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Malware worm pretends to be security update

Sneaky blighter

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THERE'S YET ANOTHER dodgy email doing the rounds for you to ruin your kecks over, warns security group Microworld Technologies.

The email is typically badly written and makes little to no sense, talking of robots, patches and worms. Here it is in full:

Dear Customer,

Our robot has fixed an abnormal activity from your IP address on sending e-mails. Probably it is connected with the last epidemic of a Worm which does not have patches at the moment. We recommend you to install a firewall module and it will stop e-mail sending. Otherwise your account will be blocked until you do not eliminate malfunction.

Customer support center robot.

According to MicroWorld, however, plenty of users will be "stupefied" by the system-generated nature of the text. Govind Rammurthy, CEO of MicroWorld, reckons that a recipients "deluded reflex would tell them that it's originating from a machine and not created by a human being, which would benumb their ability to smell the rat."

The worm in question is the Warazov worm, also known as the Stration, which is an exe file that puts all sorts of nastiest onto your computer, as well as copying itself to every address in the recipient's book. Watch out, says MicroWorld, and try your hardest not to get "benumbed." μ

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