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# Prioritizing Threats: What Would Threat Researchers Do (WWTRD)





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#### **Building Intelligence Programs**

A high-level look at how we do what we do

#### **Building Intelligence Programs**

#### Planning and Direction

- Stakeholders
- Intelligence Requirements

#### Collection

- Collection Plan
- Vendor Selection

#### Processing

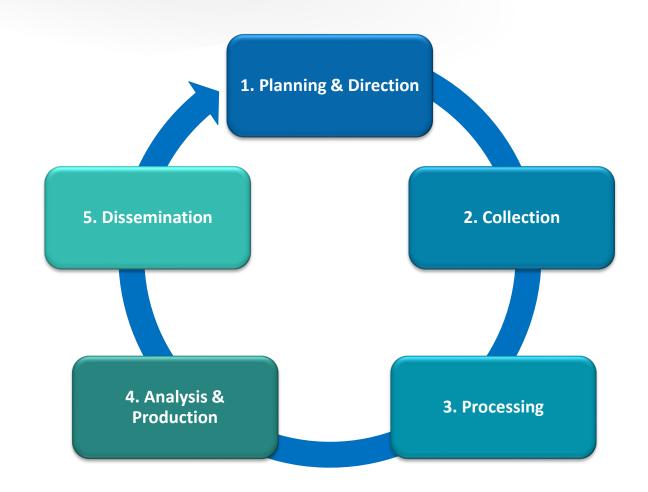
Technology-Powered

#### Analysis and Production

Tradecraft and Standards

#### Dissemination

Formats and Process



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## **Challenges Facing Researchers and Hunters**

It's a tough job but somebody has to do it

#### **Challenges Facing Researchers and Hunters**

- Evolution of Adversaries
  - Malicious activity vs. motivations
- Changing Tools and Mindsets of Researchers/Hunters
- Attribution & Group Tracking
  - What are criteria?



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### APT 41 / GREF Case Study

How does this work in the real world?

#### **Apt 41/GREF Case Study**

- APT 41 Overview
  - Chinese espionage activity in parallel with financially motivated operations
- Symantec
- FireEye
- Impact to Customers



#### **Apply What You Have Learned Today**

- You should be able to:
  - Assess how well your intelligence organization is aligned with the Intelligence Cycle
  - Understand the challenges and pitfalls of attribution
  - Recognize there is more than one way to approach assessments
  - Critically examine vendor conclusions for overstatement or logical fallacies

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