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Japan Cybercrime Control Center

Establishment of "Japan Cybercrime Control Center," a New Organization for Fighting Cybercrime

As a Japanese NCFTA*-style organization, the Japan Cybercrime Control Center, a non-profit organization that addresses threats to cyberspace, was established and began its operations on November 13, 2014.

> The NCFTA* (National Cyber-Forensics & Training Alliance) is a non-profit corporation focused on identifying, mitigating, and ultimately neutralizing cyber crime threats through strategic alliances and partnerships with Subject Matter Experts (SME) in the public, private, and academic sectors. (http://ncfta.net/about-ncfta.aspx)

Outline of the New Organization

(1) Name

Japan Cybercrime Control Center (JC3)

(2) Purpose

To identify, mitigate, and neutralize the root of threats to cyberspace, including cybercrimes, which makes it possible to suppress subsequent incidents with the use of surveys on all of cyberspace, and gather knowledge and experience in dealing with threats to industries, academic institutions, law enforcement agencies.

(3) Activities

a. To gather and analyze information about threats to cyberspace

b. To research and develop measures to address threats to cyberspace

c. To develop and provide training programs about measures to address threats to cyberspace

d. To cooperate globally to comprehensively address threats to cyberspace

(4) Website

http://www.jc3.or.jp

(5) Representatives

   Representative Director: Takaaki Shimizu

   (Executive Vice President, CMO (Chief Marketing Officer), Member of the
      Board of NEC Corporation)

<Councilors, Directors and Auditor of JC3>

Background

   To address recent threats that have grown increasingly serious and sophisticated, it is essential for industries (which view a variety of information and cyber threat trends from a global perspective), academic institutions (which accumulate cutting-edge knowledge and expertise through research and development related to information communication technologies) and law enforcement agencies (which investigate criminals) to flexibly share information and work together to conduct in-depth analysis of these threats. To that end, it has become imperative to expand efforts to share and use information, knowledge, experiences, and expertise, and to build a new system that enables parties to address threats to cyberspace more effectively.

   In 2013, it was clearly outlined in the Cybersecurity Strategy determined by the Information Security Policy Council and other documentation that a Japanese NCFTA-style organization should be established. Subsequently, the Advisory Council for the National Police Agency on Cyber Security for FY2013 (Chairman: Professor Masahide Maeda, Tokyo Metropolitan University Law School) was held at the National Police Agency and attended by representatives from different industries, academic institutions, and government organizations. Through the discussions, it was clearly mentioned that there is the necessity of a framework for these three sectors to share their experiences and know-how together in the same location. The advisory council concluded that a new framework of cooperation among these three sectors should be established, which would enable them to ensure proactive and comprehensive measures to address threats, including the effective exercise of investigative powers by the law enforcement agencies. After further discussion about

practical matters among the parties, the framework was established as the Japan Cybercrime Control Center, JC3.

The JC3 aims to provide the chance for industries, academic institutions and law enforcement agencies to utilize their strengths, which enables surveys on the whole of cyberspace to clarify the situation of cyberspace, and to identify and trace back to criminals behind the scenes. Likewise, to make the most of its capabilities, the center seeks both to enlist the cooperation of related entities in Japan and to establish good relationships with agencies overseas, such as the NCFTA in the US, to share useful information and promote cooperation. The JC3 will work to eradicate the core threats to cyberspace, which mitigates and invalidates the damage they would cause. In addition, the JC3 will actively convey the information it collects. In these ways, the center will contribute to the establishment of an environment that allows ordinary people to surf the Internet safely and securely.

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Cyber Defense Institute, Inc.

Institute of Information Security

Professor Shuichiro Hoshi, Tokyo Metropolitan University

Professor Hiroshi Yasuda, Tokyo Denki University

National Police Agency

Endorsement

  On behalf of the NCFTA and myself, I wanted to celebrate the opening of the Japan Cybercrime Control Center, JC3.

  It is refreshing to see the forward thinking and proactive approach that Japan has taken to address cybercrime.

  It is only through centers like the JC3, an organization that provides industry, academia, and law enforcement agencies with a means to utilize their strengths to collaborate and share intelligence to fight cybercrime, that we can identify and mitigate cybercrime globally.

  Congratulations, I look forward to watching the JC3 grow, succeed and execute on its mission to fight cybercrime. We look forward to working with the JC3.

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Maria J. Vello

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