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Partners,

The *Federal Framework for Support to the National Network of Fusion Centers* (Federal Framework) identifies the federal government's highest priority initiatives to support the National Network of Fusion Centers. One of the priority initiatives is to "*Provide guidance for communication between the National Network and the National Cybersecurity and Communications Integration Center (NCCIC).*"

National Cybersecurity and Communications Integration Center

- The National Cybersecurity and Communications Integration Center (NCCIC) is a 24x7 cyber situational awareness, incident response, and management center that is a national nexus of cyber and communications integration for the Federal Government, intelligence community, and law enforcement. The NCCIC shares information among the public and private sectors to provide greater understanding of cybersecurity and communications situation awareness of vulnerabilities, intrusions, incidents, mitigation, and recovery actions. The NCCIC is NCCIC is comprised of four elements:
    - NCCIC Operations and Integration (NO&I);
    - United States Computer Emergency Readiness Team (US-CERT);
    - Industrial Control Systems Cyber Emergency Response Team (ICS-CERT); and
    - National Coordinating Center for Communications (NCC).

Reporting Incidents

- Fusion centers are encouraged to report cyber incidents to the NCCIC, including suspected or confirmed cyber incidents that may impact critical infrastructure and require technical response and mitigation assistance. Specifically, suspected or confirmed incidents should be reported to the NCCIC if they:
    - Affect core government functions;
    - Affect critical infrastructure functions;
    - Result in a significant loss of data, system availability, or control of systems; or

    - Indicate malicious software is present on critical systems.

- The NCCIC can be reached at NCCIC@hq.dhs.gov or 1-888-282-0870 or by visiting the reporting web form shown at https://forms.us-cert.gov/report.

- Details on what to report and how to report incidents, as well as an overview of other available resources, are included in the Law Enforcement Cyber Incident Reporting Unified Message.

Resources

- The attached *Resources and Capabilities Guide* provides an overview of the NCCIC's available tools, assets, and collaboration mechanisms. This guide also identifies the Center's resources and capabilities as well as describes the processes for accessing NCCIC information portals and products, incident reporting systems, and relevant point of contact information for our community of partners.

We hope you find this guidance and associated resources valuable in collaborating and communicating with the NCCIC.

If you have any questions or would like to receive information from the NCCIC, please contact NCCIC@hq.dhs.gov.