

# Panel 2: Cybersecurity Insurance and the Nebulous Risk of Cyberwar and Cyberterrorism

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# Disclaimer

# Cyber Insurance Landscape

- Cyber market is broadening-Significant capacity available
  - Growth coming from small to medium firms newly aware of the possible liability
- Organizations with a stand-alone cyber insurance policy 83 percent.\*
  - Of the organizations without a stand-alone cyber policy, 84% indicated that other insurance policies include cyber liability coverage.
- Annual gross written premium estimate \$3.25 billion.
- Global market is forecasted to garner \$14 billion by 2022
- Improved Risk Management services
- Sublimits reduce insurer exposure
  - Sublimit - a limitation in an insurance policy on the amount of coverage available to cover a specific type of loss. It's apart of the limit that would otherwise apply to the loss.
  - Self-Insured Retention (SIR) -A dollar amount specified in a liability insurance policy that must be paid by the insured *before* the insurance policy will respond to a loss.
  - Eroding limits Policy - a policy where defense costs are considered part of the loss, and therefore reduce or exhaust, the available limits of the policy to pay damages or settlement cost



# The Coverage Gap Created by Cyber Terrorism

- State Actor v. Non-State Actor
- Crime v. War v. Terrorism
  - Cybercrime includes unauthorized network breaches and theft of intellectual property and other data; it can be financially motivated, and response is typically the jurisdiction of law enforcement agencies.\*
  - Cyberwar is typically conceptualized as state-on-state action equivalent to an armed attack or use of force in cyberspace that may trigger a military response with a proportional kinetic use of force. \*
  - Cyberterrorism can be considered “the premeditated use of disruptive activities, or the threat thereof, against computers and/or networks, with the intention to cause harm or further social, ideological, religious, political or similar objectives, or to intimidate any person in furtherance of such objectives.” \*
- Analyzing Impact
- Who is the Target?





# Primary Harms

Loss of revenue and  
extra expense

Brand and reputation

Direct business loss and  
costs (e.g., Ransomware  
and Cryptonapping  
attacks)

Physical damage to  
property or persons  
(e.g., Oil rig explosion  
through hijacking of  
control systems.)

# Secondary Harms



Public relations/crisis management

Remediation of system flaw that allowed breach including forensic consultants, both hardware and software


Legal costs

Forensic audit

Notification costs

Credit monitoring for third parties

Defense of government investigation



**Is cyber insurance covering cyber war and cyber terrorism...**



# War Exclusion: No Terrorism Exclusion or Provision

Alleging, based upon, arising out of or attributable to war, invasion, acts of foreign enemies, hostilities or warlike operations (whether war is declared or not), strike, lock-out, riot, civil war, rebellion, revolution, insurrection, civil commotion assuming the proportions of or amounting to an uprising, military or usurped power.

## War Exclusion: Terrorism Carveback

An act of war, invasion, acts of foreign enemies, hostilities, civil war, rebellion, revolution, insurrection, military or usurped power or the seizure and nationalization of the Insured's Critical System or information assets by order of any governmental authority. Provided, however, this exclusion shall not apply to Cyber Terrorism.

For purpose of this exclusion, “Cyber Terrorism” means any actual, alleged or threatened attack against the Insured's Critical System, with the intention to cause harm or further social, ideological, religious or political objectives or to intimidate any person or entity in furtherance of such objectives.

## War Exclusion: Terrorism Carveback (no definition of terrorism)

strikes or similar labor action, war, whether declared or not, invasion, act of foreign enemy, civil war, mutiny, coup d'état, civil commotion assuming the proportions of or amounting to a popular rising, military rising, insurrection, rebellion, revolution, military or usurped power, or any action taken to hinder or defend against these actions; provided, however, this exclusion shall not apply to any actual, alleged or threatened attack against the network, with the intention to cause harm or further social, ideological, religious or political objectives or to intimidate any person or entity in furtherance of such objectives.

# War Exclusion: With Separate Terrorism Exclusion

Strikes or similar labor actions, war, invasion, act of foreign enemy, hostilities or warlike operations (whether declared or not), civil war, mutiny, civil commotion assuming the proportions of or amounting to a popular uprising, military uprising, insurrection, rebellion, revolution, military or usurped power, or any action taken to hinder or defend against these actions.

All losses or expenses arising from a terrorist act. For the purposes of this agreement, a terrorist act means an act or series of acts including the use of force or violence of any person or group(s) of persons, whether acting alone or on behalf of or in connection with any organization(s), committed for political, religious, or ideological purposes, including the intention to influence any government and/or to put the public in fear for such purposes;

# War and Terrorism Exclusion: Extremely Onerous Burden of Proof Requirement

Directly or indirectly caused by, resulting from or in connection with any of the following regardless of any other cause or event contributing concurrently or in any other sequence to the loss;

war; invasion; acts of foreign enemies; hostilities or warlike operations (whether war be declared or not); civil war; rebellion; revolution; insurrection; civil commotion assuming the proportions of or amounting to an uprising; military or usurped power.

For the purpose of this Exclusion, an act of terrorism means an act, including but not limited to the use of force or violence and/or the threat thereof, of any person or group(s) of persons, whether acting alone or on behalf of or in connection with any organization(s) or government(s), committed for political, religious, ideological or similar purposes including the intention to influence any government and/or to put the public, or any section of the public, in fear.

This also excludes LOSS of whatsoever nature directly or indirectly caused by, resulting from or in connection with any action taken in controlling, preventing, suppressing or in any way relating to any of the above situations.

If the COMPANY alleges that by reason of this Exclusion, any CLAIM is not covered by this Policy, the burden of proving the contrary shall be upon the INSURED.

# War Exclusion: Terrorism Carve Back, Onerous Burden of Proof Requirement

Any Act of terrorism; strike or similar labor action, war, invasion, act of foreign enemy, hostilities or warlike operations (whether declared or not), civil war, mutiny, civil commotion assuming the proportions of or amounting to a popular rising, military rising, insurrection, rebellion, revolution, military or usurped power, or any action taken to hinder or defend against these actions; including all amounts, Damages, or Claim Expenses of whatsoever nature directly or indirectly caused by, resulting from or in connection with any action taken in controlling, preventing, suppressing, or in any way relating to the above; however if We allege that by reason of this exclusion any Damages or Claim Expenses are not covered by this Policy, the burden of proving the contrary shall be upon You.

However, this exclusion shall not apply to Cyber Terrorism.

- Cyber Terrorism means the premeditated use of disruptive activities against Your Computer System by an individual or group of individuals, or the explicit threat by an individual or group of individuals to use activities, with the intention to cause harm, further social, ideological, religious, political or similar objectives, or to directly intimidate any person(s) specifically in furtherance of such objectives. Cyber Terrorism does not include any such activities which are part of or in support of any military action, war or warlike operations.



# Questions?

Thank you...



# Appendix

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Mr. Gow co-founded NetDiligence in 2000, a venture backed organization providing network security, incident response and forensic computer investigation programs specifically suited to the needs of insurance carriers and brokers.

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# Case Law



# Universal Cable Productions LLC et al. v. Atlantic Specialty Insurance Co. case number 2:16-cv-04435

- **Facts:** Universal sought coverage under its policy with Atlantic Specialty Insurance Co., for the cost to move production of a TV series away from Jerusalem amid a 2014 armed conflict between Israel and the Hamas militant. Atlantic declined, citing exclusions for losses related to war and warlike actions. The TV production company countered that the exclusions are inapplicable because Hamas is not a sovereign state and has often been classified as a terrorist organization by governments around the world. Universal sued, asserting claims for breach of contract and bad faith and seeking damages of at least \$6.9 million
- **Holding:** The Court found the 2014 conflict constituted a “war” under the exclusion in Universal’s insurance policy thereby, defeating the company's bid to get coverage.
  - The Court sided with Atlantic, saying California law requires him to adopt the common meaning of "war" in analyzing the policy, rather than the more specific technical definition suggested by Universal.
  - "In the common meaning, 'war' can include conflicts both between sovereign entities and between other groups; the word does not require a detailed assessment of the structure of one or more of the parties to the conflict or their precise international standing."
  - The Court notes that even if the explicit war exclusion didn't bar coverage for Universal, the policy’s exclusion for warlike actions is even broader and would certainly encompass the 2014 clash.

# P.F. Chang's China Bistro, Inc. v. Fed. Ins. Co.

**Facts :** P.F. Chang's was insured by a cybersecurity insurance policy through Federal by Chubb Policy ("Policy"). P.F. Chang's suffered a credit card data breach. P.F. Chang's acquiring/servicing bank pursued indemnification from P.F. Chang's under its service contract to recover fees for credit card assessments as a result of the breach.

**Issue:** Did the Policy's "Privacy Injury" coverage apply?

**Holding:** *No*, the coverage did not apply because the Policy's definition of "Privacy Injury" required that the compromised confidential records at issue be the claimant's.

- The payment card information stolen by the hackers belonged to Chang's customers and the card-issuing banks, not the acquiring bank that made the actual claim for reimbursement by Chang's.
- P.F. Chang's was on the hook for more than \$1.9 million.

# Aqua Star (USA) Corp. v. Travelers Casualty and Surety Co. of America

**Facts:** Aqua Star maintained a Wrap+ Crime Policy with Travelers. The Policy covered Aqua Star for its “direct loss of, or direct loss from damage to, Money, Securities, and Other Property directly caused by Computer Fraud.” Aqua Star’s vendor, Longwei, was hacked. Through social engineering and spoof emails, the hacker directed an Aqua Star employee to change banking credentials and wire \$ into the hacker’s account.

**Issue:** Does this exclusion apply? -- “Will not apply to loss resulting directly or indirectly from the input of Electronic Data by a natural person having the authority to enter the Insured's Computer System.”

**Reasoning/Holding:** Yes, the “revised” banking details were information, which fell within the meaning of “Electronic Data.” The employee in question was a natural person and had the authority to enter banking details into Aqua Star’s computer system.