Cybersecurity National Action Plan (CNAP)

Background

* *As a part of the FY 2017 Budget plan, the President directed his Administration to implement a [Cybersecurity National Action Plan](#) (CNAP).*

* *CNAP is the capstone of more than seven years of determined effort by this Administration, building upon lessons learned from cybersecurity trends, threats, and intrusions.*

* *This plan directs the Federal Government to take new action now and fosters the conditions required for long-term improvements in cybersecurity across the Federal Government, the private sector, and individual American lives.*

Key Points

The Cybersecurity National Action Plan:

✓ Establishes the "Commission on Enhancing National Cybersecurity":
   o Comprised of top strategic, business, and technical thinkers from outside of Government – including members to be designated by the bi-partisan Congressional leadership.
   o Will make recommendations on actions that can be taken over the next decade to strengthen cybersecurity in both the public and private sectors while protecting privacy; maintaining public safety and economic and national security; fostering discovery and development of new technical solutions.

✓ Proposes a $3.1 billion Information Technology Modernization Fund.

✓ Empower and educate individuals:
   o The President is calling on Americans to move beyond use of a password alone to leverage multiple factors of authentication when logging in to online accounts.
   o Private companies, non-profits, and the federal government are working together to help more Americans stay safe online through a new public awareness campaign that focuses on broad adoption of multi-factor authentication and is designed to arm consumers with simple and actionable information to protect themselves in an increasingly digital world.
   o Accelerates the adoption of strong multi-factor authentication and identity proofing for citizen-facing federal government digital services, and is conducting a systematic review of where it can reduce the use of Social Security numbers.
   o The Small Business Administration will offer cybersecurity training to over 1.4 million small businesses and their workers.