



### **IOC-DREAM**

-- IOC Distribution in Restricted Environment and Automating response based on MISP

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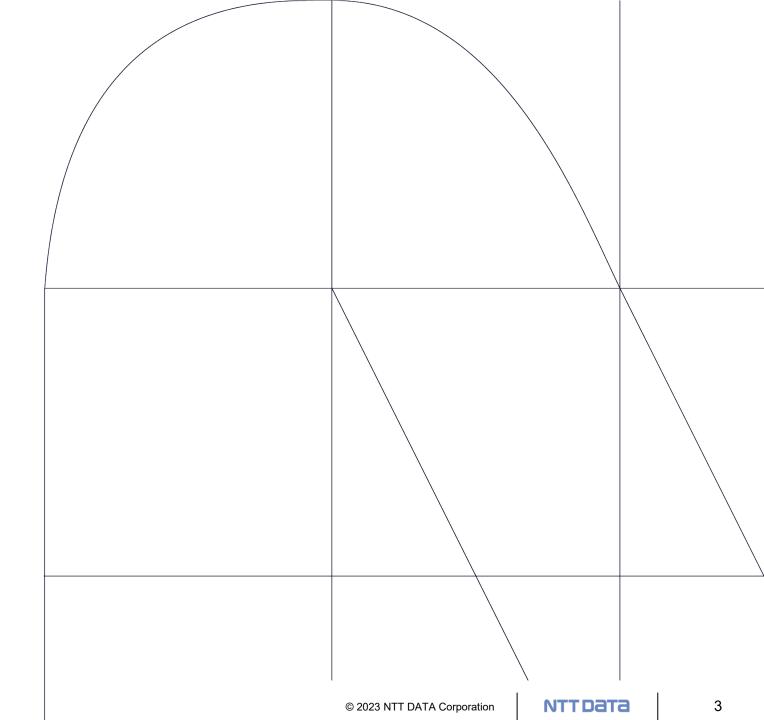
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### Agenda

- Self Introduction
- Why we choose MISP
- What we implement via MISP
- Integration with others
- Real threat response
- Future work

# Introduction



### Self Introduction

### NTTDATA-CERT

- CSIRT team of NTT DATA Corporation HQ, established on Jul 1st, 2010 in Tokyo
- Handle internal incident response over 15 years, have over 20 skilled members

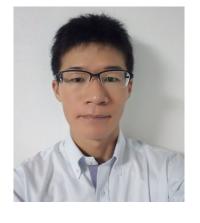
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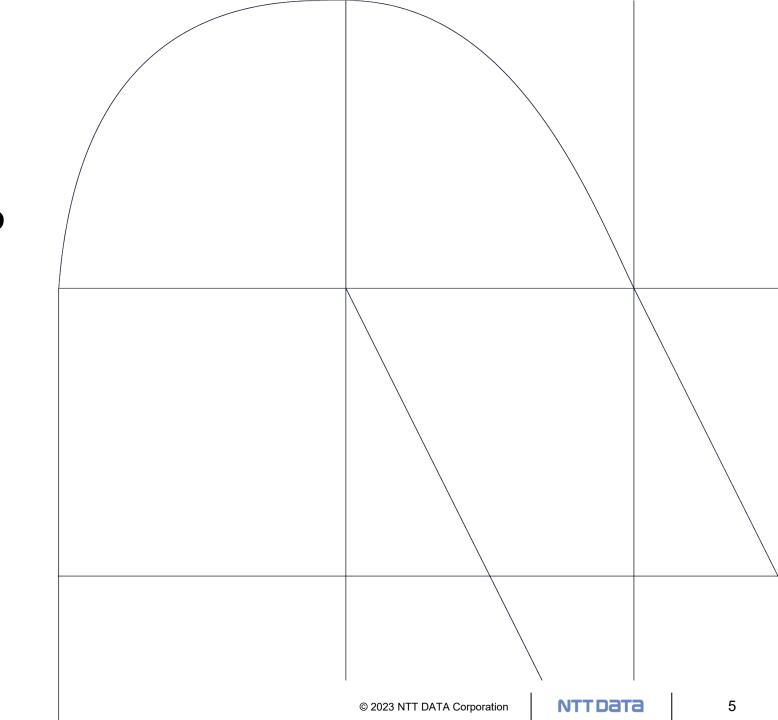
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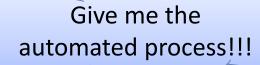
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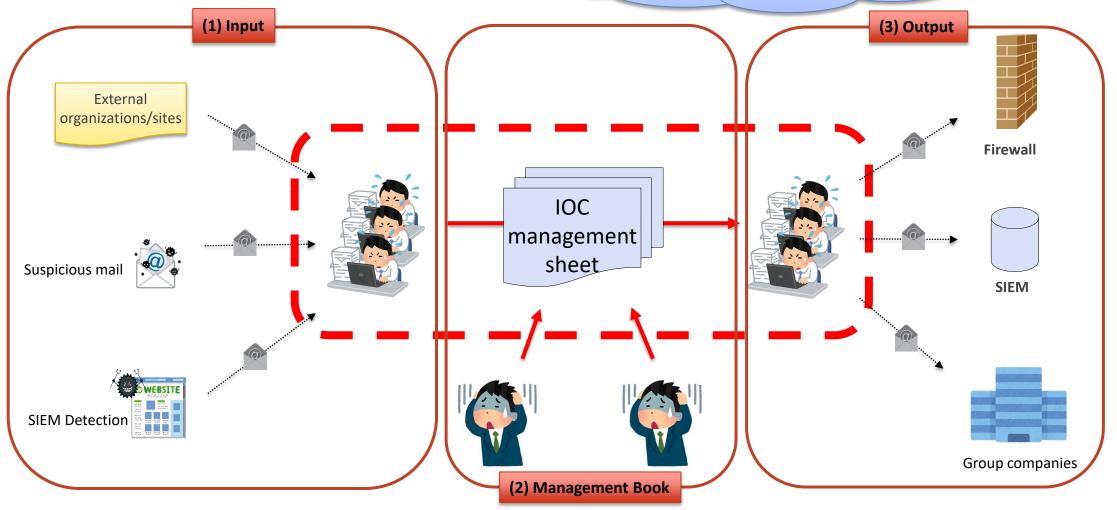
# Why we choose MISP



Old workflow (Security Operation)





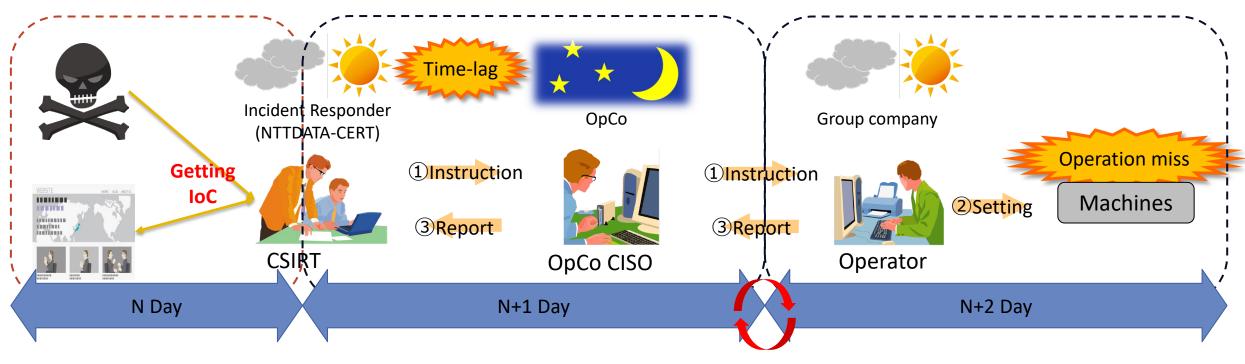


Have to collect threat intelligence due to multiple sources

Have to wait more minutes due to over 10000 IoCs in shared book

Have to deploy on the device due to manual IoC extraction

## Old workflow (Threat Sharing)



- In most cases, it would spend over 1 day from distribution to final deployment
  - When some operation miss occurred, there would be a vicious circle for extra N days



### **About MISP**

- MISP: Malware Information Sharing Platform
  - An opensource threat intelligence sharing platform
  - with sharing, storing and correlating functions

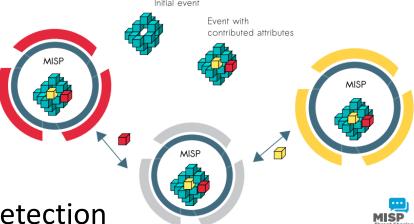
### MISP Format

### » MISP Event :

- Used to manage each threat
- Commonly created for each Incident/Malware/Detection

### MISP Attribute :

- Used to manage each IoC
- Commonly created for each IoC, which is related and included within a MISPevent

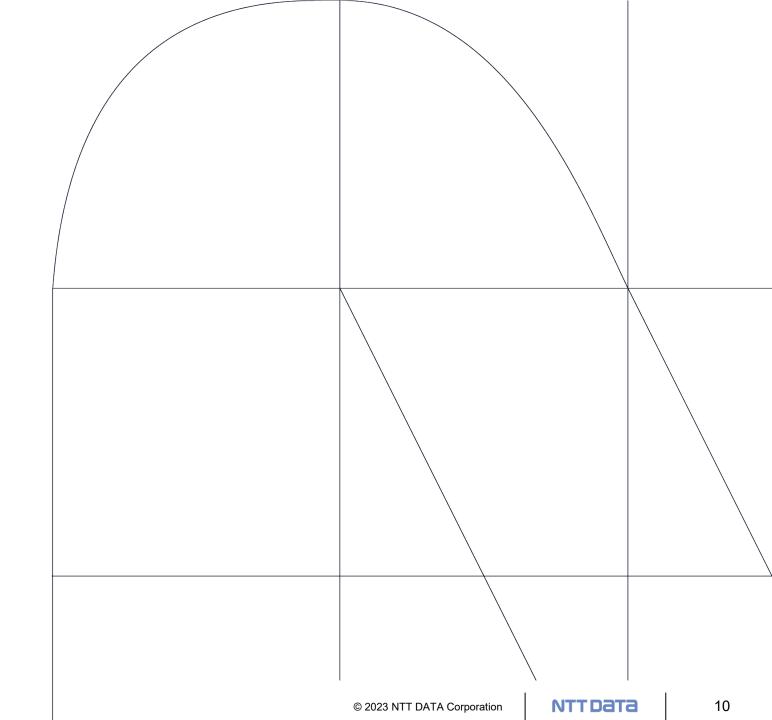


<sup>\*</sup> https://indico.cern.ch/event/595396/contributions/2566371/attachments/1448720/2233260/2017-04-25\_\_MISP\_Training\_slides.pdf

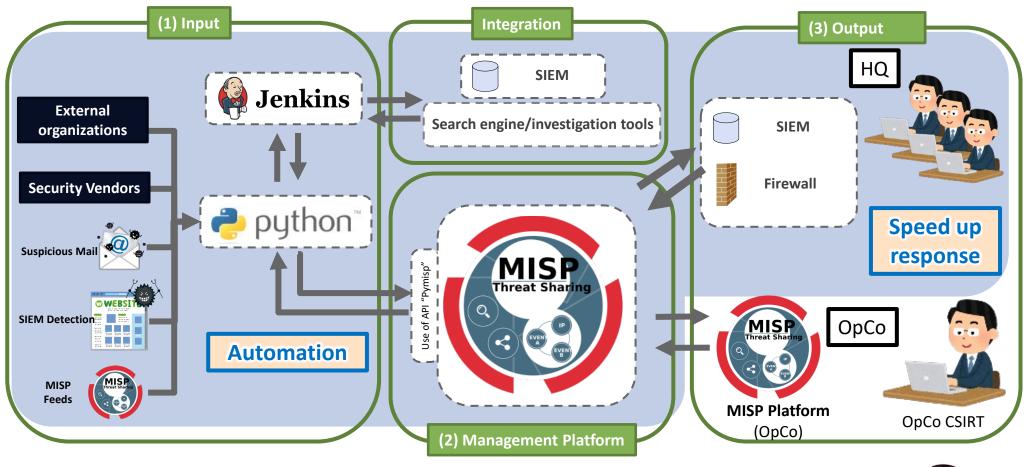
## Benefit of MISP integration within NTTDATA Group

- 1. Optimize SOC workflow and implement SOC automation
  - -> Details would be introduced as next slides.
- 2. Expand available, trusted IoC sources without self-validation
  - -> Not only worldwide attacks, some specified/targeted attack information also can be shared as soon as possible.
- 3. Solve time-lag problem in incident response or other emergency cases.
  - -> real-time IoC Sharing is the beginning of real-time auto-response.

# What we implement



### New Automated workflow based on MISP



Automate the workflow by API integration => over 35000\$/year cost reduction



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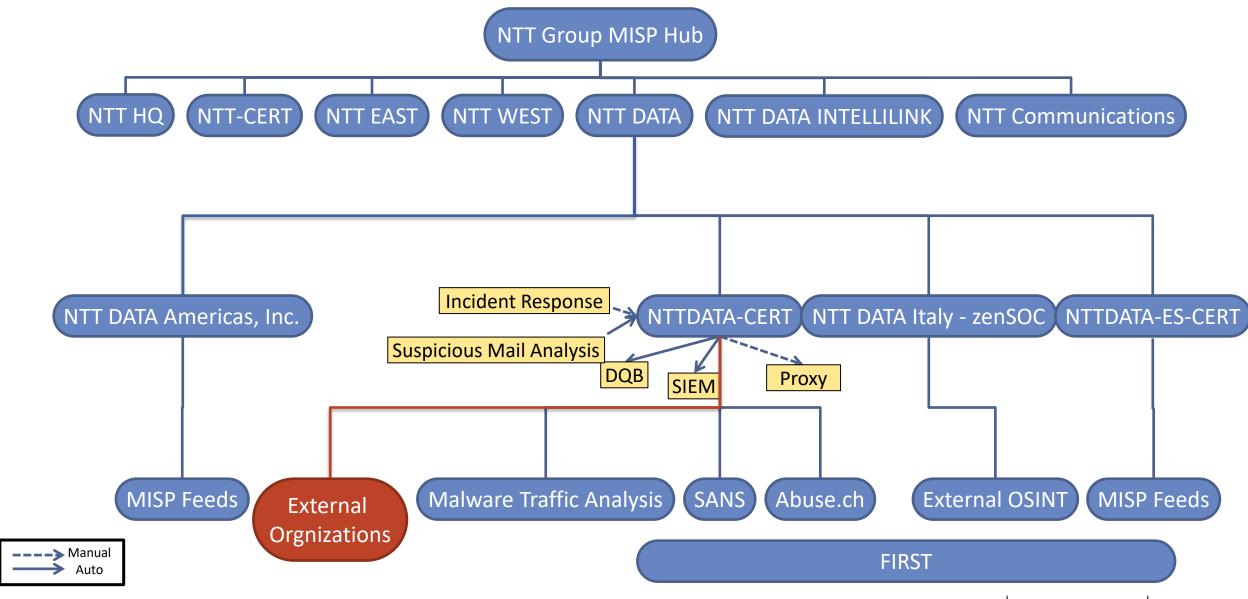
## Jenkins jobs used for daily security operation of NTTDATA-CERT

	S	名前↓	最新の成功ビルド	最新の失敗ビルド	ビルド所要時間
$\triangleright$	•	MISP_Event_Extract_from_SOC_confirmed(PyMISP)	11 時間 #105	29日 #76	19 秒
$\triangleright$	0	MISP_Event_Output(PyMISP)	22 時間 #452	8日0時間 #446	24 秒
$\triangleright$	0	5. Integration with others  MISP_Event_Republish_to_Outside(PyMISP)	1日13時間 #988	_	6分23秒
$\triangleright$	0	4. Upload to MISP MISP_Event_Upload(PyMISP)	1日13時間 #631	23 日 #620	17 秒
$\triangleright$	(!)	3. Enrichment with external services MISP_Exa_Enrichment_01(Common)	S like SIEM 21時間 #86	_	18 秒
$\triangleright$	0	MISP_HealthCheck	29分 #16386	_	1.6 秒
$\triangleright$	0	MISP_Job_Input_02(CCI_mail)	1ヶ月2日 #58	_	3.8 秒
$\triangleright$	<b>②</b>	MISP_Job_Input_03(CCI_req)	13 時間 #842	_	25 秒
$\triangleright$	0	MISP_Job_Input_05(Other)	9日4時間 #240	_	3.7 秒
$\triangleright$	0	1. Extract IoC from different sources  MISP_Job_Input_06(Suspicious_mail)	21 時間 #505	29 日 #494	43 秒
$\triangleright$	(!)	MISP_Meta_Enrichment_01(Common)	13 時間 #1508	_	16 秒
$\triangleright$	<b>②</b>	2. Process IoC with formatting for M MISP_Type_Classfication_00(PyMISP)	ISP 13 時間 #1496	-	12 秒

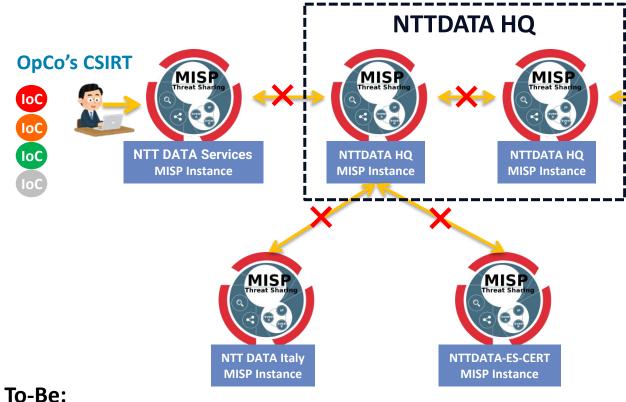
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# Integration with others

### MISP Integration Architecture within NTT Group



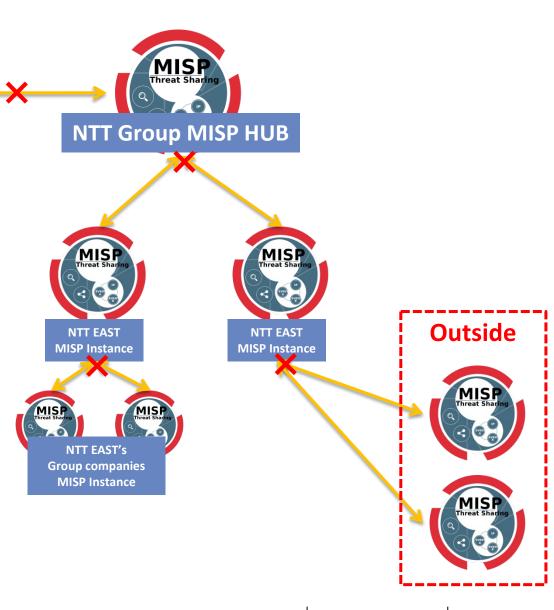
## Data flow on MISP (for TLP:RED)



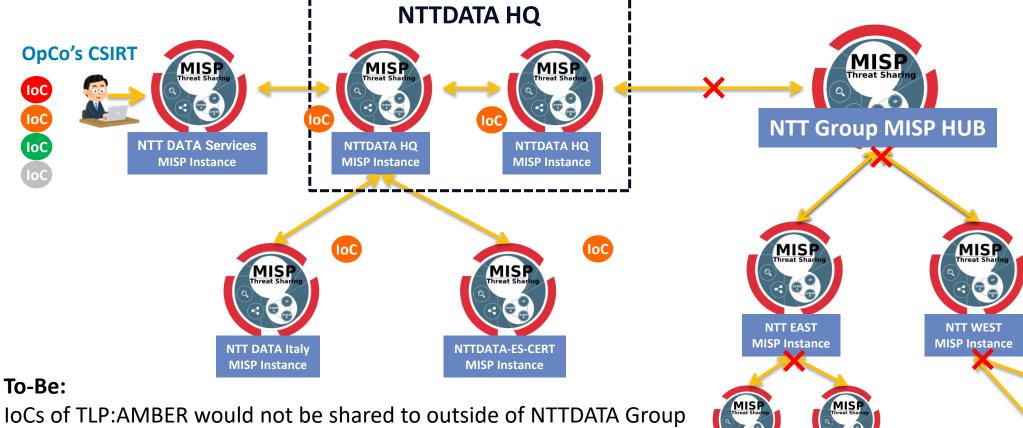
IoCs of TLP:RED would not be shared to outside of each OpCo

### **Solutions:**

- add push rules for connected instances
- set distribution as "Your organization ONLY"
- NOT publish



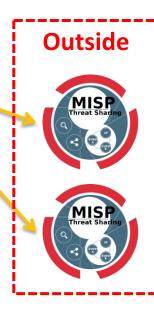
## Data flow on MISP (for TLP:AMBER)



### To-Be:

### **Solutions:**

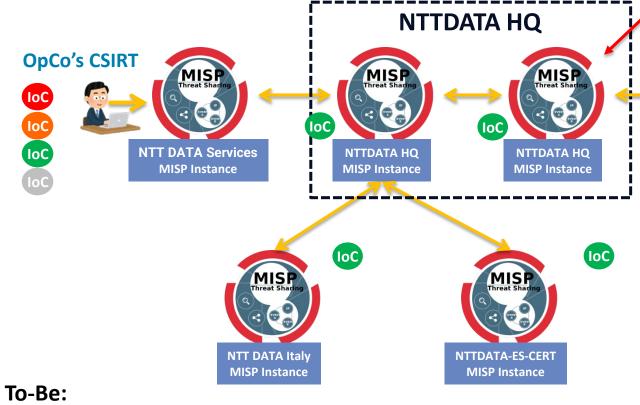
- add push rules for connected instances
- set distribution as "Connected communities"



**NTT EAST's Group companies** 

**MISP Instance** 

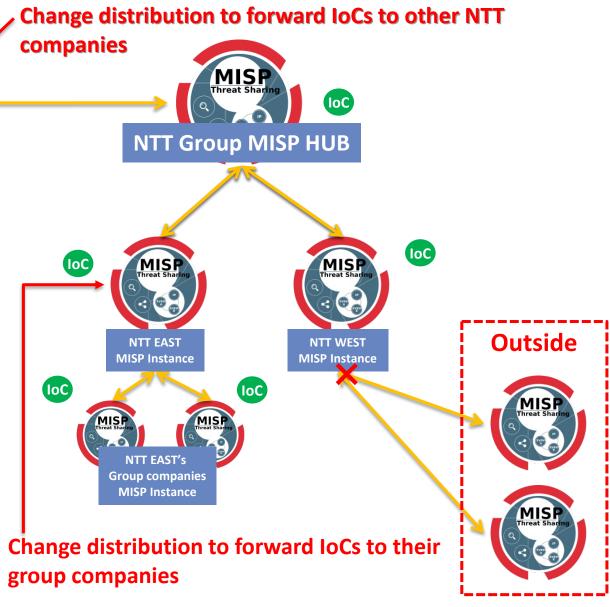
## Data flow on MISP (for TLP:GREEN)



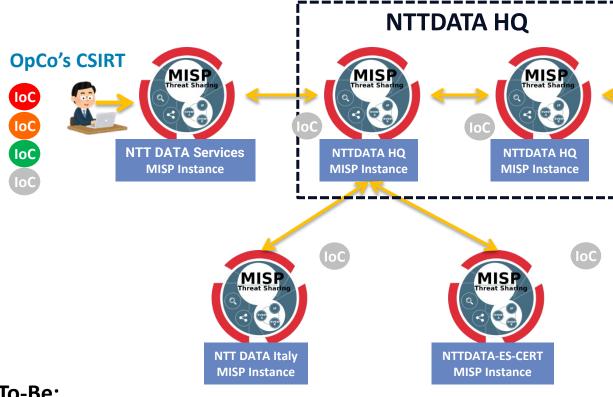
IoCs of TLP:GREEN would not be shared to outside of NTT Group

**Solutions:** (apply on NTTDATA HQ, Other NTT companies)

- add push rules for connected instances
- set distribution as "Connected communities"



## Data flow on MISP (for TLP:WHITE)

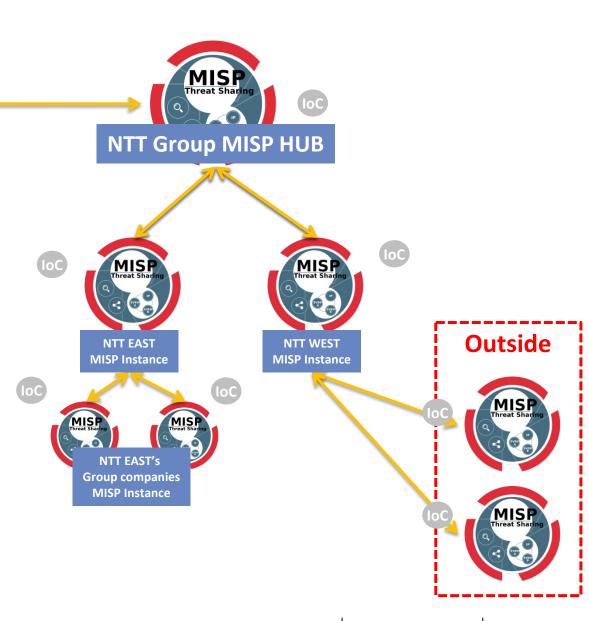


### To-Be:

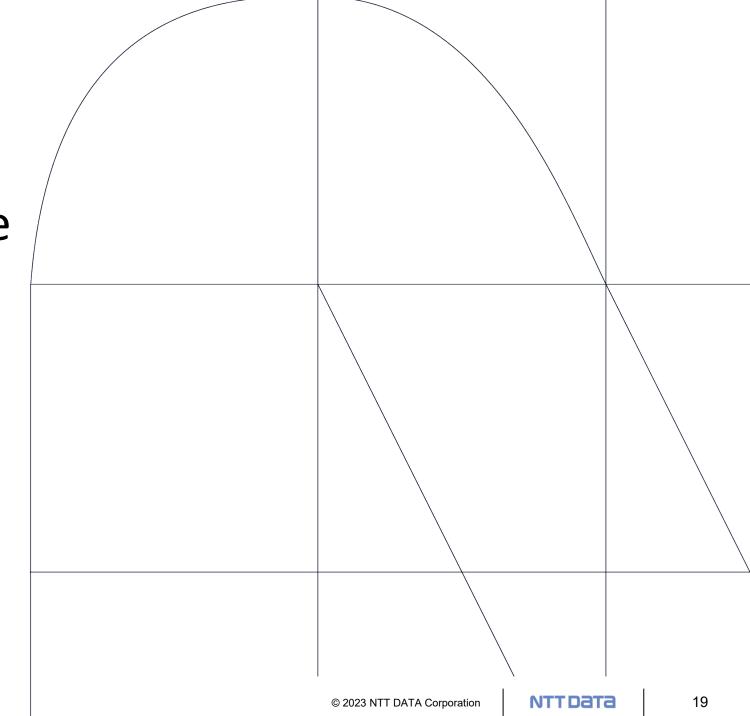
IoCs of TLP:WHITE would be shared to all connected instances.

### **Solutions:**

- set distribution as "All"
- NO need to share official MISP feeds
- Add push rules on connected instances



Real threat response
-- Emotet



## Background

	News		Event Sample Opene		pened	Note	
2021							
Nov	Emotet restarted[1]						
Dec	Compromised case appeared @Japan [2]						
2022							
Feb	compromised case increased @Japan	Feb 2	1 <sup>st</sup> Suspicious mail received @NTTDATA-CERT	0			
		Feb 4	1 <sup>st</sup> Suspicious mail opened by Group company A	0	$\triangle$	OA. No Malicious traffic	
		Feb 8	Suspicious mail received @Group company A	0		Reported received.	
Feb 10	1 <sup>st</sup> Awareness of JPCERT/CC[3]	Feb 10	2 <sup>nd</sup> Suspicious mail received @NTTDATA-CERT	0			
		Feb 22	Monitor & Block started			Import IoC from abuse.ch	
		Feb 28	3 <sup>rd</sup> Suspicious mail received @NTTDATA-CERT	0			
Mar 3	2 <sup>nd</sup> Awareness of JPCERT/CC [3]						
		Mar 22	Suspicious mail opened by Group company B	0	<u></u>	OA. No Malicious traffic	
		Mar 28	2 <sup>nd</sup> Suspicious mail opened by Group company A	×	$\triangle$	Detected & blocked	
Apr 26	3 <sup>rd</sup> Awareness of JPCERT/CC [3]						
		May 10	Monitor & Block finished			No events in April and May	

<sup>[1].</sup> https://www.nttdata.com/jp/ja/-/media/nttdatajapan/files/services/security/nttdata\_fy2021\_3q\_securityreport.pdf

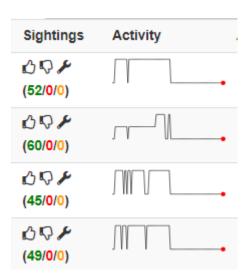
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<sup>[2].</sup> https://www.ipa.go.jp/security/announce/20191202.html

<sup>[3].</sup> https://www.jpcert.or.jp/english/at/2022/at220006.html

### Review of HQ's Emotet IoC collection

- Import IoCs of Emotet from abuse.ch by script
  - FeodoTracker
  - URL Haus (tag:emotet)
- Difference from abuse.ch feed on MISP
  - Abuse.ch feed on MISP
    - Import each URL as an MISPEvent
  - Import tool (script)
    - Import URL/domain/IP into MISP
    - Segment all IoCs (Each MISPEvent has 1000 MISPAttributes)
  - Flexible for customization
    - Extract domain/IP/fqdn from URL for block-list
    - Add sighting to mark the status online/offline
      - Also can be used for visualization and evaluation



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### Review

(O) ... Collect IoCs before receive suspicious mail

(×) ... Collect IoCs after receive suspicious mail

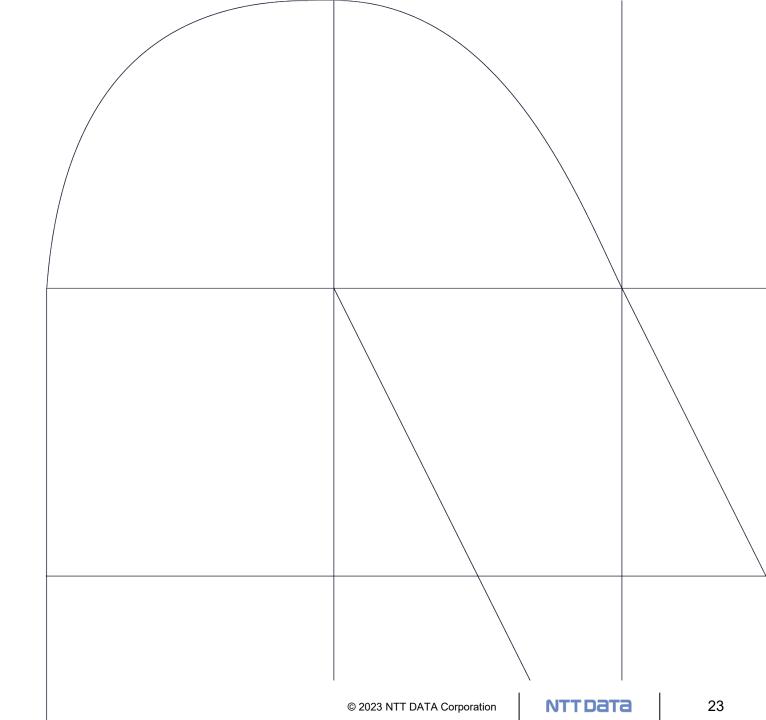
					Sources			
Date of mail received	Event	Count of Malicious traffic	ABUSE.CH	External Organization A	Malware Traffic Analysis	SANS Internet Storm Center	External Organization B	
Feb 2	1 <sup>st</sup> Suspicious mail received @NTTDATA-CERT	5	5(0)	0	0	0	0	
Feb 4	1 <sup>st</sup> Suspicious mail opened by Group company A	12	12(0)	12(×)	0	0	0	
Feb 8	Suspicious mail received @Group company A	20	20(〇)	0	0	0	0	
Feb 10	2 <sup>nd</sup> Suspicious mail received @NTTDATA-CERT	14	14(0)	14(×)	0	0	0	
Feb 28	Monitor & Block started	7	7(0)	2(×)	2(×)	0	0	
Mar 22	3 <sup>rd</sup> Suspicious mail received @NTTDATA-CERT	8	8(0)	0	0	0	0	
Have been collected before suspicious mail arrived.								

All malicious traffic can be blocked by collecting IoCs from abuse.ch

Not enough to block all malicious traffic

Delay from received

# Future work



## Standard intelligence management process



- 1. Planning
- 2. Collection
- 3. Processing
- 4. Analysis
- 5. Dissemination

Effectively manage intelligence with continuous feedback cycles

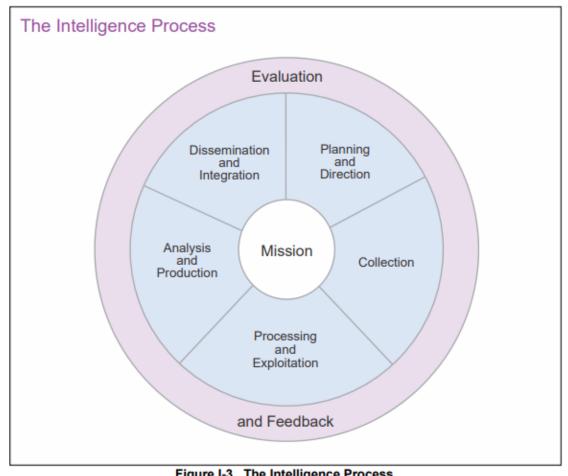
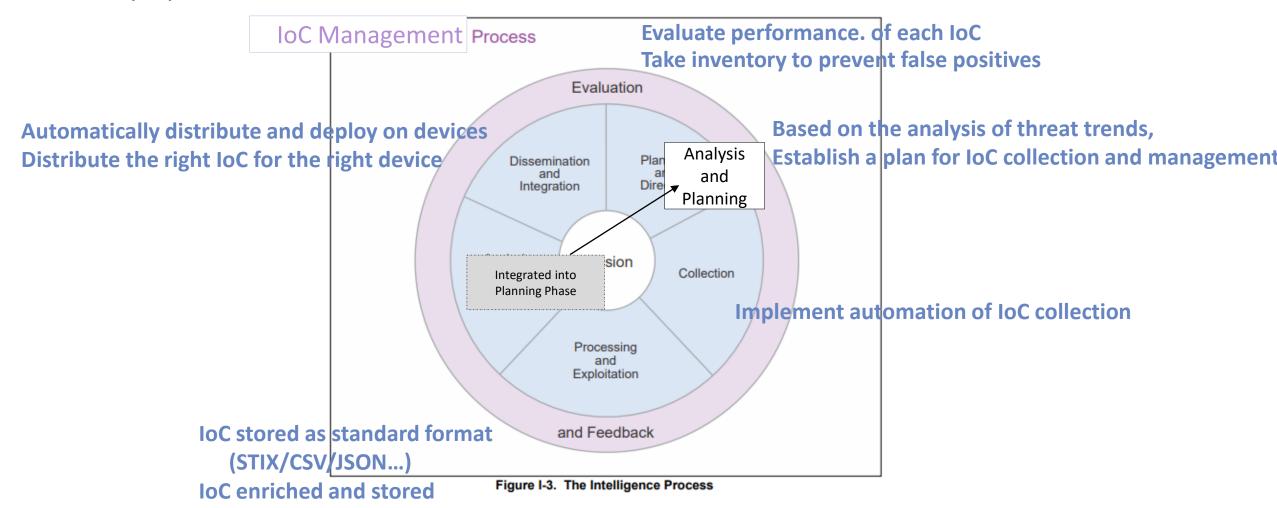


Figure I-3. The Intelligence Process

Joint Chiefs of Staff Document (JP2-0: Joint Intelligence) https://irp.fas.org/doddir/dod/jp2 0.pdf

### To be

NTTDATA-CERT focuses on IoC management and target to implement the process on daily security operation.



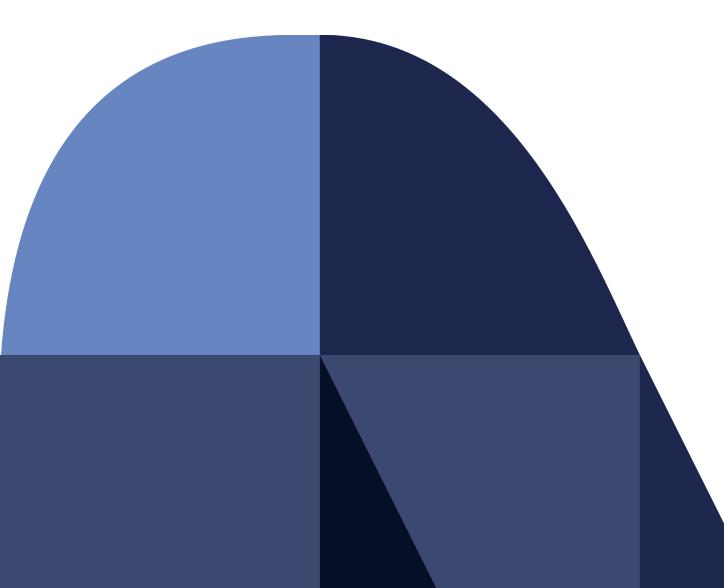
### Address the gaps between To-be and As-is

NTTDATA-CERT plan to incorporate IoC Metabolism activation model

-> Improve quality of IoCs and respond to threat trends better!

**Introduce evaluation process** IoC Management Process Implement IoC inventory (IoC metabolism activation model) Evaluation **Analyze on internal and external threat trends Increase integrated devices Analysis** Implement automation of IoC distribution. Dissemination and **Planning** Integration (IoC metabolic activation model) IoC sourde evaluation (IoC metabolism activation model) Integrated into **Mission** Collection Planning Phase Processing Exploitation **Establishment of IoC evaluation method** and Feedback

Figure I-3. The Intelligence Process



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