



BEWARE OF RANSOMWARE!

WHAT IS Ransomware?

Ransomware is a type of malware that prevents or limits users from accessing their system, either by locking the system's screen or by locking the users' files unless a ransom is paid.

Description of WannaCry/ WannaCrypt Ransomware.

WannaCrypt Ransomware, also known by the names WannaCry, WanaCrypt0r or Wcrypt is a ransomware which targets Windows operating systems. Discovered on 12th May 2017, WannaCrypt was used in a large Cyber-attack and has since infected more than 230,000 Windows PCs in 150 countries.

(Source: <http://www.cnn.com/2017/05/14/cyber-attack-hits-200000-in-at-least-150-countries-europol.html>)



How it dangerous to all.



Temporary or permanent loss of sensitive or proprietary information,



Financial losses incurred to restore systems and files, and



Disruption to regular operations,



Potential harm to an organization's reputation.

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Make sure your virus and spyware definitions are up-to-date.

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Don't open spam emails or emails from unknown senders.

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Don't download attachments from spam emails or suspicious emails.

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Don't click links in spam emails or suspicious emails.

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Do regular backup of important data to a separate location/device

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Do update the operating system and the software that you use including the latest security updates.



What to do when you've been infected?



Immediately disconnect or disable your network cable or wifi.



Contact your helpdesk immediately.



Generally, do not pay since there is no guarantee that you will have your files back.

You may refer the link below for a short video on **RANSOMWARE:**
IT Security Awareness Videos

https://cdn.theguardian.tv/mainwebsite/2017/05/13/170513Cyber-attack_desk.mp4

You may also refer the link below for some articles regarding
WannaCry Ransomware:

<https://computerworld.com.my/tech/security/global-ransomware-attacks-prompt-national-wannacry-alert-from-cybersecurity-malaysia>

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