

COVID-19 Cybersecurity Awareness

Cyber criminals take advantage of others' misfortune during times of emergencies. Such as defacing, placing malware on websites that are used to update the community and world during the ongoing emergency.

Many of you have heard about the website for Coronavirus COVID-19 Global cases by the Center for Systems Science and Engineering (CSSE) at Johns Hopkins University (JHU). It appears that JHU's site was compromised or allows a redirect to a malicious site that looks like JHU's website. The compromised websites distribute malware to the visitor's computer that allows it to send SPAM emails and password stealing malware to the visitor's computer.

Continue to inform DOC's Cybersecurity Unit when you get suspicious emails.

Internet surfing while on the State Government network should be for official business needs only, remain vigilant and be careful when you visit websites.

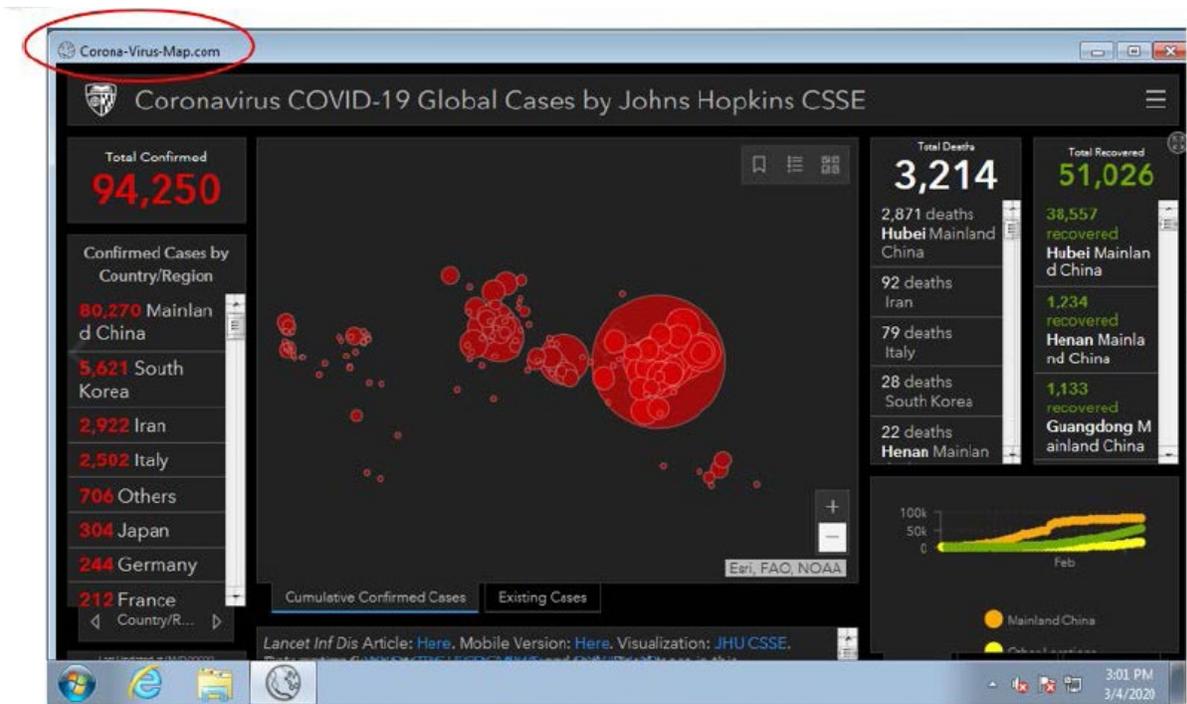


Figure 1. Screenshot of the malicious website "Corona-Virus-Map[dot]com" pretending to be a legitimate COVID-19 tracker.