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IRAN-BASED CYBER ACTORS ENABLING RANSOMWARE ATTACKS ON U.S. ORGANIZATIONS

The Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI), Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Security Agency, and the Department of Defense Cyber Crime Center published joint Cybersecurity Advisory (CSA) "Iran-based Cyber Actors Enabling Ransomware Attacks on U.S. Organizations" that warns of Iran-based cyber actors targeting and exploiting U.S. and foreign organizations across several sectors in the U.S. While sharing similarities to the 2020 CSA on Iran activity, this new CSA contains information from FBI investigation and analysis on Iranian cyber actors as recently as August 2024.

Organizations are encouraged to review the advisory, indicators of compromises, tactics, techniques, and procedures, and implement recommended mitigations to protect against Iranian-based cyber actors.

Organizations are also encouraged to visit stopransomware.gov, a whole-of-government approach with one central location for no-cost U.S. ransomware resources and alerts, to access an updated Joint #StopRansomware Guide.