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UN approves its first treaty targeting cybercrime

“UN member states on Thursday, August 8, approved a treaty targeting cybercrime, the body's first such text, despite fierce opposition from human rights activists who have warned of potential surveillance dangers. [READ MORE](#)

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Scientific American, [New U.N. Cybercrime Treaty Could Threaten Human Rights](#), 09 August 2024

Source: *Amnesty International*

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Jordanie, la nouvelle Loi relative à la cybercriminalité étouffe la liberté d'expression

“La loi introduit de lourdes sanctions pour des infractions à la définition trop large et vague, telles que « diffusion de fausses nouvelles », « incitation à la discorde », « menace à la paix sociale » et « mépris des religions ». [READ MORE](#)

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AlJazeera, [Jordan's king approves 'draconian' cybercrime law](#), 12 August 2024

Source: *Government of Canada*

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Countering disinformation with facts - Russian invasion of Ukraine

“The Kremlin has long spread disinformation and propaganda to achieve its objectives. This article provides a sample of the many lies by the Russian regime about its invasion of Ukraine, along with the truth.” [READ MORE](#)

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Ukraine's government attacked by emails loaded with malware

“On August 12th, the Computer Emergency Response Team of Ukraine (CERT-UA) noticed that attackers posing as the Security Service of Ukraine were mass-distributing emails with malicious software. International Criminal Court (ICC) prosecutors are currently investigating alleged Russian cyberattacks on Ukrainian civilian infrastructure as possible war crimes.” [READ MORE](#)

Source: *Interpol*

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Police recover over USD 40 million from international email scam

“A global stop-payment mechanism developed by INTERPOL has helped Singapore authorities make their largest ever recovery of funds defrauded in a business email compromise scam. [READ MORE](#)

Source: Eurojust

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Financial scammers detained following actions coordinated by Eurojust

"The Organised Crime Group started their scam by posting false advertisements on the internet that promoted an investment plan that would lead to secure, quick and substantial earnings in virtual currencies."

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Source: OSCE

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OSCE helps strengthen Georgia's virtual asset regulations

"From 6 to 9 August, the OSCE held a workshop at the National Bank of Georgia (NBG) in Tbilisi to enhance the bank's regulatory framework for Virtual Asset Service Providers (VASPs). The workshop concluded with a collaborative effort to create compliance recommendations that will be integrated into National Bank of Georgia regulatory guidelines." [READ MORE](#)

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Money Laundering in the Digital Age: Exploring Virtual Assets Role

"To combat money laundering techniques, regulatory authorities are increasingly focusing on enhancing surveillance and implementing stricter Anti Money Laundry regulations for virtual asset service providers (VASPs)." [READ MORE](#)

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New Electronic Evidence Bill Could Help Tribal Courts Bring Justice to MMIP Crisis

"The Tribal Access to Electronic Evidence Act aims to give Tribal courts equal access to electronic evidence as non-Tribal courts for criminal investigations. The bill is endorsed by the National American Indian Court Judges Association, the National Native American Bar Association, and the National Native American Law Enforcement Association." [READ MORE](#)

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Perú: contenido sexual no consentido a través de Inteligencia Artificial ahora es un delito

"El Poder Ejecutivo introdujo modificaciones importantes en los delitos que sancionan la violencia de género en línea. [...] La norma modifica sustancialmente el artículo 154-B, del DL 1410, promulgado en 2018, que tipifica el delito de difusión de imágenes, materiales audiovisuales o audios con contenido sexual." [READ MORE](#)

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Plataforma del Estado Peruano, [Ley no 30096, ley de delitos informáticos](#), 08 August 2024

Source: Ministerio Público
Fiscalía de la Nación,
Perú

Date: 13 August 2024

Fiscalía de Ciberdelincuencia consigue condena contra acusada por fraude informático

“Según la acusación fiscal, desde inicios a mediados de 2023, la imputada—aprovechando la cercanía que tenía con la víctima, accedió al teléfono de esta y desde la banca móvil realizó diversas operaciones bancarias no autorizadas por un monto total de S/ 131 000 para usarlo en casinos virtuales.” [READ MORE](#)

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Entidades propõem criação de Plataforma Nacional de Reporte de Phishing, Smishing e Vishing

“A ideia é desenvolver um aplicativo móvel em uma colaboração entre órgãos reguladores, como ANPD, Anatel e Banco Central, para o qual os brasileiros possam reportar emails e números celulares utilizados em tentativas de fraude digital.” [READ MORE](#)

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Data Center Dynamics, [Aliança multisetorial propõe ao Governo 20 medidas de cibersegurança](#), 02 August 2024

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Convention de Budapest | Finalisation du processus d’adhésion de la Côte d’Ivoire

“Pour Vladimir Aman, [la convention de Budapest](#) apporte des capacités nouvelles en matière de renforcement de la coopération internationale, notamment du point de vue de la procédure pénale en ce qui concerne la cybercriminalité.” [READ MORE](#)

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“Insegurança cibernética em Angola desencoraja investimento estrangeiro”, alerta especialista

“Entre os crimes cibernéticos mais comuns em Angola, apontou, estão a clonagem de cartões de crédito, transferências ilícitas via internet banking, venda simulada de produtos pela Internet, espionagem e incitamento à violência. [...] Para mitigar esses impactos, defende a necessidade da criação de um Centro de Estudos Respostas e Tratamento de Incidentes Informáticos (CERT) e a adesão de Angola à [Convenção de Budapeste sobre crimes informáticos](#).” [READ MORE](#)

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Seychelles: Virtual Assets - National assembly approves the bill

“A new bill has been unanimously passed by the Seychelles National Assembly to regulate virtual asset providers. [...] The law will also ensure that virtual assets and VASPs operate responsibly, reducing the risk of misuse by illegal actors.” [READ MORE](#)

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Source: SmartCompany

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How striking back against phishing and fraudulent websites can help make Australia cyber-secure

“While ransomware remains a significant threat, criminals are now exfiltrating data and threatening to release it unless they are paid. Takedown services are vital for shutting down websites where criminals exchange and sell information and attempt to hold Australian businesses to ransom.” [READ MORE](#)

Source: TVWAN

Date: 04 August 2024

Papua New Guinea: Cybercrime Act is constitutional

“People charged with defamatory publication under the Cybercrime Code Act 2016 will be dealt with criminally because the law provides for it. [...] The act will now be a monitor to screen and charge those held accountable for abusing the internet through posts that are malicious, pictures or videos involving pornography and defamation, cyberbullying, and others that are being posted on social media platforms on the internet.” [READ MORE](#)

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- Cybercrime Magazine, [Ransomware Report: Latest Attacks And News](#), August 2024
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- 21 August 2024, C-PROC/ PANAMA, (in person), Workshop on Budapest Convention and national legislative reform, [GLACY-e](#)
- 22 August 2024, C-PROC/ PANAMA, (in person), Workshop on Budapest Convention and SAP for ISPs, [GLACY-e](#)
- 23 August 2024, C-PROC/ PANAMA, (in person), Workshop on finalizing the Cybercrime draft law, [GLACY-e](#)
- 26-27 August 2024, C-PROC/ BRAZIL, (online), Adult training methodology for national trainers - prosecutors, [GLACY-e](#)
- 26-30 August 2024, C-PROC/ BRAZIL, (in person), 9th Meeting of the Americas Working Group of Head of Units, [GLACY-e](#)
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