HYBRID THREATS

in the context of crisis management

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Hybrid threats concept

**Hybrid threats**
- multiple definitions (EU, NATO, Hybrid CoE)
- influence strategic decision making
- undermine the target

**Coordinated and synchronized action** that targets vulnerabilities of state

**Exploit the threshold of detection/response/attribution**

**Using proxies and exploiting opportunities** to achieve objectives
1. OUR ROLE IN ADDRESSING HYBRID THREATS

A part of the national coordination mechanism for countering hybrid threats identifying and countering threats that affect the personnel, operational capacity, the decision making process, cyber security environment, assets and missions of the Ministry of Internal Affairs

actively involved in countering hybrid threats

contributing to the process of building resilience to resist attacks and minimize their impact as well as to consolidate the deterrence posture of the Ministry of Internal Affairs
2. WHAT WE DO BEFORE A CRISIS

**Awareness**
- constantly aim to build expertise through attending European / International forums and discussions related to countering hybrid threats
- participate in national and international exercises
- inform high level decision makers on the specifics of a hybrid threat/campaign

**Situational awareness**
- update our strategic planning documents
- create the necessary framework to acknowledge and counter HT in a comprehensive way.
- build capabilities within the Ministry to continuously identify and assess vulnerabilities and risks
- internal and national cooperation and information exchange

**Resilience**
- Counter targeting activities directed towards our personnel
3. What we do during a crisis?

- share **situational awareness** products in a timely manner
- ensure that the crisis management team has a good understanding of events related to the hybrid campaign
- conduct specific activities in order to sustain a technical attribution
“If you know the enemy and know yourself, you need not fear the result of a hundred battles.” Sun Tzu, The Art of War

THANK YOU!

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