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Numbers Matter, they Always did

(PRWEB) June 17, 2005 -- Overwhelm a technologically superior enemy with numbers.

It is a military doctrine some countries are famous for. Military strategists who perceive those countries as threats put their heads together to counter what they think is a unique problem, more so if they don't have the numbers themselves to counter this particular threat. Apparently the doctrine believes that if you throw sufficient numbers at the 'enemy' you can neutralize their offensive and defensive capabilities even if they have much superior weaponry because in the time it takes to neutralize the bulk, some numbers will be able to sneak through and do the damage.

"This is a war too," says Govind Rammurthy, CEO, MicroWorld Technologies. "Virus writers now use this strategy with considerable success, and it is working," he continues. "That was one reason we took the heuristic way when designing our products. That way we try and catch viruses by their behavior instead of relying solely on virus signatures."

CheckBridge, during their research into viruses, found that e-mail scanners on their best days performed at success rates that varied between 72% and 93.6%. On the worst day the success percentage for one scanner dropped to 64%. "There is only so much you can do with signature based scanners. More so when some viruses are released as hundreds of variants, and at increasing frequency. This is meant to use the window period that opens up between the time it takes for a company to recognize the threat and that to update their products. Releasing hundreds of variants prolongs this window period and improves virus penetration," says Amarjeet, programmer, MicroWorld Technologies. "Look at Mytob variants, they're up in everybody's Top Twenty Threats. That proves their strategy is working for now," he says. No single e-mail scanner used in the CheckBridge Research caught all the viruses. So are multiple scanners the only way out?

"Not necessarily," says Rammurthy. "It'll need to be a combination of scanning efficiency, integrated product features and multiple source-level protection that's a combination of source-level security at both, the ISP and the end-user stages."

US Federal Trade Commission (FTC), in conjunction with the US Federal Trade Commission (LAP) is pushing ISPs to do more to check spam. Significant number of spam e-mails are notorious for turning people's home computers into 'zombies' after Spammers take control of them to use them to send out spam to others. There are worse things that hackers can and do after taking control of the system.

"It's not very different from our expectation from the Municipality," continues Rammurthy on the issue of ISPs taking responsibility for checking spam at source. "We rely on the Municipality to provide us with clean drinking water. Imagine what were to happen if they were to pipe water to consumers directly from water catchments, without any filters. It's too scary to contemplate. Integrated Services are a must to tackle a broad spectrum of threats. That's what we aim for with our products."

MicroWorld's eScan and MailScan range of products integrate Content Security with Anti-virus to provide effective protection against all kinds of malicious programs.

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