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National Cyber Security Partnership to Launch Web Site

Coalition of Leading Business Associations to Contribute Wide-Ranging Expertise and Resources to Implementing National Strategy to Secure Cyberspace

- WHAT:** The National Cyber Security Partnership (NCSP) will launch its web site and unveil two of five pending reports that are the product of task forces created last December during the National Cyber Security Summit. The Summit was conducted jointly by the NCSP and the Department of Homeland Security, for the purpose of gathering the best experts in cyber security from business, academia and government to develop recommendations for implementing the priority challenges posed in the National Strategy to Secure Cyberspace. Each of the NCSP associations have managed the task forces in a secretariat role, ensuring the work flow stayed on task and on schedule for concluding the first phase of their work by March 2004.
- WHO:** NCSP is led by the [Business Software Alliance \(BSA\)](#), the [Information Technology Association of America \(ITAA\)](#), [TechNet](#) and the [U.S. Chamber of Commerce](#) in voluntary partnership with academicians, CEOs, federal government agencies, and industry experts.
- WHEN:** 2:00 p.m. EST, Thursday, March 18, 2004
- WHERE:** NCSP Web site: www.cyberpartnership.org

NCSP Task Forces

Following the release of the 2003 White House National Strategy to Secure Cyberspace and the National Cyber Security Summit, NCSP was established as a voluntary public-private partnership to develop shared strategies and programs to better secure and enhance America's critical information infrastructure. The partnership manages the activities of five critical task forces, which are led by an NCSP Secretariat and appointed co-chairs. Task force members include a range of subject matter experts including academicians, CEOs, federal officials and industry experts. The five individual task forces and their report deadlines and contact information are as follows:

- *Awareness for Home Users and Small Businesses* – **March 18, 2004**
 - Secretariat – Thomas Donohue, President and CEO, U.S. Chamber of Commerce
 - Contact – Scott Algeier, U.S. Chamber of Commerce, SAlgeier@USChamber.com
- *Cyber Security Early Warning* – **March 18, 2004**
 - Secretariat – Harris Miller, President and CEO, Information Technology Association of America (ITAA)
 - Contact – Bob Cohen, ITAA, bcohen@itaa.org
- *Technical Standards and Common Criteria* – **March 31, 2004**
 - Secretariat – Rick White, President and CEO, TechNet
 - Contact – Leslie Saul, TechNet, lsaul@technet.org
- *Security Across the Software Development Life Cycle* – **April 6, 2004**
 - Secretariat – Robert Holleyman, President and CEO, Business Software Alliance (BSA)
 - Contact – Jeri Clausing, BSA, jeri@bsa.org
- *Corporate Governance* – **April 6, 2004**
 - Secretariat – Rick White, President and CEO, TechNet
 - Contact – Leslie Saul, TechNet, lsaul@technet.org

About NCSP

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