## Marriott data breach allegedly linked to Chinese intelligence-gathering effort - NY Times Wednesday, December 12, 2018 01:36:11 AM (GMT)

- People briefed on preliminary investigation results tell the NY Times the cyber-attack has been linked to Chinese hackers, suspected of working on behalf of the Ministry of State Security, in an effort that included hacks of health insurers, hotels and individuals.
- Government officials tell the NY Times the Justice Department is preparing indictments against Chinese hackers working for intelligence and military services
- The article notes the Trump administration is expected to declassify documents related to further efforts by Chinese agents
- A senior American official further stated the administration is considering an executive order intended to make it increasingly difficult for Chinese companies to acquire critical telecommunications equipment
- A Spokesperson for the Chinese Ministry of Foreign Affairs denied any knowledge of the Marriot hacking

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