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Security Alert: Beware of SMS Messages That Can Take Control of Your Phone

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(PhysOrg.com) -- Trust Digital has proven that an attacker with the right knowledge and toolkits can remotely hijack a phone by sending an SMS message to it. The attack would be most effective if it took place in the middle of the night while you are asleep.

The attack, on your phone, would start by receiving a text message that would automatically start up the web browser and direct it to malicious Web site. The site would then download an executable file to the phone and steal all your personal data.

The following video demonstrates this:

These attacks are real and can originate from any where in the world. Trust Digital recently announced software called EMM 8.0 that can help organizations protect employee phones from these types of attacks.

For detailed information about EMM 8.0 software, please visit the Trust Digital Web site.

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