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THE INFORMATION SECURITY MANAGEMENT SYSTEM IN CYBERSECURITY MALAYSIA RE-CERTIFIED AS COMPLIANT WITH ISO/IEC 27001 REQUIREMENTS

(KUALA LUMPUR) – CyberSecurity Malaysia, the national cyber security specialist agency under the Ministry of Science, Technology & Innovation (MOSTI), announced that it has successfully achieved a full ISMS re-certification on 29 September 2011. It means that the whole organisation continues to comply with the ISO/IEC 27001:2005 standard in Information Security Management System (ISMS). CyberSecurity Malaysia established its ISMS in 2007 and has since obtained organization-wide ISO/IEC 27001:2005 certification.

"The audit was conducted by SIRIM QAS which involved the whole organization. We are truly pleased with the result whereby the panelists were satisfied with all the security policies in place and our strict implementation discipline on ISMS" said CyberSecurity Malaysia's Chief Executive Officer, Lt Col Prof Dato' Husin Jazri (Retired).

The ISO/IEC 27001 is an Information Security Management standard to help organizations establish and maintain their Information Security Management System (ISMS) to ensure confidentiality, integrity and availability of data or information assets.

The objective of managing information security in an organization is to ensure that the organization's core and supporting business continue to operate with minimal disruptions by ensuring that all information has absolute integrity and all relevant information is managed and stored with appropriate confidentiality procedures.







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"The Cabinet of Malaysia has accepted ISMS as a cyber security baseline for the Critical National Information Infrastructure (CNII) sectors in Malaysia. Within 3 years - starting from 24 February 2010, the Cabinet agreed that CNIIs should implement and undergo certification for ISO/IEC 27001 Information Security Management System (ISMS) for the country to be better prepared to handle cyber crisis and threats. CyberSecurity Malaysia will be the driving force to help organizations within CNII to establish ISMS and obtain ISO/IEC 27001 certification by February 2013", Prof Dato' Husin explained.

At present there are 54 organisations in Malaysia that have been certified with ISMS ISO/IEC 27001:2005 and CyberSecurity Malaysia is one of the organizations which has been fully certified as ISO/IEC 27001:2005 compliance.

About the ISO/IEC 27001

The ISO/IEC 27001 is part of the growing ISO/IEC 27000 family of standards, is an Information Security Management System (ISMS) standard published in October 2005 by the International Organization for Standardization (ISO) and the International Electrotechnical Commission (IEC). Its full name is ISO/IEC 27001:2005 - Information technology -- Security techniques -- Information security management systems -- Requirements.

ISO IEC 27001 is designed for certification purposes. Once an organization has established an Information Security Management System that meets both the ISO IEC 27001 requirements and the organisational needs, it can ask an authorized ISMS auditor like SIRIM QAS to audit the Information Security Management System implementation in the organisation. According to ISO IEC 27001, an organisation must meet every requirement as specified in the standard in order to claim that its ISMS policies and implementation comply with the standard and obtain a certification.

About 'ISO' and 'IEC'

ISO is the short or common name in English of the Swiss organization responsible for coordinating the world's global standards body - the International Organization for Standardization. "ISO" is not strictly an abbreviation or an acronym since the long name varies in different languages - it is derived from the Greek word isos meaning equal.

IEC is the International Electrotechnical Commission, another international standards body that cooperates closely with ISO on electrical, electronic and related technical standards. Standards developed jointly with ISO are prefixed "ISO/IEC".









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Joint Technical Committee 1 (JTC1) is responsible for all ISO's IT standards and JTC1 Sub Committee 27 (JTC1/SC27) is specifically responsible for the standards covering "IT security techniques".

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