

# VMware and Russian Hack



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Hello valued customer,

In a recent advisory, the National Security Agency (NSA) reported that many VMware products have vulnerabilities which Russian state-sponsored hackers have and are continuing to exploit. The NSA urges organizations using these products to take the VMware recommendation actions as soon as possible to eliminate this risk.

According to [VMware CVE-2020-4006](#), a malicious cyber actor with network access to the administrative configurator can access the computer operating system and execute commands with unrestricted privileges on the underlying operating system. The company released patches and provided [workarounds](#) to help organizations eliminate the risk of this vulnerability.

KIS's engineering and leadership team have reviewed the published NSA and VMware information. We are ready to help you and your organization confirm that you are not susceptible to these threats.

Please let us know if we can help.

KIS's engineering and leadership team remains vigilant in monitoring and addressing security issues that may impact your organization.

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