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## To read

- **TikTok on Departmental mobile devices**—Cyber Risk Services has completed a risk assessment of the TikTok application and a number of security concerns have been identified with the confidentiality of personal information.

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*Read more* [Use of TikTok on Departmental mobile devices](#)

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## Use of TikTok on Departmental mobile devices

**3/08/2020**

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## Minute

To: Sean Hugo, Deputy Chief Information Security Officer, Cyber Risk Services

Date: 31 January 2020

### TikTok Security Risk Assessment

#### Purpose

To:

1. Provide risk advice and recommendations on use of the TikTok social media platform within Home Affairs on corporate mobile devices.
2. Note the attached TikTok short form risk assessment.
3. Note the recommendations of the assessment to prevent the use of the platform.

#### Background

4. Home Affairs wishes to be aware of the risks associated with the use of the TikTok social media platform by its employees and contractors on corporate mobile devices.
5. Home Affairs has acceptable use Procedural Instructions regarding the use of agency owned ICT resources which stipulates that access to unapproved social media sites is prohibited.

#### Issues

6. TikTok is a s. 33(a)(iii) developed and owned social media application s. 33(a)(iii)  
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7. The TikTok Privacy Policy allows for profiling and sharing of user and friend information, links and financial information, including credit rating. Information is stored perpetually while the account is active. Sharing can be for any undefined purpose and unless the user specifies who not to share with, it is available to all. Despite that sharing restriction, it states that information would be made available for any government/legislative purpose.

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### Recommendation

It is recommended that you:

- Approve the recommendation and restriction of TikTok software on all corporate devices. s. 47E(d)
- Note the risks detailed in the attached short form risk assessment; and
- Note the recommendations of the assessment to prevent the use of the platform

Approved ☒

Not approved ☐

Noted ☒

Please discuss ☐

Noted ☒

Please discuss ☐

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### Attachments:



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short form Tik Tok.xls

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## Department of Home Affairs - TikTok SRMP

Section / Branch		CRME	Created by	s. 47E(c)
Date of Risk Assessment		30/01/2020	TRIM Reference	
Objective		To examine risks associated with the use of TikTok on corporate Home Affairs devices.		
Context		TikTok is a social media platform owned and developed by ByteDance, s. 33(a)(iii) s. 33(a)(iii)		

Risk Description				Effectiveness of Controls		Analysis			Evaluation
Risk Event	Caused by	Impact/ consequences	Risk Owner	Current Control(s)	Control Rating	Current risk level			Required Action
						Likelihood	Consequence	Risk Rating	
Nation state gains access to data and personal information.	s. 33(a)(iii) state access and manipulate data.	Content may contain identity or links to agency information.	CIO	Staff Awareness. ICT Acceptable Use Procedural Instruction.	Inadequate	Possible	Major	High	Treat
Attackers can access content and manipulate or delete and change security settings.	SMS link spoofing.	Content may contain identity or links to agency information.	CIO	Staff Awareness. ICT Acceptable Use Procedural Instruction.	Inadequate	Possible	Major	High	Treat
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Users may be assumed to represent the agency through association and or content.	Lack of awareness and control. Users may install on private devices and make comment relevant to the agency.	Content may contain identity or links to agency information.	CIO	Staff Awareness. ICT Acceptable Use Procedural Instruction.	Inadequate	Possible	Major	High	Treat

Risk Event	Risk Treatment			How will implementation be monitored?	Implementation Status
	Treatment Action	Accountable	Implementation Date		
Nation state gains access to data and personal information	Prevent via Mobile Device Management on corporate devices.	TOS.	28/02/2020	Testing - Ensure that TikTok is restricted on the mobile device.	
Attackers can access content and manipulate or delete and change security settings	Prevent via Mobile Device Management on corporate devices.	TOS.	29/02/2020	Testing - Ensure that TikTok is restricted on the mobile device.	
Attackers can access personal or group information including email addresses and financial information	Prevent via Mobile Device Management on corporate devices.	TOS.	1/03/2020	Testing - Ensure that TikTok is restricted on the mobile device.	
Users may be assumed to represent the agency through association and or content	Prevent via Mobile Device Management on corporate devices.	TOS.	2/03/2020	Testing - Ensure that TikTok is restricted on the mobile device.	