

Cyber Operations Tracker

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Affiliations

- Also known as Cutting Kitten and Group 41

This threat actor targets governments and private sector entities for espionage and sabotage purposes. It is believed to be responsible for compromising U.S. Navy computers at the Navy Marine Corps Intranet in San Diego, the U.S. energy company Calpine Corporation, Saudi Aramco, Pemex, Qatar Airways, and Korean Air (<http://www.reuters.com/article/2014/12/02/us-cybersecurity-iran-idUSKCN0JG18I20141202>)

- Canada, China, United Kingdom, France, Germany, India, Israel, United States, Kuwait, Mexico, Pakistan, Qatar, Saudi Arabia, South Korea, Turkey

Suspected state sponsor

- Iran (Islamic Republic of)

Type of incident

- Espionage

Target category

- Government
- Private sector

Victim government reaction

- Unknown

Suspected state sponsor response

- [Denial](#)

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Source: <https://www.cfr.org/cyber-operations/operation-cleaver>