PLAY STATION NETWORK HACK

Date : 2011

Impact : 77million devices

Type : "External intrusion", data breach

- The attack occurred between April 17 and April 19, 2011, forcing Sony to deactivate the PlayStation Network servers on April 20. The outage lasted 23 days.

- The type of threat was a "External intrusion" and "Data breach".

- The target were PlayStation Network and Qriocity services.

- Personal details from approximately 77 million accounts were compromised and prevented users of PlayStation 3 and PlayStation Portable consoles from accessing the service.

- The passwords that were stored were not "encrypted," they were transformed using a cryptographic hash function.

- The attack, which may have leaked credit card details for millions of users, has never been traced to any group – although Sony suggested not long afterwards that Anonymous might have been involved.

- Some users claimed to be able to use Netflix's streaming service but others were unable to play certain Capcom titles in any form.

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