

Obama Administration Announces Creation of Cyber Threat Intelligence Integration Center

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Monaco stressed the need to work in "lockstep" with the private sector. "Industry cannot and should not rely on the federal government for everything in cybersecurity, but the government will not leave industry to fend for itself," she said. Addressing concerns about potential liability for the sharing of private information, Monaco pointed toward the "targeted and narrow liability protection" that was included as part of the White House's legislative proposal for cybersecurity information sharing.

House Homeland Security Chairman Michael McCaul (R-TX) commended the plans for the new center. "As we have seen with the cyber attacks on Anthem and Sony, the cyber threat is real, growing and immediate," McCaul said. "Anything that can be done to improve coordination within the federal government will help to better protect our nation from cyber breaches."

Monaco noted that she will be attending the <u>White House cybersecurity summit</u> on February 13, 2015, at Stanford University. President Obama plans to travel to and keynote the summit, joined by other senior officials, again underscoring the administration's focus on cybersecurity. More announcements and actions related to cybersecurity and privacy may come in conjunction with the summit, which will bring together leaders from across the country from industry, tech companies and law enforcement; consumer and privacy advocates; law professors; and students in order to collaborate and explore partnerships that will help develop the best ways to bolster the nation's cybersecurity defenses.

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