



# TSYS Threat Management Center

Lessons shared from the road

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# TSYS - What We Do and Where We Are



# TSYS Security Operations Center

- Created 7 years ago as 1<sup>st</sup> attempt at dealing with security events
  - Served primarily as a service desk function
  - Light 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> shift coverage primarily for International incidents
  - Responsibilities included:
    - Password resets for privileged systems
    - Firewall policy pushes (validation done by another group)
    - Remote access troubleshooting
    - SPAM and email quarantine management
    - Limited vulnerability management activities
    - Security device availability monitoring
    - Manual intrusion monitoring and report reviews
  - Projecting 3 major screens for 15+ security consoles

**The Problem: *Too many screens, too many events, too few eyes, and no correlation***

# TSYS Security Operations Center

Firewall Log  
Console

SNMP Console

Wireless IPS Log  
Console

Intrusion  
Prevention  
Console

Service Desk Call  
Management Console

Web Application  
Firewall Console

Remote Access Log  
Console

...and more

**SOC Security Analysts**  
( single coverage exits across 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, and 3<sup>rd</sup> shifts)



*Unable to detect actionable events across multiple security consoles among millions of log events*

# SIEM – The Journey

- **Our Solution: SIEM**
  - Single Pane – centralized, holistic view of security event data
  - Correlated security data to create **Actionable Intelligence**
- Making the Initial Investment
  - Define the Vision - create your plan and stick to it
  - Don't waste a "Good Crisis;" Timing is Everything
  - Create a Business Case that Exec Management Can't Deny
  - As with any negotiation, start with your maximums
  - Let Exec Mgmt know, you will be coming back to the well
  - Show the value, even if it scares them a little
  - Oversize the deployment - integrated systems are very chatty
  - Invest in professional services and training

**(SIEM): *Centralized, holistic view of correlated security event data to produce Actionable Intelligence.***

- The Rollout
  - Include Operations and Network teams in the planning
  - Market Log Management as a Service
  - Don't use PCI as the driver, but you may need it as a hammer
  - Bandwidth use can be heavy; stay close with network team
- Correlation
  - Get creative on use cases - Think like a bad guy
  - Include areas not traditionally Information Security
  - Don't let excitement result in scope creep
  - Prioritize the Use Cases and Focus only on actionable events

# Today: TSYS Threat Management Center

## Correlated Events

APT Event Data

Firewall Event Data

Network IPS Event Data

Wireless IPS Event Data

DLP Event Data

Antivirus Event Data

Web APP Event Data

RAS Event Data

HR Event Data

Proxy Event Data

...and more

## Enterprise SIEM Main Channel Console

**(ACTIONABLE EVENTS)**

Priority 1 Severity Events

Priority 2 Severity Events

Priority 3 Severity Events

## TMC Organizational Structure Changes

( Additions: Daytime Mgr, After-hour Mgr, 6 SIEM Analysts)



***The Result : Single pane, correlated and prioritized actionable events, and removal of non-threat monitoring***

- SIEM was the right Solution to our Problem, but...
  - The SIEM technology surpassed TMC team member ability.
    - We had to invest time and money into training after launch.
  - SIEM needs investment in process/procedure development
  - SIEM needs continued investment (storage capacity, increased licensing, training, professional services, etc.)
  - SIEM needs engineering care and feeding
  - SIEM identified Operational cleanup opportunities
  - SIEM generated enough questions to staff a Forensic Team
- SOC was rebranded as a Threat Management Center
  - Removed responsibilities from TMC that were not threat related
  - Changed organizational structure to support new processes
  - Increased staffing levels to manage volume



- Questions?

**Thank You!**