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**Black Hat Federal 2006 Briefings Begin on January 25<sup>th</sup>;**

**Dr. Linton Wells II, CIO of the DoD, Keynotes on  
Security Research and Vulnerability Disclosure**

**Simson Garfinkel on Hard Drive Forensics, David Aitel and Billy Hoffmann on Worm  
Writing, Joanna Rutkowska and John Heasman on Advanced Rootkits, Robert  
Graham on SCADA Systems, Halvar Flake on Exploiting a New Vulnerability Class,  
and David Litchfield on New Oracle Vulnerabilities and Fixes**

**Seattle, Wash. — January 10, 2006** — Black Hat, a division of CMP, today announced the final agenda for Black Hat Federal 2006 Briefings, taking place at the Sheraton Crystal City in Washington DC on January 25-26, 2006. Black Hat Federal Briefings is a two-day conference for about 300 technically advanced computer security professionals, including the best minds from government agencies and global corporations as well as the hacker underground. Black Hat differentiates its Briefings by requiring each speaker to present new security research not available anywhere else.

The Black Hat Federal 2006 Briefings immediately follow the Black Hat Federal 2006 Training, taking place at the Sheraton Crystal City on January 23-24, 2006.

On January 25<sup>th</sup> at 09:00, keynote Dr. Linton Wells II, CIO of the DoD, will open the conference by discussing security research and vulnerability disclosure as it relates to the Department of Defense, "As a major user of information systems, the Department of Defense has a vital interest in the security of computers and the Internet. Accordingly, we strongly favor policies that encourage research into the vulnerabilities of these systems, and that facilitate the rapid and widespread sharing of information enabling users to install patches and employ other protective measures. At the same time, the Department recognizes the need to safeguard the trade secrets of producers of information systems, including their proprietary software. The Department is eager to participate with other members of the IT community in developing practices that will best accommodate both these interests, and that will include orderly processes that won't generate dramatic and confrontational events such as in the case of Lynn and Cisco."



Following the keynote, renowned security experts such as Simson Garfinkel will speak on Hard Drive Forensics, David Aitel and Billy Hoffmann on Worm Writing, Joanna Rutkowska and John Heasman on Advanced Rootkits, Robert Graham on SCADA Systems, Halvar Flake on Exploiting a New Vulnerability Class, and David Litchfield on 0-Day Oracle Vulnerabilities and Fixes.

The full agenda is available online at <http://www.blackhat.com/html/bh-federal-06/bh-fed-06-schedule.html>. Personal log entries written by Black Hat Briefings speakers are available on The BlackPage, <http://www.blackhat.com/html/bh-blackpage/bh-blackpage.html>.

"I am continually impressed with the security experts I encounter within and working with the US Government," said Jeff Moss, CEO of Black Hat. "Most government security experts see eye-to-eye with Black Hat. They are here to learn from the best and be the best. I am honored to be part of the process."

#### **About Black Hat Briefings**

Black Hat Briefings bring together a unique mix in security: the best minds from government agencies and global corporations with the underground's most respected hackers. These forums take place regularly in Las Vegas, Washington DC, Amsterdam, Tokyo, and Singapore. Black Hat Briefings USA has grown to over 2500 technically advanced attendees. The smaller Briefings host about 250 attendees each.

#### **About Black Hat Training**

Black Hat Federal 2006 Training is at the Sheraton Crystal City on January 23-24, 2006. Black Hat Training provides hands-on experience of the newest security threats and countermeasures. Courses include application security, assessment methodologies, computer forensics, network design, root-kit technology, and software vulnerability analysis. Black Hat experts deliver customized and standardized courses that range from two days to two weeks.

#### **About Black Hat**

Black Hat, a division of CMP, is a think tank of security experts providing training and briefings to leading corporations and government agencies around the world. Black Hat differentiates itself by working at many levels within the corporate, security and computer underground communities. This unmatched informational reach enables Black Hat to be continuously aware of the newest vulnerabilities, defense mechanisms, and industry trends.