



## Qatar's National Cyber Drills

# What is Q-CERT?

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- ▶ Qatar's National Center for Information Security
- ▶ Under MoCIT
- ▶ First CERT in MENA established in 2006
- ▶ Works with organizations who deliver critical services in Qatar

# Critical Sectors

Sectors are deemed critical when their incapacitation or destruction would have a debilitating impact on the national security and social well-being of a nation

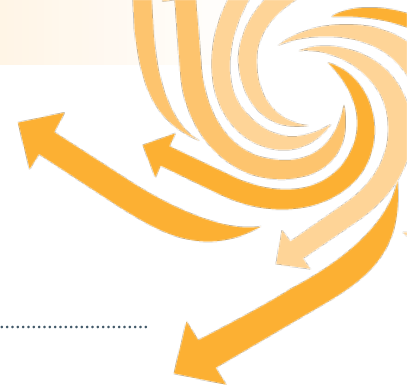




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# CIIP is an International Issue that **Transcends** borders ...

# International Inter-dependencies



03 Nov 2009

The Peninsula  
Qatar's Leading English Daily

**Qatar to supply 20pc of UK's energy needs**

**Qatargas will provide Argentina with LNG on a 20 year supply agreement**

**Qatar agrees to supply LNG to Malaysia for 20 years**

 Recommend

 Be the first of your friends to recommend this.

DUBAI, July 24 | Sun Jul 24, 2011 4:44pm BST



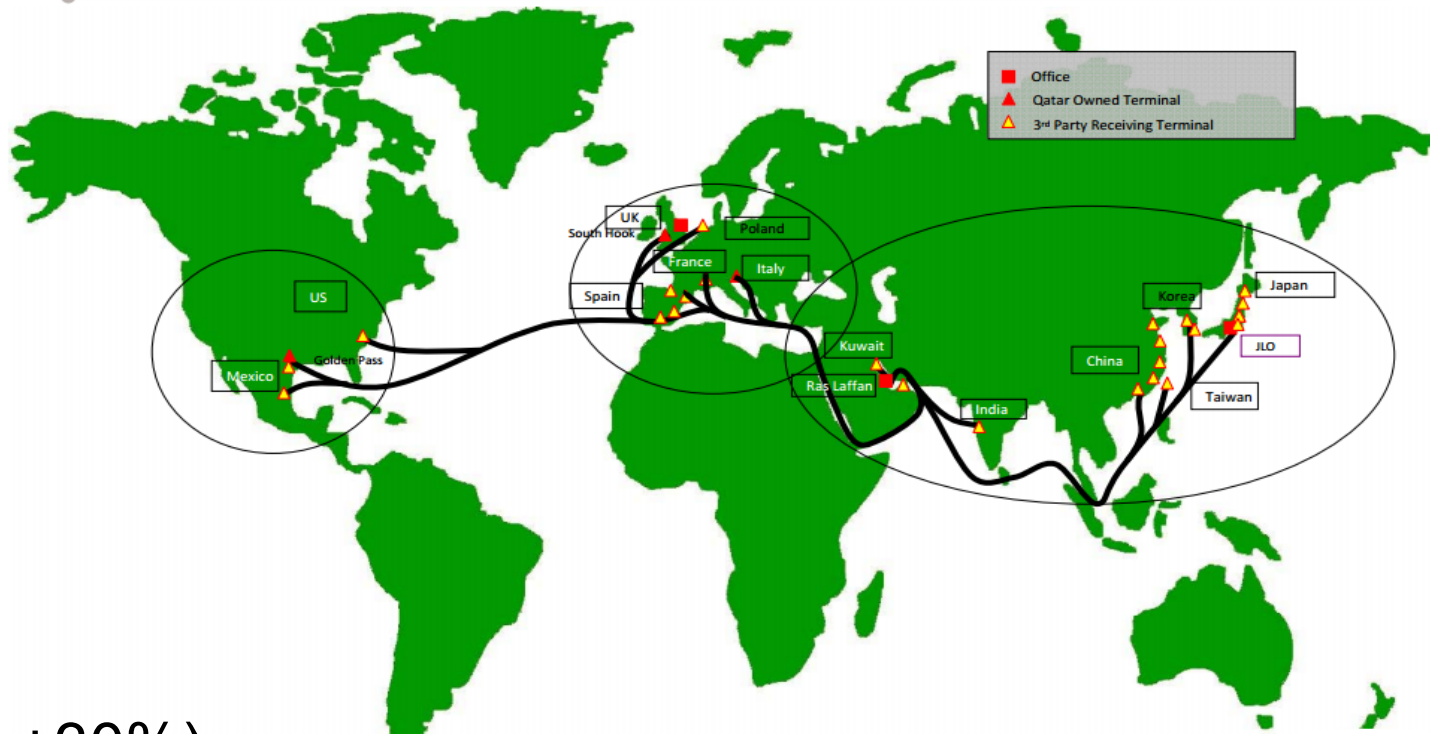
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# International Inter-dependencies

## Attack Scenario !!

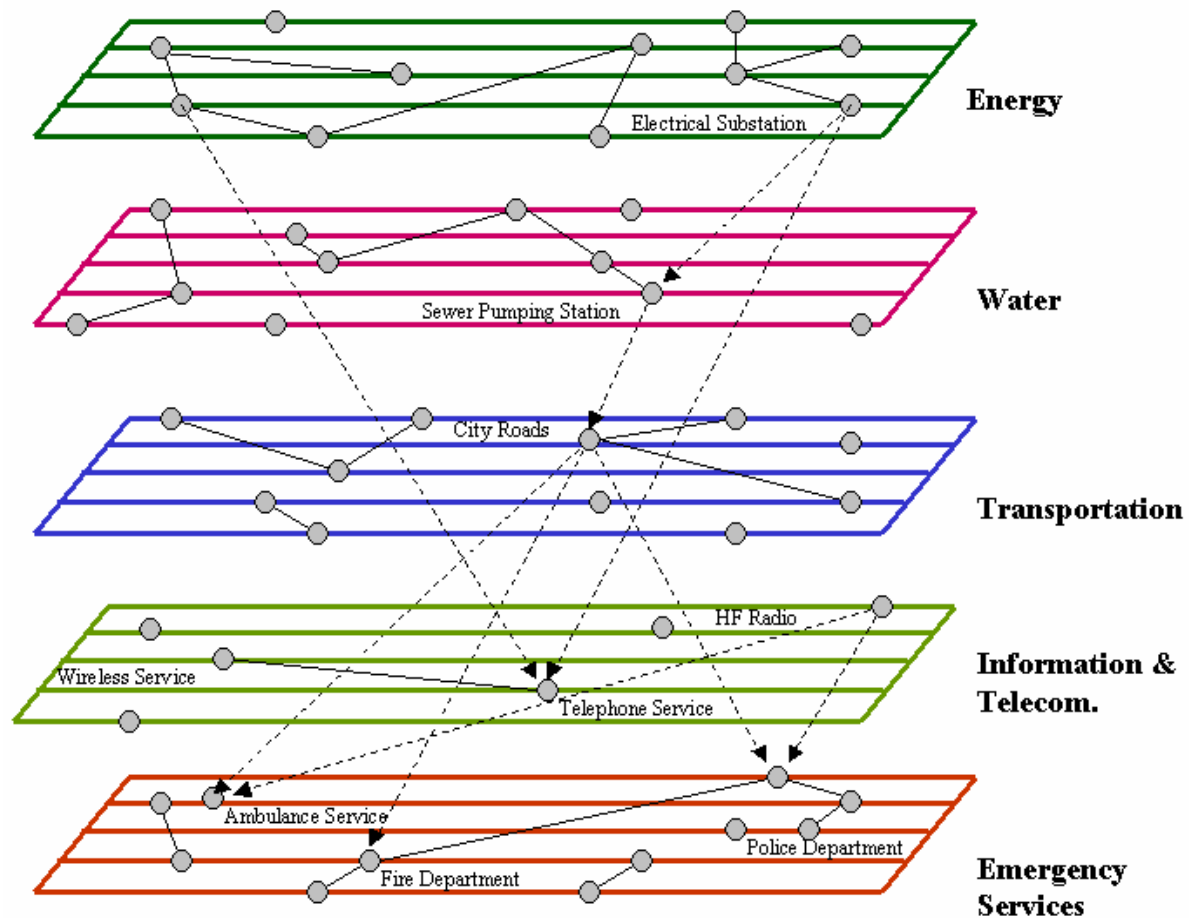
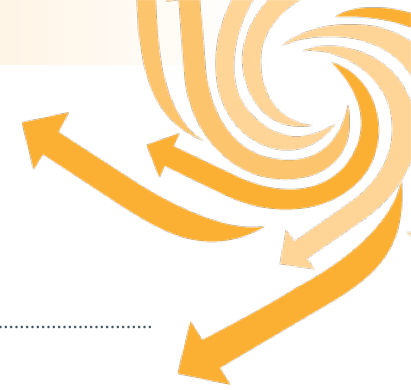


### Qatar's Global LNG Network



- UK
- Italy
- Spain
- France
- Poland
- USA
- Japan ( +30%)

# Local Inter-dependencies were revisited



# We Live in a **Hot** Region



- ▶ Stuxnet
- ▶ Duqu
- ▶ Flame
- ▶ Gauss
- ▶ Shamoon
  - V1 ( 30,000 Computers **Wiped** )
  - V2 ( 9 days later , several thousands more )



# Mr. Shamoon Lessons

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- ▶ IT Equipment Supply Chain is an Issue (**Importers vs. Manufacturers**)
- ▶ The need for IT Equipment National Reservoir/Stock ?
- ▶ Money Cant Buy Time ?
- ▶ Targeted Attacks **WILL** Eventually **Succeed**
  - Doesn't matter how secure you are ( no 100%)
- ▶ As a nation focus on
  - **Preparedness and Quick Recovery**, Recovery, Recovery

# IREC's (Our Sector Coordination Concept)



# National Cyber Crisis Threshold



- ▶ We **assumed** a national crisis **criteria** based on a table that includes things like:
  - # of BCPs activated in our CII in one day/week
  - # of concurrent Incidents per Sector at a given point in time
  - # of Zero days used in attacks, because zero days often indicate:
    - Resourceful attackers
    - Well Planned attacks, APTs
    - State sponsored, because Zero days are expensive
    - ICS zero days ++

# CII Surveys

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- ▶ Big differences in Readiness Levels
- ▶ Big differences in Maturity levels
- ▶ Resources
- ▶ But... We are as strong as our weakest link
  - This is where we should focus, not only on the obvious big boys

# Challenges ( Different Maturity Levels)



- IH Handbook
- ICS National Standard v2.0
- BC/DR Sector Based Toolkit
- Free Training
- Sector Workshops/Drills



# 2013 Drills - No One is left Behind



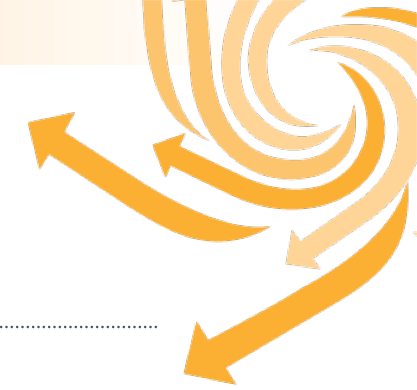
- ▶ Voluntary Participation, Companies may select
  - Level based on expectation from exercise / maturity
  - May choose to participate anonymously
- ▶ Commitment to cyber security
  - Participation and Qualification in Table-top exercises
  - Available resources to participate

# Drill Targets ( 3 years Plan)

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- ▶ Preparedness Levels
- ▶ Measure/Stress Break Points
- ▶ Fine Tune the Assumed National Crisis Threshold
- ▶ Spot Weaknesses and Dependencies
- ▶ Improve Coordination Channels
- ▶ Utilizing the lessons learned from the region



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