DLE 2083: INTRODUCTION TO SECURITY MANAGEMENT

CHAPTER 5 TARGET, VULNERABILITY AND EXPOSURE



Chapter 5: Learning Outcomes

- At the end of the topic, students should be able to:
 - Describe what is meant by target, vulnerability, and exposure.
 - Defines security program and it's important to organization
 - Understand the basic concept of defense in depth.
 - Identify the layers of security functions and features.
 - Identify the components of security program.



Defining Target

A target is the object of a risk or plan.

The threat is the subject whose actions cause

harm to the object.



Defining Target

- In the semantic frame risk two types of object are routine:
 - a human victim (the individual who stands to suffer if the harm occurs) OR
 - a valued possession of the victim





Identifying Target

- Identifying targets is a key step in assessing the risks associated with certain threats.
- Analytically, no threat should be identified except in relation to a particular target.
- Targets can be identified by their attractiveness to threats and by their risk factors or indicators.



Defining Vulnerability

- Vulnerability essentially means that the target can be harmed by the threat.
 - For example, I would be vulnerable to a threat armed with a weapon that could harm me.
 - The threat would cease if I were to acquire some armour that can protects me from the weapon.





Defining Vulnerability

- Vulnerabilities defined as factors that increase an organization's exposure to threats.
- However, vulnerability and exposure are usefully differentiated.
- Basically, vulnerability means that we are undefended against the threat, while exposure means we are subject to the threat.



Defining Exposure

- Exposure often is treated as synonymous with vulnerability and even risk.
- Exposure implies that we are subject to the threat, while vulnerability implies our lack of defenses against the threat.





RISK = HAZARD x EXPOSURE

Exposure by Area

 Someone's exposure to a threat could be defined by the space known to be coincident with that threat.

 For example, crime tends to concentrate in certain areas or sometimes known as hot

spots.





Exposure by Time

- We are exposed in time whenever the threat is coincident with us or knows where we are and can target us at that time.
- We could measure our exposure in time in either:
 - absolute terms; e.g. we could calculate the time we spend every day travelling by vehicle as a measure of our exposure to road traffic accidents.
 - proportional terms, such as flood season of a year.



Security Program

- A set of protection plan of combination between systems and elements from physical actions and events that could cause serious loss or damage to an organization.
- This includes protection from the man-made threats and natural forces. For example; fire, flood, natural disasters, burglary, theft, vandalism and terrorism.



- Defense in depth can be divided into three areas:
 - Physical controls
 - Technical controls
 - Administrative controls



Physical controls

- Physical controls are anything that physically limits or prevents access to the organization vital assets.
- Example: perimeter fences, drainage, signage, gates, crossbar, bollards, security guard, canine (K9), CCTV and alarm systems.













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Technical controls

- Technical controls are hardware or software whose purpose is to protect systems and resources.
- Examples of technical controls would be access card, fingerprint, biometric, PIN, password, mechanical locks, pad locks, firewall, IDS and etc.



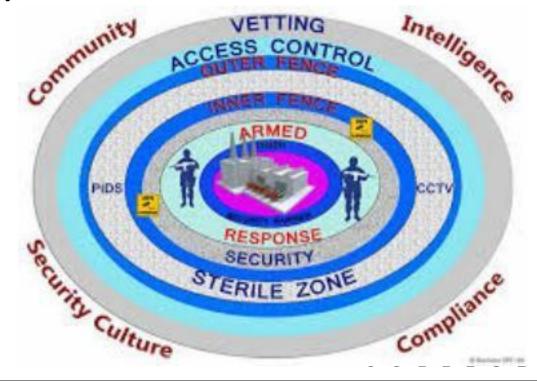


Administrative controls

- Administrative controls are an organization's policies and procedures.
- The purpose is to ensure that there is proper guidance available in regards to security and that regulations are met.
- These can include such as hiring practices, data handling procedures and security requirements.



 Layered security, also known as layered defence, describes the practice of combining multiple mitigating security controls to protect resources and data.



• The term bears some similarity to defense in depth, a term adopted from a military strategy that involves multiple layers of defense that seeks to delay rather than prevent the advance of an attacker or intruder by yielding space to buy time.

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 Defence in depth is a protection concept on the organization asset in which multiple layers of security controls (defence) are placed throughout the organization to protect their vital assets.







• In terms of vital asset protection, defence in depth measures should not only prevent security breaches but also buy an organization time to detect and respond to an attack and so reduce and mitigate the consequences of a breach.



Layers of Security

Asset

Inner
Layer
Middle
Layer
External
Layer

Assess & Response (Menilai & Bertidak)

Layer 3 – Delay (Melambatkan)

Layer 2 – Detect (Mengesan)

Layer 1 – Deter (Menghalang)

External layer

- To deter intruders from entering the organization.
- Examples: security personnel, gate, crossbar, fences, bollard, drainage, lighting system and etc.







Middle layer

- To detect any intrusion activities.
- Example: CCTV, alarm system, security patrols, canine (K9), and etc.









Inner layer

- To delay the intruders movement before reach to organization main asset.
- Examples: thumb print, eyes scan, body frisking, mantrap with interlocking door system, password,
 PIN, armed guard, vault room or safe box with

combination.



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Assess and response

- Assess the capability of intruders from all perspective.
- Response and take necessary action before the intruders get in to the organization main assets.
- For example, give command to security personnel to make arrest of the intruders or in worse case, call police to handle the situation.



Asset

- High values of organization assets.
- Examples: cash, microchips, business strategies plans, gold, diamond, database system, and etc.





Defence in depth concept

