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MEMORANDUM FOR ALL AIRMEN

FROM: OFFICE OF THE DEPUTY CHIEF INFORMATION OFFICER, SAF/CN

SUBJECT: The 2019 National Cybersecurity Awareness Month (NCSAM)

As Airmen, we are constant targets for cybersecurity attacks by criminal actors and adversaries at home and at work. As we move into October, we should all remember that we are responsible as Airmen to #BeCyberSmart, enable mission success, and help ensure the safety of all Airmen. Your knowledge of proper cybersecurity practices is vital to ensure that our missions succeed.

So far this year, there have been almost 4,000 cybersecurity breaches exposing over 4.1 billion records, costing \$100s of millions of dollars for businesses, medical facilities, and educational institutions. A breach to Air Force networks, systems, or platforms could cost us more than just money; it could jeopardize mission success and endanger the lives of our fellow Airmen. Cybersecurity is everyone's responsibility and all Airmen need to stay vigilant. Our adversaries are constantly trying to penetrate our cyberspace defenses and exploit any vulnerabilities.

The Office of the Chief Information Security Officer (CISO) is the Air Force lead for the 2019 National Cybersecurity Awareness Month campaign. Our goal is to increase Total Force awareness to help protect USAF core missions. The CISO office is here to help you identify, avoid, mitigate, and report cyber threats that come your way, both while on duty and at home.

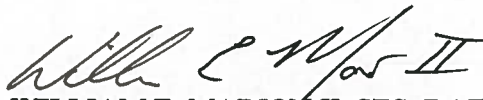
In observance of NCSAM, we have dedicated weekly themes to reinforce the importance of cybersecurity which will help protect you, your fellow Airmen, and your families.

Air Force Cybersecurity Awareness Month themes:

- Week 1: "Cybersecurity is Everyone's Responsibility"
- Week 2: "Defending the Family – Cybersecurity Practices at Home"
- Week 3: "Privacy, PII, and FOIA – Reducing Mission Cyber Risks by Protecting Information"
- Week 4/5: "Phishing – Continuous Training Reduces Vulnerabilities"

Additional information for NCSAM can be found here: <https://www.safcioa6.af.mil/ciso/>

Thank you for doing your part to ensure that the United States Air Force is held to the highest cybersecurity standards. We look forward to the support and participation from all Airmen during National Cybersecurity Awareness Month.

  
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