

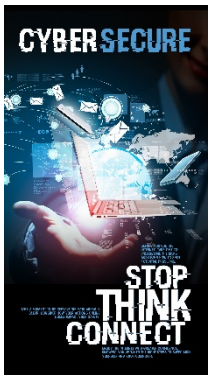
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## **Tips to Prevent Social Engineering Attacks:**

The AF network and systems are only as strong as its weakest link, and it is every Airman's responsibility to practice proper cyber hygiene habits. Here are some tips to stay #cybersecure at the office and home and avoid being a victim of social engineering.

### ***Beware of Social Engineering!***

Pay special attention to social engineering ploys. These can come from social media, blogs, emails, texts, phone calls, and other avenues. Even people/accounts you know and interact with every day.



- ✓ Refuse social media requests from anyone you haven't personally met and confirm all requests via other means before "accepting."
- ✓ Beware of suspicious emails and report them appropriately through your chain of command.
- ✓ Do not click on links, or even cut and paste them, in emails, especially those asking for personal information.
- ✓ Manually verify and then re-type (instead of clicking) websites listed in emails/texts, etc. instead of via the link even from trusted sources.
- ✓ Never email personal or financial information, even if you know the person requesting it.

### **Social Engineering is Designed to Look and Act Real!**

- ✓ Always digitally "sign" all emails and demand others do the same.
- ✓ You are a target at home and work. The enemy expects you to treat your home devices differently than your Air Force devices.
- ✓ Targeting exploits our habits: online shopping and package tracking; school correspondence to/for your children/spouse, and other typically "trusted" sources.



***Cyber hygiene is simply the phrase 'trust, but verify' for the digital age!***

The **Stop.Think.Connect.** Campaign is a national public awareness campaign aimed at increasing the understanding of cyber threats and empowering the American public to be safer and more secure online. Cybersecurity is a shared responsibility. We each have to do our part to keep the Internet safe. When we all take simple steps to be safer online, it makes using the Internet a more secure experience for everyone.

For more information, visit: <https://www.dhs.gov/stopthinkconnect>.



## ► RESOURCES

Website access to the following resources can be gained by clicking on the name.

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[Air Reserve Personnel Center](#)

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## ► NEWS

[Disbrow to serve as acting AF secretary](#) As provided for by federal law, Under Secretary of the Air Force Lisa S. Disbrow serves as the acting secretary of the Air Force until the president nominates and the Senate confirms a permanent replacement.

[White House nominates Wilson to become Air Force secretary](#) A 1982 Air Force Academy graduate, Heather Wilson, is the intended nominee to be the next secretary of the Air Force.

[Officer developmental education application window opens Jan. 30](#) Starting January 30, eligible active duty officers can apply for intermediate and senior developmental education opportunities through the web-based form 3849, available on [Air Force Personnel Center Secure](#).

## ► THIS WEEK IN AIR FORCE HISTORY

**January 26, 2004** – The Air Force Flight Test Center at Edwards Air Force Base, California, carried out the first mission with its new KC-135 “rain and ice” tanker. The aircraft could replicate rain, snow or icy conditions through a four-foot shower head containing 100 air and water nozzles mounted at the end of its refueling boom. For this mission, the tanker produced a saturated cloud for an F-22 Raptor performance test.

**January 27, 1967** – Air Force Lt. Col. Virgil I. “Gus” Grissom and Edward White and Navy Lt. Cmdr. Roger B. Chaffee were killed when their Apollo spacecraft caught fire at Cape Kennedy while rehearsing for a flight scheduled for February 21.

**January 28, 2003** – The Air Staff waived the U.S. Air Force General Flight Rules to allow Air Combat Command to deploy the RQ-4A *Global Hawk*. At the time, the Air Force Flight Test Center at Edwards AFB, California, was the home of the *Global Hawk* in developmental testing.

**January 29, 1915** – The first 20 aviation mechanics received their designations after passing exams.

**January 30, 1951** – During the Korean War, the 61st Troop Carrier Group's C-54s were the first USAF aircraft to land at the recaptured Suwon Airfield, Republic of Korea. They delivered 270 tons of supplies for the advancing United Nations forces.

**January 31, 1997** – An Air Force Flight Test Center crew from Edwards AFB, California, conducted the first live launch of an AGM-142 Raptor missile from a B-52 at the White Sands Missile Range, New Mexico.

**February 1, 1950** – Continental Air Command was directed to set up a civil air raid warning system.

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