

Taiwan civil servants fall for sex video trap

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Nearly 1,000 civil servants in Taiwan must take classes in cyber security after falling for a trap set up by their employer to test Internet safety, an official said on Wednesday.

The government of New Taipei City, near capital Taipei, sent out an email last month which claimed to contain a steamy sex video in order to check how carefully its 6,000 staff were protecting their computers against hacking and virus attacks, she said.

Despite strict bans against checking non-work related emails, nearly 1,000 employees opened the fake email, which alluded to an ongoing and much-publicised celebrity sex scandal.

Those who failed the test will be required to attend a mandatory two-hour Internet security course.

Taiwanese prosecutors are currently investigating the celebrity sex case, which allegedly involves a Taipei socialite drugging and sexually assaulting several women, including models and actresses, local media said.

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