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Certifi-gate, the massive vulnerability in Android™ devices, has been confirmed to have no harmful effect on Optimal Remote

Tokyo (August 17, 2015) – OPTiM (TSE Mothers: 3694), a leading provider of business-related applications for smart devices, announces that, after careful investigation and testing, it has been confirmed that the recently-discovered vulnerability for Android™ mobile devices, Certifi-gate, has no harmful effect on the safety of Optimal Remote, a remote management service of OPTiM.

■ About the massive vulnerability Certifi-gate

Recently, at the hacker conference Black Hat USA 2015 held in Las Vegas, security company Check Point announced the discovery of Certifi-gate, a vulnerability that can affect over a million Android™ devices. Certifi-gate is a security issue related to remote support tools used by device makers and network service providers, and numerous remote support services are impacted. According to Check Point, they have found that TeamViewer, Rsupport and CommuniTake Remote are some vulnerable for attack.

With this vulnerability, a device can be accessed by another party, and every piece of information controlled by the user on the device can be stolen, including IDs, passwords, personal information, mail and photographs.

Check Points states that, "The problem is further intensified because vulnerable apps cannot be completely revoked. Even after a fixed version is released, an attacker could use the old version to get control of the device."

■ OPTiM's Certifi-gate Test Results

OPTiM launched an investigation immediately after the announcement of Certifi-gate in order to confirm that the vulnerability did not affect Optimal Remote. The development of this service had a special focus on security issues, and the potentially vulnerable area has been given thorough consideration. Optimal Remote uses a unique method for remote support, unrelated to the ones affected by Certifi-gate, so our customers can continue to safely use this product as usual.

OPTiM will strive to continuously provide better services to allow secure usage of our services.

■ Reference: Check Point: Certifi-Gate-based attacks could take complete control of Android devices - ZDNET

<http://www.zdnet.com/article/certifi-gate-big-android-security-trouble-for-hundreds-of-millions-of-users/>

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About OPTiM

Based in Tokyo, Japan, OPTiM provides internet-based services that improve its clients' interactions with technology in all aspects of daily life, "We make the net as simple as breathing." Our services include Optimal Biz, a cloud device management service; Optimal Remote, a remote management service; Optimal Support, a setup support service; and the Unlimited content and software suite series.

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