

# Information Security Experts commissum Welcomes the Cyber Crime Classification But Warns Businesses May Not Be Able to Improve

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The National Security Council has released its security strategy that classifies cyber crime as one of the four highest priority risks.

Titled 'A strong Britain in an age of uncertainty', the 39-page document looks at and evaluates all levels of national defences. It claims that the four highest priority risks for the next five years include: 'international terrorism, cyber attack by other states and by organised crime and terrorists, international military crises and major accidents or natural hazards'.

commissum's (<http://www.commissum.com>) Managing Director Martin Finch made the following comment:

"Attacks to the national infrastructure are now becoming more sophisticated. These are not being just initiated by teenagers looking for a challenge but by groups of state sponsored professionals in a number of countries that are using the complex connectivity of modern systems to access information or systems for economic advantage or hostile aims.

"Therefore more needs to be done to protect us from the increasing cyber attacks but the current economic climate, or even the perception of this may make it difficult for many organisations to increase or even maintain expenditure for information and IT security."

This has also been recognised by the Centre for the Protection of National Infrastructure (CPNI) which is providing organisations and companies with protective security advice to reduce risks. Their top ten security guidelines (<http://www.commissum.com/consulting/>) provide protective security points which have not changed for some time, but are still valid and are becoming much more important with the increasing sophistication of attacks.

The CPNI have established a unique partnership program with expert security consultancy companies such as commissum to work with businesses to help find innovative and holistic ways to address vulnerabilities and increase security with minimum investment or, in some cases, decreasing operational costs.

The commissum information security advisory services (<http://www.commissum.com/consulting/>) which include risk assessments, audits and security health checks, will help organisations to prioritise the selection and deployment of defensive measures in the context of the risk attitude and culture of the organisation.

commissum services ensure that the selected measures or controls are working cohesively, taking account of cross-functional business requirements to create a system of integrated controls, tools and processes, all implemented, monitored and managed to maintain effectiveness at reduced operating costs and investment.

With 20 years of experience, commissum is adept at offering practical advice and recommending

cost-effective solutions, to deliver a joined-up, coherent approach to protecting an organisation's information assets.

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