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Subject: FCA SENSITIVE:	Update - Update 5
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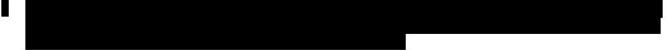
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Subject	: Action Update 13/10: Email - Spam Incident - Update 3
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	The quarantine mailbox created needs to be moved to an Quarantine mailbox and will require Security admin roles in Office365. Access will be limited to C&IR and Security Operations. The has agreed this.

ACTION: to take to Gold for approval on limited access for C&IR and Security Operations.

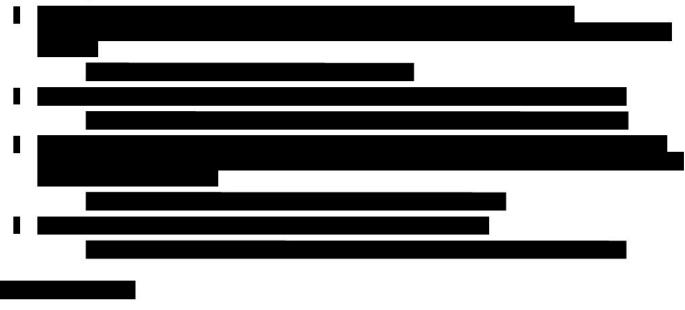
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Subject: Action Update 13/10: Email - Spam Incident - Update 2

 Key word filters have been enhanced to include "SCC, Unite the Union, Collective Bargaining and Unitetheunion.org" in the email address (as well as in content of email for unite the union, collective bargaining and unitetheunion.org), Computacenter will be capturing the different permutations of these words and including them in the filter. A redirect box has been created with access granted to Security Operations and CTU to review emails captured against these filters.

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- In Progress Restrict Inbound mail to large numbers of users. Update: This continues to be investigated with leading, along with options.
- Continue monitoring quarantine mailbox ongoing. One email identified today relating to this incident (with CTU)

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Subject: Action update 13/10: Email - spam incident

# Option 2

Filtering of mails that contain the Unite URL and/or sender mail addresses and send to a quarantine

Benefit: Mails with links to Unite would be filtered and would not reach users

**Risks:** Legitimate mails would not get through. This would need to be maintained as new addresses and content to the mails are likely to be used by the senders. If this were to be used long term, resource would be needed to process quarantine mailbox.

Action 1: CC to look at if we could effectively filter emails in this way

Complete. A redirect mailbox has been created and access provided to SecOPS and CTU. The filters for the known sender mail addresses are in place. The filters for the Unite URL are in place.



## Option 4

### Microsoft analysis of mail to see if it can be filtered using their services

**Benefit:** Intelligent filtering could be done on Exchange prior to the mail arriving with a user **Risks:** Some legitimate mails may also be filtered out. Resource would be needed to process quarantine mailbox

Action 1: FCA to send original mail samples to Microsoft

Complete. Microsoft have been engaged through a Severity A call to Premier Support. They have not provided any further options beyond that which we are doing in options 1-3. The mails are not technically spam as they carry no malware payload, or links to unsolicited products, services or known scams.



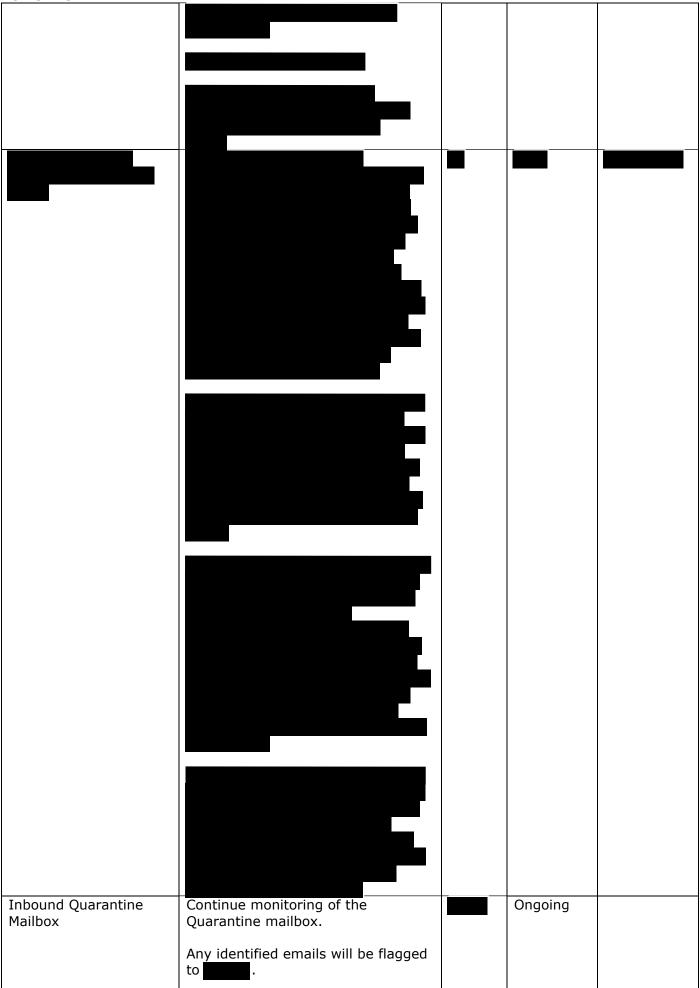
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#### Attendees:



# **Apologies:**

# FCA SENSITIVE



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	<b>21/10 Update:</b> Some emails have been quarantined from UNITE. These have been released following approval from <b>Constant Sector</b> . Going forwards, emails that require confirmation of release should be sent to <b>Constant Sector</b> .		
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Subject: Gold:	- Draft Decisions and Actions

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Actions:

3	13/10/2021	Draft	Add the following terms to the block list for incoming email addresses - 'RealSCC', 'RealFCA' (including underscore/hyphen/space variations), 'SCC', 'Unite the Union', 'Collective bargaining' and 'unitetheunion.org' and variants thereof	

### Kind regards

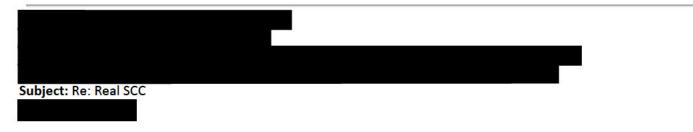
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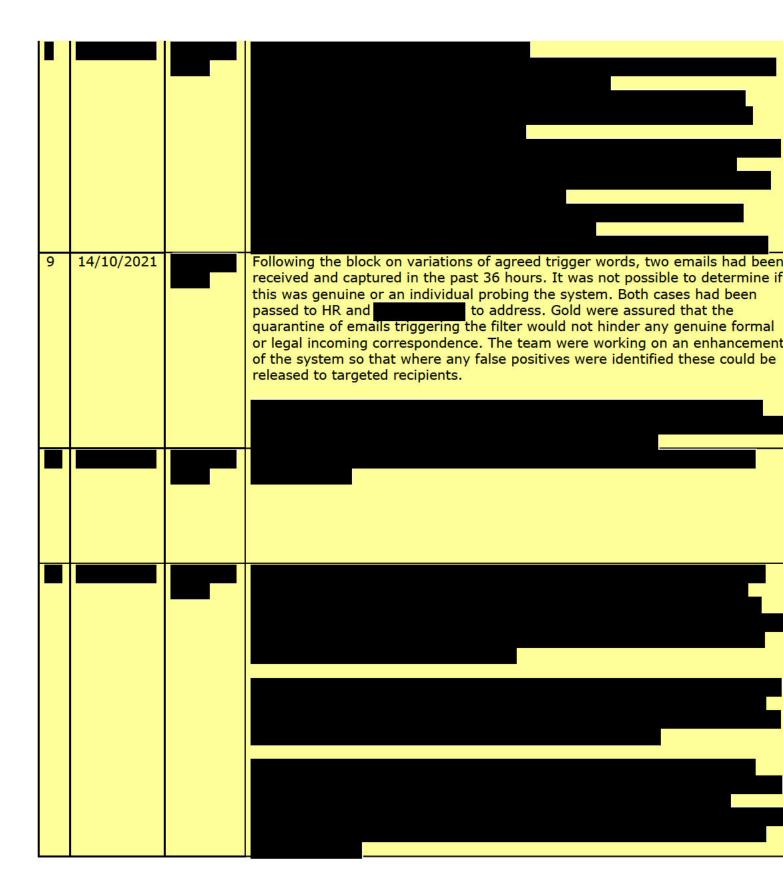
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possible to write a rule that looks for a phishing weblink disguised to look like the Union link, but wh
actually goes somewhere else?
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There was an additional action agreed in the side bar to add: SCC, Unite the Union, collective bargaining and unitetheunion.org in the filter terms (from external senders) so any containing these words in the sender field will be sent to the quarantine mailbox for monitoring too.



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