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The 4th Anniversary Development Forum of the 21th Century Maritime Silk Road Initiative and the 5th CMEC Brand Promotion Conference held in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia

KUALA LUMPUR, Malaysia, Nov. 1, 2017 /PRNewswire/ -- The 4th Anniversary Development Forum of 21th Century Maritime Silk Road Initiative and the 5th CMEC Brand Promotion Conference, co-hosted by China Machinery Engineering Corporation (CMEC) and Peking University, took place in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia on October 27, 2017.

Several key guests delivered speeches at the event, including **Deputy Minister of Science, Technology and Innovation (Malaysia) YB Datuk Wira Dr. Abu Bakar Mohamad Diah**, vice president of the Malaysia-China Chamber of Commerce (MCCC) Kerk Loong Sing and Minister of City Planning and Water Supply (Sri Lanka) Rauff Hakeem, as well as the former Malaysian Ambassador to China.

A high-ranking executive from Electricite du Laos (EDL) gave a speech on user experience on behalf of CMEC's users in markets outside of its domestic market in China. As evidence of strong support from the Chinese government, the Economic and Commercial Counsellor of the Embassy of the People's Republic of China in Malaysia Shi Ziming was in attendance.

The event also brought together over 300 representatives from 17 countries and regions worldwide,including Bangladesh, Cambodia, Indonesia, Laos, Malaysia, Maldives, Myanmar, Singapore, Sri Lanka and Thailand.

Attendees included Deputy Minister of Housing and Infrastructure (Maldives) Maumoon Abdulsamad, among other government officials, representatives from industry associations, top researchers from high-end think tanks and representatives from the industrial and commercial communities in the countries targeted by the initiative.

CMEC president Zhang Chun delivered a keynote speech themed "CMEC-Your Partner for Success" and took part in several business meetings and conferences during the event.

The event received wide attention from the media community. China Radio International (CRI) conducted an exclusive interview with CMEC president Zhang Chun. Additionally, several dozen local and international media outlets, including leading Chinese news agencies, issued featured reports on the event. Among them, Xinhua News Agency, China News Service, Radio Televisyen Malaysia (RTM), *NanYang Siang Pau*, *Sin Chew Daily* and *Oriental Daily News*.

To further increase CMEC's brand influence, the CMEC Brand Promotion Conference was organized using what the event organizer termed as the "one plus three" approach: one conference held in the morning and three sub-forums held in the afternoon related respectively to the engineering design, procurement and construction, the financing and the academic aspects of machinery engineering.

CMEC, in cooperation with its strategic partners, including General Electric (GE), demonstrated the company's outstanding competence in engineering integration to its customers during the "EPC plus new technology"-themed events.

High-level executives from nearly 20 Chinese and international financial institutions, including China Development Bank, China Construction Bank, Bank of China, Deutsche Bank and Standard Chartered Bank, outlined their cooperation with CMEC, serving as a testament to CMEC's reliability as an investment and financing partner.

In addition, Peking University formally released its Report on the Interconnections among Countries along the 21th Century Maritime Silk Road and invited specialists and academic experts from the countries involved to participate in the discussions on potential collaborations between China and Malaysia and on the future of the 21th Century Maritime Silk Road Initiative.

The Forum and Brand Promotion Conference has been held in Southeast Asian countries for three years in a row following the inaugural gathering in Indonesia in 2015 and the first anniversary event in Thailand in 2016. The organization of the events was undertaken by CMEC's controlling subsidiary CMEC International Exhibition.

This year's event which included demonstrations on the use of photoelectric technology and multimedia interactions proved to be an especially vivid presentation and demonstration of CMEC's brand image and strength.

"CMEC highly values its markets in Southeast Asia, especially South Asia, and has identified the region as one of the company's key strategic markets outside of its home market," said president Zhang in his keynote speech. "Going forward, CMEC plans to

continue embracing innovation as the firm keeps perfecting the business model as part of its mission to achieve the vision of becoming a leading global international engineering contractor and service provider and of making further worthwhile contributions to the fulfillment of the 'One Belt, One Road' Initiative and the creation of a community of a shared future for mankind."

Defend your data

With identity theft cases in the country rising, victims have come forward to share their stories. CyberSecurity Malaysia has urged social media users to be careful with personal details they share online, as it could allow scammers to trick them out of more vital information. Meanwhile, regulators are close to wrapping up their probe of the breach that saw data linked to 46.2 million mobile numbers leaked online. **>See Page 4 for report by YUEN MEIKENG**

'Don't fall prey to identity thieves'

Rising cases of criminals stealing personal details and exploiting them

By YUEN MEIKENG
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PETALING JAYA: She was behaving strangely, adding all her friends on a new Facebook account and even asking them for money.

Claiming that she had lost her phone, she asked for their numbers and mobile service provider, too.

The reason for this unusual behaviour: it simply wasn't her.

Kam, a company executive in her 30s, had fallen victim to an identity thief who created a duplicate Facebook account with her name and profile photo.

She checked her security settings and learnt that the scammer had accessed her real account.

"The history showed an unknown device logged into my account from another location," she said.

Kam added that her friends sensed something amiss because she "sounded different".

"They stopped communicating when the impersonator asked them for money.

"They contacted me after realising something was not right," she said, adding that she immediately changed her password.

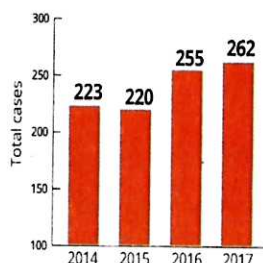Kam's case is one example of identity theft, which is on the rise.

Such incidents, where criminals steal personal details and exploit the information, shot up by 16% from 220 in 2015 to 255 last year.

From January to September this year, 262 cases have already been reported to CyberSecurity Malaysia (CSM).

Full names, MyKad numbers, birth dates, bank account numbers, e-mail addresses, phone numbers, home and work addresses are among the types of data stolen.

The identity thieves use this data, sometimes impersonating their victims, to apply for loans and credit cards, buy expensive items, make counterfeit credit cards, commit online fraud and even transfer money out of the targets' accounts.

"Some also use (stolen details) for activities on the dark web to hide their real identity," CSM chief executive officer Datuk Dr Amirudin Abdul Wahab told The Star.

"Others also sell such personal data on the black market."

These days, he said, most scammers extract personal information from their victims by spoofing calls and other social engineering methods.

"They pretend to be from law enforcement agencies, telcos or banks, claiming that the victims have issues to settle."

The perpetrators then blackmail or intimidate their targets to get their hands on personal details.

Dr Amirudin said the websites most vulnerable to identity thieves are those without the latest security patches, or where the administrators use weak passwords.

He advises minimal sharing of personal information on social media.

Describing personal data as "treasure" to cybercriminals, Dr Amirudin said users should also control who can view their activities on social media.

"Make your account private and only add people you know," he said.

The escalation in cases appears to follow an alleged data breach of mobile number data in Malaysia.

The incident was reported in October on online portal lowyat.net, which claimed the leak originated from a data breach in 2014.

It was reported that the Malaysian Communications and Multimedia Commission (MCMC) has met with telecommunications companies over the incident, involving 46.2 million mobile numbers.

The case is currently being investigated by the police and MCMC.

To avoid data breaches in general, users are advised to have different passwords for every account.

They should also refrain from revealing their identity card number unnecessarily, and enable features that add an extra layer of security to protect online accounts. However, it is not just the "constantly connected" who are at risk of identity theft.

In June, it was reported that a mute retiree found himself owing RM1,800 for a postpaid line even though he has never owned a mobile phone.

The 73-year-old was among 15 people from low-cost flats in Batu Caves who lodged reports with the MCMC. The case has since been resolved.

One victim, single mother Renukah Doraisamy, 40, said she has become very cautious when divulging her personal details.

"Even if there is a free giveaway of 100kg of rice today, I wouldn't dare register for it," she said.

Renukah, who runs a flower stall, said "creditors" pressed her to settle postpaid bills even though she was using a prepaid line.

"These syndicates should stop taking advantage of low-income earners like us.

"Most are not highly educated and don't know who they can trust."

Identity theft cases

Total cases

Year	Cases
2014	223
2015	220
2016	255
2017	262

Methods used in theft (2014-2017)

Method	Count
Compromising accounts	582
Fraud (impersonation & unauthorised transactions)	341
Info disclosure by victim (unintentional)	37

Protect your identity

- Share minimal personal information on social media
- Set social media accounts to private mode and only add people you know
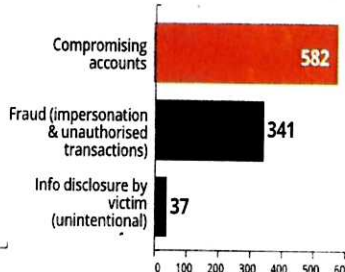- Do not click on any links in suspicious e-mail, messages or websites
- Do not give personal information to strangers, such as passport copies and other info when dealing with a foreign buyer/customer/seller
- Check your financial statements, especially after transactions
- Stop communicating when a deal is too good to be true
- Do not give others access to your unused bank accounts
- Do not key in your username or password from links in e-mail

Source: CyberSecurity Malaysia

Data theft: They knew, public kept out of the loop

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The disclosure, one of the several, came about in the wake of the massive personal data leak affecting 46.2 million Malaysians, which Malaysia Communications and Multimedia Ministry is now investigating.

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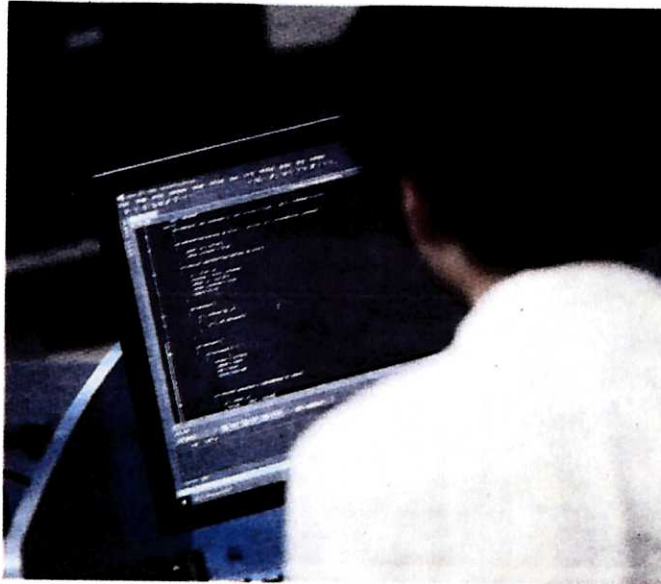
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Besides medical associations, employment search website — JobStreet — sent a newsletter to its customers to address the recent data leak which affected the company, generally confirming there had been a breach.

According to the newsletter, the company said an internal investigation was carried out and it revealed data breach involved accounts created before July 2012.

There were no signs of data breach for accounts that were registered after 2012.

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Lowyat.net first reported network security breaches in several Malaysian telecommunications companies as well as the persona data of several medical groups of some 46.2 million mobile phone numbers on its website October 19.

The technology news site said the leak included postpaid and prepaid numbers, customer addresses as well as sim card details from all major operators including DiGi, Celcom, Maxis, Tunetalk, Redtone and Altel.

Yesterday MCMC met with telecommunications companies over the alleged sale of consumer data believed to be obtained illegally.

Subsequently, the Communications and Multimedia Ministry said earlier today it has identified possible suspects behind the theft and attempted sale of the information.

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Hujan lebat berterusan dua hari

KUALA LUMPUR: **Jabatan Meteorologi (MetMalaysia)** mengeluarkan amaran hujan lebat berterusan berserta angin kencang di Pantai Timur dan beberapa lokasi lain selama dua hari hingga Sabtu ini.

Hujan berterusan yang boleh mengakibatkan banjir dijangka melanda Tumpat, Pasir Mas, Kota Bharu, Bachok, Pasir Puteh, Machang, Tanah Merah, Jeli, Kuala Krai dan Gua Musang, Kelantan.

Tidak terkecuali akan dilanda hujan lebat berterusan adalah Besut, Setiu, Kuala Nerus, Kuala Terengganu, Marang dan Hulu Terengganu serta Perlis, Kedah, Pulau Pinang dan Hulu Perak.

Sementara itu, MetMalaysia, dalam satu kenyataan, pagi ini, mengeluarkan amaran angin kencang kategori kedua di perairan Condore, Reef North dan Layang-Layang hingga Ahad ini.

Katanya, perairan berkenaan dijangka dilanda angin kencang Timur Laut dengan kelajuan 50 hingga 60 kilometer sejam (kmsj) dengan ombak mencapai ketinggian hingga 4.5 meter.

"Keadaan angin kencang dan laut bergelora ini adalah berbahaya kepada semua aktiviti perkapalan dan pantai termasuk menangkap ikan dan perkhidmatan feri," katanya.

MetMalaysia turut menjangkakan angin kencang Timur Laut dengan kelajuan 40 hingga 50kmsj dengan ombak hingga 3.5 meter di perairan Samui, Tioman, Bunguran, Reef South, Labuan dan Palawan sehingga Ahad.

Jangkaan itu turut membabitkan perairan Kelantan, Terengganu, Pahang, Johor Timur, Sarawak, Pedalaman, Pantai Barat dan Kudat, Sabah serta Labuan.

Amaran angin kencang kategori pertama itu berbahaya kepada bot-bot kecil, rekreasi laut dan sukan laut.

"Ribut petir dijangka berterusan di perairan Selat Melaka, Tioman, Samui, Reef North dan Layang-layang hingga lewat pagi ini.

"Begitu juga di perairan Perak, Selangor, Negeri Sembilan, Melaka, Johor, Kelantan dan Terengganu," katanya.

Keadaan ini boleh menyebabkan angin kencang hingga 50kmsj, laut bergelora dengan ombak hingga 3.5 meter dan berbahaya kepada bot-bot kecil.

Sementara itu, MetMalaysia mengesan lekukan Tropika, jam 5 pagi tadi, kira-kira 159km ke 443km ke Barat Daya Manila, Filipina.

"Pergerakan lekukan Tropika ke arah Barat dengan kelajuan 15km/j. Jarak dari bandar terdekat adalah kira-kira 578km ke Timur Laut Kudat, Sabah.

"Tiada kesan signifikan terhadap Malaysia," katanya.