: UNCLASSIFIED
Caveats: NONE

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED] called me to confirm she and two other people from her office will be attending the Command-X on the 24 JAN. Could you make-up an agenda for there visit that I could forward. I have sent her the location information along with driving directions. She is planning a 1000 start time.
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

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Caveats: NONE
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Caveats: NONE

[REDACTED]

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Friday, January 05, 2007 1:01 PM
To: [REDACTED] IT
Subject: RE: Command exercise (UNCLASSIFIED)
Signed By: [REDACTED]

Classification: UNCLASSIFIED
Caveats: NONE

[REDACTED]
I think it's a great idea. My soldiers would appreciate the visibility and I think the SES would get an appreciation of our work and the National Guard.
[REDACTED]

-----Original Message-----

[REDACTED]
Sent: Friday, January 05, 2007 12:08 PM
[REDACTED]
Subject: RE: Command exercise (UNCLASSIFIED)

Classification: UNCLASSIFIED
Caveats: NONE

[REDACTED]
How do you fell about a visit ?

[REDACTED]
Deputy Director Army Office of Information Assurance and Compliance
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

-----Original Message-----

[REDACTED]
Sent: Friday, January 05, 2007 11:59 AM
[REDACTED]
Subject: RE: Command exercise (UNCLASSIFIED)

Classification: UNCLASSIFIED
Caveats: NONE

I know; that is why I asked. I do not know how big the [REDACTED] wants to make this. Since this is the first time I think we need to keep in house.

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
-----Original Message-----

[REDACTED]
Sent: Friday, January 05, 2007 11:48 AM
[REDACTED] M;
[REDACTED]
Subject: RE: Command exercise (UNCLASSIFIED)

Classification: UNCLASSIFIED
Caveats: NONE

What do we mean by action -- a lay down of operations and examples of what we are finding -- perhaps a discussion about performance measurements ????

You do realize that if she is SES that it will entail a lot of NETCOM/CIO/G6 people also attending ?

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

Deputy Director Army Office of Information Assurance and Compliance

[REDACTED]

-----Original Message-----

[REDACTED]

Sent: Friday, January 05, 2007 11:12 AM

[REDACTED]

Subject: Command exercise (UNCLASSIFIED)

Classification: UNCLASSIFIED
Caveats: NONE

Sir,

Awhile back [REDACTED] Office of the Under Secretary of Defense (Intelligence)3A666, Pentagon had indicated she would like to see the AWRAC in action when we did the Command exercise. Her office may be taking over the control of the JWRAC. Should I send her an invitation?

[REDACTED]

Web Risk Assessment/Information Assurance Analyst

[REDACTED]

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Caveats: NONE

[REDACTED]

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Monday, December 11, 2006 9:22 AM
To: [REDACTED]
Cc: [REDACTED]
Subject: [REDACTED] (UNCLASSIFIED)
Signed By: [REDACTED]

Classification: UNCLASSIFIED

Caveats: NONE

FYI [REDACTED] is at the Manassas Armory giving his legal Brief this morning. He'll be at the Taylor Building tomorrow. Also, my National Guard Brigade Commander has told me that I will be in my same M-Day position until at least July 2008. [REDACTED]

Classification: UNCLASSIFIED

Caveats: NONE

[REDACTED]

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Tuesday, November 21, 2006 5:01 PM
To: [REDACTED]
Cc: [REDACTED]
Subject: Re: ASPMO OPSEC Research Project



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Sir -- I believe I may have been recommended to you because I developed a training module last summer on SBU information for HQDA as part of my assignment to the Army Web Risk Assessment Cell. AWRAC monitors official and unofficial Army web sites to ensure compliance with OPSEC guidelines.

I have been reassigned from AWRAC. I am cc'ing [REDACTED], the AWRAC team lead, and also [REDACTED], the government lead, as two sources who may be able to assist you.

If you were referred to me in my current position as an information systems security engineer, please let me know.

v/r
[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, November 15, 2006 2:52 PM
To: [REDACTED]
Cc: [REDACTED]
Subject: FW: Fw: Web site compliance issues (UNCLASSIFIED)
Signed By: [REDACTED]

Classification: UNCLASSIFIED
Caveats: NONE

[REDACTED]

The site seems to be adhering to all applicable rules and regulations.

Link to GOARMYSPORTS.com is provided through the USMA Site which is .edu, not .mil . In addition, the webmaster has provided a disclaimer stating that DOD does not endorse any non-DOD websites that are provided as a link. The web page owners are paying a fee to West Point for the trademark usage as per the below listed policy.

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>
> [REDACTED]
> Sent: Wednesday, November 15, 2006 1:31 PM
> [REDACTED]
> [REDACTED]
> [REDACTED]
> Subject: FW: Web site compliance issues (UNCLASSIFIED)
>
>



[REDACTED]

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, November 15, 2006 1:33 PM
To: [REDACTED]
Cc: [REDACTED]
Subject: RE: Web site compliance issues (UNCLASSIFIED)
Signed By: [REDACTED]

Classification: UNCLASSIFIED

Caveats: NONE

[REDACTED]

We are looking at this now. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

Sent: Wednesday, November 15, 2006 1:31 PM

[REDACTED]

Subject: FW: Web site compliance issues (UNCLASSIFIED)

Classification: UNCLASSIFIED

Caveats: NONE

[REDACTED]

I already went back to [REDACTED] and asked him to remind [REDACTED] that review of BLOGS is CSA directed and that we still review 2X traditional websites as BLOGs and the fact that the WWW is somewhat large and constantly changing -- the DUH factor is alive and well.

Having said all that - please check out this site and tell me what their situation is -- I will then call their CIO [REDACTED]s and I hope put this to bed -- it probably is a .com -- since it appears to be geared towards the non Army community -- where else would it be but on the .com.

Please check it out/conduct a review and let me know if there is anything we need to be concerned about - thanks.

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

Deputy Director Army Office of Information Assurance and Compliance

[REDACTED]

Sent: Wednesday, November 15, 2006 11:05 AM

Subject: FW: Web site compliance issues (UNCLASSIFIED)

Classification: UNCLASSIFIED

Caveats: NONE

[REDACTED]

Take a look at below.

My thought is you have this covered but wanted to confirm.

Don't mind [REDACTED]'s comments because I am sure your AWRAC does what it is supposed to do.

If we need to augment something let me know.

No, I am not going to send a formal memo to you.

Thanks

[REDACTED]
Chief, CIO/G6 Policy Division
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]
Sent: Tuesday, November 14, 2006 4:27 PM

Subject: Web site compliance issues (UNCLASSIFIED)

Classification: UNCLASSIFIED

Caveats: NONE

[REDACTED], The e-mail below is an example of the e-mail I'm getting on an every other day basis from ASD NII. I told [REDACTED] we would get on this right away. The Army Web Risk Assessment Cell is responsible for ensuring Web site policy compliance. However, my suspicion about these Web compliance issues, in general, is that the AWRAC's attention is being diverted by the new mission of reviewing all the Army blogs. In the past they did a good job of detecting and correcting such violations, but that is currently not the case. I think we need to send a formal memo from GACKO to ESTA to remind them of the mission of policy compliance and task them directly with checking that all Army Web sites are under .mil and not .com. We are not staffed in this office to run down all these Web site problems.

[REDACTED]
CIO Policy Division
Army Chief Information Officer/G-6
[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]
Sent: Tuesday, November 14, 2006 8:25 AM

[REDACTED]
CIO
Subject: GOARMYSPORTS.COM (U)

UNCLASSIFIED

Good morning, [REDACTED]

I have been engaged with DISA looking at how the service academy sports programs are represented on the web. With the USMA at West Point, I found a confusing/contradictory situation. Below is the gist of the situation.

GOARMYSPORTS.COM

Registrant: XOSn XOS Technologies, Inc. Sanford, FL 32771 US

All indications on the site, especially in the privacy notice indicate that this is a commercial website.

However, I find this interesting copyright on the home page:

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The USMA is a federal government entity. Anything written, photographed, or otherwise created by the federal gov't and published is public domain, so there are no copyrights held by federal gov't components. If the USMA bought licenses to use photos or other materials, then the copyright belongs to the creator, not the gov't. Therefore, I recommend removing or correcting the copyright notice.

Is GOARMYSPORTS.COM a commercial website or an Army website?

Terry D.

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Caveats: NONE

[REDACTED]

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Monday, October 30, 2006 9:52 AM
To: [REDACTED]
Cc: [REDACTED]
Subject: FW: AWRAC in the news (UNCLASSIFIED)



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Caveats: NONE

[REDACTED] found this article on AWRAC.

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED] (ARBIT Professional Services) Office of Information Assurance and Compliance
NETCOM, Army CIO/G6
Phone: [REDACTED] (DSN 3327)
FAX: [REDACTED]
Secure [REDACTED] (DSN 3237)

-----Original Message-----

Sent: Monday, October 30, 2006 8:38 AM

Subject: AWRAC in the news

Don't know if you caught this one.

Oct 29, 1:24 PM (ET)

<http://apnews.excite.com/image/20061029/MILITARY_BLOGGING.sff_NYOL708_20061029130659.html?date=20061029&docid=D8L2F4200>

(AP) [REDACTED] stands at the Pritzker Military Library with a copy of his book...

Full Image

<http://apnews.excite.com/image/20061029/MILITARY_BLOGGING.sff_NYOL708_20061029130659.html?date=20061029&docid=D8L2F4200>

RICHMOND, Va. (AP) - From the front lines of Iraq and Afghanistan to here at home, soldiers blogging about military life are under the watchful eye of some of their own.

A Virginia-based operation, the Army Web Risk Assessment Cell, monitors official and unofficial blogs and other Web sites for anything that may compromise security. The team scans for official documents, personal contact information and pictures of weapons or entrances to camps.

In some cases, that information can be detrimental, said [REDACTED], team leader and battalion commander of a Manassas-based Virginia National Guard unit working on the operation.

In one incident, a blogger was describing his duties as a guard, providing pictures of his

post and discussing how to exploit its vulnerabilities. Other soldiers posted photos of an Army weapons system that was damaged by enemy attack, and another showed personal information that could have endangered his family.

"We are a nation at war," ██████████ said by e-mail. "The less the enemy knows, the better it is for our soldiers."

In the early years of operations in the Middle East, no official oversight governed Web sites that sprung up to keep the families of those deployed informed about their daily lives.

The oversight mission, made up of active-duty soldiers and contractors, as well as Guard and Reserve members from Maryland, Texas and Washington state, began in 2002 and was expanded in August 2005 to include sites in the public domain, including blogs.

The Army will not disclose the methods or tools being used to find and monitor the sites. Nor will it reveal the size of the operation or the contractors involved. The Defense Department has a similar program, the Joint Web Risk Assessment Cell, but the Army program is apparently the only operation that monitors nonmilitary sites.

Now soldiers wishing to blog while deployed are required to register their sites with their commanding officers, who monitor the sites quarterly, according to a four-page document of guidelines published in April 2005 by Multi-National Corps-Iraq.

██████████, who has indexed thousands of military blogs for a site called Milblogging.com, said in an e-mail interview that the military still is adapting to changing technology.

"This is a new media - Blogging. Podcasting. Online videos," wrote ██████████ of Dallas, who kept a blog while he was deployed in Afghanistan with the Virginia National Guard. "The military is doing what it feels necessary to ensure the safety of the troops."

Warnock said the Web risk assessment team has reviewed hundreds of thousands of sites every month, sometimes e-mailing or calling soldiers asking them to take material down. If the blogger doesn't comply with the request, the team can work with the soldier's commanders to fix the problem - that is, if the blogger doesn't post anonymously.

"We are not a law enforcement or intelligence agency. Nor are we political correctness enforcers," ██████████ said. "We are simply trying to identify harmful Internet content and make the authors aware of the possible misuse of the information by groups who may want to damage United States interests."

Some bloggers say the guidelines are too ambiguous - a sentiment that has led others to pre-emptively shut down or alter their blogs.

"It's impossible to determine when something crosses the line from not a violation to a violation. It's like trying to define what pornography is or bad taste in music," said ██████████ 32, who says he was demoted from sergeant and fined for reposting a blog he created while deployed to Iraq with the New York Army National Guard.

According to ██████████, the Army had forced him to stop the blog even before the oversight operation existed, citing pictures he had posted of Iraqi detainees and discussions of how he loaded a weapon and the route his unit took to get to Iraq.

██████████ contended that soldiers should not be discouraged from blogging altogether.

Military bloggers "are simply expressing themselves in a wide open forum and want to share their life-changing experiences with the rest of the world," ██████████ said. "Giving soldiers an outlet for free expression is good. American soldiers are not shy about giving their opinions and nothing the Web Risk Cell does dampens that trait."

██████████ a former intelligence officer who wrote "The Blog of War," a collection of entries from bloggers who served in the war, said soldiers' Web sites can go a long way toward portraying positive aspects of the war and other "stories that need to get told."

But he said it's legitimate to fear that some information could be used the wrong way.

"The enemy knows the value of the blogs," Burden said. "The biggest thing that we fear is battle damage assessment from the enemy. We want to deny them that."

On the Net:

Milblogging: <http://www.milblogging.com>

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Caveats: NONE

[REDACTED]

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Thursday, October 26, 2006 2:36 PM
To: [REDACTED]
Subject: FW: AWRAC (UNCLASSIFIED)
Signed By: [REDACTED]

Attachments: image001.gif



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Classification: UNCLASSIFIED

Caveats: NONE

[REDACTED]

I talked to this guy a few minutes ago. Any reason we can't put in a plug for BCKS in our notifications. It may offer soldiers another avenue to vent behind a login screen. LTC W.

[REDACTED]

Sent: Thursday, October 26, 2006 11:36 AM

[REDACTED]

Subject: AWRAC (UNCLASSIFIED)

Classification: UNCLASSIFIED

Caveats: NONE

Gentlemen,

Our Director, [REDACTED] under the direction of the CAC Commander LTG Petraeus has asked me to research cells like AWRAC to assist us in curving OPSEC violations on public websites. Our objective is to inform Soldiers and leaders about the Battle Command Knowledge System (BCKS) and offer our site as an alternative to a public site.

Based on the description of your cell, you search public websites for OPSEC violations and notify that Soldier of the importance of OPSEC and how their postings could cause harm to military operations. When they are identified and notified, are they provided an alternate source to post their information instead of the public blog?

Would it be possible in your notification process to offer BCKS as one of those alternatives? We would like (just as you would) to identify all Soldiers utilizing public domains and offer them an invitation to join BCKS without duplicating the efforts of your cell. I would also like to invite you and your team to join BCKS at <https://bcks.army.mil> <<https://bcks.army.mil/>>. We would appreciate the vast knowledge your team could contribute to BCKS.

Thank you for your time.

V/R,

[REDACTED]
Battle Command Knowledge System

Current Operations / SIPR Coordinator

[REDACTED] 0512

[REDACTED] 16

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[REDACTED]

From:

Sent:

Wednesday, October 25, 2006 12:44 PM

To:

Cc:

Subject:

Re: BCKS Request to Talk regarding Soldier Postings on .com Sites (UN CLASSIFIED)



Untitled Attachment

Sir -- Thank you for your message. I have changed jobs, and will refer you to [REDACTED] the AWRAC government lead, at [REDACTED] the contractor team lead, at [REDACTED]. Either of them can answer any of your questions. They also are cc'd above.

v/r

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Tuesday, October 17, 2006 10:20 AM
To: [REDACTED]
Cc: [REDACTED]
Subject: FW: CNN question: Trying to Identify Soldier Shown on MySpace account - <http://www.myspace.com/iraqs1stsuperhero> (UNCLASSIFIED)
Signed By: [REDACTED]

Classification: UNCLASSIFIED

Caveats: NONE

[REDACTED]

We've monitored this guy before. No OPSEC violations - just bad taste. One of the videos has the soldiers messing with some Iraqi males using a sexually explicit term. CNN may be interested in that video to criticize our Nation building efforts. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]
Sent: Monday, October 16, 2006 3:59 PM

[REDACTED]
Subject: RE: CNN question: Trying to Identify Soldier Shown on MySpace account - <http://www.myspace.com/iraqs1stsuperhero> (UNCLASSIFIED)

Classification: UNCLASSIFIED

Caveats: NONE

Sir,

We have seen this blog before. We went in and re-reviewed, insuring we did not miss anything. We did not see anything that is of issue from an OPSEC prospective. In one video there was a photograph of a soldier inside his tank, however nothing was exposed and in another there was a map of Bagdad which was barley legible.

This site dose have soldier's video taping themselves inappropriately joking with Iraqi citizens which is beyond the scope of OPSEC.

[REDACTED]
Sent: Monday, October 16, 2006 12:36 PM

[REDACTED]
Subject: FW: CNN question: Trying to Identify Soldier Shown on MySpace account - <http://www.myspace.com/iraqs1stsuperhero> (UNCLASSIFIED)

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[REDACTED]
Sent: Monday, October 16, 2006 12:08 PM

[REDACTED]
Subject: FW: CNN question: Trying to Identify Soldier Shown on MySpace account -
<http://www.myspace.com/iraqslstsuperhero> <<http://www.myspace.com/iraqslstsuperhero>>
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[REDACTED]
FYI, See e-mail traffic below. You may already be aware of this soldier posting on myspace. It appears CNN is trying to contact him for a story, and OCPA (Army HQ Public Affairs) is checking to see if he is for real. If there's anything Army PA should know about this, please share.

Paul (Dep Chief Media Relations): The Army Web Risk Assessment Cell monitors soldier postings on public web spaces and contacts them (or chain of command) if there are security violations

<http://www.myspace.com/iraqslstsuperhero> <<http://www.myspace.com/iraqslstsuperhero>>

[REDACTED]
Public Affairs Officer

Army Chief Information Office/G-6
[REDACTED]

<http://www.army.mil/ciog6/> <<http://www.army.mil/ciog6/>>

-----Original Message-----
[REDACTED]

Sent: Monday, October 16, 2006 11:56 AM

[REDACTED]
Subject: RE: CNN question: Trying to Identify Soldier Shown on MySpace account -
<http://www.myspace.com/iraqslstsuperhero> <<http://www.myspace.com/iraqslstsuperhero>>
(UNCLASSIFIED)

Classification: UNCLASSIFIED
Caveats: NONE

I will ask the CPIC to see if MySpace account holder [REDACTED] " is registered with them, Sir.

Very respectfully,
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

Army Public Affairs, Media Relations Division

phone: [REDACTED]

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-----Original Message-----

[REDACTED]

5d>

Sent: Monday, October 16, 2006 10:54 AM

[REDACTED]

Subject: CNN question

[REDACTED]

Dumb question and I'm sure I already know the answer, but has the Army looked into this soldier and his MySpace.com site? CNN is trying to ID him so they can talk to him and put his stuff on air. I suggested they email him, so who knows what our people will come up with. Just wanted to double check that for whatever reason, you guys were not looking at him or have him ID'd.

Thanks, much. Sorry for the stupid email, just doing the bosses bidding.

[REDACTED]

<http://www.myspace.com/iraqslstsuperhero> <<http://www.myspace.com/iraqslstsuperhero>>

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AWRAC

January 17, 2006

OSD AGENDA

<u>WHEN</u>	<u>WHAT</u>	<u>WHO</u>	<u>WHERE</u>
1000	Arrival	Commander	Manassas Armory
1005	Welcome	Commander	Cdrs Office
1020	AWRAC Brief	CDR\Staff	IO Lab
1130	Facility Tour	MSG Walters	Armory
1200	Visit Complete		Armory
1205	No Host Lunch (opt)	All	Local Eatery

2. The Unit is located at 10628 Dumfries Road, Manassas, Virginia 20112. Unit phone number is (703) 368-2068. Unit Commander [REDACTED] (571) 241-3528.

3. Visit date is January 24, 2007.

4. POC is [REDACTED] (703) 392-0117.

[REDACTED]
 [REDACTED]
 LTC, IN, VAARNG
 Commanding

[REDACTED]

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Sunday, October 15, 2006 1:54 PM
To: [REDACTED]
Subject: Re: FW: Article on Opsec (UNCLASSIFIED)

One last thing. I think that the enemy can gather all the intelligence they need on the ground and don't have to worry about surfing the net to get that information.

Typical knee jerk reaction. I wish the above were true. But there's no doubt that the enemy does a huge amount of fishing online. I recently did a paper on water system vulnerabilities for NDU. By the time I was done, I had enough information to know exactly where the water supply cutoff was for Fort Meade, and when personnel were in the building.

----- Original Message -----

[REDACTED]

Date: Saturday, October 14, 2006 8:54 pm
Subject: FW: Article on Opsec (UNCLASSIFIED)

> Classification: UNCLASSIFIED
> Caveats: NONE
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> Our first response for the news article.
>
> [REDACTED] Web Risk Assessment/Information
> Assurance Analyst
> 202-492-7797

> -----Original Message-----

> [REDACTED]

> Sent: Saturday, October 14, 2006 3:13 PM
> To: NETCOM Army Web Risk Assessment Cell
> Subject: Article on Opsec

>
> I read your article a few days ago and after doing so felt some
> concerns about the unit that you have monitoring non department of
> defense personal communications of uniformed personnel. First, I think
> it would have been appropriate for you to mention in your article that
> you have procedures to safeguard the constitutional rights of
> uniformed personnel to freely express their views in a non military
> context.


>
> The second problem is about the two soldiers you featured in your
> article who say they take their mission to ferret out violators of
> OPSEC seriously because its personal with them. If its personal than
> they should not be doing that job. It's positive to be motivated to do
> a good job and even a little zeal is a good thing. Being a fanatic is
> not a good thing.

>
> You might want to share with those two soldiers in your anti OPSEC
> unit the news's story about the young Marine who is being nominated
> for the Congressional Medal of Honor. In that story he was killed a

> month later doing the same heroic acts that lead to his nomination. The
> news story related that when his parents were notified about his
> death, they and other family were shocked that he had done those
> things.

>
> Here's a what if scenario. Lets say uniformed personnel feel don't
> free to communicate with family members about what they or their unit
> is doing because someone is monitoring their personal communications.
> So a soldier or marine who might communicate with a father or uncle
> that they are bravely leading their squad whenever they confront a
> terrorist threat might raise a level of concern with the family. The
> family could follow through by contacting the commander of their son's
> unit through the chain of command and request more information. That
> sort of thing might motivate the unit commander to consider this
> family's concerns resulting in their son not being awarded the Medal
> of Honor, but being alive and well for the rest of his life. So do you
> keep soldiers alive by shutting down the flow of communications to a
> family or in fact kill them faster?

>
> One last thing. I think that the enemy can gather all the intelligence
> they need on the ground and don't have to worry about surfing the net
> to get that information. If you are really concerned about OPSEC than
> send your personnel to the Middle East and have them aggressively hunt
> down enemy personnel, interrogate suspicious civilians, etc instead of
> wasting their time in front of a computer surfing the net and
> harrassing brave young Americans with threatening e-mails.

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> Classification: UNCLASSIFIED
> Caveats: NONE

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[REDACTED]

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Thursday, October 12, 2006 7:16 PM
To: [REDACTED]
Cc: [REDACTED]
Subject: Mr NETCOM
Re: AWRAC story is out
Attachments: AWRAC story is out



AWRAC story is out

Oops -- here is the link to the story.

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Thursday, October 12, 2006 4:07 PM
To: [REDACTED]
Cc: [REDACTED]
Subject: Re: Good Army News article today

[REDACTED] -- I am going to refer you to the AWRAC government lead, [REDACTED] and the Lockheed Martin contractor who runs the mission, [REDACTED] I wrote the articles, but I was reassigned last month and no longer am directly involved with AWRAC. I did start the original AWRAC site on AKO, but it is now administered by [REDACTED] another LM contractor.

You can reach [REDACTED] or [REDACTED] at [REDACTED]. [REDACTED] can be reached at [REDACTED].

I have cc'd all of them, and I know they would be happy to answer your specific questions.

----- Original Message -----

[REDACTED]

Date: Thursday, October 12, 2006 3:23 pm

Subject: Good Army News article today

[REDACTED] got your name from the AWRAC discussion forum page and
> I assume you are still part of the blog and website monitoring VA
> Guard team. I'm with the AKO program office Outreach office and always
> trying to get people off the .com world and into AKO for their
> operational requirements collaboration and into AKO-S for their
> classified work.

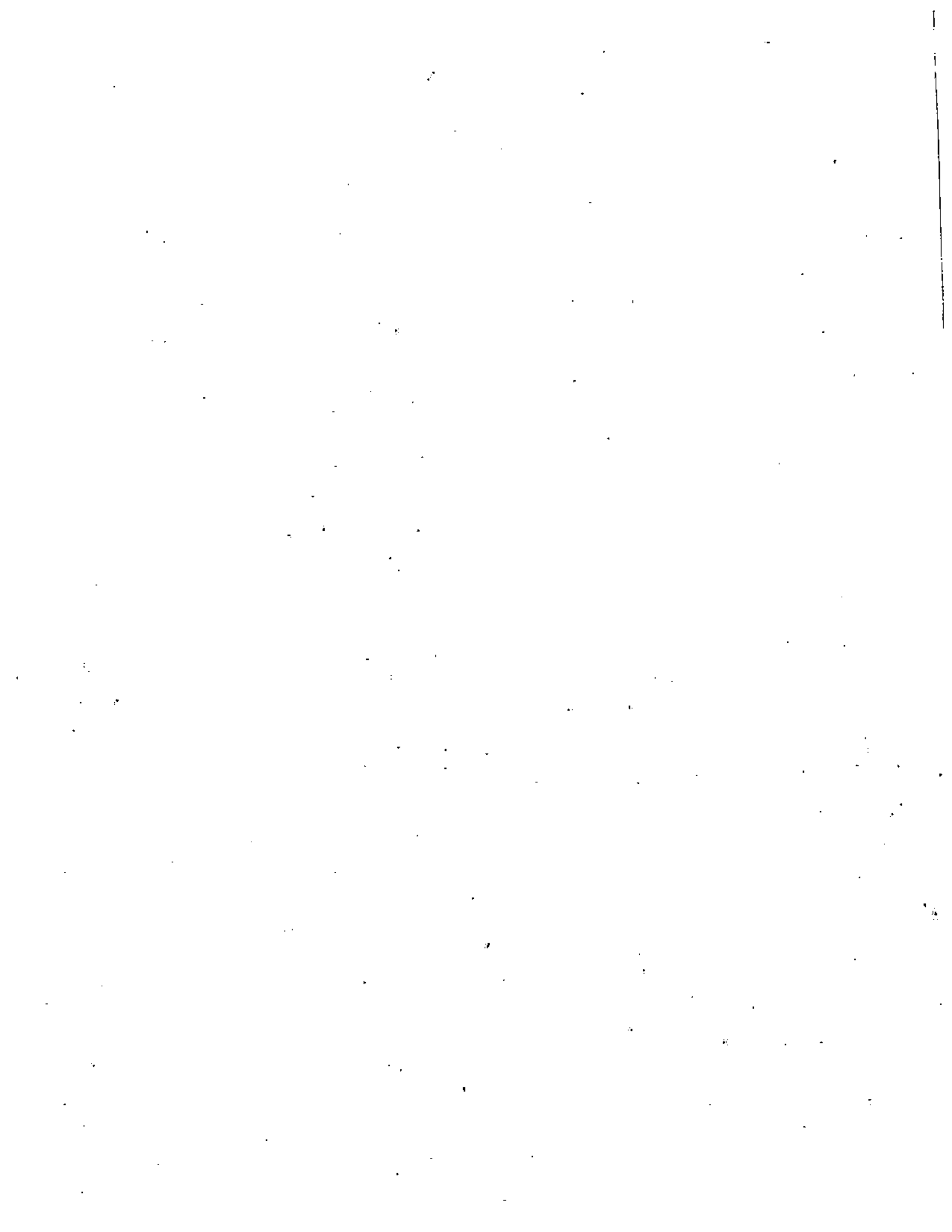
>
> When your team finds a .com site with OPSEC violations is the next
> step to tell them about AKO and how it can assist them in meeting
> their portal/collaboration requirement??

>
> PS not sure who wrote the article, but the link to the AKO page is
> incorrect and is being corrected. The correct link is seen when
> clicking on the "Send AKO Link" area on top of the Cyberpatrol page in
> AKO. This is correct format:
> [https://www.us.army.mil/suite/page/
> 254224](https://www.us.army.mil/suite/page/254224)

>
> thanks

[REDACTED]
> CherryRoad Technologies
> PEO-EIS-AKO Outreach

[REDACTED]
>
>
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[REDACTED]

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Tuesday, October 10, 2006 9:46 AM
To: [REDACTED]
Subject: FW: Assessment of U-Tube (UNCLASSIFIED)

Classification: UNCLASSIFIED

Caveats: NONE

[REDACTED]

As we discussed.

[REDACTED]

NETCOM, Army CIO/G6
Phone: Com [REDACTED]
FAX: Com [REDACTED]
Secure FAX: C [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

Sent: Tuesday, October 10, 2006 8:56 AM

[REDACTED]

Subject: RE: Assessment of U-Tube (UNCLASSIFIED)

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[REDACTED]

Please note message with correction for YOU TUBE (not U TUBE); You Tube was approved for acquisition by Google for \$1.65 Billion (\$2.2 Billion in shares) October 9. Don't know if that will put an additional legal wrinkle in our request.

v/r,
[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

Sent: Monday, October 09, 2006 10:25 AM

[REDACTED]

Cc: Subject: RE: Assessment of U-Tube (UNCLASSIFIED)

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ALCON,

Before we conduct any review of U Tube -- the assessment I am looking for is -- can we do that and if we find something what would we have to do ? Would we have to work with U Tube ? If so -- I think we have stated that we would not contact commercial authorities - if something on there was identified as having come from or having been posted by a military person - could we take action ?

Once we have made an assessment of that process/issues -- then we need to close the loop with [REDACTED] -- if it turns out we cannot look at it and contact the commercial owner -- then we need to have that answer ready - with all the press - someone is going to ask.

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
Deputy Director Army Office of Information Assurance and Compliance
[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]
Sent: Friday, October 06, 2006 3:31 PM
[REDACTED]

Subject: Assessment of U-Tube (UNCLASSIFIED)

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[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]s direction, please contact [REDACTED] to conduct a web risk assessment of U Tube [<http://www.current.tv/watch> <<http://www.current.tv/watch>>]

There's video material on U Tube that depicts snipers killing U.S. military. Please keep close hold. We may also need to engage legal ([REDACTED]).

With much appreciation,
[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
LMIT (Professional Services) for HQDA CIO G6
Office of Information Assurance & Compliance/
IA&C Directorate (NETC-ESTA-I)
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

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[REDACTED]

From: [REDACTED]

Sent: Tuesday, October 03, 2006 2:27 PM

To: [REDACTED]

Cc: [REDACTED]

Subject: Re: FW: Story on web OPSEC violations (UNCLASSIFIED)



Untitled Attachment

[REDACTED] - thank you for your note. I had sent the story and photos via hard copy to the senior editor at Soldiers back in mid-September. I can go back down to Manassas and get more photos, or, since it is close enough, perhaps Soldiers can send one of their photographers there.

My new work phone is [REDACTED], or my cell is [REDACTED] 64. I'd be happy to answer any questions you may have, but I recommend you contact [REDACTED] ck, the government lead, for the AWRAC team's current status, or [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Monday, September 11, 2006 4:21 PM
To: [REDACTED]
Cc: [REDACTED]
Subject: RE: Training Session (UNCLASSIFIED)
Signed By: [REDACTED]

Classification: UNCLASSIFIED

Caveats: NONE

[REDACTED]

We have a great classroom with PowerPoint capability. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

Sent: Monday, September 11, 2006 4:12 PM

[REDACTED]

Subject: RE: Training Session (UNCLASSIFIED)

Let's plan on Monday at 1000. Do you have power point capability?

[REDACTED]

Sent: Monday, September 11, 2006 12:16 PM

[REDACTED]

Subject: RE: Training Session (UNCLASSIFIED)

Classification: UNCLASSIFIED

Caveats: NONE

[REDACTED]

We can take you anytime from 0900 hrs - 1600 hrs, Monday - Friday that week. There are 10 of us and we are in Manassas, VA and two in Crystal City that can come to Manassas. Let me know what works best. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

Sent: Monday, September 11, 2006 9:36 AM

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

Subject: RE: Training Session (UNCLASSIFIED)

Classification: UNCLASSIFIED

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[REDACTED] I will pass your info on to the powers that be. As of today, I am no longer part of NETCOM. Thanks for all your help.

[REDACTED]
Asset and Vulnerability Tracking Resource (A&VTR) PM Liaison
AWRAC Analyst
NETCOM (CIO/G6)
2530 Crystal Drive
Arlington, VA 22202

[REDACTED]
"Press any key....hmmmm, where's the any key?"

[REDACTED]
Sent: Monday, September 11, 2006 9:35 AM
To: [REDACTED] A MAJ NETCOM ESTA
Subject: RE: Training Session

[REDACTED]
Please advise your folks that I will be in DC the week of 15 Oct. Since you people were the first to request me, I will give you first crack at scheduling the session (s). Please let me know when you want me. Thanks!

[REDACTED]
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[REDACTED]

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[REDACTED]

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Monday, September 11, 2006 3:16 PM
To: [REDACTED]
Cc: [REDACTED]
Subject: RE: Training Session (UNCLASSIFIED)
Signed By: [REDACTED]

Classification: UNCLASSIFIED

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[REDACTED]

Sent: Monday, September 11, 2006 9:36 AM

[REDACTED]

H LTC NETCOM
Subject: RE: Training Session (UNCLASSIFIED)

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[REDACTED]

4 [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED]

Sent: Monday, September 11, 2006 9:35 AM

[REDACTED]

Subject: RE: Training session

[REDACTED]

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Thursday, October 19, 2006 9:28 PM
To: [REDACTED]
Subject: More fun mob stuff

Attachments: AWRAC SUPPORT MEMO1.doc; DecisionPaper-MOB Request.doc; NETCOM A.doc



AWRAC SUPPORT DecisionPaper-MOB NETCOM A.doc (21
MEMO1.doc (842 K. Request.doc ... KB)

[REDACTED]

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Thursday, October 19, 2006 9:23 PM
To: [REDACTED]
Subject: AWRAC Mob info

Attachments: awrac [REDACTED] AWRAC SUPPORT MEMO.doc



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[REDACTED] -- I have a ton of stuff on this -- I am sending you the key pieces (will probably be in two or three e-mails). I saved all my AWRAC files, so I also have all the numbers for the past year, plus a lot of other stuff. One thing I cannot find, however, is the name of the LTC I talked with at Huachuca. I got his name from the civilian at NETCOM who handles all of the OERS -- [REDACTED] He should be able to give you a POC.

Anyway, if you need anything else, I saved just about all of your e-mail traffic to me from the past year on AWRAC.

Thanks for dinner -- enjoyed talking with you.

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Thursday, August 31, 2006 10:08 AM
To: [REDACTED]
Subject: RE: Training in Sep. (11-13) in Manassas, VA (UNCLASSIFIED)
Signed By: [REDACTED]

Classification: UNCLASSIFIED

Caveats: NONE

[REDACTED]

The address is [REDACTED]

We're looking at having 20 people in the training.

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

Sent: Thursday, August 31, 2006 6:39 AM
Subject: RE: Training in Sep. (11-13) in Manassas, VA

All,

We have the dates, now all I need is the address
and the number of people, so that I know how much
training material to bring.

Thanks

[REDACTED]

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Caveats: NONE

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, August 16, 2006 9:50 AM

Subject: RE: meeting (UNCLASSIFIED)
Signed By: [REDACTED]

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Caveats: NONE

[REDACTED]
Yes, meeting with you and [REDACTED] is my priority next week. I'd like to get together to discuss the Reserve guys and the SOP. Probably better to meet at the Taylor Building, Monday - less distractions. CW2 [REDACTED] wants to talk to us also - probably Tuesday/Wednesday.

I consider the DPU Team "mission capable" i.e. we are doing the basic mission we were activated for. I now want to go to the next level and get some unity of effort between the contractors, activated and Reserve soldiers. Also, want to start being more efficient in our filtering process and tracking / follow up of notifications.

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, August 16, 2006 8:38 AM

Subject: meeting (UNCLASSIFIED)

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Caveats: NONE

Sir

I will be in VA the 21st to the 23rd and would like to meet with you ref the TX and WA teams. Do you have time available?

[REDACTED]
Web Risk Assessment/Information Assurance Analyst
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

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[REDACTED]

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Tuesday, August 01, 2006 2:38 PM
To: [REDACTED]
Cc: [REDACTED]
Subject: RE: Legal class (UNCLASSIFIED)
Signed By: [REDACTED]

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Caveats: NONE

[REDACTED]

The week you are in town would work out well. Steve W.

Sent: Tuesday, August 01, 2006 2:05 PM

[REDACTED]

Subject: RE: Legal class (UNCLASSIFIED)

[REDACTED]

I will talk to the SJA. If he agrees, I will submit a request to the CG. What time frame are we talking about? I'll be at the LandWarNet Conference Aug 20-26.

Sent: Tuesday, August 01, 2006 11:04 AM

To: [REDACTED] NETCOM

[REDACTED]

Subject: RE: Legal class (UNCLASSIFIED)

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Caveats: NONE

[REDACTED] - think the main concern was the cost of a class. Yes, I believe this is definitely worthwhile, but because we are so short of funds, I know [REDACTED] simply doesn't have the money to spend on TDYs right now. If you can piggy-back us off another mission, that would be ideal, since we would have to bring the team up here to conduct a VTC.

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

"Press any key...hmmm, where's the any key?"

[REDACTED]

Sent: Tuesday, August 01, 2006 2:02 PM

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

Subject: RE: Legal class (UNCLASSIFIED)

[REDACTED]

No. If you think it is important enough, we can make a request to the CG. I always have other business to conduct in the D.C. area and can make a strong request.

If not, then we can set up a teleconference.

Are you leaving or will you still be part of the team?

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

Sent: Tuesday, August 01, 2006 10:59 AM

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

Subject: Legal class (UNCLASSIFIED)

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[REDACTED] we now have 10 National Guard soldiers activated at the Virginia Data Processing Unit in Manassas in support of AWRAC. Are you going to be in the area any time soon? We are interested in having them trained on some of the issues they may face as analysts -- what steps they can and can't take in tracking down a blogger, etc. Or is videoconferencing a possibility?

I have cc'd [REDACTED] who is taking over as the AWRAC government lead from me. He is in charge of the team, as well.

Thanks.

[REDACTED]

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[REDACTED]

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[REDACTED]

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Monday, October 30, 2006 9:52 AM
To: [REDACTED]
Cc: [REDACTED]
Subject: FW: AWRAC in the news (UNCLASSIFIED)

Attachments: Untitled Attachment



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[REDACTED] found this article on AWRAC.

[REDACTED]

NETCOM, Army CIO/G6
Phone: Com (703) 602-7419 (DSN 332)
FAX: Com (703) 602-7195 (DSN 332)
Secure FAX: Com (703) 601-0719 (DSN 329)

-----Original Message-----

[REDACTED]

Sent: Monday, October 30, 2006 8:38 AM
Subject: AWRAC in the news

Don't know if you caught this one.

Oct 29, 1:24 PM (ET)

[REDACTED]

<http://apnews.excite.com/image/20061029/MILITARY_BLOGGING.sff_NYOL708_20061029130659.html?date=20061029&docid=D8L2F4200>

(AP) [REDACTED] den stands at the Pritzker Military Library with a copy of his book...

Full Image

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RICHMOND, Va. (AP) - From the front lines of Iraq and Afghanistan to here at home, soldiers blogging about military life are under the watchful eye of some of their own.

A Virginia-based operation, the Army Web Risk Assessment Cell, monitors official and unofficial blogs and other Web sites for anything that may compromise security. The team scans for official documents, personal contact information and pictures of weapons or entrances to camps.

In some cases, that information can be detrimental, said [REDACTED] team leader and battalion commander of a Manassas-based Virginia National Guard unit working on the operation.

In one incident, a blogger was describing his duties as a guard, providing pictures of his post and discussing how to exploit its vulnerabilities. Other soldiers posted photos of an Army weapons system that was damaged by enemy attack, and another showed personal information that could have endangered his family.

"We are a nation at war," [REDACTED] said by e-mail. "The less the enemy knows, the better it is for our soldiers."

In the early years of operations in the Middle East, no official oversight governed Web sites that sprung up to keep the families of those deployed informed about their daily lives.

The oversight mission, made up of active-duty soldiers and contractors, as well as Guard and Reserve members from Maryland, Texas and Washington state, began in 2002 and was expanded in August 2005 to include sites in the public domain, including blogs.

The Army will not disclose the methods or tools being used to find and monitor the sites. Nor will it reveal the size of the operation or the contractors involved. The Defense Department has a similar program, the Joint Web Risk Assessment Cell, but the Army program is apparently the only operation that monitors nonmilitary sites.

Now soldiers wishing to blog while deployed are required to register their sites with their commanding officers, who monitor the sites quarterly, according to a four-page document of guidelines published in April 2005 by Multi-National Corps-Iraq.

[REDACTED] who has indexed thousands of military blogs for a site called Milblogging.com, said in an e-mail interview that the military still is adapting to changing technology.

"This is a new media - Blogging. Podcasting. Online videos," wrote [REDACTED] of Dallas, who kept a blog while he was deployed in Afghanistan with the Virginia National Guard. "The military is doing what it feels necessary to ensure the safety of the troops."

[REDACTED] said the Web risk assessment team has reviewed hundreds of thousands of sites every month, sometimes e-mailing or calling soldiers asking them to take material down. If the blogger doesn't comply with the request, the team can work with the soldier's commanders to fix the problem - that is, if the blogger doesn't post anonymously.

"We are not a law enforcement or intelligence agency. Nor are we political correctness enforcers," [REDACTED] said. "We are simply trying to identify harmful Internet content and make the authors aware of the possible misuse of the information by groups who may want to damage United States interests."

Some bloggers say the guidelines are too ambiguous - a sentiment that has led others to pre-emptively shut down or alter their blogs.

"It's impossible to determine when something crosses the line from not a violation to a violation. It's like trying to define what pornography is or bad taste in music," said [REDACTED] who says he was demoted from sergeant and fined for reposting a blog he created while deployed to Iraq with the New York Army National Guard.

According to [REDACTED] the Army had forced him to stop the blog even before the oversight operation existed, citing pictures he had posted of Iraqi detainees and discussions of how he loaded a weapon and the route his unit took to get to Iraq.

Warnock contended that soldiers should not be discouraged from blogging altogether.

Military bloggers "are simply expressing themselves in a wide open forum and want to share their life-changing experiences with the rest of the world," [REDACTED] said. "Giving soldiers an outlet for free expression is good. American soldiers are not shy about giving their opinions and nothing the Web Risk Cell does dampens that trait."

[REDACTED] a former intelligence officer who wrote "The Blog of War," a collection of entries from bloggers who served in the war, said soldiers' Web sites can go a long way toward portraying positive aspects of the war and other "stories that need to get told."

But he said it's legitimate to fear that some information could be used the wrong way.

"The enemy knows the value of the blogs," [REDACTED] said. "The biggest thing that we fear is battle damage assessment from the enemy. We want to deny them that."

On the Net:

Milblogging: <http://www.milblogging.com>

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Oct 29, 1:24 PM (ET)

By MICHAEL FELBERBAUM

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(AP) Author Matthew Curier Burden stands at the Pritzker Military Library with a copy of his book...

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The Army will not disclose the methods or tools being used to find and monitor the sites. Nor will it reveal the size of the operation or the contractors involved. The Defense Department has a similar program, the Joint Web Risk Assessment Cell, but the Army program is apparently the only operation that monitors nonmilitary sites.

Now soldiers wishing to blog while deployed are required to register their sites with their commanding officers, who monitor the sites quarterly, according to a four-page document of guidelines published in April 2005 by Multi-National Corps-Iraq.

Spc. Jean-Paul Borda, who has indexed thousands of military blogs for a site called Milblogging.com, said in an e-mail interview that the military still is adapting to changing technology.

"This is a new media - Blogging. Podcasting. Online videos," wrote Borda, 32, of Dallas, who kept a blog while he was deployed in Afghanistan with the Virginia National Guard.

"The military is doing what it feels necessary to ensure the safety of the troops."

Warnock said the Web risk assessment team has reviewed hundreds of thousands of sites every month, sometimes e-mailing or calling soldiers asking them to take material down. If the blogger doesn't comply with the request, the team can work with the soldier's commanders to fix the problem - that is, if the blogger doesn't post anonymously.

"We are not a law enforcement or intelligence agency. Nor are we political correctness enforcers," Warnock said. "We are simply trying to identify harmful Internet content and make the authors aware of the possible misuse of the information by groups who may want to damage United States interests."

Some bloggers say the guidelines are too ambiguous - a sentiment that has led others to pre-emptively shut down or alter their blogs.

"It's impossible to determine when something crosses the line from not a violation to a violation. It's like trying to define what pornography is or bad taste in music," said Spc. Jason Hartley, 32, who says he was demoted from sergeant and fined for reposting a blog he created while deployed to Iraq with the New York Army National Guard.

According to Hartley, the Army had forced him to stop the blog even before the oversight operation existed, citing pictures he had posted of Iraqi detainees and discussions of how he loaded a weapon and the route his unit took to get to Iraq.

Warnock contended that soldiers should not be discouraged from blogging altogether.

Military bloggers "are simply expressing themselves in a wide open forum and want to share their life-changing experiences with the rest of the world," Warnock said. "Giving soldiers an outlet for free expression is good. American soldiers are not shy about giving their opinions and nothing the Web Risk Cell does dampens that trait."

Matthew Currier Burden, 39, a former intelligence officer who wrote "The Blog of War," a collection of entries from bloggers who served in the war, said soldiers' Web sites can go a long way toward portraying positive aspects of the war and other "stories that need to get told."

But he said it's legitimate to fear that some information could be used the wrong way.

"The enemy knows the value of the blogs," Burden said. "The biggest thing that we fear is battle damage assessment from the enemy. We want to deny them that."

On the Net:

Milblogging: <http://www.milblogging.com>

[REDACTED]

From:

Sent:

Wednesday, November 15, 2006 1:33 PM

To:

Cc:

Subject:

RE: Web site compliance issues (UNCLASSIFIED)

Signed By:

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[REDACTED]

We are looking at this now. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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[REDACTED]

Sent: Tuesday, November 14, 2006 8:25 AM

[REDACTED]

CIO
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UNCLASSIFIED

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Sent: Wednesday, November 15, 2006 2:52 PM
To: [REDACTED]
Cc: [REDACTED]
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[REDACTED]

The site seems to be adhering to all applicable rules and regulations.

Link to GOARMYSPORTS.com is provided through the USMA Site which is .edu, not .mil . In addition, the webmaster has provided a disclaimer stating that DOD does not endorse any non-DOD websites that are provided as a link. The web page owners are paying a fee to West Point for the trademark usage as per the below listed policy.

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From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Tuesday, November 21, 2006 5:01 PM
To: [REDACTED]
Cc: [REDACTED]
Subject: Re: ASPMO OPSEC Research Project
Attachments: Untitled Attachment



Untitled Attachment

Sir -- I believe I may have been recommended to you because I developed a training module last summer on SBU information for HQDA as part of my assignment to the Army Web Risk Assessment Cell. AWRAC monitors official and unofficial Army web sites to ensure compliance with OPSEC guidelines.

I have been reassigned from AWRAC. I am cc'ing [REDACTED] the AWRAC team lead, and also [REDACTED] the government lead, as two sources who may be able to assist you.

If you were referred to me in my current position as an information systems security engineer, please let me know.

v/r
[REDACTED]

Attachments:

ATT124439.txt; ATT124440.htm



ATT124439.txt (2 KB) ATT124440.htm (8 KB)

[REDACTED]

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Friday, January 05, 2007 1:01 PM
To: [REDACTED]
Subject: RE: Command exercise (UNCLASSIFIED)
Signed By: [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED]
I think it's a great idea. My soldiers would appreciate the visibility and I think the SES would get an appreciation of our work and the National Guard.
[REDACTED]

-----Original Message-----

[REDACTED]
Sent: Friday, January 05, 2007 12:08 PM
[REDACTED]
Subject: RE: Command exercise (UNCLASSIFIED)

Classification: UNCLASSIFIED
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[REDACTED]
How do you fell about a visit ?
[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]
Deputy Director Army Office of Information Assurance and Compliance
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

-----Original Message-----

[REDACTED]
Sent: Friday, January 05, 2007 11:59 AM
[REDACTED]
Subject: RE: Command exercise (UNCLASSIFIED)

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I know; that is why I asked. I do not know how big the COL wants to make this. Since this is the first time I think we need to keep in house.

[REDACTED]
Web Risk Assessment/Information Assurance Analyst
202-492-7797
[REDACTED]

-----Original Message-----

[REDACTED]
Sent: Friday, January 05, 2007 11:48 AM
[REDACTED]
Subject: RE: Command exercise (UNCLASSIFIED)

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What do we mean by action -- a lay down of operations and examples of what we are finding -- perhaps a discussion about performance measurements ????

You do realize that if she is SES that it will entail a lot of NETCOM/CIO/G6 people also attending ?

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

Deputy Director Army Office of Information Assurance and Compliance

[REDACTED]

-----Original Message-----

[REDACTED]

Sent: Friday, January 05, 2007 11:12 AM

[REDACTED]

Subject: Command exercise (UNCLASSIFIED)

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Sir,

Awhile back [REDACTED] Office of the Under Secretary of Defense (Intelligence) [REDACTED] Pentagon had indicated she would like to see the AWRAC in action when we did the Command exercise. Her office may be taking over the control of the JWRAC. Should I send her an invitation?

[REDACTED]

Web Risk Assessment/Information Assurance Analyst

[REDACTED]

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