



National Cyber Investigative Joint Task Force

The National Cyber Investigative Joint Task Force (NCIJTF) is the inter-agency cyber center with primary responsibility for developing and sharing information related to cyber threat investigations across the cyber stakeholder community while coordinating and integrating associated operational activities to counter adversary-based cyber threats. The NCIJTF is an alliance of peer agencies with complementary missions to protect national cyber interests and the political, economic, and overall vitality of our nation. Representatives from participating agencies, and from federal, state, local, and international law enforcement partners have access to a unique, comprehensive view of the nation's cyber situation while working together in a collaborative environment in which they maintain the authorities and operational/investigative responsibilities of their home agencies.

NCIJTF History

NCIJTF was established in 2008 by National Security Presidential Directive 54/Homeland Security Presidential Directive 23 (NSPD-54/HSPD-23). The responsibility for the task force's development and operation was given to the U.S. Attorney General who entrusted

this mission to the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI). In response, the FBI Cyber Division embedded its cyber national security organization in the NCIJTF to staff the task force and to provide an infrastructure to support the Nation's cyber security mission.

NCIJTF Members

Federal Bureau of Investigation



National Security Agency



Central Intelligence Agency



Department of Homeland Security



U.S. Cyber Command



U.S. Secret Service



Defense Security Service



Air Force Office of Special Investigations



Department of State Office of Computer Security



G2X Cyber CI, 902nd Army Research Lab



Defense Criminal Investigative Service



Naval Criminal Investigative Service



Defense Cyber Crime Center Analytical Group



Defense Intelligence Agency



DOE Office of Intelligence and Counterintelligence



National Geospatial Intelligence Agency



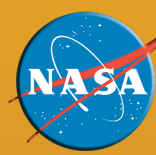
National Reconnaissance Office



Department of Justice



National Aeronautics and Space Administration



NCIJTF Functions

- **Identify adversaries, compromises, exploit tools, and vulnerabilities**
- **Identify victims and enable victim notification**
- **Support cyber threat investigations**
- **Develop, coordinate, and integrate multi-agency cyber operations**
- **Collaborate with industry and international partners**
- **Inform national cyber policy and legislation**

The NCIJTF Evolution

The NCIJTF is led by a Task Force Director assigned from the FBI and a Mission Council comprised of senior leaders from government agencies who serve as task force Deputy Directors via joint duty assignments. Representatives from the National Security Agency, the Central Intelligence Agency, the Department of Homeland Security, U.S. Secret Service, and U.S. Cyber Command currently serve as NCIJTF Deputy Directors. The NCIJTF Mission Council increases the community-wide optic and the ability of the NCIJTF to develop, aggregate, integrate, and appropriately share information relating to the nation's most critical adversary-based cyber threats. This leadership team also helps identify cross-agency gaps and redundancies that might otherwise hinder efficient national cyber security efforts.

Members of the NCIJTF develop and lead various Community Interest Groups (CIGs) to address standing and emerging issues related to cyber threat investigations across the federal, state, local, and international law

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enforcement, intelligence, counterintelligence, and military communities. For example, the NCIJTF is using its CIG framework to develop the capability to maintain awareness of federal computer intrusion investigations across the federal agency landscape and to conduct analyses to link cases across agencies. This capability is crucial to enhancing joint outcomes and to increasing the impact to common cyber threats. The NCIJTF also develops and coordinates multi-agency cyber operations, acting as the integrating mechanism among stakeholders and ensuring all pertinent community members are leveraged for maximum results. In addition to acting in its role of integrator, the NCIJTF continues to manage and evolve existing capabilities, such as its flexible and robust analytical platform. This platform ingests and integrates increasing amounts of information from NCIJTF partnering agencies, providing a unique and holistic view of our nation's cyber threats and vulnerabilities as well as a means to mature the analytical, investigative, and network defense capabilities of the U.S. Government.



International Partners

The NCIJTF collaborates directly with colleagues from a group of international U.S. partners. Representatives from Canada, Great Britain, Australia, and New Zealand work with NCIJTF assignees to identify mutual challenges and to develop common solutions in the cyber realm.