

Outreach to Law Enforcement

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Why?

- RIPE NCC noticed an increase in enquiries from Law Enforcement Agencies (LEAs)
 - Almost always related to information we don't have, i.e. asking for end-user details on a specific IP
 - Mostly from “foreign” agencies and not signed off by a Dutch court using appropriate international procedures
- Improve on efficiency on both sides

Using Available Tools

- If we can answer the question, the information is usually publicly available:
 - RIR whois database
 - Routing information
- For specific details about an end user, there is no way around talking to the responsible network operator

Capacity Building

- Explain the role of the RIRs
- Teach people how to use public tools:
 - Learn them to interpret the results
 - Learn the limitations in the design
- Explain the technical impossibilities
 - e.g. blocking IP addresses

Outreach Activities

- Dedicated meeting in conjunction with the e-crime congress in London (since 2010)
- Participation at other industry events, e.g. MAAWG, ICANN
- Participation at Law Enforcement conferences (Europol, Interpol)
- Cooperation at IGF and EuroDIG

LEA Training Course

- Developed together with SOCA, bringing together expertise from law enforcement and Internet technical community
- Three courses delivered:
 - UK agencies (pilot)
 - Europol
 - United Arab Emirates
- Further cooperation with Europol/Cepol
 - And organisations outside the EU

Announcement: RIPE-588

- “Handling Requests for Information, Orders and Investigations from Law Enforcement Agencies”
- The RIPE NCC
 - Remains committed to protect the members’ interest
 - Will only execute binding orders
 - Will judge each order on its own merits

Questions?

