Week in OSINT #2019–18

Lots of different OSINT topics and links this week, there's something for everyone!

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After last week's episode with a special about data-sets, I am back with a regular update. Again there were loads of links, tools and sites that were shared online and I tried to filter the most interesting things out. I have a few tips and lots of links that were shared pointing to (web)tools with all kinds of searchable data. For this week I have the following topics:

- Telegram Treasures
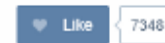
- Skype Broadcasts

- Tracking Hackers

- Corporate Intel

- Slack for Business

- Internet Archives

- De-Filter Instagram Photos

- Reddit Scraper

- Dark Searches

- UK Phone Directories

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Links: Telegram Treasures

The other day user "ex16x41" shared some links within the <u>OSINT.team</u> RocketChat, aimed at Telegram intel. While most search engines are able to find some interesting channels, there are also sites like 'Buzz.im' and 'Telegram Analytics' where even messages from public Telegram channels are being indexed. The latter is a site that really deserves to be checked out, if you didn't know it yet.

Telegram Analytics in action

Buzz.im: https://search.buzz.im/

Telegram Channels: https://tlgrm.eu/channels

Lyzem: https://lyzem.com/

Telegram Analytics: https://tgstat.ru/en/search

Telegago: https://cse.google.com/cse?q=+&cx=006368593537057042503:efxu7xprihg

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Tip: Skype Broadcasts

This tip also comes from the OSINT.team channel. Just a short one and easy to use. Whether you have a REDteam engagement or you are doing recon on a company for other reasons, it might pay off to check whether they have any public Skype broadcasts available. To do that, simply Google:
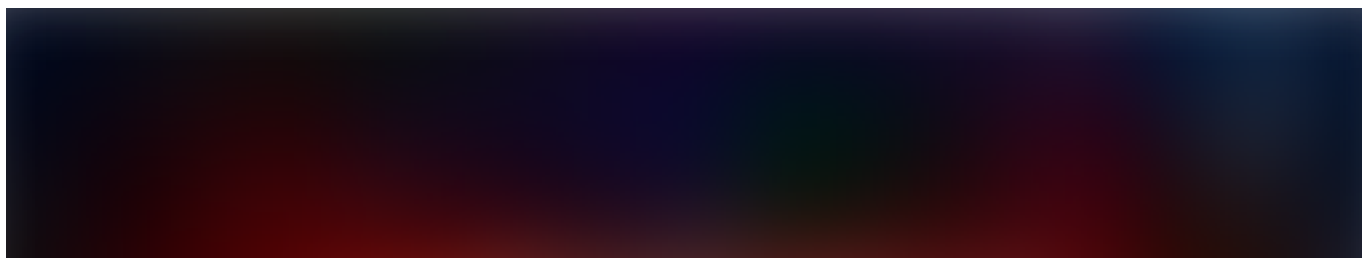
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site:broadcast.skype.com {company name}
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And even if it isn't a company, there is a lot more. Like all these old public hearings that were recorded:

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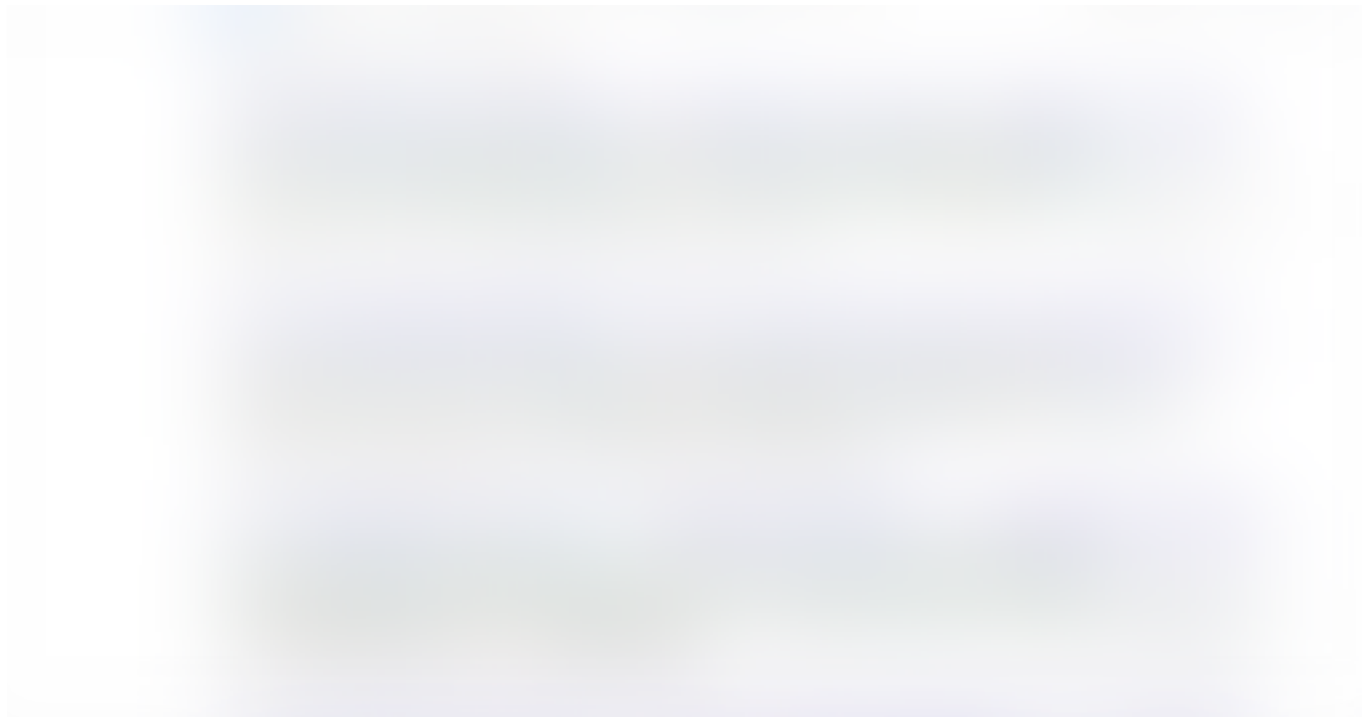
Blog: Tracking Hackers

In this blog MWOsint takes us along on an investigation to find out who defaced his blog, or at least it seemed it was… He shows how someone can start an investigation with minimal information and how you pivot pivot on findings. As always, a great little blog with solid information.

Link: https://keyfindings.blog/2019/05/02/tracking-a-hacker-with-osint/

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Links: Corporate Intel

And Stefanie Proto @Sprp77 is at it again! This time she shared some links for corporate intel. BPortal is sort of a front engine for 'indeed', the job vacancy site. Brownbook is a business listing site, just like Corporation Wiki. OpenCorporates is well known already within the community and the last

link she shared is the search tool of the 'Securities and Exchange Commission' in the USA. Thanks for the share!

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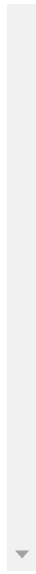
Brownbook: https://brownbook.net

Corporation Wiki: https://corporationwiki.com

OpenCorporates: https://opencorporates.com/

Edgar: https://www.sec.gov/edgar/searchedgar/webusers.htm

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Tip: Slack for Businesses

W00Tock shared a tweet the other day explaining about Slack environments and how to find them. Just go to Google and look for:

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{company}.slack.com
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And sometimes you might be lucky and are able to connect to their Slack with a guest account! And if Google didn't index it, why not give SecurityTrails a try, to see whether your company has a sub-domain under a

slightly different name:

https://securitytrails.com/list/apex_domain/slack.com

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Links: Internet Archives

Another nice tweet from OSINT Techniques, this time with some links to archiving services on the internet. Most of us know the Internet Archive and also the second one (another domain extension of 'archive.is'). The other three are less used, but can be useful sometimes when you maybe need that one page that seems to be elusive…

Link: https://archive.org
Link: http://archive.today
Link: https://cachedviews.com (or the original one: https://cachedview.com)
Link: http://cachedpages.com
Link: https://webcitation.org

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Tool: De-Filter Instagram Photos

Some time ago H. E. Upchurch shared a nice little tool, which sadly is only available for iOS devices. The idea is simple: You paste an Instagram image into the app, and it shows you what it would look like without the weird and sometimes ugly Instagram filters that were applied. Not everything will be

fixed, because very dark vignetting will still be visible, but it will at least try to restore the original colours as good as possible. Thanks for the share 'Big Sister'!

Link: https://joemacirowski.com/normalize/

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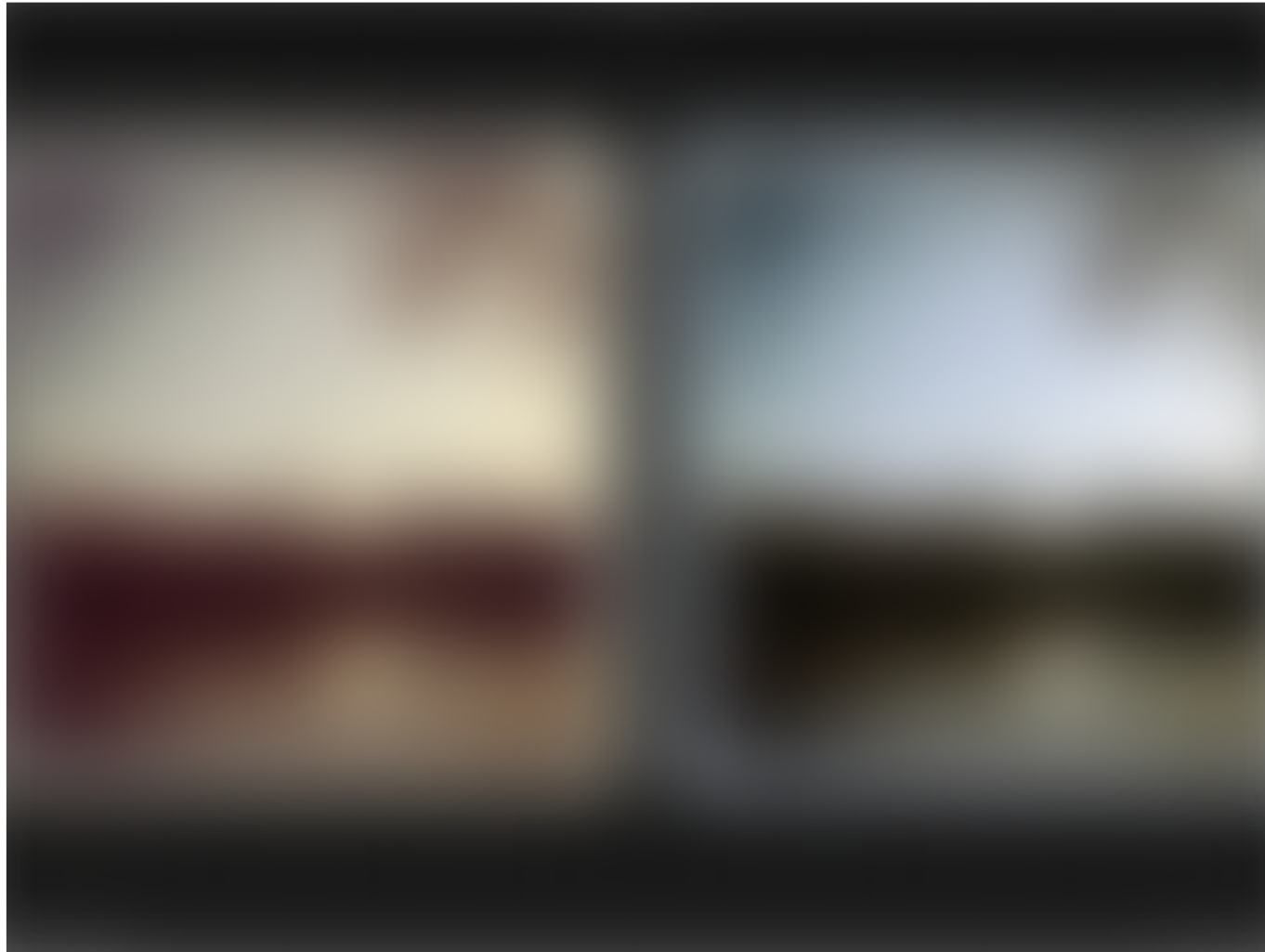
Tool: Reddit Scraper

Jake Creps was looking into Reddit the other week, but discovered a nice tool to scrape Reddit posts and sub-Reddits. A nifty little Python tool with some custom options that only needs an API key. If you need this for some reason, this definitely deserves a look!

GitHub: https://github.com/JosephLai241/Universal-Reddit-Scraper

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Search: Dark Searches

Another set of links by OSINT Techniques, and this time it's all about search engines for the underbelly of the internet. He posted a few tweets with several links pointing to search engines for your investigative pleasure!
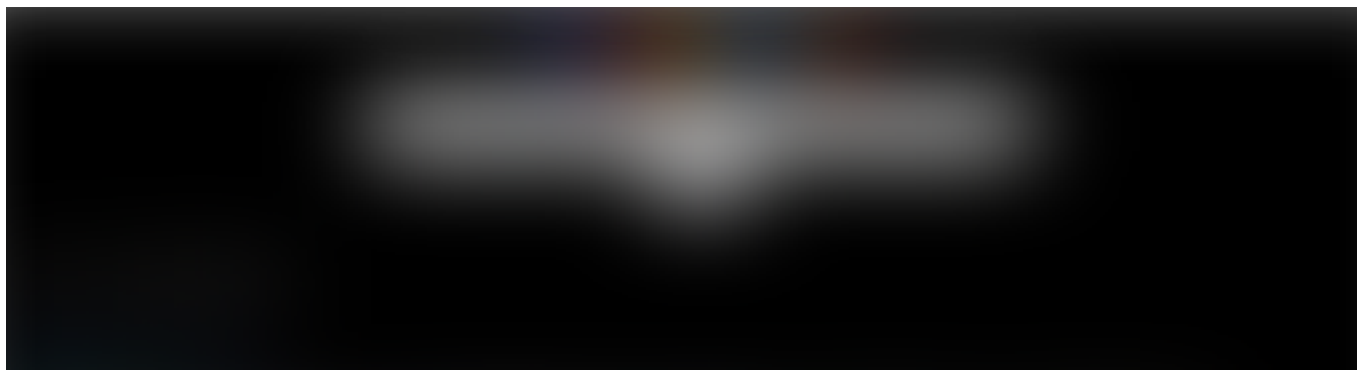
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Torch: xmh57jrzrnw6insl.onion

Not Evil: hss3uro2hsxfogfq.onion

Ahmia: msydqstlz2kzerdg.onion

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Links: UK Phone Directories

Last week Cybersecstu shared a few links on Twitter that might be interesting for some people. These are all databases with personal

information in regard to the UK.

The first link is from Genes United, that have a specific data set for electoral rolls. The second one mentioned is a a project to transcribe the whole BDM registration of England and Wales and provide access to it for free online. And the last one is the UK Phonebook, a free lookup service if you ever need

to find an address. As a reply Kas Stoner gave another link to 'Find my Past' where birth information is available up to 2006 for England and Wales.

Genes United: https://www.genesreunited.co.uk/articles/world-records/full-list-of-united-kingdom-records/census-land-and-surveys/electoral-rolls

Free BMD: https://www.freebmd.org.uk/

Phonebook UK: https://www.ukphonebook.com

Findmypast: https://search.findmypast.co.uk/search-world-records/england-and-wales-births-1837-2006

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And that is it for today! An awful lot of links compared to the usual newsletter, and loads of work, but it was more than worth it. That just leaves one last thing:

Have a good week and have a good search!

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