



# Behind **Enemy** Lines

Practical & Triage Approaches to Mobile Security Abroad



# Presentation Objectives

- ▶ Highlight the threats posed by traveling abroad with mobile devices
- ▶ Discuss lessons learned from real world experiences
- ▶ Provide practical recommendations for reducing these threats
- ▶ Do it all in 50 mins or less

# About me

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  - ▶ Co-author 'Securing the Smart Grid'
  - ▶ OWASP Tampa Chapter Founder & Leader
  - ▶ Presented at DEF CON, ShmooCon, OWASP, and more...



# My addiction to smartphones

- ▶ Since 2008 I've used and subsequently voided the warranties of the following:
  - ▶ BlackBerry Bold 9700 & 8820
  - ▶ HTC Nexus One (Android 2.3)
  - ▶ iPhone, 3G, 3GS, 4, 4s (All iOS versions)
  - ▶ Motorola Droid (Android 2.1, 2.2, 2.3)
  - ▶ Samsung Galaxy S (Android 2.1)
  - ▶ T-Mobile (HTC) Dash (Windows Mobile 6.5)



Why **mobile** security?



# Everyone uses them...







# My Triplt profile page



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Basic Info

Upcoming Trips

Latest Activity

**Home** Tampa, FL

**Work** GuidePoint Security

**More** Justin has traveled 154,528 mi to 46 locations including Washington, DC, Sydney, Australia, Denver, CO and Norfolk, VA

Connections (8)



Mike...



Susan...



Lisa...



Michael...



Patrick...



Joel...



John...



Ronald...

Travel map

Past Upcoming



Travel stats

	2012	Total
Trips	4	33
Days	35	181
Distance	36,077 mi	154,528 mi
Cities	12	46
Countries	5	9





Is **INTL** mobile security a **real** issue?

# Domestic issues...

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MONITORING



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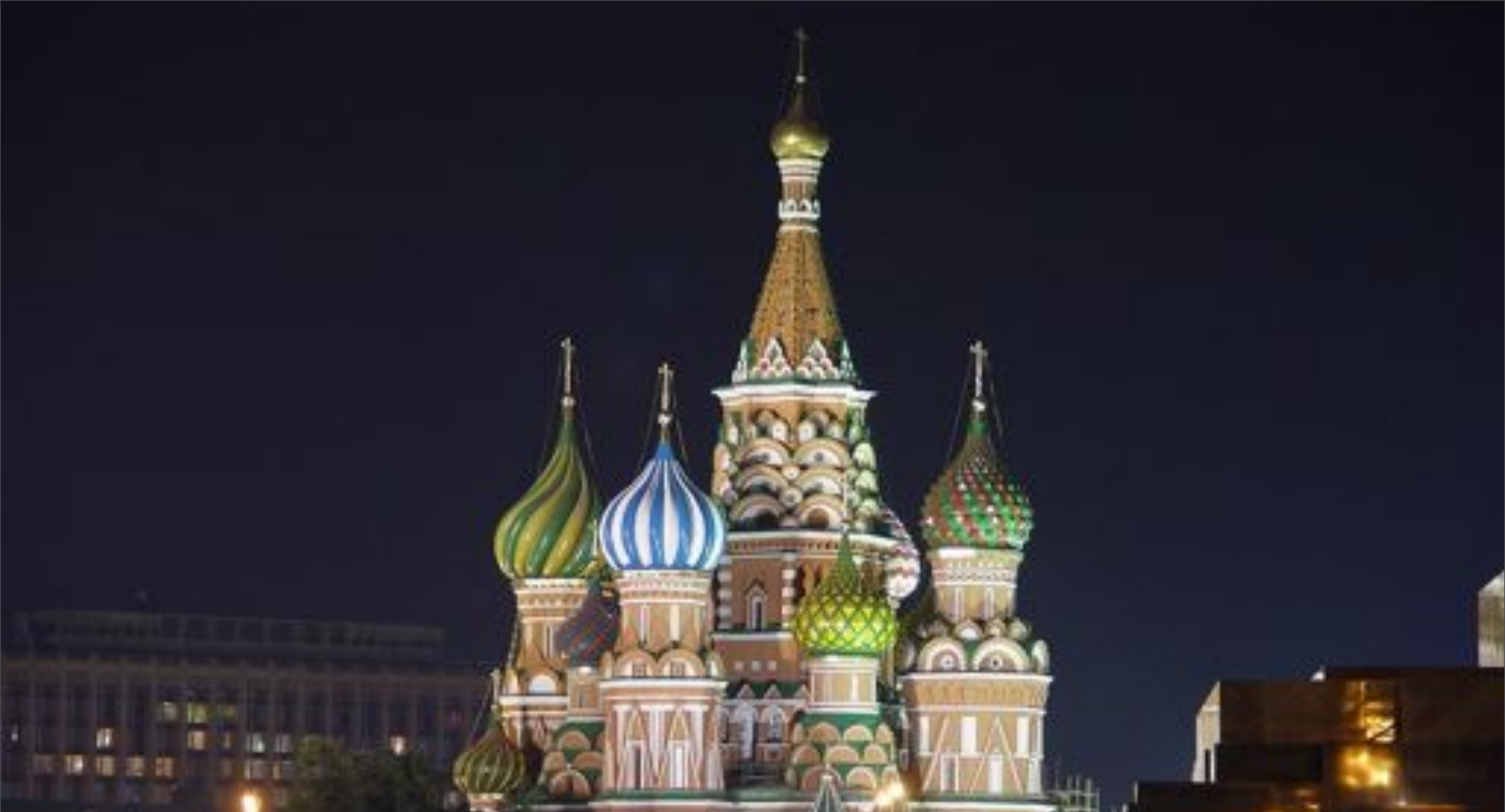
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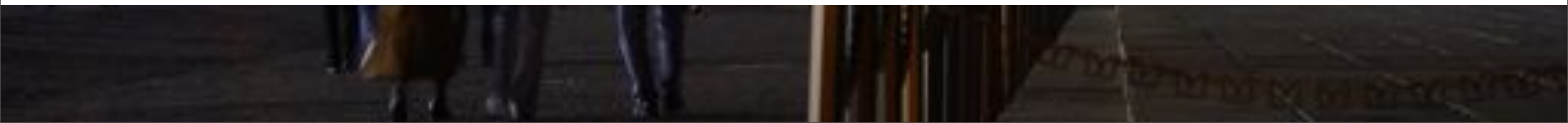
“Unique” international issues...



**Example #1**



**Example #2**







personal **skepticism**





**Wikileaks** Spy Files



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**ability**

Advance GSM Active Solution

**Ability Computers & Software Industries (Israel)**

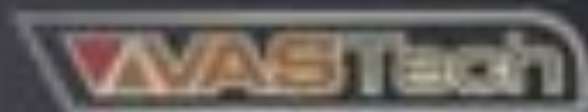
**IBIS - II**

In Between Interception System

2<sup>nd</sup> Generation

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## COMPANY OVERVIEW



Innovative And Proven  
Communication

**VASTech** (South Africa)



# Elaman (Germany)



## GSM-Monitoring System Semi Active – Falcon E+





**ELTA** (Israel Aerospace Industries)





Spy Files **Continued...**



How you are **targeted** by threat agents







...phishing



evil maid attack









Not all **threats** are created equal...





**Advanced Threats**

# Minimal Threats



# Moderate Threats

**Office**







**Practical** mitigation steps





Have a plan...



Make yourself  
**anonymous**  
(as possible)







the beauty of **prepaid**...

**old school & low tech...**





what about **data**?





Li, Navon. Comp. Methods Appl. Mech. Eng. 171 (1999) P.1-

$$\|u - u_h\|_{0,\Omega} \leq C(N_x^{-(m+1)} \ln N_x + N_y^{-(m+1)})$$

$m$ : order  
( $m \geq 1$ )

type mesh

$$\sigma = \alpha \varepsilon |\ln \varepsilon|$$

Apel & Lube, Appl Numer

$$\|u - u_h\|_{\Omega} \leq Ch^k (\varepsilon^{-\frac{1}{2}})$$

Case Study

# Client Overview

- ▶ Well-known multi-national organization w/ US HQ
- ▶ Executives traveling to hostile countries with moderate threats
- ▶ Loss of IP would be harmful to organization if obtained by competition

# Proposed Solution

- ▶ Utilize factory unlocked iPhone 4s 'burner' phones
- ▶ Preconfigure with VPN, encryption, PIN, remote wipe
- ▶ Purchase local SIM (with cash) upon arrival
- ▶ Perform forensics on phone upon return



# Solution Issues

- ▶ Executives often forgot to enable VPN before using data services
- ▶ Local SIM purchase required detailed information (passport)
- ▶ Executives used public wireless networks on several occasions

# Lessons Learned

- ▶ Utilize configuration utilities to enforce policies on devices (No WiFi, VPN, etc.)
- ▶ Purchase local SIM cards in advance using anonymous(ish) means (BitCoin)
- ▶ Disable local syncing in favor of web-based solutions
- ▶ Require two-factor authentication for all web-based solutions
- ▶ Setup local # that forwards to US
- ▶ Tunnel your tunnels (VPN & SSL)



**Effective** mobile security triage



# Plan for the Worst

- ▶ Knowledge is key (DO's and DON'Ts cheat-sheet)
- ▶ Rule of 32 (w/ prepaid [anon] SIM)
- ▶ Remote deployment solutions (Wipe & rebuild required)
- ▶ Overnight INTL shipping

# Questions?



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