

# FOREWORD AND ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

For all the extraordinary convenience it lends to the conduct of life in the twenty-first century, modern information technology, in its burgeoning forms of intimate connectivity, has a dark side.

All of us are aware of the more egregious elements of that dark side. Indeed some of us, despite the best of intentions, may have fallen prey to those devious denizens of the internet who seek to defraud us or, indeed, cause much greater damage to our affairs for whatever motives impel them to do so.

The need for cyber awareness in the operation of ships has become an increasingly urgent focus of the industry over recent years. This focus has necessarily responded to the growing technological complexity of ships and the electronic systems used to operate them. Rising complexity often – but not always – implies the expansion of possibilities for things to go wrong, particularly if the human interface with the systems in question is not equal to the task of maintaining their integrity.

So, despite the movement towards greater technological autonomy in the management of ships, both ashore and afloat, the human element remains a key factor in ensuring the reliability of IT systems and their protection from external manipulation and corruption.

As mentioned in the preface, the importance of cyber security has been recognized by the requirement, from January 1, 2021, of ISM Code certification to take account of cyber risk management. Many of the practical dimensions to this will relate to the cyber awareness of crews, and their use of IT capabilities for communication and other purposes during their period of attachment to the ship.

In this context, it is hoped that *Cyber Awareness* will prove useful to Members and their seafaring employees in highlighting, in an accessible and memorable form, some of the key best practices to ensure a ship's safety and security in regard to the risks created by the modern cyber environment and the onboard vulnerabilities associated with it.

Many thanks are due to Dr. William Moore, Ms. Danielle Centeno and the Shipowners Claims Bureau, Inc.'s IT team for driving this latest initiative of the American Club with their characteristic enthusiasm and energy. Thanks are also due to Mr. John Steventon whose artistic talent is matched only by his ability to capture in images complex ideas made understandable by their ingenious representation in pictorial form.

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# PREFACE

The primary audience of *Cyber Awareness* is the seafarer. There are common and basic best practices to maintain cyber security for seafarers' personal devices as well as shipboard systems alike. Many of these common best practices apply at home as well as aboard ship.

The necessity for seafarers to establish a level of cyber risk awareness and diligence is imperative to both their personal and professional lives. While the 2017 IMO resolution only "encourages" cyber risk management (CRM) compliance, it is important to understand that cybersecurity is essential to every business and critical to the safety, integrity and reliability of maritime assets and operations. In practice this means that the company should risk assess their IT systems environment –including systems used to operate the vessel – and issue procedures to manage all cyber security risks including those impacting the ships' seafarers.

Communication and socialization with the outside world, particularly with friends and family is commonplace for the modern seafarer. From a human element perspective, their cyber wellness is a critical component of their over all health and personal wellness. However, it is important to understand that with that privilege also comes the responsibility to protect oneself and ensure the ship's safety and security are not compromised. These common objectives are achieved by employing good personal cyber security practices. It is our hope that seafarers find *Cyber Awareness* a useful reminder of the simple practices of protecting themselves and the ship's safety and security.

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### CYBER AWARENESS

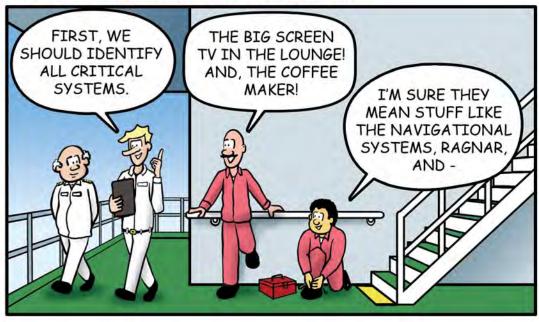






TWO WEEKS LATER ...

### CYBER SECURITY RISK ASSESSMENT





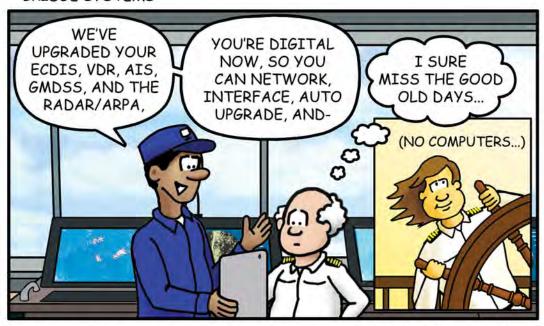


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- COMMUNICATIONS
- PROPULSION AND MACHINERY
- CARGO MANAGEMENT SYSTEMS

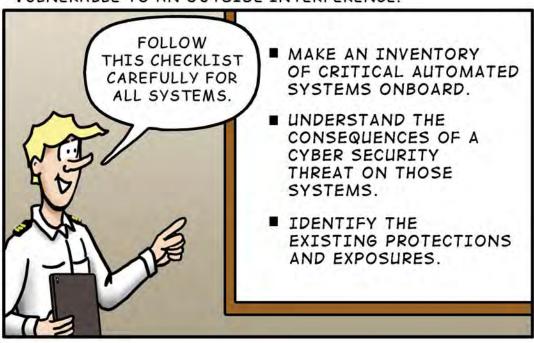
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### IDENTIFYING CRITICAL SYSTEMS

### BRIDGE SYSTEMS



THE BRIDGE HAS MANY SYSTEMS, SOME OF WHICH MAY BE VULNERABLE TO AN OUTSIDE INTERFERENCE.



## IDENTIFYING CRITICAL SYSTEMS

### PROPULSION AND MACHINERY SYSTEMS



### CARGO MANAGEMENT SYSTEMS

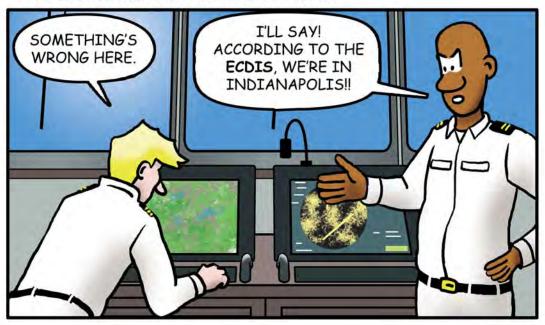


### IDENTIFYING CRITICAL SYSTEMS

### COMMUNICATION SYSTEMS



### AND DID WE MENTION BRIDGE SYSTEMS?



ONCE CRITICAL SYSTEMS ARE IDENTIFIED, WE NEED TO LOOK AT POSSIBLE THREATS TO THOSE SYSTEMS,

# IDENTIFYING THREATS

THERE ARE INTERNAL THREATS, USUALLY CAUSED BY HUMAN ERROR, CARELESSNESS, OR LACK OF AWARENESS.

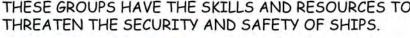




AND MANY EXTERNAL THREATS, SUCH AS THOSE FROM ACTIVISTS, CRIMINALS, AND OPPORTUNISTS.

### THREAT ACTORS

THESE GROUPS HAVE THE SKILLS AND RESOURCES TO THREATEN THE SECURITY AND SAFETY OF SHIPS.









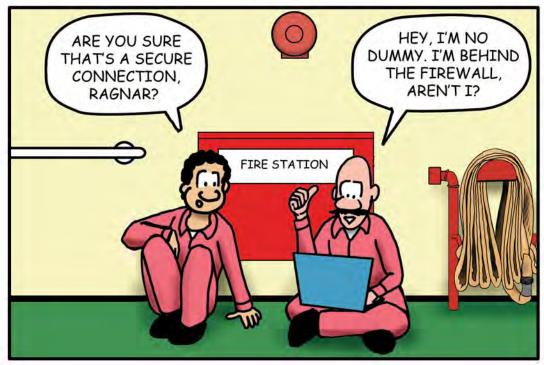


## IDENTIFYING VULNERABILITIES

IDENTIFY CONTROLS THAT ARE ALREADY IN PLACE, AND ANY SPECIFIC VULNERABILITIES.



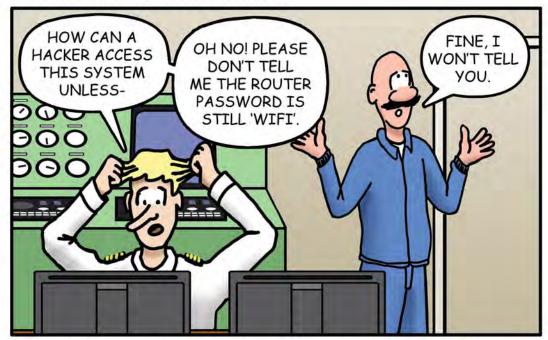




COMMON CYBER VULNERABILITIES CAN INCLUDE OLD OPERATING SYSTEMS, MISSING OR OUTDATED ANTIVIRUS SOFTWARE, AND UNPATCHED IT SYSTEMS.



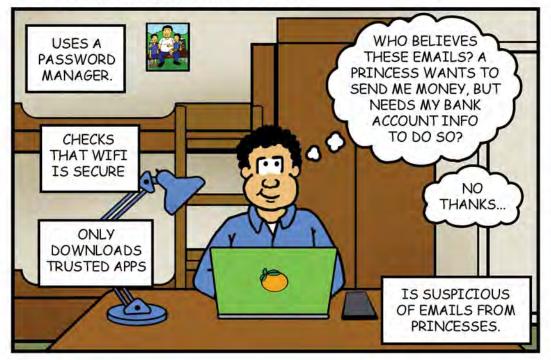
COMMON MISTAKES CAN INVOLVE STOCK PASSWORDS NOT BEING CHANGED OR LEFT OUT IN THE OPEN.



REVIEWING BEST PRACTICES WITH ALL CREW MEMBERS CAN PREVENT MANY FUTURE PROBLEMS.

# ELECTRONIC COMMUNICATIONS: BEST PRACTICES

# DO BE CAUTIOUS, LIKE GEORGE.





USE LENGTHY PASSWORDS. PASSWORDS SHOULD HAVE 14 OR MORE CHARACTERS CONTAINING AT LEAST ONE NUMBER, ONE UPPERCASE LETTER, AND ONE SYMBOL (E.G. \$, @, ?, #)

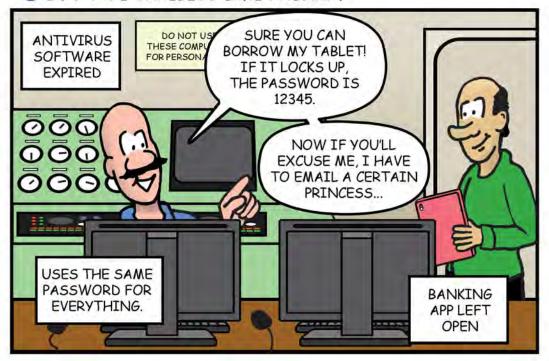


ONLY PERSONAL DEVICES AND USB DRIVES FROM A TRUSTED SUPPLIER SHOULD BE USED ONBOARD.



INSTALL, REGISTER AND RENEW ANTIVIRUS, ANTISPYWARE AND FIREWALL PACKAGES ON PERSONAL DEVICES.

# DON'T BE CARELESS LIKE RAGNAR.





BE SUSPICIOUS OF EXTERNAL DOWNLOADS AND EMAILS. VERIFY THE AUTHENTICITY OF UNEXPECTED EMAILS, ESPECIALLY THOSE WITH ATTACHMENTS AND LINKS.



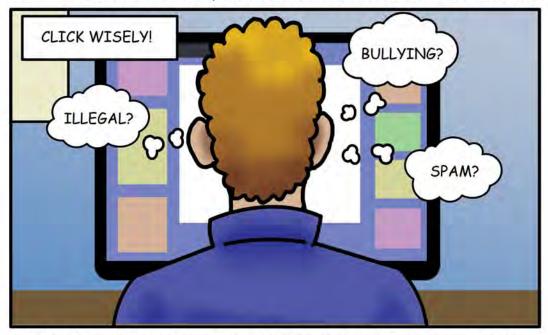
BOTH PERSONAL AND SHIPBOARD DEVICES SHOULD NEVER BE LEFT UNLOCKED WHILE UNATTENDED.



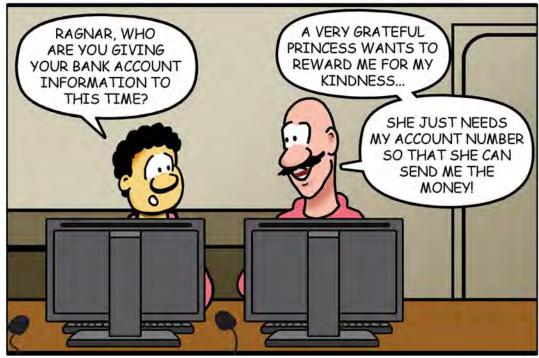
ONLY USE YOUR COMPANY'S PRIVATE WI-FI NETWORK, WHICH SHOULD BE ENCRYPTED, SECURED, AND HIDDEN.

### CYBER WELLNESS CONSIDERATIONS

CYBER WELLNESS PERTAINS TO THE POSITIVE WELLBEING, RESPONSIBLE BEHAVIOR, AND GOOD CHOICES OF INTERNET USERS.



BE CAREFUL WHO YOU MEET AND TRUST ONLINE! A FRAUDSTER COULD USE YOUR BANK ACCOUNT INFORMATION, CREDIT CARDS, OR SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER TO STEAL FROM YOU!



THERE ARE PERSONAL RISK FACTORS ASSOCIATED WITH CYBER CONNECTIVITY, INCLUDING INAPPROPRIATE OR OVERUSE OF MOBILE DEVICES...



KEEP POSTING AND BEHAVIOR ON SOCIAL MEDIA POSITIVE AND PROFESSIONAL, ESPECIALLY ON THE JOB!



CYBER SECURITY PROCEDURES DETAILING THE PROPER USE OF SYSTEMS AND THEIR MAINTENANCE ROUTINES SHOULD BE KEPT UP TO DATE AND READILY AVAILABLE.

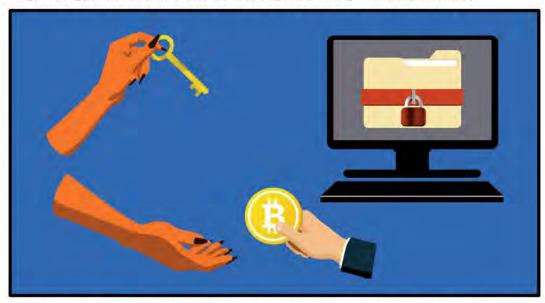


PROCEDURES SHOULD ALSO IDENTIFY CYBER SECURITY POINTS OF CONTACT WITHIN YOUR ORGANIZATION, AND AT EACH SERVICE PROVIDER'S OFFICE.



### THE THREAT OF RANSOMWARE

RANSOMWARE IS A TYPE OF MALICIOUS SOFTWARE DESIGNED TO ENCRYPT FILES OR LOCK YOU OUT OF YOUR COMPUTER ENTIRELY UNTIL A SUM OF MONEY IS PAID TO UNLOCK IT.



RANSOMWARE IS USUALLY INTRODUCED THROUGH A BOOBY-TRAPPED LINK OR ATTACHMENT IN AN EMAIL.



# RANSOMWARE IS A TERRIBLE ATTACK THAT CAN HAPPEN TO ANYONE FROM INDIVIDUALS TO LARGE COMPANIES.

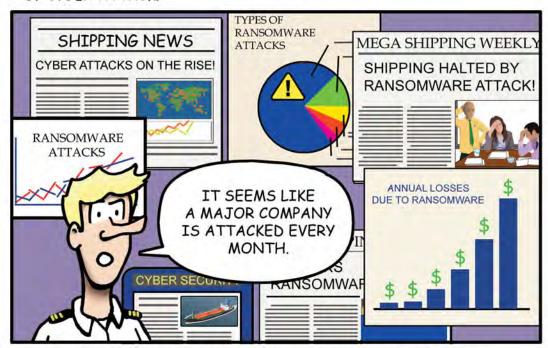






### RANSOMWARE OVERVIEW

RANSOMWARE IS POTENTIALLY THE MOST DAMAGING TYPE OF CYBER-ATTACK.



IF YOU EVEN SUSPECT A RANSOMWARE ATTACK, REPORT IT TO YOUR SUPERVISOR IMMEDIATELY! PREVENTION IS ULTIMATELY THE BEST DEFENSE.



### RANSOMWARE : HOW TO DETECT IT

RANSOMWARE AND OTHER VIRUSES ARE USUALLY INTRODUCED THROUGH A BOOBY TRAPPED LINK OR ATTACHMENT, IN AN EMAIL THAT LOOKS CONVINCING.



Subject: You win 50% off your next trip!

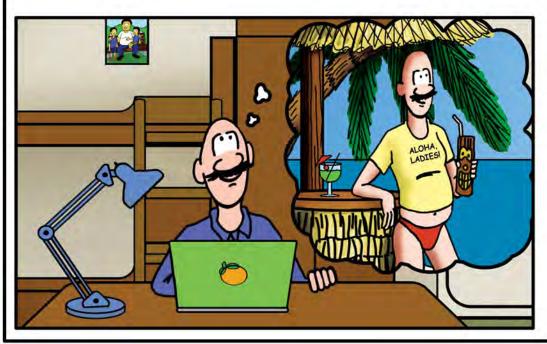
From: Vacations R Us <Joe@VacationsRu5.com >

Dear Valued Costumer,
50% off your next trip - Click HERE to
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www.GOTCHA.com/stealinfo

To unsubscribe , please click HERE

- EMAIL DOMAIN DOES NOT MATCH THE WEBSITE.
   LOOK FOR NUMBERS OR MISSPELLINGS SUCH AS @yOutube.com OR paypa1.com.
- LEGITIMATE COMPANIES WILL USE YOUR ACTUAL NAME.
- HOVER OVER LINKS WITHOUT CLICKING ON THEM TO REVEAL THE ACTUAL URL. IF IT DOES NOT MATCH THE CONTEXT OF THE EMAIL, DO NOT TRUST IT1



### AND HOW TO DEFEND AGAINST IT.

BE SUSPECT OF UNSOLICITED OR UNEXPECTED EMAILS.



BE ON THE LOOKOUT FOR HIGH-RISK ATTACHMENT FILE TYPES SUCH AS .exe, .scr, AND .zip WHICH REQUIRE A DOWNLOAD.

Subject: Your Refund

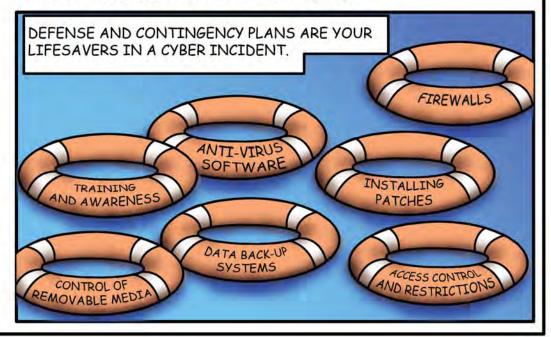
From: Tax Department <Security@TakeYoMoney.com>

2019Receipt.zip

Please find the attacked Tax Receipt with your \$30,000 refund.

- AUTHENTIC INSTITUTIONS DO NOT RANDOMLY SEND YOU EMAILS WITH ATTACHMENTS, BUT INSTEAD DIRECT YOU TO DOWNLOAD DOCUMENTS OR FILES FROM THEIR WEBSITE.
- CYBER CRIMINALS ARE LIKELY TO ACT DURING TAX OR SHOPPING SEASONS WHEN THESE EMAILS ARE RELEVANT.

EMAIL SCAMS ARE BECOMING EVER MORE SOPHISTICATED. WE MUST BE ALERT, AWARE, AND SMART WHEN OPENING AND DOWNLOADING EMAIL ATTACHMENTS.



### CONTINGENCY PLANS

YOU CANNOT PREDICT EVERY SCENARIO, BUT IT IS IMPORTANT TO KNOW WHAT TO DO WHEN THINGS DO GO WRONG.





- NEVER CLICK UNTRUSTED LINKS
- NEVER OPEN UNTRUSTED E-MAIL ATTACHMENTS
- ONLY DOWNLOAD FROM TRUSTED SITES
- USE SECURITY SOFTWARE AND KEEP IT UP TO DATE.
- CONDUCT REGULAR RISK ASSESSMENTS TO REVIEW CYBER CAPABILITIES AND VULNERABILITIES.

















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