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Cyber Threats Increase During Festive Seasons

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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

As the festive season approaches, the UAE Cyber Security Council urges all entities to remain vigilant against potential cyber threats. Cyber Security Council want to emphasize the critical importance of cybersecurity measures for all organizations. These uncertain times have seen a significant increase in cyber threats and attacks, which can have severe consequences for operations, data, and reputation, which imposes direct threats to our digital critical infrastructure.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

- Remain vigilant and promptly report any unusual or suspicious activities targeting the sectors.
- Consider anti-DDoS solutions from ISPs or security vendors, if already subscribed then verify the anti-DDoS configuration.
- Have a DDoS response plan in place to respond quickly and effectively.
- Monitor cyber threat intelligence sources for information on potential threats targeting the industry.
- Ensure that all software, operating systems, and security applications are up to date with the latest patches and updates.
- Monitor network traffic for unusual or suspicious activities using intrusion detection systems (IDS) and intrusion prevention systems (IPS).
- Develop a comprehensive incident response plan that includes procedures for identifying, containing, and mitigating cyber incidents
- Phishing Attacks: Be cautious of unsolicited emails, messages, or calls requesting personal information or financial details.
- Use Strong Passwords: Employ strong, unique passwords for each online account and enable multi-factor authentication wherever possible.
- Backup Important Data: Regularly backup your important files and data to an external hard drive or a secure cloud storage service

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The UAE Cyber Security Council extends its appreciation for the continued collaboration.