#### System administrators and the Victim Identification Imperative

Child Pornography. A couple of words that has different connotations for different people and one of society's ills that has hugely increased since the advent of personal computing and the internet.

To those who seek it out it may mean sexual arousal and a means to sexual gratification. To the digital security professional it throws up a situation that needs to be dealt with promptly to avoid prosecution and brand damage. But to the child who is abused to produce this material it is a graphic illustration of the hurt, pain and humiliation that they must suffer over and over while it was being produced. You see, it's not pornography and never can be for a number of reasons.

- 1. Pornography implies consent of those in involved. Children under 10 years of age cannot consent to open a bank account much less to full penetrative sex.
- 2. Pornography is socially accepted to a certain extent in some countries, but this material is produced during the abuse of a child and therefore cannot be seen in the same way.
- 3. Pornography is defined as and used to sexually arouse but if you are sexually aroused to images or movies of a pre-pubescent child engaged in a sex act with an adult then you clearly should be seeking help.

The vast majority of so called child pornography shared (for free in the most part) on the internet is graphical representation of the abuse of a child, for the most part children under 10 years of age and sometimes even under the age of two. That is why Law enforcement officers don't see it as "porn" they see it as a picture of a crime scene, evidence of an horrific crime rightly abhorred by society. They call it CAM or Child Abuse Material.

The sexual abuse of children is legislated against in the vast majority of countries. In fact it is often sited just after murder on the scale of man's inhumanity to man. It has significant costs to society and to those abused. People, who are sexually abused, in the most part by those closest to them, suffer physically and mentally for the rest of their lives and figure prominently statistics of mentally ill, addicted and suicide later in life. CAM and its spread on the internet only serves as a further grievous harm to the child. When it goes online it is there forever, downloaded, copied and re downloaded again

and again. Every time it is downloaded, collected, filed, and masturbated over it is a re-victimisation of that child.

Of course "child porn" is produced in countries "over there". It's produced in the seedy child brothels of developing countries. That's true. Some of it is. But most of it is not. As CAM is produced during the sexual abuse of a child then it stands to reason that the vast majority of CAM out there features children from developed countries where child sexual abuse takes place. That is all our countries. By and large the CAM available is of white middle class kids being abused by white middle class people who then upload it to the internet where it is downloaded by.....white middle class people.

The vast majority of people involved in this are tax paying, voting, model citizens who work in every job imaginable. They are the ones with the computer skills, knowledge and general wherewithal to find this material, download it and consume it. They are exactly the type of people you provide network services to on a daily basis.

As a digital security expert CAM is an issue that you should plan for. You can always hope that it will never happen within your company or on your network but it might and if it does the potential to make the wrong decision is there. You should have a procedure to deal with this issue and you should tick all the boxes. One of the main boxes to tick is the one marked "Victim Identification".

Having a strong AUP in place is essential of course but knowing the difference now between CAM and other pornography should encourage you to make that distinction plain within the AUP. Banal "legalese" such as "sanctions will include discipline up to and including dismissal" should be replaced with the clear line that CAM found on the system will result in instant dismissal and reporting to the local authorities.

There is a discipline evolving within policing and in some NGOs called Victim Identification Specialist. These people examine material on a daily basis looking for clues that will assist in the identification of the crime scene and therefore, hopefully, the child. This victim centric work is carried out by examining material and placing it two piles; Seen and Unseen. The unseen is the most important as it is new. New generally means that the abuse is ongoing at present and so it is all examined for workable clues. Simple details within the image are worked up and attempts made to find the country in which the sexual abuse took place. If this is possible then a classic law enforcement investigation is launched to try and find the child and stop the abuse. There have been some amazing successes over the years and the thrill of finding a child in this way, stopping the abuse and identifying the offender is always great.

All material is gathered together in the International Child Sexual Exploitation database at INTERPOL. Material is feed in from all over the world and gathered together by victim. Material on one victim often comes in from many different countries. This is natural given the democracy of access to the internet. There are many thousands of victims and many hundreds of thousands of images and movies.

So if you find this material on your servers or in the personal folders of a user what should you do? Ultimately you will be guided by internal procedures and legal advise but remember this, deleting it should not be an option. Any one of the photographs or movies could contain the clue needed to save the child from abuse. The child could actually be known to the person who is in possession of the material. The only way to get this material into the victim identification system is to report it to the police.

Remember that this is a serious crime for a reason and the material found is evidence. It should be handled forensically with that in mind. Work on a copy, use write blockers and seek guidance from the relevant authorities as to how to remove it from your systems. Deleting it instantly is the wrong thing to do.

Getting this material into the victim identification system is the right thing to do and should be the priority over and above any other consideration.

You could be saving the child from a life of abuse. You could even be saving their life.

# Online Child Sexual Exploitation What's it got to do with me?



#### **Definitions!**

What is pornography?

#### pornography

• printed or visual material intended to stimulate Oxford English Dictionary





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#### Lets Talk about sex baby!



# **PORN?**

# Child (Sexual) Abuse

child (Sexual)Exploitation Material

#### Material

Images which breach definition as set out in the COE convention on cybercrime.

All other material wherein the child is blatantly and obviously depicted in a sexual manner.

#### **History of CAM**

#### History of CAM 1826 to Present Day



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#### Response



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#### **National Response**













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### **Sex Offenders and CAM**

Validation

**Grooming/ Blackmail.** 

**Memories/ preservation of youth** 

Community.

**Collection.** 

Fantasy

Release

Access to more material

Profit

**Sexual Arousal** 

Collectable

#### **Facilitating social relationships**

Avoidance of real life

As therapy

Taylor and Quayle (2003)

#### **Child Sex Offenders**

## Situational

Morally Indiscriminate

Inadequate

**Huge scattered collections** 

#### **Child Sex Offenders**

## Preferential

#### Paedophile

Latent

**Concentrated collections** 

**Child Sex Offenders** 

## **Miscellaneous Offenders**

Media

Older "boyfriends"

**Overzealous civilians** 

\*Self taken

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It's connected to other networks right?

You have humans using right?

You have or will have this issue...



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#### Former Bowne & Co. CEO Pleads Guilty to Child Porn and Obstruction of Justice



By Heather Won Tesoriero

Robert Johnson, former chief executive of financial printing firm Bowne & Co., pleaded guilty today to child pornography and obstruction of justice charges, prosecutors said. Here's the Reuters <u>piece</u>.

In a press release, the U.S. Attorney's Office in Manhattan said Johnson, 60 years old, entered a guilty plea to possession of child pornography and to destruction of documents in connection with a federal investigation. He retired from Bowne in May 2004, citing personal reasons. He was indicted on the charges in June 2005. According to Reuters, Johnson was once a member of New York's state education board.

According to the indictment, Johnson allegedly used a Bowne computer between April 2002 and May 2004 to access child porn Web sites, downloaded at least two child porn movies and kept them on his hard drive. Later, after he was contacted by federal authorities, Johnson allegedly used a computer program called "Evidence Eliminator" to remove more than 12,000 files from his desktop and laptop computers.

"This is a matter between Mr. Johnson as an individual and the authorities," a Bowne spokesman said Friday. "We expect it to have no impact on our business or our operations."

Johnson, the former publisher of Newsday, faces up to 20 years in prison on the destruction of documents charge. Sentencing is scheduled for Oct. 27.

# Child Trafficking and Pornography Act, 1998

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#### Stronger AUP

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