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The need for enhanced cooperation between law enforcement and the private sector

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# Challenges for law enforcement

### **CSAM / Dark Web Marketplaces**

Where is the criminal located / where did the crime take place?

- Before an investigation can be opened LE needs to know where the crime took place / where the criminal or victim is located.
- In order to know where the criminal is located, an investigation has to be conducted.
- Law enforcement is facing big data problems





# Challenges for law enforcement

#### Ransomware/large-scale hacks

#### Cryptocurrency moves fast

- Cyber criminals can transfer cryptocurrency globally, across multiple exchanges and services, quickly and easily
- Law enforcement is often too late:
  - Ransomware/hacking incident
  - ♦ LE investigates
  - LE sends law enforcement request to exchange
  - Funds have already been transferred to another wallet
- Limited Resources
- Difficult to keep up with developments (DeFi, smart contract hacks, NFT's, Mixers, Obfuscation Techniques)



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# Challenges for law enforcement

### Scams/Hacked users

 One victim is being investigated while multiple victims in different regions or different countries have been impacted by the same suspects

- investigation initiated by LE in country A because of victim in country A, sends request to exchange
- investigation initiated by LE in country B because of victim in country B, sends request to exchange
- investigation initiated by LE in country C because of victim in country C, sends request to exchange
- Victims report crime at an exchange
  - Follow up investigation by law enforcement often difficult because of resources or insufficient information.





### Investigations Team Exchange

Internal risk / AML detection systems **Transaction monitoring systems Externally reported incidents** Law enforcement requests **Proactive investigations** Law enforcement outreach **Private Industry partners** 





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## Solutions for law enforcement

### CSAM / Dark Web Marketplaces

Where is the criminal located / where did the crime take place?

- Transaction monitoring tooling identifies transactions linked to CSAM or other illicit activity
  - Leads can be referred to LE
  - LE sends legal request to exchange
  - LE receives subscriber information (KYC, order information, etc.)
  - Custom follow-up actions possible (instead of automated blocking / off-boarding actions)
- More powerful when combined with scraped dark web data and data from CSAM investigations
  - Direct sharing with exchange or via software vendors
- Possibilities for data analysis activities together with exchanges and cybersecurity companies





### Solutions for law enforcement

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- New addresses used by criminals often aren't available in on chain analysis / monitoring software
  - LE has knowledge about 'unknown' addresses linked to criminal activities
  - Sharing with exchanges leads to improved detection, blacklisting and higher chances of seizing funds.
- Joint investigations / cooperation with exchanges means less resources for LE
  - Exchanges can help with training and capacity building



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# Solutions for law enforcement

### Scams/Hacked users

- One victim is being investigated while multiple victims in different regions or different countries have been impacted by the same suspects
  - Exchange has information about the 'bigger picture' which can help investigation
    - Scams with similar MO's
    - Linked accounts
    - Exchange can coordinate with other countries
  - Victims report crime at an exchange
    - Exchange has additional data
      - ♦ User logs
      - Device identifiers
      - Transaction information

### **Additional benefits**



Information sharing about hacking attempts, fraudulent activity, money laundering modus
operandi, used devices, newly discovered trends, suspects and victims between LE, exchanges:

- Exchange can improve their defenses and detection algorithms
- Law enforcement can better focus their investigations
- Prevention & Awareness
- Capacity building

Exchanges have (technical) capabilities which could help LE investigations / recovery of funds

- Blacklisting possibilities
- Live monitoring
- Locking accounts, contacting suspects to refund stolen funds
- In case of high priority incidents, exchange can take immediate action

#### Requirements

#### Trust

### Legal Framework

### **Open Discussion**



Intensified public-private partnerships may contribute to the diminished success of cybercriminals. For example, **expertise and information sharing with financial institutions can help to obtain data on cybercriminals and may help rapidly block their criminal proceeds.** 

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Immediate action required to avoid Ransomware pandemic - INTERPOL

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Secretary General calls for global leadership commitment by police and partners

LYON, France – INTERPOL Secretary General Jürgen Stock has called for police agencies worldwide to form a global coalition with industry partners to prevent a potential ransomware pandemic.

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### **Ongoing projects**





The cyber crime threat is increasing and criminals are getting more and more sophisticated. So let's work together and bridge the gap.



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### **Questions?**



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