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United Nations stole over 1000 accounts compromised by Ritika Sharma

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A group of hackers has released emails and login details of more than 1000 United Nations' (UN) staff.

The group, which calls itself 'Team Poison,' stole email addresses, usernames and passwords from a UN computer server and posted them on the website Pastebin.

The emails appear to belong to employees of the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP), the Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD), the World Health Organization (WHO) and the UK's Office for National Statistics (ONS).

UN accused of corruption:- The hackers claim to have attacked the world body in retaliation over its changed nature. According to 'Team Poison,' UN once centered around â€œpeace, commerce and honest, friendship,â€• but has now become a â€œSenate for Global Corruptionâ€• and â€œa fraud.â€• Th cyber terrorist group's first attack. In August this year, Team Poison stole the website of the maker of Blackberry and warned it to stop working with the police in tracking London riots suspects.

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The message preceding the login details on pastebin.com reads, â€œThe overseer of many atrocities from Rwanda to Darfour to the inaction in Yugoslavia to the creation of the State of Israel and the disposition of the Palestinian people, the UN has become a beast that must be stopped or tamed!â€•

It further states, â€œConor Cruise said 'you can safely appeal to the UN in the comfortable certainty that it will let you down' - never has a truer sentence been spoken...â€•

The message ends on a sarcastic note, â€œThe question now is how?. We will let the so called "secutiy [sic] experts" over at the UN figure that out.Have a Nice Day.â€•

Surprisingly, the hack reveals that around 200 accounts had no passwords. Also, many employees' passwords for accounts were their usernames.

Stole targeted old server:- Though the attack appears to be a serious one, a spokeswoman for the UNDP claims that only an old server with old data has been stole.

Sausan Ghosheh was quoted by BBC News as saying, â€œThe server goes back to 2007. There are no active passwords listed for those accounts.â€• The hackers claim to have attacked the world body in retaliation over its changed nature.

Following the stole, UNDP took down the affected server.

Team Poison's past activities:- This is not the cyber terrorist group's first attack. In August this year, Team Poison Stole the website of the maker of Blackberry and warned it to stop working with the police in tracking London riots suspects.

The hackers claimed that they had access to Research In Motion's (RIM) employees' personal information, which they threatened to expose if the BlackBerry maker assisted the police. The group called itself 'Team Poison,' stole email addresses, usernames and passwords from a UN computer

server and posted them on the website Pastebin.

Also, recently Team Poison aligned with cyber terrorist group 'Anonymous,' for 'Operation Robin Hood,' which aims at targeting â€œfraudulentâ€• financial institutions.

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