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Security Event and Information Management

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Case Studies on Why SEIM is Important

- Xpress Scripts
- UN RAT
- WikiLeaks



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Examples of Security Events

- System Logon/LogOff
- System shut down/Restart
- Map drive resources
- Burn a CD.



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What are “Logs” and Where Did They Come From

- Came from the Marine Industry
- Line or cord off the side of the ship
- Knot every 50 feet.
- Timed for 30 seconds
- Consistent place of record for other ship activities.
 - Weather events.
 - Watchstanding.



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What Makes Good Logs

- Consistent Time Source
- Appropriate logging detail settings.
- Enough Space
- Archival strategy



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It All Begins With Policies

- Management approved.
- Communicated to managers
- Communicated to System Admin.
- Suggested Elements
 - All systems must log
 - System Admins must ensure consistent logging
 - Logs must be reviewed regularly



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Who Else Is Interested In This Stuff?

- System Admin – troubleshooting systems.
- Internal Audit – Records of Activity.
- Admin/Personnel – User Activity.
- Internal Controls – Evidence of Activity.



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Government Is Also Interested...

- NY State Office of Cyber Security
- PCI – Infamous Req 10
 - 10.1 – Logging is enabled and active
 - 10.4 – Time Synchronization
 - 10.5 – Audit trail security
 - 10.6 – Log Review –
 - 10.7 – Log Retention
- FISMA – Extensive requirements



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Suggested Goals

- All systems create logs of normal activity.
- More logs if handling sensitive information, user accreditation or money movement.
- SANS Top 5 Reports
- Hold As Long As Possible.



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Log Review Time

- Check for consistency
- Have admins identify activity in the logs.
- Look for automated solutions.



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Things to Keep In Mind When Picking a Solution

- Budget
- Type of environment (What are you logging)
- Appliance or machine?
- Windows or Unix?
- Resilience Posture.



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Questions?

Thank You!

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