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Cyber Breach-Related Shareholder Suit Against Yahoo Settles for $80 Million. Is this the Start of a trend...

(JD Supra)

In a series of putative class action lawsuits that were consolidated in the U.S District Court in San Francisco, Yahoo's shareholders sued the company and certain of its directors and officers alleging that the defendants knew, but, until 2016, failed to disclose in their public filings, that the company was ...

Continued Consolidation Likely in Cybersecurity Sector

(Bloomberg)

Barak Ravid, Managing Director, Co-head of Technology, EY-Parthenon, joined Rishaad Salamat and Bryan Curtis to discuss cybersecurity threats and avoiding data breaches. He is seeing a lot of capital going into development of security products. He went on to explain how difficult it is for companies ...

UK businesses financially unprepared for cyber attacks

(City A.M.)

Only a third of British businesses have a financial plan in place in case of a cyber attack, according to a survey at Lloyds Bank. Meanwhile, only half of companies discuss the risk of cyber attacks at board level. The survey found that, if attacked, over a third of firms would pay a ransom to get their data ...

Cyber-Attacks on US Critical Infrastructure Linked to Cisco Switch Flaw

(BleepingComputer)

Cisco Talos, the cyber-security division of US IT conglomerate Cisco, said today that hackers are abusing misconfigured Cisco switches to gain a point of entry into organizations across the world. The Cisco Talos team says that some of these intrusion attempts are related to a Department of Homeland ...

GCC firms still have critical gaps in cybersecurity: study
(Tahawul Tech)
Four in five large GCC enterprises still rely solely on usernames and passwords for authentication to corporate networks, according to Microsoft's Digital Transformation survey. According to the report, the most striking finding was that, at a time when **security** professionals are recommending ...

RSA Acquires Behavior Analytics Startup Fortscale
(CTECH)
The Israel-based startup was acquired for less than investors had put into the company, a person familiar with the matter told Calcalist

Panera Bread blew off breach report for 8 months, leaked millions of customer records
(CSO Online)
As many as 37 million customer records were exposed thanks to a security vulnerability that Panera Bread chose to ignore for eight months

Are we in a new Cold War?
(Teiss)
Tensions are high over the recent nerve agent attack on UK soil on a former Russian spy for which Britain says Russia is responsible. Although not directly...

Delta Says Data Exposed for 'Several Hundred Thousand' Customers
(Bloomberg)
Delta Air Lines Inc. said a cyber attack on a contractor potentially exposed the payment information of "several hundred thousand customers."

Energy Transfer Says '*Cyber* Attack' Shut Pipeline Data System
(Bloomberg)
A cyber attack that hobbled the electronic communication system used by a major U.S. pipeline network has been overcome.Energy Transfer Partners LP was confident that, after 6 p.m. New York time...

Cyberattack Pings Data Systems of At Least Four Gas Networks
(Bloomberg)
federal cyber response team said in a note that it had identified a number of "cyber intrusions" targeting natural gas pipeline sector companies. The group, the Industrial Control Systems Cyber Emergency...

Intel Halts Spectre Patching for Some Chips
(InfoSecurity Magazine)
Chip giant to focus on newer models, as research highlights growing update challenges

Under Armour deftly manages breach, dodges GDPR scrutiny
(SC Magazine)
In the wake of a breach that compromised personal information of 150 million MyFitnessPal accounts, some in the security industry are giving Under Armour a thumbs up for both the way it has handled the incident and security measures it had in place

Facebook: 'Malicious actors' used its tools to discover identities and collect data on a massive global scale
(Washington Post)
Facebook said the scam likely hit most of its 2 billion users and helped hackers match email addresses or phone numbers from the so-called "Dark Web" to faces and names on Facebook.

Hackers still exploiting the human factor to carry out ransomware attacks
(SC Magazine)
Nearly 70 percent of successful ransomware attacks in 2017 were the result of hackers gaining access to enterprise networks by phishing via email or social media network.

2018 Trustwave Global Security Report
(Trustwave)
Download the 2018 Trustwave Global Security Report, the industry's most comprehensive account of cyberthreat and attack data, criminal motivations and trends, and advice for moving forward.

2018 IBM X-Force Report: Shellshock Fades, Gozi Rises and Insider Threats Soar
(Security Intelligence)
The latest IBM X-Force report highlighted threats stemming from misconfigured cloud servers and inadvertent insider negligence and examined malware trends from 2017 that could continue into 2018

Security Patches, Mitigations, and Software Updates

Facebook Removes Feature It Says Was Being Used to Scrape User Data
(Fortune)
'we believe most people on Facebook could have had their public profile scraped in this way'

Critical Vulnerability Patched in Microsoft Malware Protection Engine
(SecurityWeek)
An update released by Microsoft for its Malware Protection Engine patches a vulnerability that allows hackers to take control of systems by scanning a malicious file

Intel Tells Users to Uninstall Remote Keyboard App Over Unpatched Security Bugs
(BleepingComputer)
 Intel has decided that instead of fixing three security bugs affecting the Intel Remote Keyboard Android app, it would be easier to discontinue the application altogether