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**The Human Firewall  
is on fire – Anatomy  
of an email-based  
attack.**

# Cyber Security Today

## Defense Arms Race

Threats are constantly evolving!



## Data Recovery

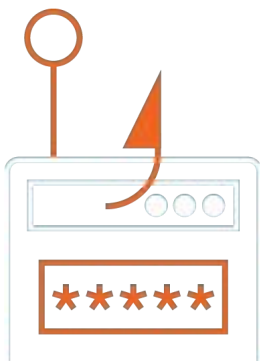
Can we recover to the last safe state!

## Skills Deficiencies

It's difficult to attract and retain talent!

## Business Disruptions

How do we maintain availability during a disruption!



# Email Attacks

~30%

of phishing attacks  
were opened<sup>1</sup>

100s

Median time to  
first click<sup>1</sup>

91%

of attacks start  
with a phish<sup>2</sup>

66%

of malware was  
installed via  
malicious email  
attachments<sup>3</sup>

\$5<sup>B</sup>

BEC is \$5B  
global scam<sup>4</sup>

1 Verizon Data Breach Report 2016 | 2 Wired 2015 | 3 Verizon Data Breach Report 2017 | 4 FBI, Public Service Announcement, May 4, 2017

# Why do attackers rely on email?

Cheap, ubiquitous, global, flexible, anonymous, trusted by users, integral to so many business processes



225B

Emails sent  
everyday

#1

Office 365 Cloud  
Service by User Count

6.3B

Email Mailboxes in 2017,  
growing to 7.7B by 2021

# Original Phishing Scams - What do you notice about them?

Naomi Surugaba [a████@████.gov.my]

*Inbox*

Dear Beloved Friend,

I know this message will come to you as surprised but permit me of my desire to go into business relationship with you.

I am Miss Naomi Surugaba a daughter to late Al-badari Surugaba of Libya whom was murdered during the recent civil war in Libya in March 2011, before his death my late father was a strong supporter and a member of late Moammar Gadhafi Government in Tripoli. Meanwhile before the incident, my late Father came to Cotonou Benin republic with the sum of USD4, 200,000.00 (US\$4.2M) which he deposited in a Bank here in Cotonou Benin Republic West Africa for safe keeping.

I am here seeking for an avenue to transfer the fund to you in only you're reliable and trustworthy person to Investment the fund. I am here in Benin Republic because of the death of my parent`s and I want you to help me transfer the fund into your bank account for investment purpose.



Please I will offer you 20% of the total sum of USD4.2M for your assistance. Please I wish to transfer the fund urgently without delay into your account and also wish to relocate to your country due to the poor condition in Benin, as to enable me continue my education as I was a medical student before the sudden death of my parent`s. Reply to my alternative email:missnaomisurugaba2@hotmail.com, Your immediate response would be appreciated.

Remain blessed,

Miss Naomi Surugaba.



# Your company is at **risk** if you...

- Have certain letters in your domain name
- Accept resumes on your website
- Highlight your Management or Leadership Team on your website
- Have a  profile
- Think your life is deemed *interesting* enough to be on 

**It**

**Only**

**Takes**

**One.**

# Introducing: Your Users

**Laura** [redacted]  
February 9 at 3:08pm · 🌐

I just helped a member unlock his online banking and he decided to make his new password LAURA123 because why not??! TGIF 🤪

👍 Like      💬 Comment

👍 😄 😱 23

**Jess** [redacted] Hahaha amazing! I always change it it whatever season it is with the year at the end but that sounds like a better tatic  
Like · Reply · 3w      👍 1

↳ **Jess** [redacted] replied · 2 Replies

**Shannan** [redacted] What bank do you work for?  
Like · Reply · 3w

**Laura** [redacted] [redacted] Credit Union      👍 1  
Like · Reply · 3w



# Would You Click?



Tue 10/17/2017 2:30 PM

Chase <abuse@med[redacted].com>

**Your Chase Account Has Been Comprimised**

To ● Bob Adams

Hello Chase Online™ Customer,

We are sorry, due to several failed attempts to access your account, we have temporarily deactivated your account for your protection. You are required to reactivate your bank account within the next 48 hours in order to continue using it.

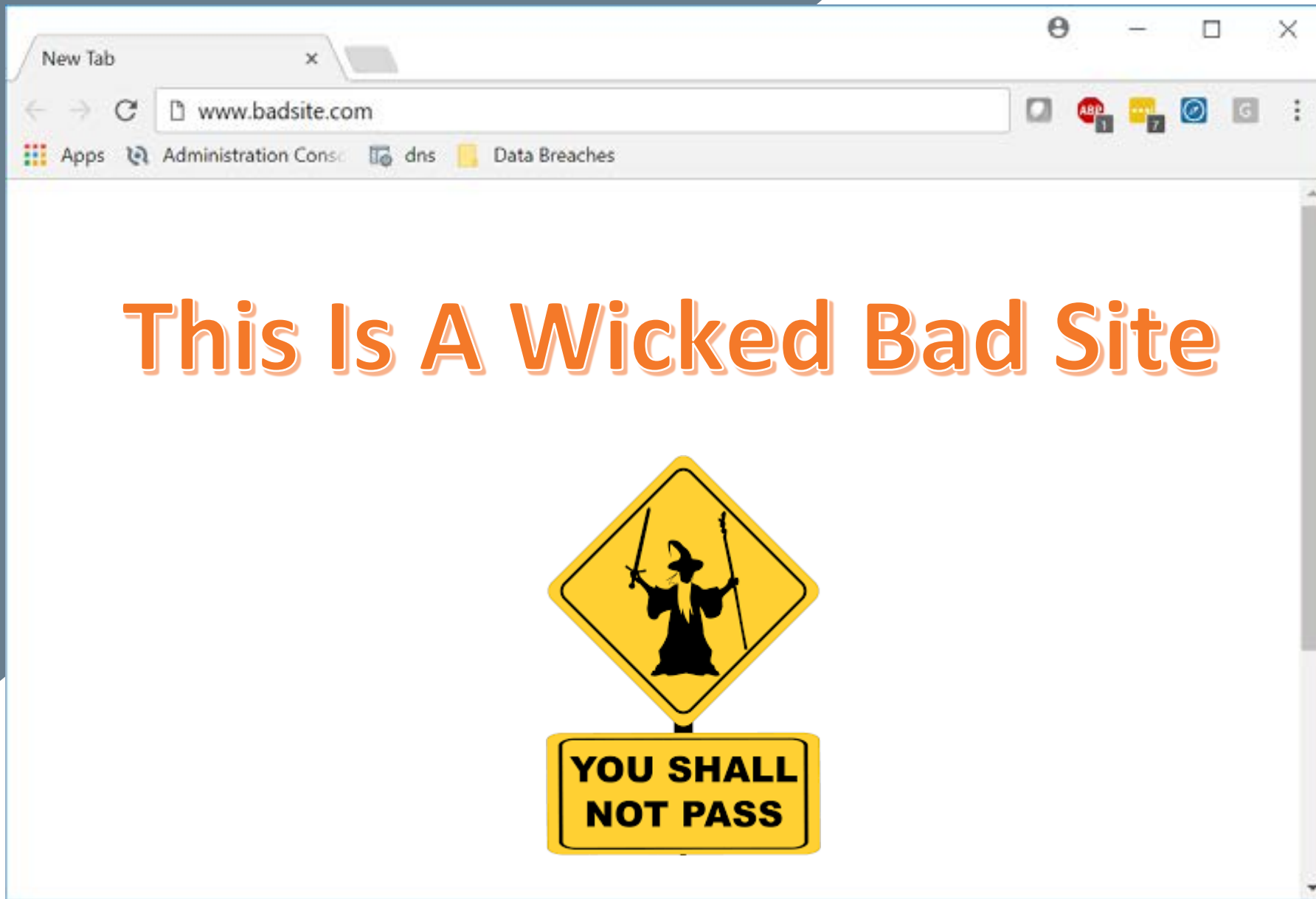
Please logon to [www.chase.com](http://www.chase.com) and enter your information correctly.

We apologize for any inconvenience this may have caused and look forward to taking further action with you to ensure your account remains secure.

Please do not reply to this automatically system generated email.

Sincerely,  
-Your Chase Online™ Banking Team

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WSYUD?

*What Should Your User Do?*

# URL Protect



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 Email security training

## Do you think the link is safe?

We've randomly selected this link for training purposes. Review the details before deciding whether it's safe.

**Link Clicked**  
<http://bgmtechnology.com.au/>

**Message Subject**  
Your Chase Account Has Been Comprised

**Message Sender**  
Bob Adams

**Email Address**  
abuse@med[redacted].com

It's Safe

It's Harmful



Targeted Threat Protection  
Your decision will be logged for tracking and audit purposes.

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# URL Protect



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✖ Unsafe link

## Sorry, this link is harmful

In future, please check links carefully before proceeding. You can close this page.

### Safety Tips

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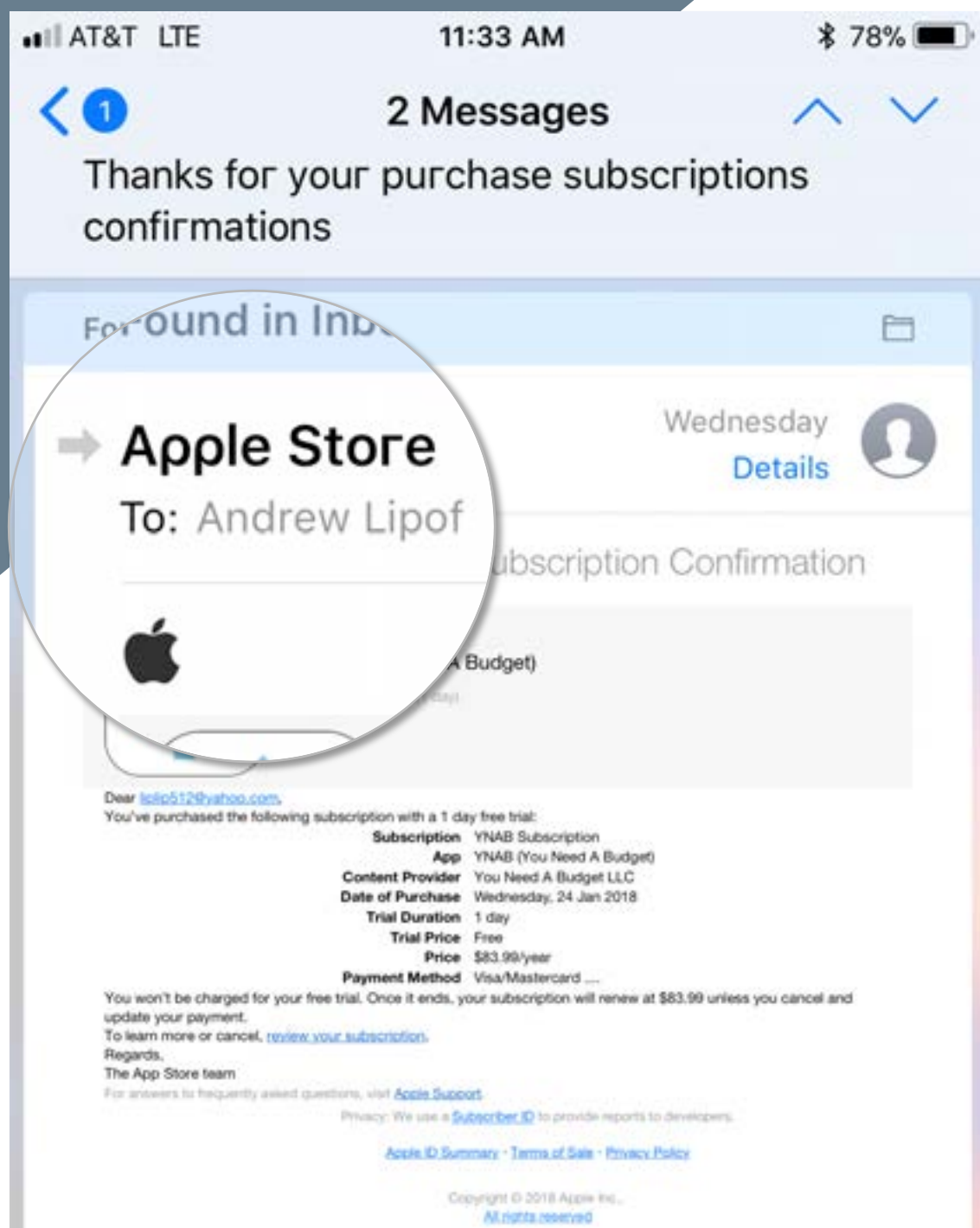
Be suspicious of requests to transfer money, even if they look genuine. Always check with the company directly, using the contact details on their website rather than in the message.



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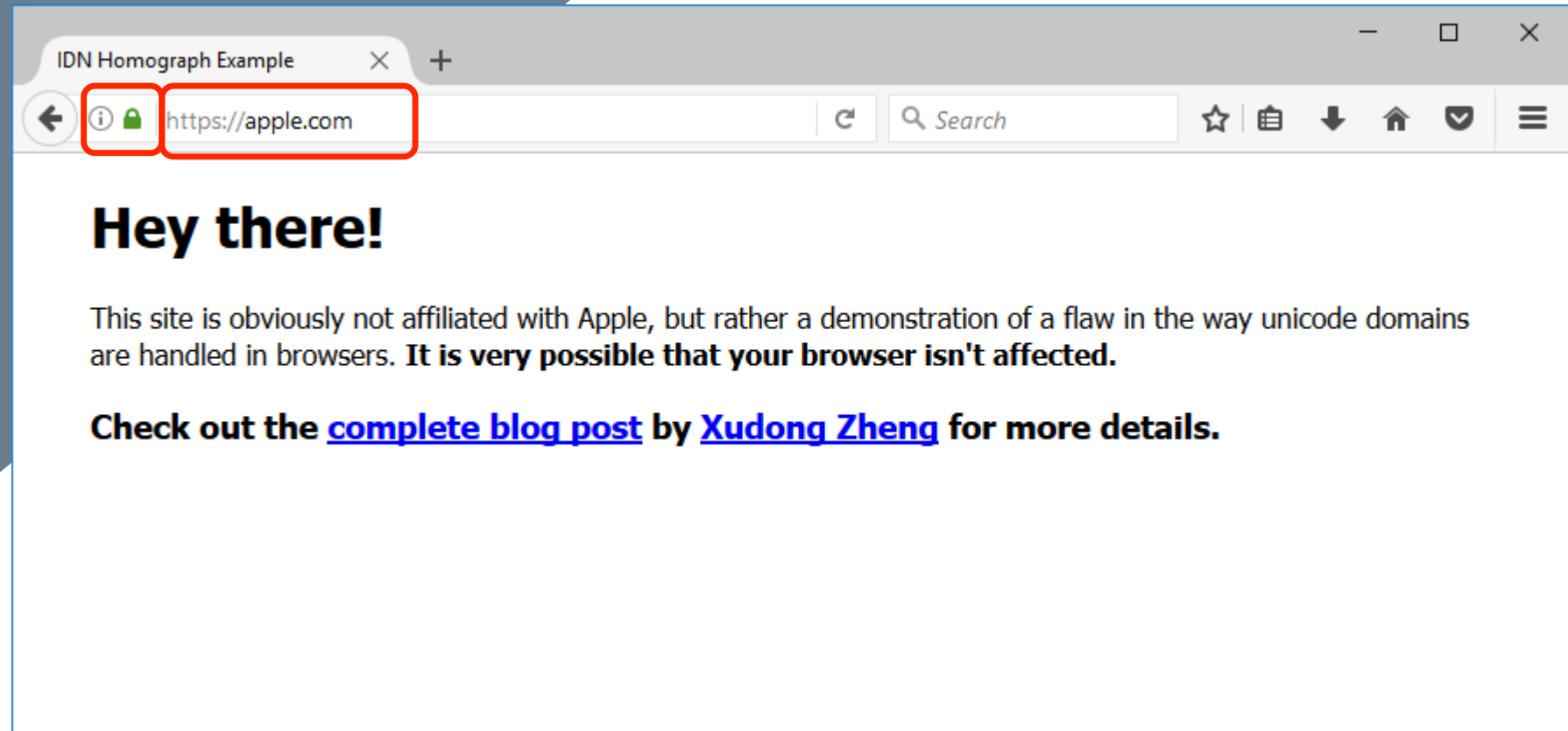
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Real or fake?





# Is this really Apple.com?

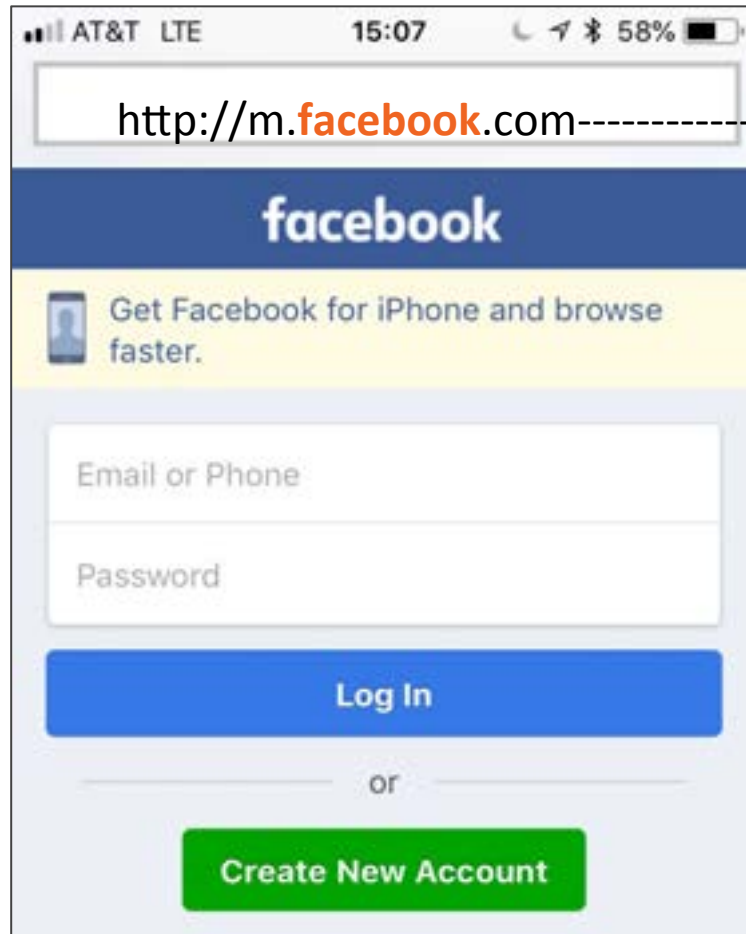


That “Apple.com” URL is really this....

**xn--80ak6aa92e.com**

# Watch Out Mobile Browsers!

## Phishing with Elongated URLs – What site are you really on?



-----securelogin.liraon.com/sign\_in.htm

# Would You Open This Attachment?



Tue 1/26/2016 8:50 AM  
UPS Delivery Notification <pkginfo@uqs.com>  
UPS Delivery Notification: Not delivered: Tracking Number 9Z6239536804289974572

To: Julian Martin; Julian Martin

If there are problems with how this message is displayed, click here to view it in a web browser.  
Click here to download pictures. To help protect your privacy, Outlook prevented automatic download of some pictures in this message.

Message Mimecast Attachment Protect Instructions (12 KB) receipt\_01262016.pdf (151 KB)

Your package was not delivered.

Delivery Date: Tuesday, 01/26/2016

Right-click here to download pictures. To help protect your privacy, Outlook prevented automatic download of the picture from the Internet.

Set Delivery Instructions  
Track Package Status  
View Delivery Planner

At the request of Walmart.  
Dear Julian Martin Your package was not delivered.

### Shipment Details

Print receipt:	receipt_01262016.doc
Ship To:	Julian, Martin US
UPS Service:	GROUND
Number of Packages:	1

Unable to log in to SharePoint

# Ooops, your files have been encrypted!

English



Payment will be raised on

5/16/2017 00:47:55

Time Left

02:23:57:37

Your files will be lost on

5/20/2017 00:47:55

Time Left

06:23:57:37

## What Happened to My Computer?

Your important files are encrypted.

Many of your documents, photos, videos, databases and other files are no longer accessible because they have been encrypted. Maybe you are busy looking for a way to recover your files, but do not waste your time. Nobody can recover your files without our decryption service.

## Can I Recover My Files?

Sure. We guarantee that you can recover all your files safely and easily. But you have not so enough time.

You can decrypt some of your files for free. Try now by clicking <Decrypt>.

But if you want to decrypt all your files, you need to pay.

You only have 3 days to submit the payment. After that the price will be doubled.

Also, if you don't pay in 7 days, you won't be able to recover your files forever.

We will have free events for users who are so poor that they couldn't pay in 6 months.

## How Do I Pay?

Payment is accepted in Bitcoin only. For more information, click <About bitcoin>.

Please check the current price of Bitcoin and buy some bitcoins. For more information, click <How to buy bitcoins>.

And send the correct amount to the address specified in this window.

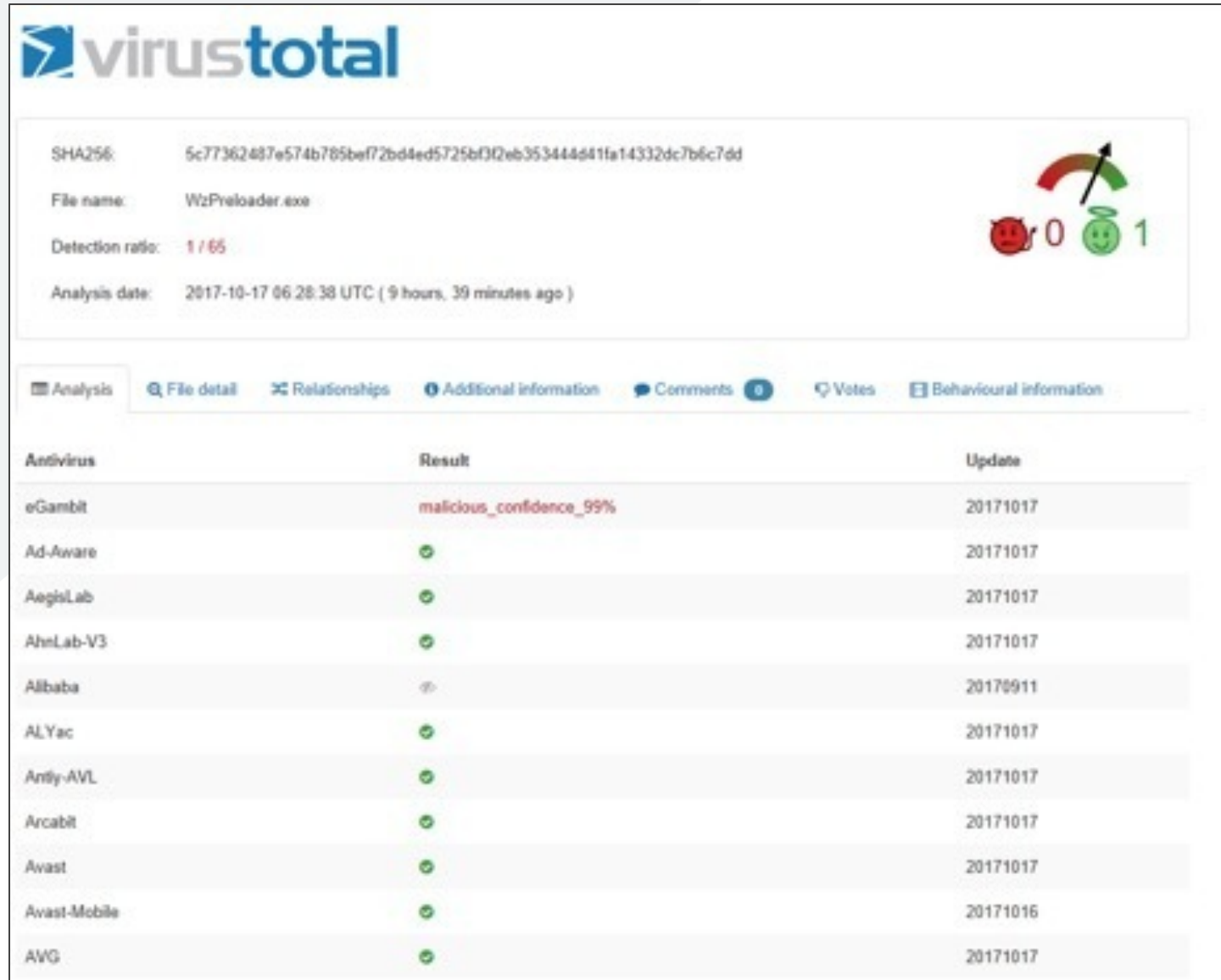
After your payment, click <Check Payment>. Best time to check: 9:00am - 11:00am







# No One Way to Catch Malware



The screenshot shows the VirusTotal analysis page for a file named 'WzPreloader.exe'. The file's SHA256 hash is 5c77362487e574b785bef72bd4ed5725bf32eb353444d41fa14332dc7b6c7dd. The detection ratio is 1/65, and the analysis was performed on 2017-10-17 at 06:28:38 UTC. A gauge chart shows 0 votes for 'malicious' and 1 vote for 'safe'. Below the header, there are navigation tabs for Analysis, File detail, Relationships, Additional information, Comments, Votes, and Behavioural information. The main content is a table listing various antivirus engines and their results.

Antivirus	Result	Update
eGambit	malicious_confidence_99%	20171017
Ad-Aware	☑	20171017
AegisLab	☑	20171017
AhnLab-V3	☑	20171017
Alibaba	☐	20170911
ALYac	☑	20171017
Anly-AVL	☑	20171017
Arcabit	☑	20171017
Avast	☑	20171017
Avast-Mobile	☑	20171016
AVG	☑	20171017



We all know the risks

Trust your users  
not to click?

Imagine being able  
to stop *EVERY*  
malicious file



# Static File Analysis



Expedites scanning and scan time for users  
~1-2 seconds attachment scan



Analyze inbound attachments  
with **multiple AV engines + static file  
analysis + behavioral sandboxing + Safe  
file conversion**

# Enhanced Threat Remediation

- Leverage global threat intelligence
- Incident / Response Dashboard
- Constantly monitor and re-check status of all file attachment fingerprints globally
- If security score of a delivered file changes:
  - Quickly alert and update administrators
  - Automatically or manually remediate attachment based malware
  - Log incident actions



# Who Says Attacks Need to Involve Malware?

- Business Email Compromise
- Whaling
- Wire transfer or W-2 Fraud



# Who would send the money?

**From:** Peter Campbell [mailto:[pcampbell@mirnecast.com](mailto:pcampbell@mirnecast.com)]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, July 29, 2015 10:46 AM  
**To:** Peter Fondini  
**Subject:** RE: Payment Request

Peter,

Find attached wiring instructions for a wire of \$48,254.80. I need you to process this, code to Professional Service expenses and send me confirmation when completed.

This ought to have been sent yesterday.

Thanks,

Peter





# Impersonation Protect

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**Sent:** Wednesday, July 29, 2015 5:09 PM  
**To:** Peter Fondini  
**Subject:** RE: Payment Request

Peter--what is the update of the wire

Thanks,

Peter

le to Professional Service expenses and send



# Impersonation Protect



## Whois Record ( last updated on 2015-08-02 )

Domain Name: MIRNECAST.COM  
Registry Domain ID: 1949875411\_DOMAIN\_COM-VRSN  
Registrar WHOIS Server: whois.tucows.com  
Registrar URL: http://tucowsdomains.com  
Updated Date: 2015-07-29T13:06:40Z  
Creation Date: 2015-07-29T13:06:40Z

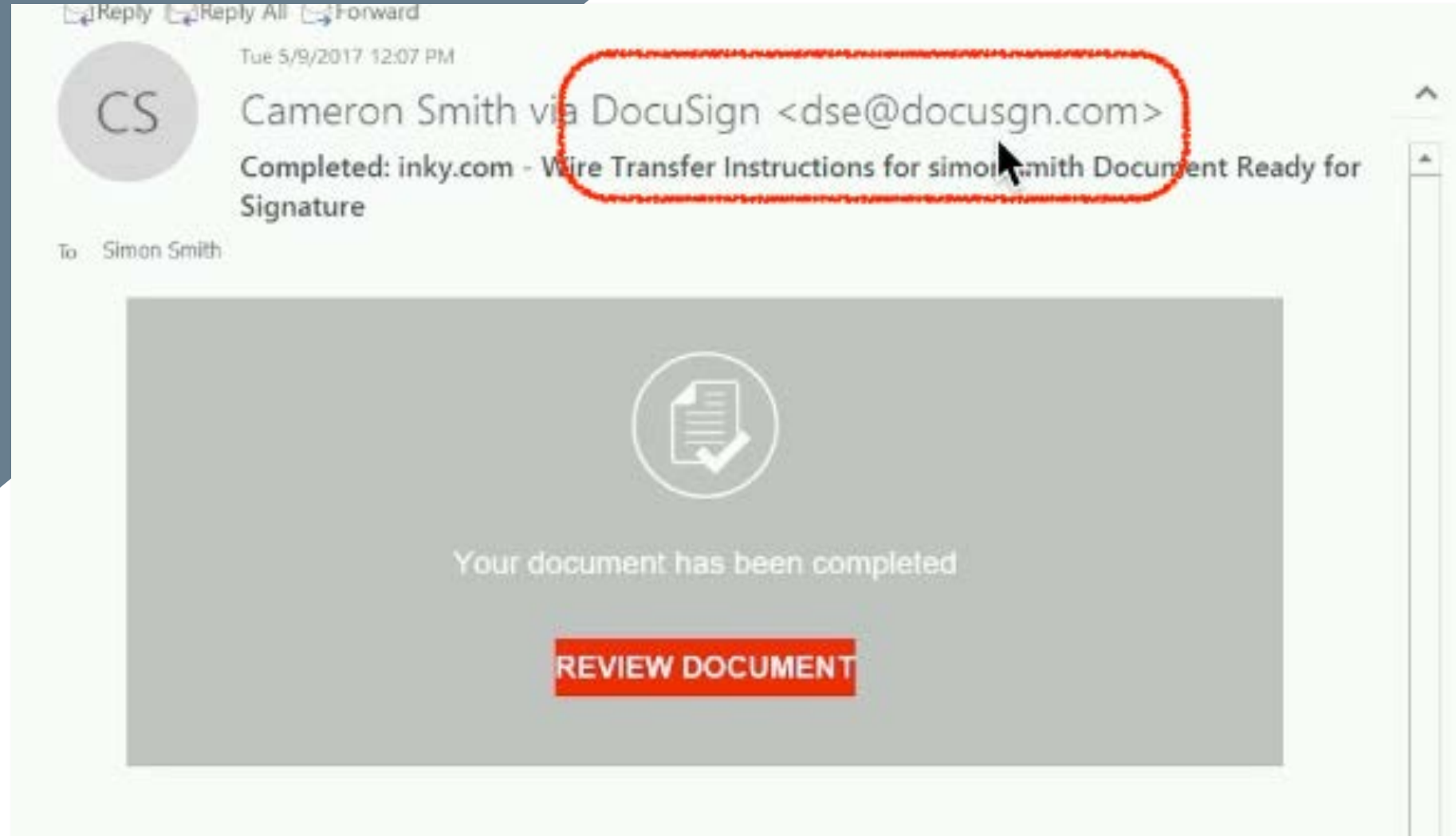
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# Supply Chain Impersonation



One of these things is not like the others!!!



# “Similar” Domains Being Registered Every Day – Why?

- Serer - **facebook.com** - **xn--faebook-ozb.com** [**facebook.com**]
- Old English - **apple.com** - **xn--le-m1aa24e.com** [**apple.com**]
- Math Symbol - **hotmail-.com** - **xn--hotmail-jka.com** [**hotmail.com**]
- German - **microsoftonline.com** - **xn--microsftonline-0pb.com** [**microsoftonline.com**]
- Chinese - **amazon.购物** - **amazon.xn--g2xx48c** [**amazon.com**]
- Cyrillic - **apple.com** - **xn--appl-t64a.com** [**apple.com**]
- Polish - **azure.com** - **xn--aure-bbb.com** [**azure.com**]
- Fula/African - **dropbox.com** - **-dropox-sxc.com** [**dropbox.com**]
- Fula/African - **ebay.com** - **xn--eay-osb.com** [**ebay.com**]
- Polish - **ebay.com** - **xn--eby-jpa.com** [**ebay.com**]
- Danish - **facebook.com** - **xn--facebk-fyaa.com** [**facebook.com**]



# Similarity matching capabilities

Real Domain	Similarity Match
<a href="#">mimecast.com</a>	<a href="#">mimecast.co.za</a>
<a href="#">apple.com</a>	<a href="#">xn--80ak6aa92e.com</a>
<a href="#">amazon.co.uk</a>	<a href="#">www.amazonn.co.uk</a>
<a href="#">facebook.com</a>	<a href="#">http://m.facebook.com-----securelogin.liraon.com/sign_in.htm</a>
<a href="#">paypal.com</a>	<a href="#">http://m.facebook.com-----securelogin.lira</a>
<a href="#">CustomDomain.com</a>	<a href="#">CustomDornain.com</a>

- Detect similarity both simple and complex
  - Character switching, Homoglyph/Homograph, long domain strings and more

Are Users part of the solution or part of the problem?

## Internal Email Protect

### **Compromised Accounts**

- Attacker uses stolen user credentials to spread attack internally and/or externally

### **Careless Users**

- “Oops, I sent it to the wrong person...again.”

### **Malicious Insiders**

- Purposely distributing malware or malicious URLs





# *Cyber Resilience for email* **mimecast®**