

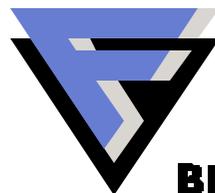
# Mobile phone

# threats

HITBSecConf2005, Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia

Mikko Hypponen, Chief Research Officer

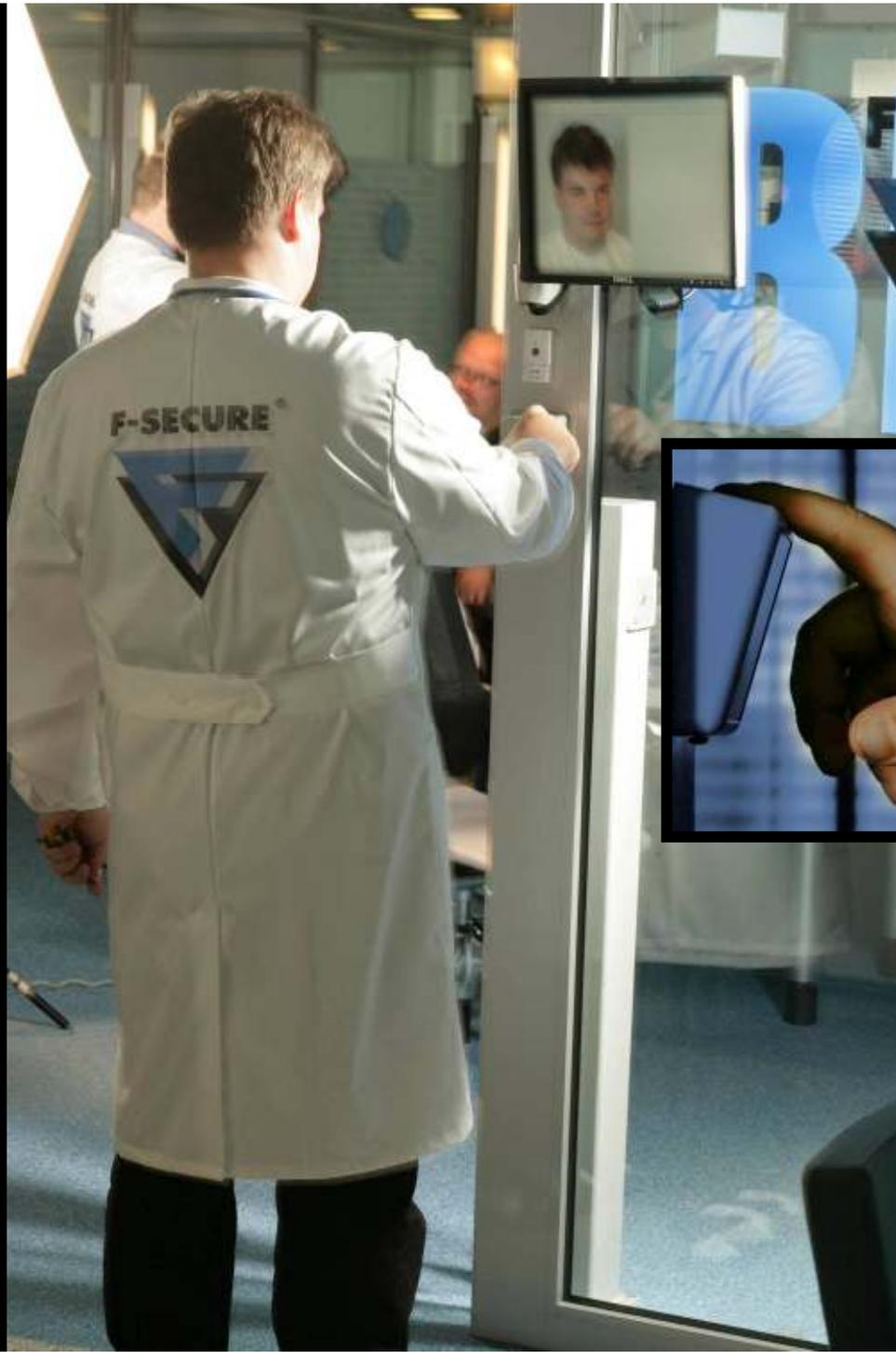
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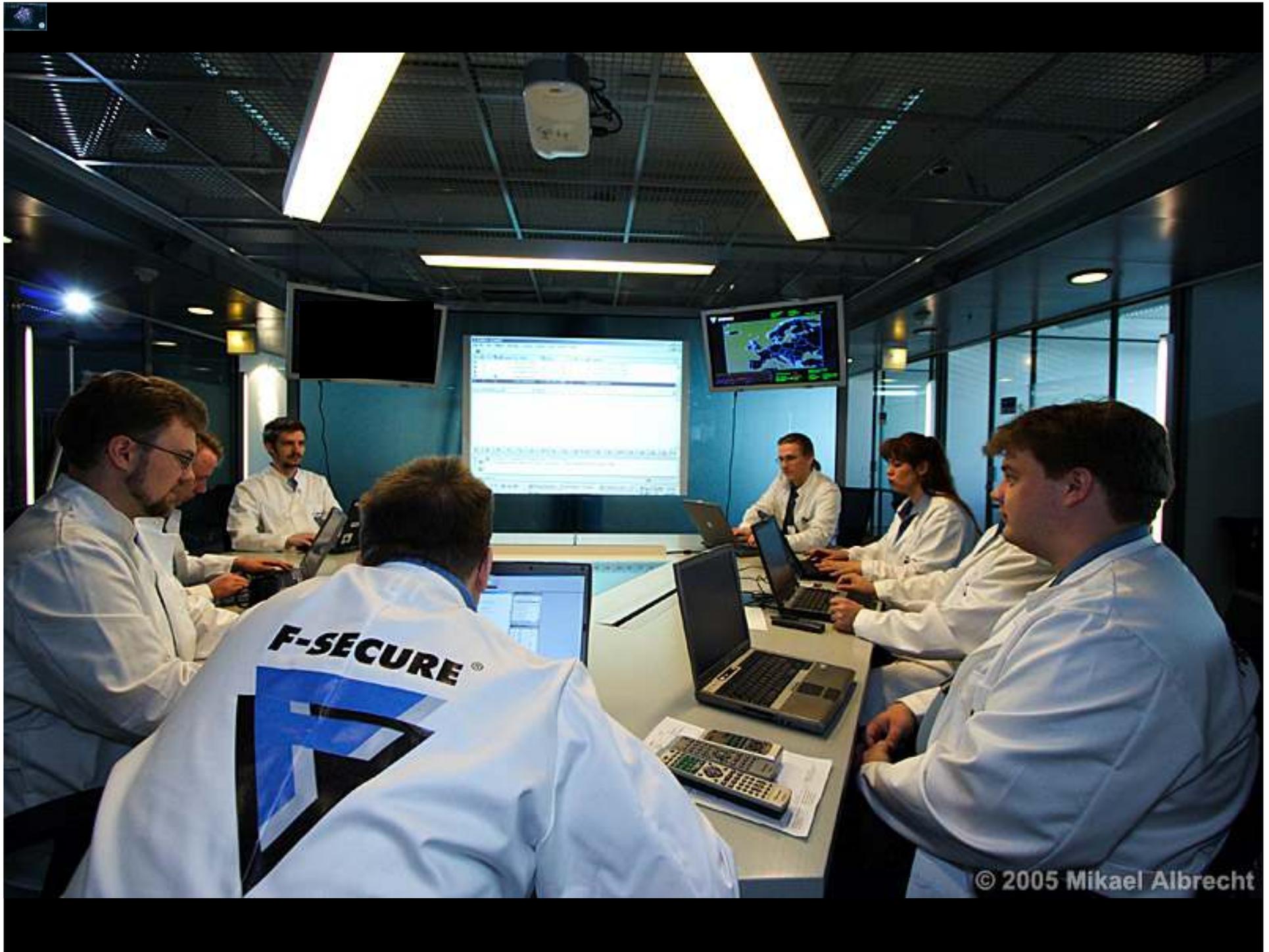












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VIRUS WORLDMAP LIVE  
(c) F-Secure Corporation

SCENARIO NAME: Global/Dec 2,2004  
VIRUS NAME: ALL COMBINED  
SCOPE: GLOBAL

STOP >>  
RADAR LEVEL: N/A



>LIVE FEED

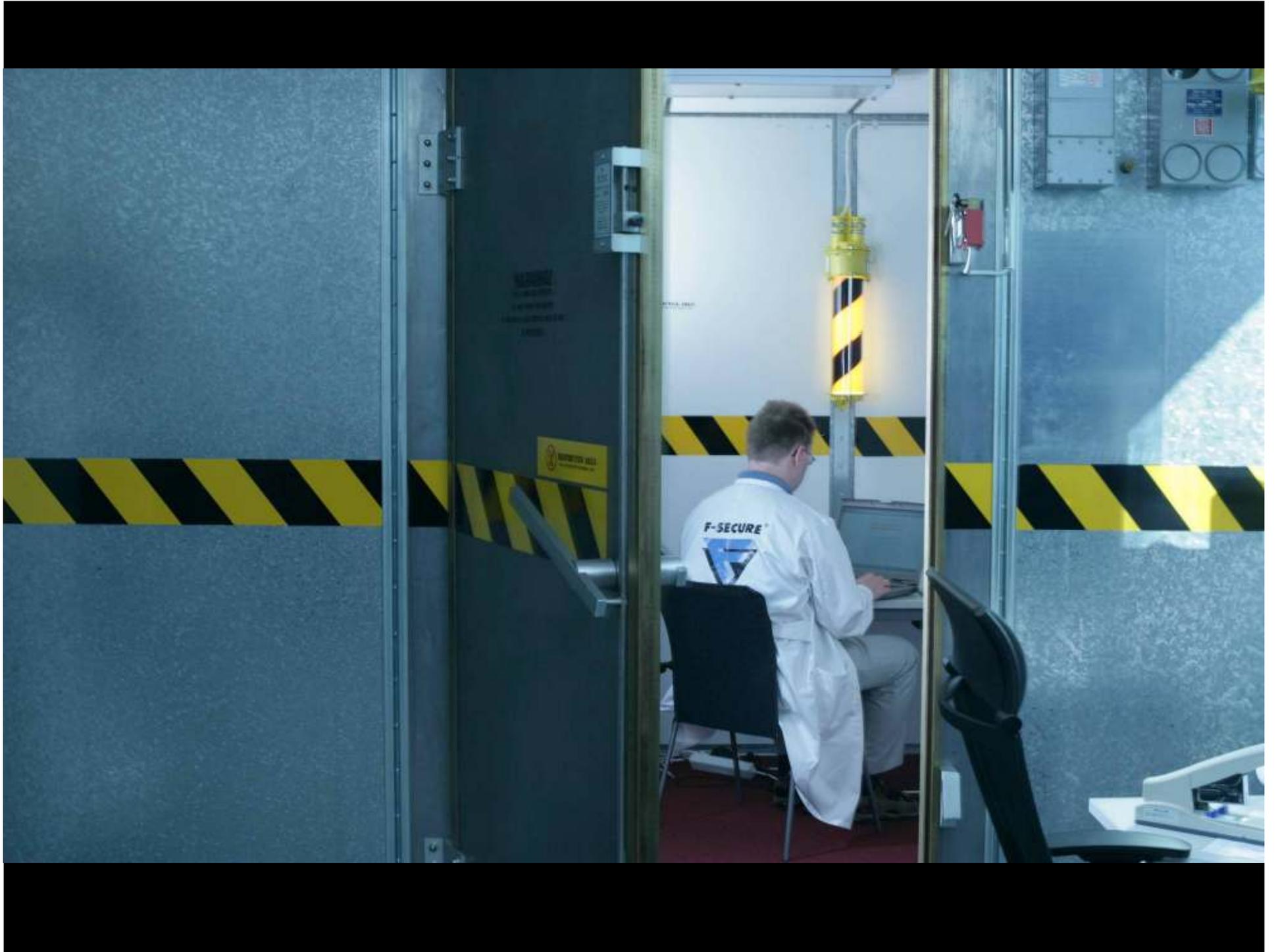
Sunday, 05-22-2005

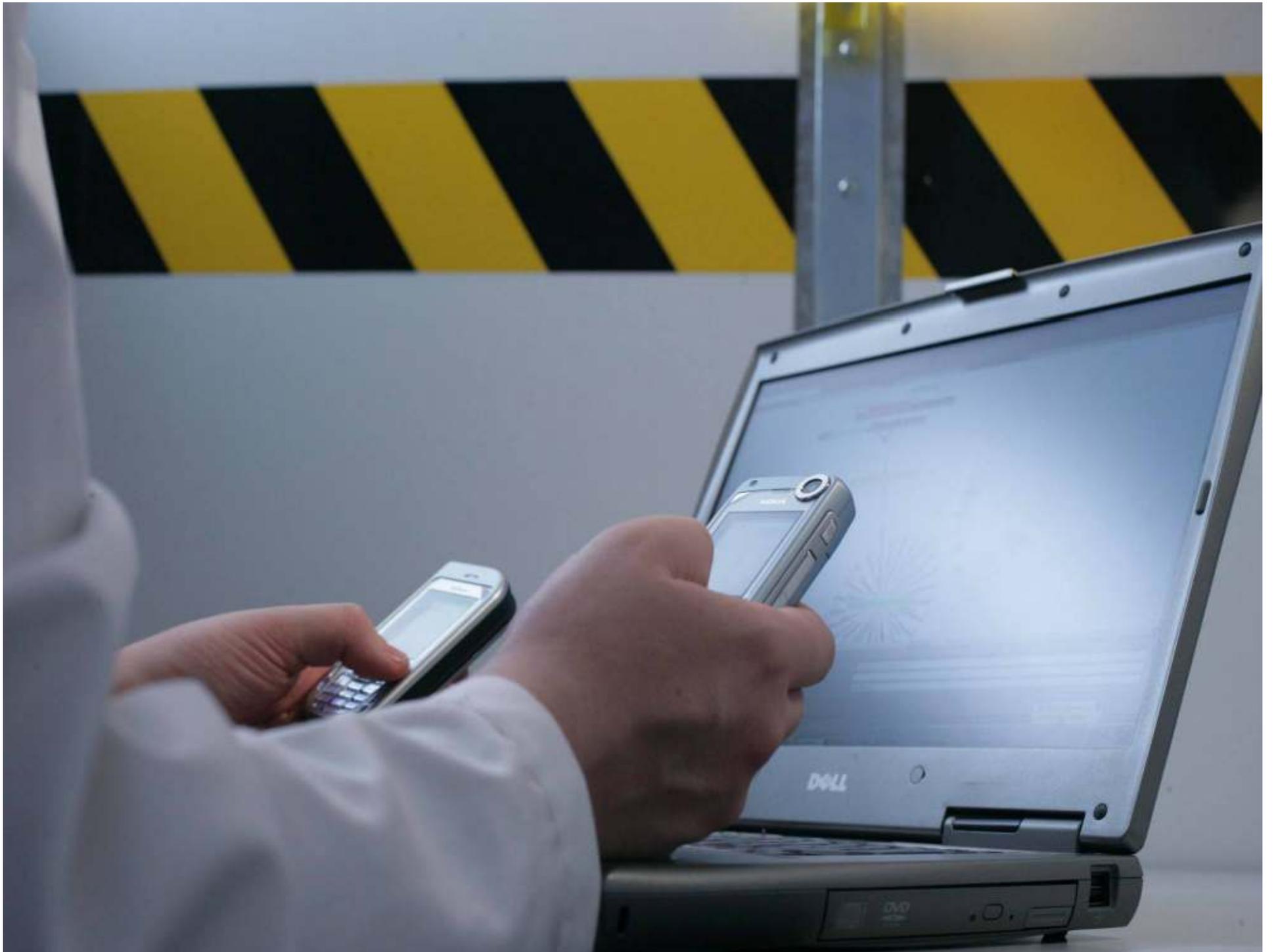
>ARCHIVE PLAYBACK 2.0 h/s

23:09:30 CET

TRACE STARTED: 05-16-2005  
TOTAL VIRUS COUNT: 38598  
CURRENT RATE: 229 / h

SIM TIME: 6 DAYS 22 HOURS  
LATEST ALERT: W32/Myfeb.D  
LOCATION: CHINA / XI JIANGUI





A photograph of a laboratory door. The door is closed and has a large white warning sign with black text. Below the door, there is a yellow and black striped barrier. To the right of the door, there is a yellow sign that says "RESTRICTED AREA". On the wall to the right of the door, there are several electrical panels and a yellow hanging lamp that is lit. The walls are a light blue color.

**WARNING!**  
LIVE WIRELESS VIRUSES  
DO NOT OPEN THE DOOR!  
IF THE DOOR IS CLOSED THERE IS VIRUS TESTING  
IN PROGRESS

 RESTRICTED AREA

## But surely you're not serious?

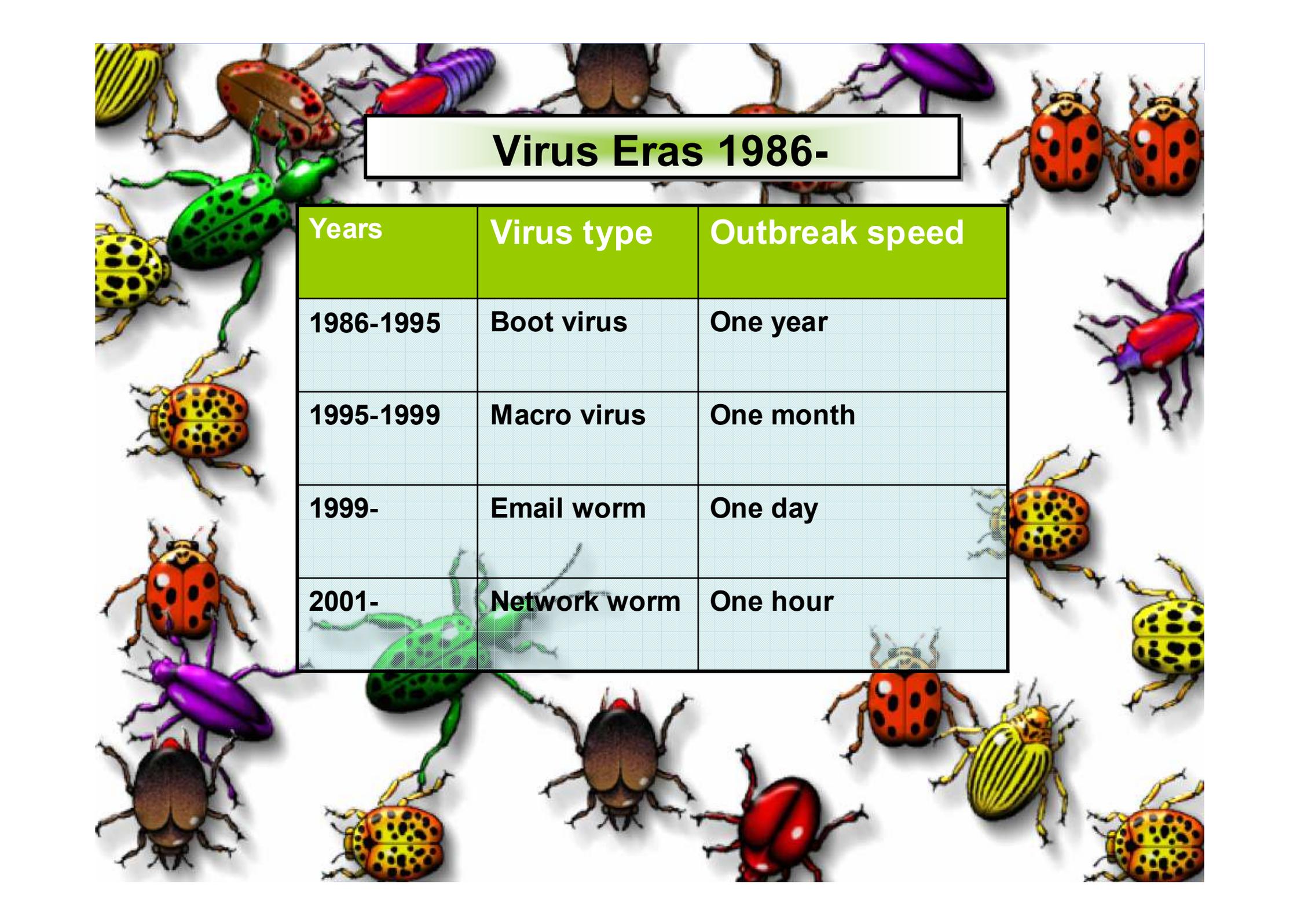
*...mobile phone viruses are just an urban legend...  
...they are not really spreading anywhere...  
...you are just hyping them...*



## Nope, this is already happening...

- Tens of thousands of infections worldwide
- Reports about Cabir and Commwarrior from over 30 countries
- A company with 8 m mobile subscribers says it has disinfected 13000 phones
- An operator with 9 million customers reports 200 infections a day
- Operator with 2 million customers: 3.5% of MMS traffic infected
- Operators have given money back to customers who had Commwarrior
- An antivirus service was needed during the athletics world championships





## Virus Eras 1986-

Years	Virus type	Outbreak speed
1986-1995	Boot virus	One year
1995-1999	Macro virus	One month
1999-	Email worm	One day
2001-	Network worm	One hour

## We used to be fighting these...



**Chen-Ing Hau**  
Author of  
the CIH virus



**Joseph McElroy**  
Hacked the Fermi lab  
network



**Benny**  
Ex-29A



## Today we are fighting these!



**Jeremy Jaynes**  
Millionaire,  
and a spammer



**Jay Echouafni**  
CEO,  
and a DDoS attacker

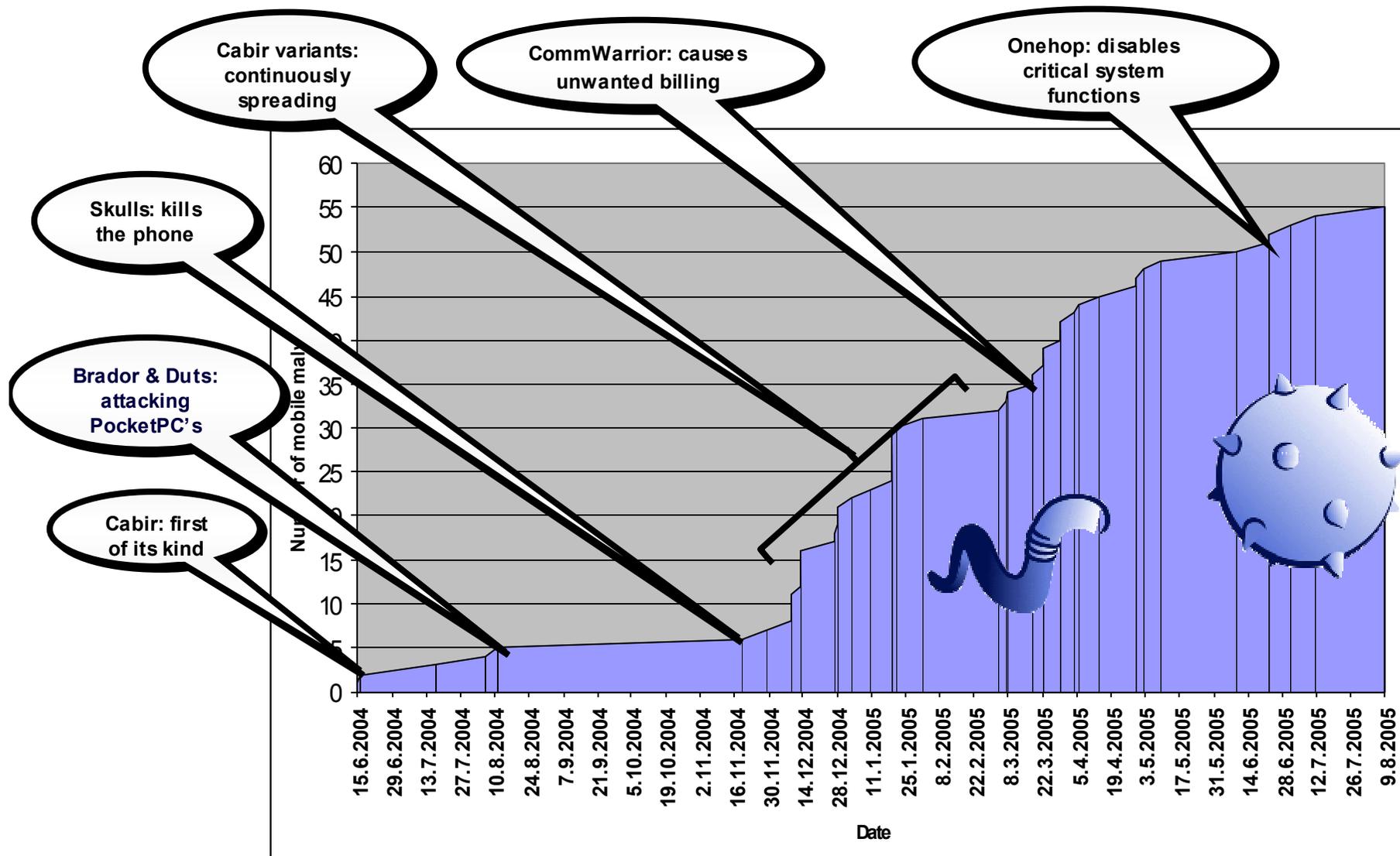


**Andrew Schwarmkoff**  
Member of Russian mob,  
and a phisher





# The Increasing Amount of Mobile Malware



## So, where are they coming from?

Europe

Brazil

Asia

**Malaysian virus writers who have written mobile viruses or trojans:**

- Calvin
- Yuan
- Tee-222
- Blue



# So, why Symbian?



Series 60 Platform - Devices - Microsoft Internet Explorer

File Edit View Favorites Tools Help

Address <http://www.series60.com/devices> Go Links

Browse Devices

Click devices to read more

 Lenovo P930	<b>NEW</b>  Nokia N91	<b>NEW</b>  Nokia N70	<b>NEW</b>  Nokia N90	 Nokia 6682	 Nokia 6681
 Nokia 6680	 Nokia 3230	 Nokia 6670	 Nokia 6630	 Nokia 6260	 Nokia N-Gage QD
 Nokia 7610	 Nokia 6620	 Nokia 3660	 Nokia 3620	 Nokia 6600	 Nokia 3600
 Nokia N-Gage™	 Nokia 3650	 Nokia 7650	 Panasonic X800	 Panasonic X700	<b>NEW</b>  Samsung SGH-D730
<b>NEW</b>  Samsung SGH - D720	 Siemens SX1				

Done Internet

## Mobile threats: Virus-writing community is awake

*"Let's go to work . We are starting Cell Phone Virus Challenge. Any contribution welcomed (the more funny solution, the better). Deadline has not been set"*

- Statement from an underground website at [virus.cyberspace.sk](http://virus.cyberspace.sk)



Fred Burg/ArtFactory

## Case Cabir

First real mobile phone virus

Found in June 2004

Runs on Symbian Series 60

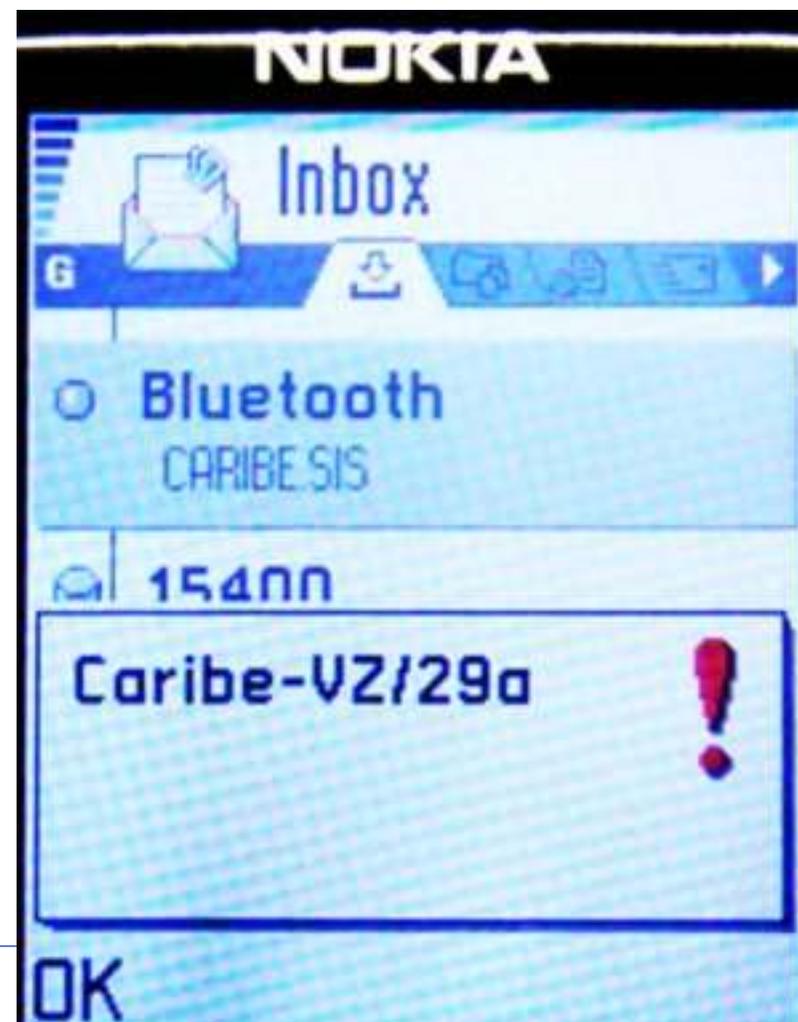
Proof-of-concept

By 29A

Spreads via Bluetooth

Kinda like the flu

**Doesn't break Series 60  
security model in any way!**





NOKIA

Fr 27/08/2004

Receive  
message via  
Bluetooth from Nokia  
3650?

Yes No



ABC C  
1 2abc 3 del  
4 5kl 6 mno  
7 8tuv 9 wxyz  
\* + 0 #



NOKIA

Installer

Bluetooth  
CARIBE SIS

Bluetooth

Install caribe? ?

Yes No



ABC C

1 2abc 3 def

4ghi 5jkl 6mno

7pqrs 8tuv 9wxyz

\* + 0 #





NOKIA

Inbox

Bluetooth  
CARIBESIS

Bluetooth  
Caribe-VZ/29a !

OK

ABC C

1 2 abc 3 del

4 5 jkl 6 mno

7 8 tuv 9 wxyz

\* + 0 - #

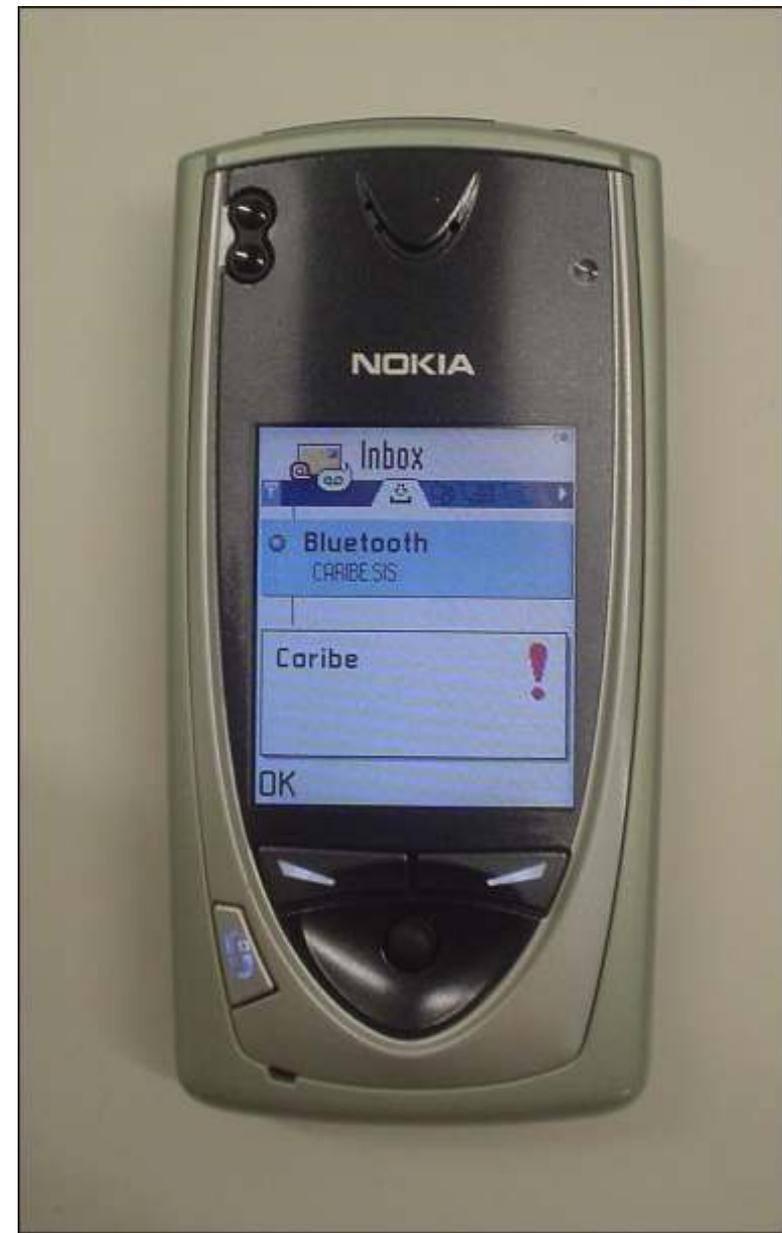
# So, why do people still get infected?

Because of the user interface



## Studying Cabir

Trickier than one might think  
Could easily escape by accident  
Which would be catastrophic  
Needs a safe place for  
testing purposes  
Cabir tries to send itself to **any**  
Bluetooth device  
On newer and fast Series 60  
phones it makes lots of  
connections, fast  
But Cabir spreading technique  
is broken



```

.text:10000000 ;

```

This file is generated by The Interactive Disassembler (IDA)  
 Copyright (c) 2003 by DataRescue sa/nv, <ida@datarescue.com>  
 Licensed to: F-Secure Corporation - 5 users - 05/2002

```

.text:10000000 ; File Name      : C:\virus\mobile\symbian\cabor\system\apps\caribe\caribe.app
.text:10000000 ; Format        : EPOC Executable Image
.text:10000000 ; Version      : 1.0.175
.text:10000000 ; Priority     : 350 (Foreground)
.text:10000000 ; EPOC Version: 6
.text:10000000 ; Processor    : ARM
.text:10000000 ; Target assembler: Generic assembler for ARM
.text:10000000 ; Byte sex    : Little endian
.text:10000000 ; -----
.text:10000000 ; Segment type: Pure code
.text:10000000 ; AREA .text, CODE, READWRITE, ALIGN=8
.text:10000000 ; ORG 0x10000000
.text:10000000 ; CODE32
.text:10000000 ; :::::::::::::: S U B R O U T I N E ::::::::::::::
.text:10000000 ;
.text:10000000 ; EXPORT start
.text:10000000 start
.text:10000000 ; B loc_10000004
.text:10000004 loc_10000004
.text:10000004 ; MOV R0, #0
.text:10000004 ; BX LR
.text:10000008 ; End of function start
.text:10000008 ; -----
.text:1000000C ;
.text:1000000C ; EXPORT caribe_1
.text:1000000C caribe_1
.text:1000000C ; STMFD SP!, {R4,LR}
.text:10000010 ; MOV R0, #0x22C
.text:10000014 ; BL sub_1000118C
.text:10000018 ; SUBS R4, R0, #0

```





# Cabir is spreading in the wild *Right Now!*

Cabir was found in June 2004

First in-the-wild report from Philippines in August 2004

Singapore	Hong Kong
UAE	France
China	South Africa
India	Australia
Finland	The Netherlands
Vietnam	Egypt
Turkey	Luxembourg
Russia	New Zealand
UK	Switzerland
Italy	Germany
USA	
Japan	



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- |           |              |
|-----------|--------------|
| Singapore | Hong Kong    |
| UAE       | France       |
| China     | South Africa |
| India     | Australia    |
| Finland   | Netherlands  |
| Vietnam   | Egypt        |
| Turkey    | Luxembourg   |
| Russia    | New Zealand  |
| UK        | Switzerland  |
| Italy     | Germany      |
| USA       |              |
| Japan     |              |

**Mad Powerpoint Skills!**



# Recent Cabir outbreaks

Live 8

10th World Championships in Athletics



Hilton

NOKIA

### Messaging

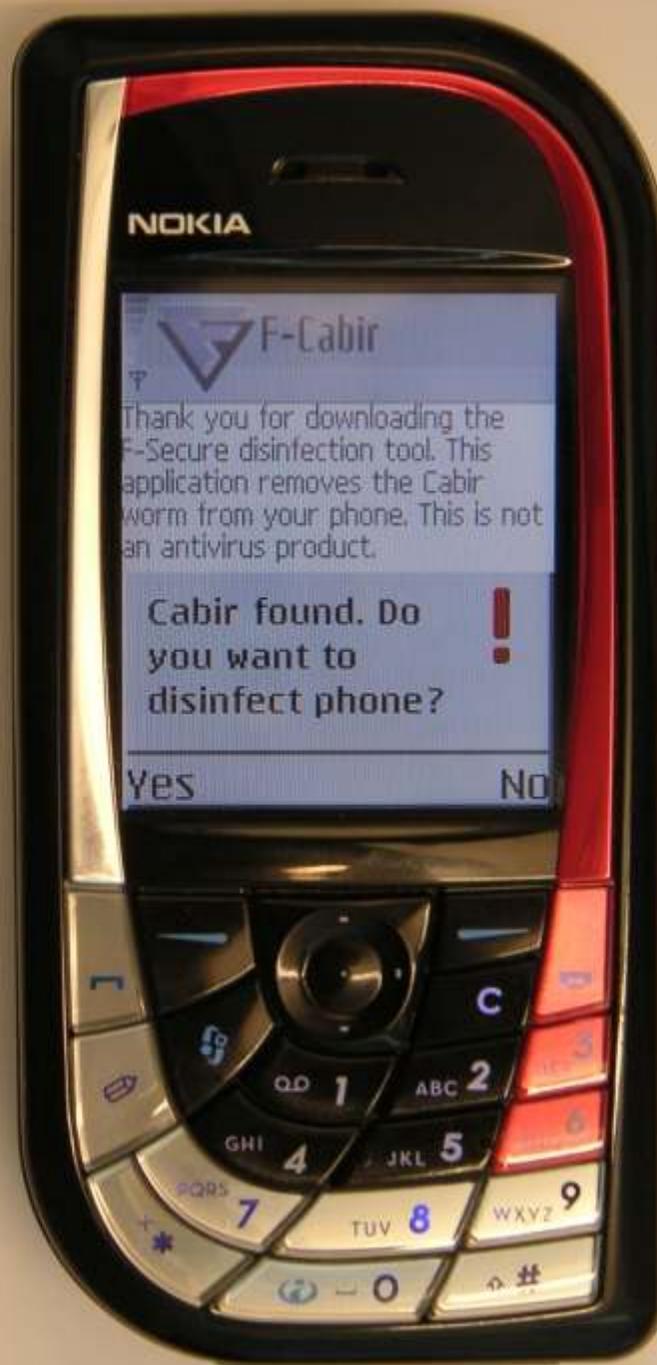
- Inbox
- Outbox
- Drafts

### Inbox

922 messages (1 new)

- Bluetooth  
CARIBESIS  
10:30
- Vendor Watch

Open  
Write  
message



# Case Duts

First real PocketPC virus

Found in July 2004

Proof-of-concept

By 29A

Spreads via Email



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# Case Brador



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[Webmaster earn cash](#)  
[accessories](#)

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## Mosquitos Game Warning

User Name   Remember Me?

Password

[Home](#) [Register](#) [FAQ](#) [Members List](#) [Downloads](#) [Chat](#) [Link to us](#) [New posts](#) [Search](#) [Quick Links](#)

[Post Reply](#)

[Thread Tools](#) [Search this Thread](#) [Rate Thread](#) [Display Modes](#)

29-01-2004, 10:39 AM

#1



**enigm4**  
Registered User  
★★★★★

Join Date: Dec 2003  
Posts: 58

## Mosquitos Game Warning

Okay, i found a nice little game on a yahoo group somewhere...

Played it to death (on silent mode I might add) then when I had got bored of it, i shut it down only to find that EVERY time you start a new game, it sends a text message from your phone... I dunno what it was requesting or how much it's going to cost me.

Sneaky fuckers! 😡



**Enigma**

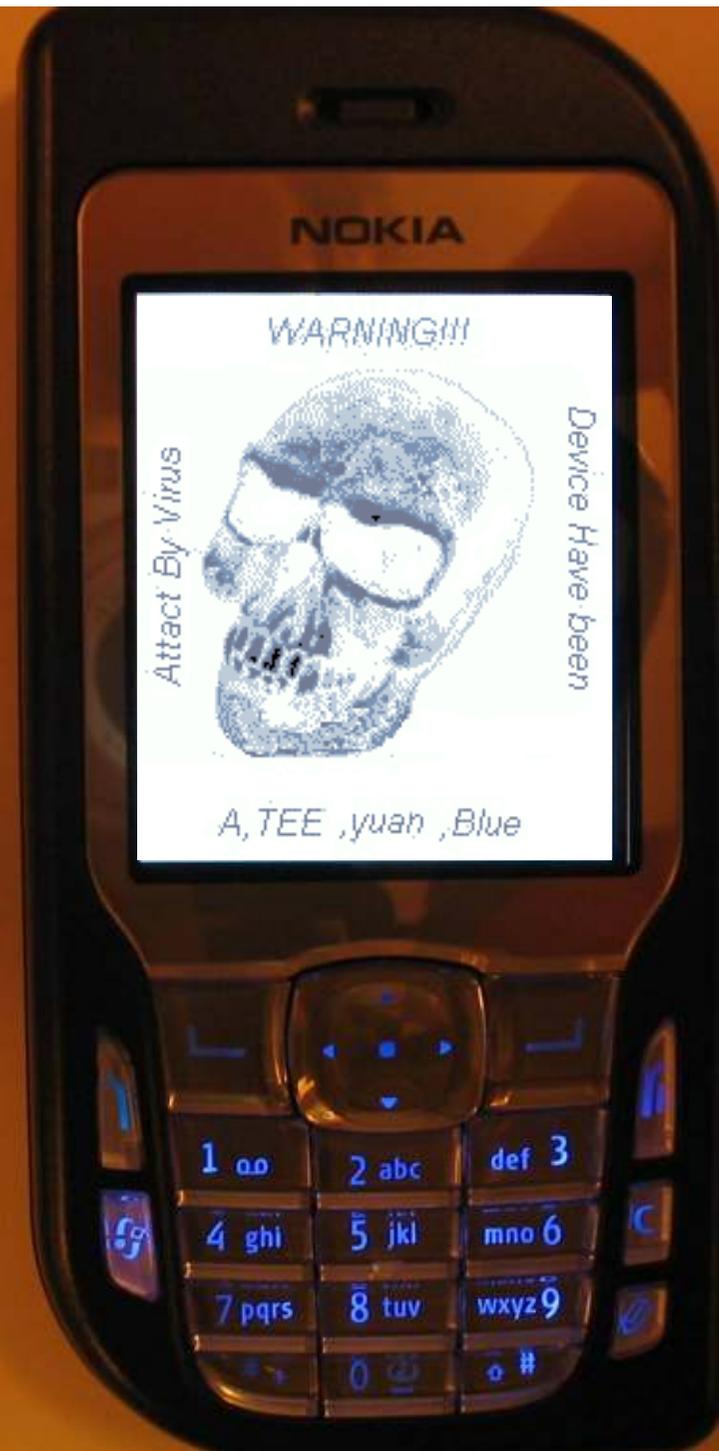
Nokia 6600 128 MB

## Case Skulls

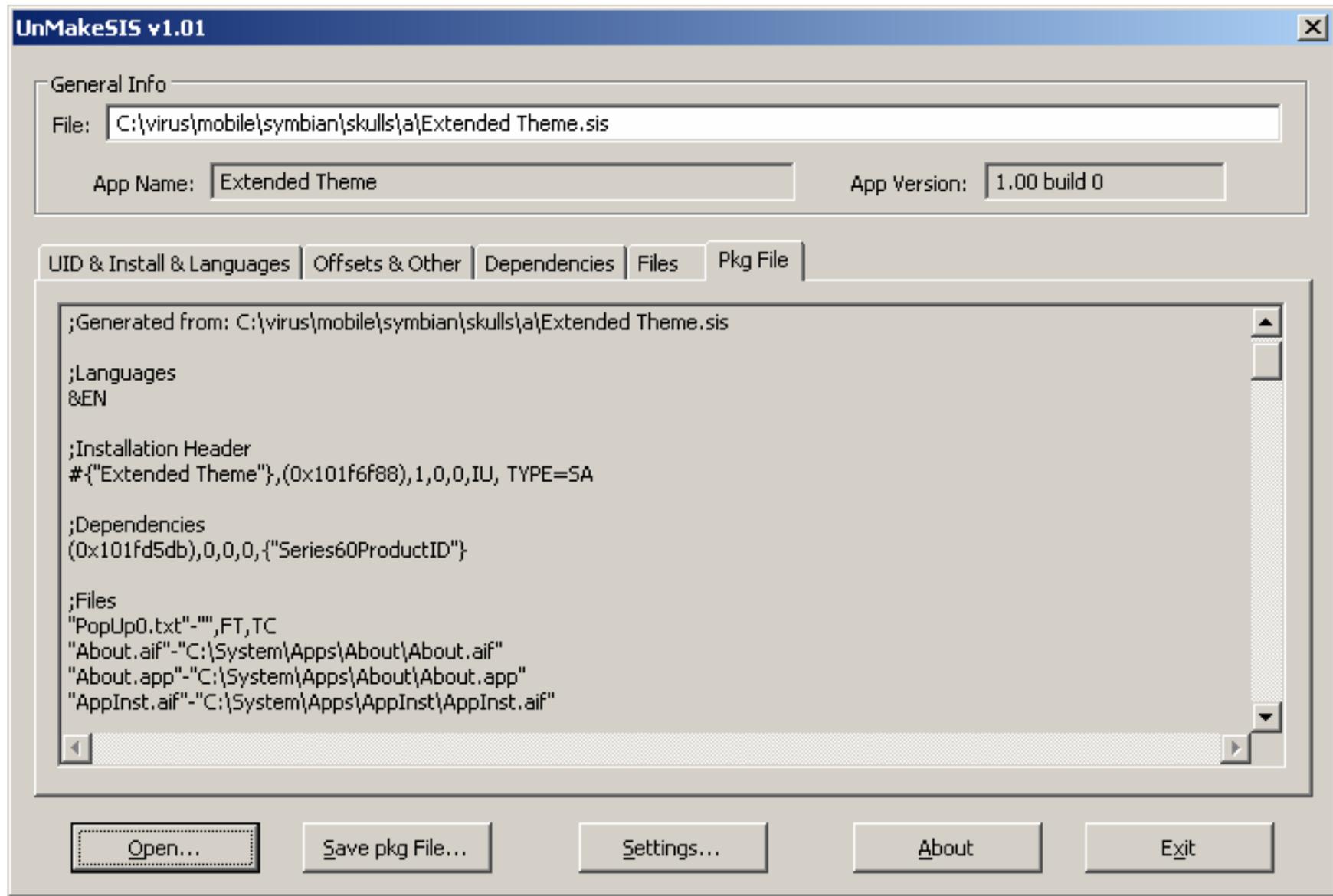
Trojan for Symbian  
Kills your apps  
Very hard to get rid of



# Skulls.D

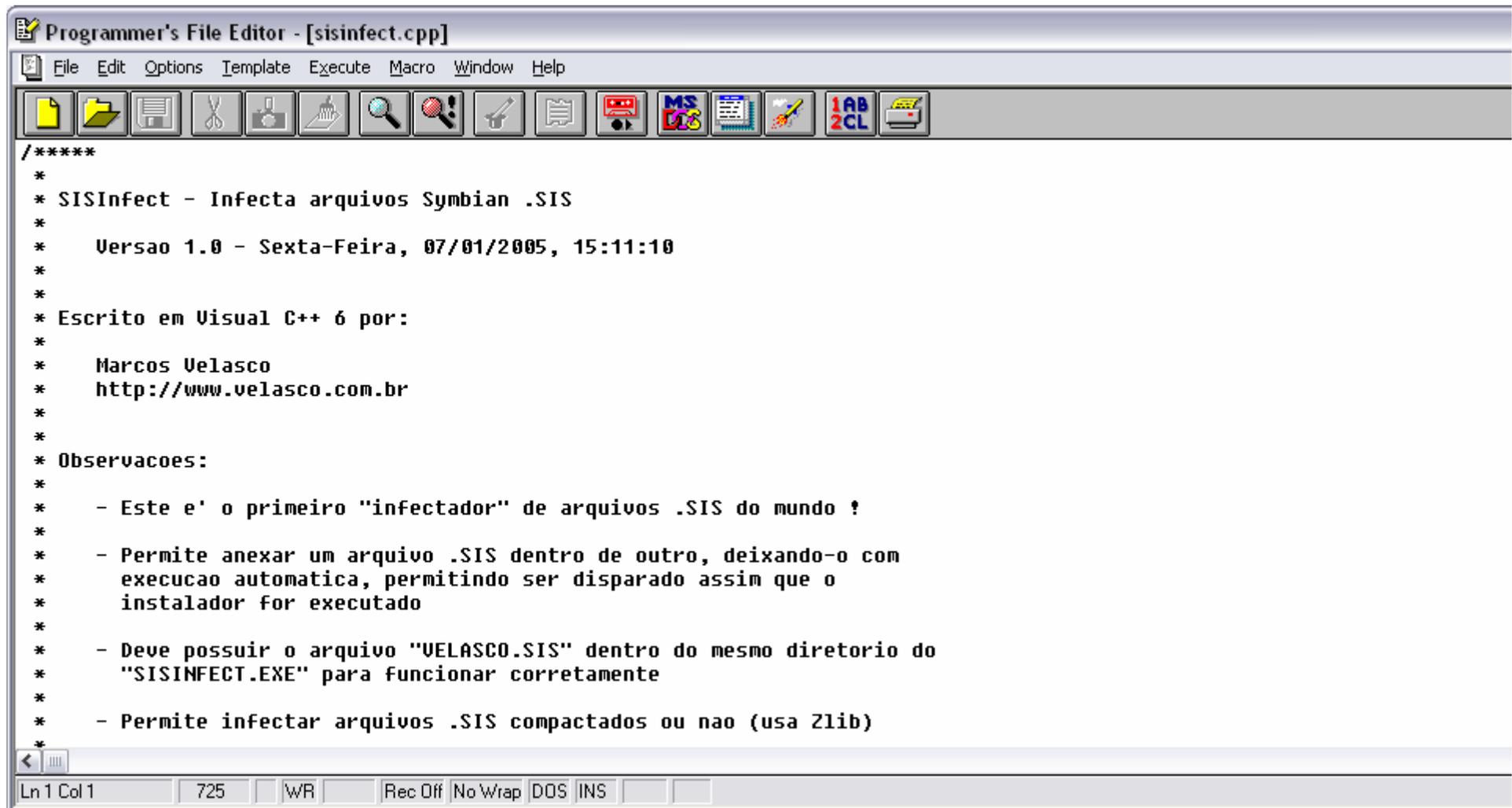


# Studying Skulls



```
—skulls
|
|—a
|   |—tmp
|—b
|—c
|—d
|   |—nokia
|     |—images
|       |—nokias
|         |—malaysia
|           |—johor
|             |—pj
|               |—pj
|                 |—pj
|                   |—jb
|                     |—jb
|                       |—jb
|                         |—imos
|                           |—yuan
|                             |—yuan
|                               |—yuanyuan
|                                 |—blue
|                                   |—a-team
|                                     |—terence
|                                       |—ownpda
```

# Lasco



The image shows a screenshot of a 'Programmer's File Editor' window. The title bar reads 'Programmer's File Editor - [sisinfect.cpp]'. The menu bar includes 'File', 'Edit', 'Options', 'Template', 'Execute', 'Macro', 'Window', and 'Help'. The toolbar contains various icons for file operations and editing. The main text area displays the following code:

```
/*  
* SISInfect - Infecta arquivos Symbian .SIS  
*  
* Versao 1.0 - Sexta-Feira, 07/01/2005, 15:11:10  
*  
* Escrito em Visual C++ 6 por:  
* Marcos Velasco  
* http://www.velasco.com.br  
*  
* Observacoes:  
*  
* - Este e' o primeiro "infectador" de arquivos .SIS do mundo !  
*  
* - Permite anexar um arquivo .SIS dentro de outro, deixando-o com  
* execucao automatica, permitindo ser disparado assim que o  
* instalador for executado  
*  
* - Deve possuir o arquivo "VELASCO.SIS" dentro do mesmo diretorio do  
* "SISINFECT.EXE" para funcionar corretamente  
*  
* - Permite infectar arquivos .SIS compactados ou nao (usa Zlib)  
*  
*/
```

The status bar at the bottom shows 'Ln 1 Col 1', '725', 'WR', 'Rec Off', 'No Wrap', 'DOS', and 'INS'.

Home Downloads

Novidades - Seg

**Liberado o primeiro**  
**Compatível com o s**  
**Infecta arquivos .S**  
**com inicialização au**  
**instalador do vírus**  
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- Sticky: Mango themes**  
[ Goto page: 1 ... 24, 25, 26 ]

2 0 0 4

Colin McRae Rally 2005 <c> Codemasters

```

i | system.....: N-GAGE (Symbian) | | date.....: 21/11/2004
i | developer...: IdeaWorks3D :>   | | region.....: multi-5
i | players.....: 1-2 via bluetooth| | disks.....: xx/07
  
```

game info

A true legend joins the expanding roster of car games on the N-Gage, as Colin McRae Rally 2005 by Codemasters makes its debut on the world's freshest mobile gaming device. It is the ultimate rally game and one of the most popular motor sport franchises ever created.

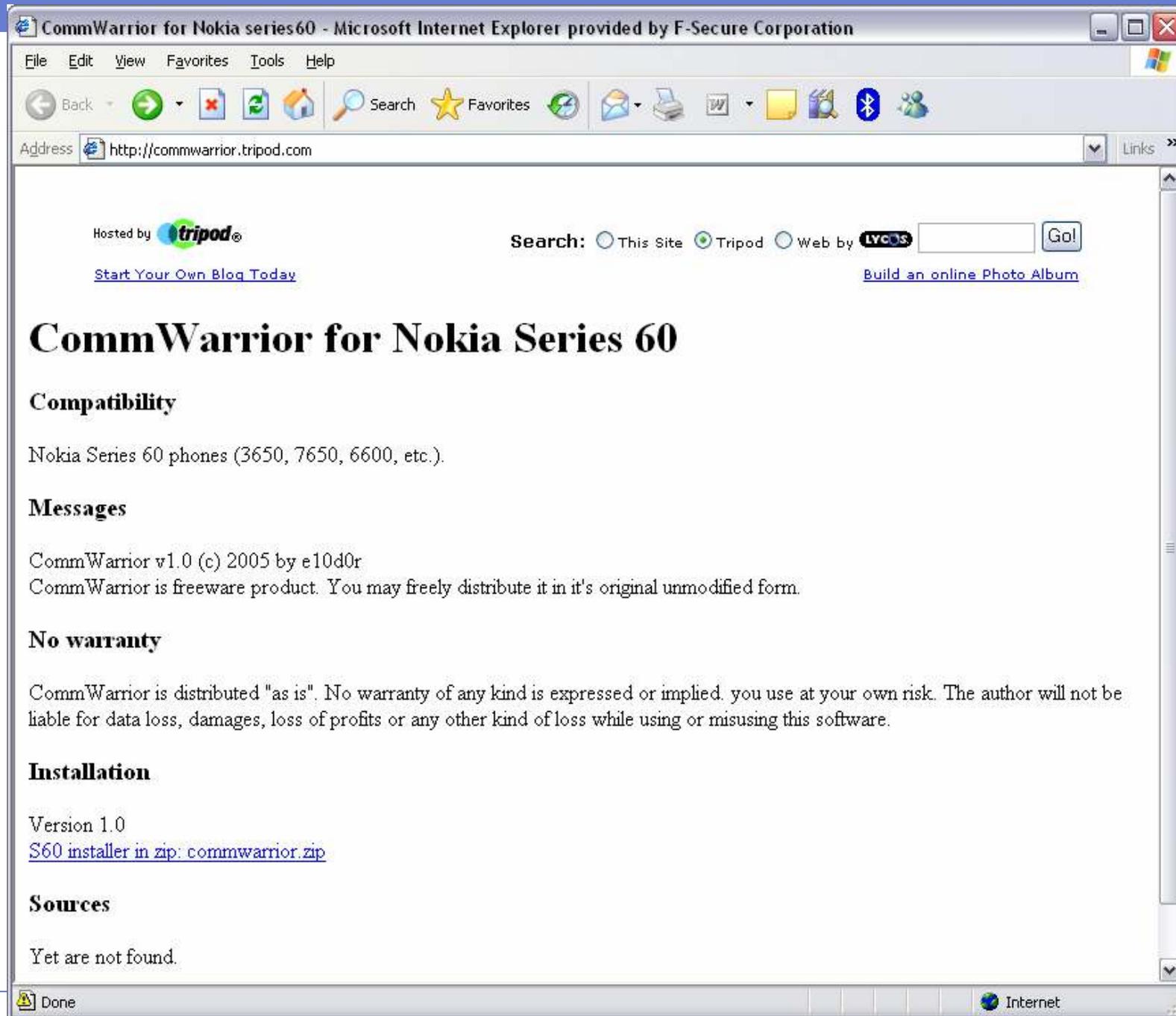
In Colin McRae Rally 2005 you grab a seat behind the steering wheel of the rally car of your choice. Explore racing locations around the world: race on the roads of 64 stages in eight different countries and work your way towards the championship. Tune up your car to match the conditions and beat the clock! The realistic simulations of road types, weather conditions, and physics of car handling create an authentic rally experience. The locations and the cars are real as well, your job is to provide the real driving!

Multiplaying is the thing that really makes this game roar. Compete against the world's fastest rally gamers with Shadow Racing on the N-Gage Arena! You can also challenge your friend to a speedy duel over the wireless Bluetooth connection.

- \* The legendary rally franchise by Codemasters now on N-Gage!
- \* Realistic physics, authentic car handling, variable road types and changing weather conditions
- \* 16 cars, including Peugeot, Subaru, Toyota and Audi
- \* Performance tuning for tires, gears, power ratio, brake balance,

More

Last Post	
Mon Nov 29, 2004 12:19	<a href="#">evlspcmk</a> →
Mon Nov 29, 2004 6:04	<a href="#">iimma27</a> →
Mon Nov 29, 2004 5:36	<a href="#">iimma27</a> →
Mon Nov 29, 2004 1:12	<a href="#">dzhun85</a> →
Mon Nov 29, 2004 0:59	<a href="#">neoiem</a> →
Sun Nov 28, 2004 20:57	<a href="#">Leftfield</a> →
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Sun Nov 28, 2004 20:47	<a href="#">Leftfield</a> →
Sun Nov 28, 2004 9:57	<a href="#">kurz</a> →
Sat Nov 27, 2004 23:43	<a href="#">michaelschumacher</a> →
Sat Nov 27, 2004 16:05	<a href="#">mastermale</a> →
Fri Nov 26, 2004 5:55	<a href="#">Looptech</a> →
Mon Nov 29, 2004 11:47	<a href="#">Indira Gandhi</a> →



# Commwarrior

By "e10d0r"

Symbian Series 60 virus

First virus to spread over  
MMS messages

Could potentially go global  
in just minutes

Also spreads over Bluetooth

Worst we've seen so far

But spreads surprisingly slow!

Could be really expensive

"OTMOP03KAM HET!"



# Confirmed Commwarrior sightings

1. Ireland
2. India
3. Oman
4. Italy
5. Philippines
6. Finland
7. Greece
8. South Africa
9. Malaysia
10. Austria
11. Brunei
12. Germany
13. USA
14. Canada
15. UK
16. Romania
17. Poland
18. Russia



## Commwarrior spreads very fast



# Mabir

Written by "Vallez" of 29A

Spreads through both Bluetooth and MMS

Only sends itself to numbers which have sent MMS messages before

```
00004461 00004461 5$545D51 bdbtb
00004481 00004481 6$646074787<7@7$
00000112 00000112 .\caribe.app!\system\apps\caribe\caribe.app\flo.mdl!\system\apps\caribe\flo.mdl\caribe.rsc
0000241C 0000241C Caribe Version 2 - ValleZ/29a
00002460 00002460 C:\SYSTEM\SYMBIANSECUREDATA\CARIBESECURITYMANAGER\CARIBE.SIS
000024F0 000024F0 BTLinkManager
00002511 00002511 RFCOMM
0000253C 0000253C flo.mdl
000029B4 000029B4 C:\SYSTEM\SYMBIANSECUREDATA\CARIBESECURITYMANAGER\CARIBE.APP
00002A34 00002A34 C:\SYSTEM\SYMBIANSECUREDATA\CARIBESECURITYMANAGER\CARIBE.RSC
```



# Blankfont

Found in August 2005

Makes all texts on the phone disappear

Tricky to clean



## Doomboot

Claims to create phone "skins" with pictures of pretty girls

Actually does what it claims

Also prevents the phone from booting up

Several variants found



# Cardtrap

Found last week

First mobile phone virus that tries to infect Windows PCs too

Drops two Windows viruses to phone's memory card



# Autostart.inf

A Korean manufacturer making USB sticks that claim to be a CD-ROM drive:

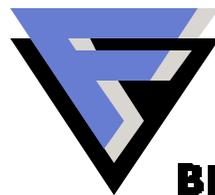
<http://www.udrw.com/>



So...

How do they work?  
How do you get rid of them?

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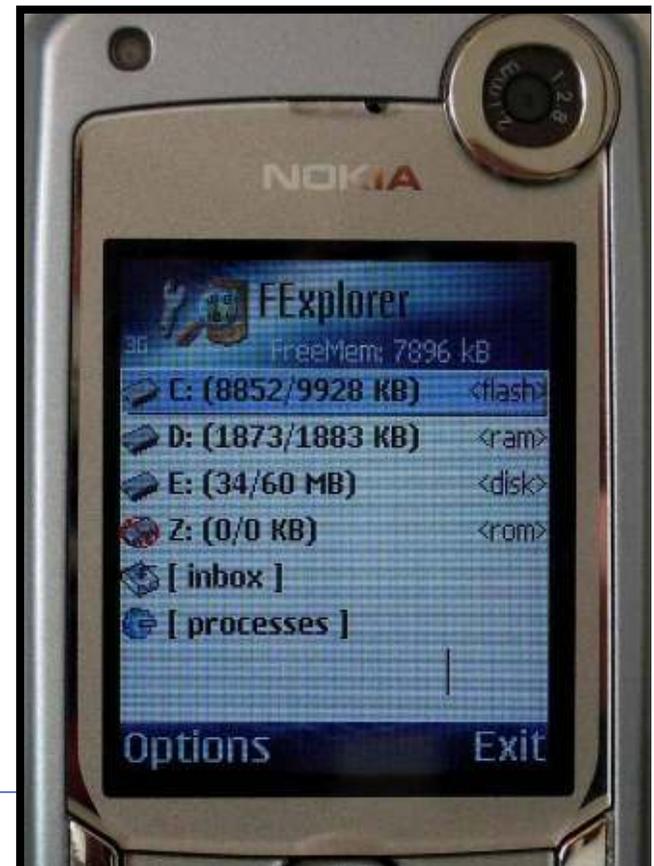


**BE SURE.**

# Symbian filesystem

Default drives on Symbian phones:

- C: FLASH RAM    User data and user installed applications
- D: TEMP RAM    Temporary file storage for applications
- E: MMC CARD    Removable disk / data & apps
- Z: OS ROM      Flash drive / OS files



# Symbian Directory Architecture

All drives except D: have a “SYSTEM” directory

- The directory is created automatically on new media when one is inserted

Most important directories

- **System\Apps** Applications that are visible to user
- **System\Recogs** Recognizer components
- **System\Install** Uninstall data
- **System\Libs** System and third party libraries



# Symbian Executables

Symbian executables use unique identifiers

- Each application has unique 32-bit UID
- Files with same UID are assumed to be copies of same application

Symbian native executables come in three flavors

- Foo.APP GUI applications
  - End user applications, accessible from applications menu
- Foo.EXE Command line applications and servers
  - Cannot be accessed by user
- Foo.MDL Recognizer components
  - Provide file association services
  - Start automatically

```
C:\> Hiew: YYSBootRec.mdl
YYSBootRec.mdl  ↓FRO  -----
00000000: 79 00 00 10-19 3A 00 10-4F 73 C2 0B-52
00000010: 45 50 4F 43-00 20 00 00-59 03 69 FB-00
00000020: 01 00 AF 00-80 DC 23 6C-BC C5 E0 00-03
00000030: 54 06 00 00-00 00 00 00-00 10 00 00-00
00000040: 00 20 00 00-00 00 00 00-01 00 00 00-00
00000050: 00 00 00 00-05 00 00 00-CC 06 00 00-01
00000060: CC 05 00 00-7C 00 00 00-00 00 00 00-00
00000070: E4 07 00 00-00 00 00 00-5E 01 00 00-00
00000080: 51 F8 02 BC-08 47 00 00-10 B5 04 1C-05
00000090: 20 1C 00 22-00 F0 DA F9-03 48 20 60-20
000000A0: 02 BC 08 47-AC 05 00 10-B0 05 00 10-00
000000B0: 10 B5 04 1C-14 31 00 F0-CF F9 20 1C-10
000000C0: 08 47 00 00-80 21 09 06-01 61 70 47-01
000000D0: 70 47 00 00-10 B5 94 20-40 00 00 F0-57
000000E0: 00 2C 02 D0-FF F7 D0 FF-04 1C 20 1C-FF
000000F0: 20 1C 10 BC-02 BC 08 47-10 B5 94 B0-00
00000100: 68 46 00 F0-49 F9 00 28-04 D1 FF F7-E3
00000110: 00 F0 48 F9-00 F0 08 F8-20 1C 14 B0-10
00000120: 08 47 00 00-00 20 70 47-30 B5 84 B0-04
```



# Implementation Of User Services

All phone features are implemented using .APP GUI applications

- Z:\System\Apps\Menu\Menu.app
  - Phone main menu and application launching service
- Z:\System\Apps\AppInst\Appinst.app  
Z:\System\Apps\AppMgr\AppMgr.app
  - Installation and uninstallation services
- Etc



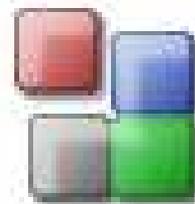
# SIS Files And Installing Symbian Applications

SIS files are the only currently known method for normal user to import executable code to a device

- Any malware that wants to run on the device has to get installed as SIS file. Thus all known malware uses SIS files

A SIS file is an archive file with header parameters used by the system installer

- When user opens a SIS file the installer is automatically started and starts installing the file



Extended Theme.sis  
Nokia Application Installer file  
1,165 KB



## SIS contents of Doomboot.F

"About0.txt"-"" , FT, TC

"ETel.dll"- "C:\ETel.dll"

"Part 2.sis"- "C:\Part 2.sis"

"Speed Overclock v3.41.sis"- "C:\Speed Overclock v3.41.sis"

"Your Welcome.gif"- "C:\Your Welcome.gif"

"Hat.mbm"- "C:\system\skins\b27724821b7e1846\Hat.mbm"

"Hat.skn"- "C:\system\skins\b27724821b7e1846\Hat.skn"



# Avoiding Uninstallation

Malware can prevent it's uninstallation by

- Breaking the Application Manager software
- Copying it's files to another location and using from there
- Crashing the Application Manager by dropping corrupted uninstall SIS to system\install
- Deleting it's own uninstall SIS from system\install



# Symbian Application Loading

Symbian uses a weird way of launching applications

- When user launches application Symbian will search what binary to execute
- The search is done by enumerating directories in C:,E: and Z: looking for first binary with correct UID
- The first match is then executed
- Thus, if there are several binaries with same UID only one will get executed

**If an application in C: has the same name and path as one in Z: it will replace application in ROM**

- This feature was intended for patching of binary in ROM without needing to re-flash the device
- Obviously this feature is very open for misuse



# How to work with an infected phone?

## Built-in process list

- Keep "Menu" down for a while
- You'll get a list showing GUI processes. Cabir is visible, Commwarrior isn't
- Kill processes by pressing "C"

## Process viewer

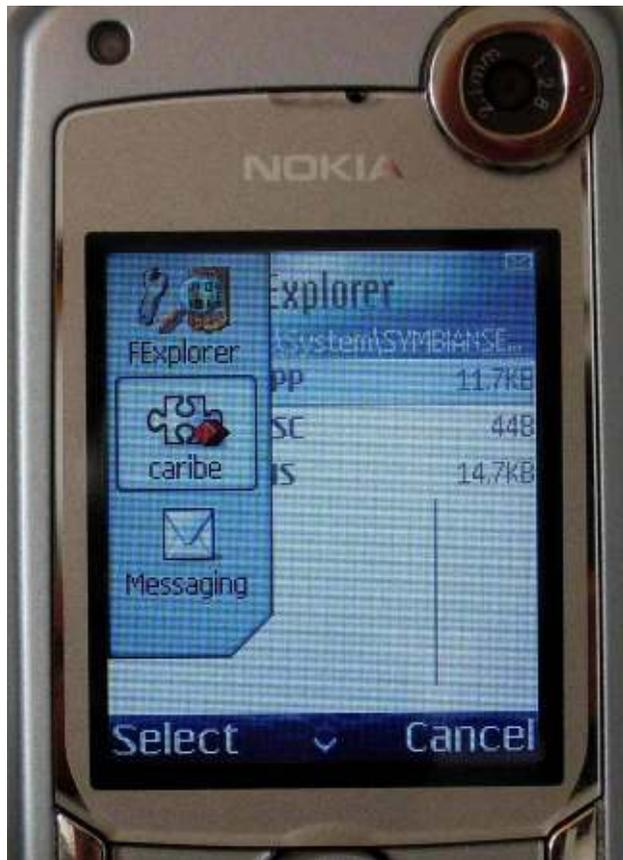
- Shows all processes <http://www.microdene.com/>

## File Managers

- Fexplorer <http://users.skynet.be/domi/>
  - Simple & fast.
- EFileManager <http://www.psiloc.com/>
  - Takes a full image of the phone



# Process list



# What to do to an infected phone?

## Don't Panic!

### Move away from crowds

Check Symbian process list

Kill unknown processes (free\$8, Caribe, Tee222)

Scan the phone with anti-virus tools

Available for free from <http://mobile.f-secure.com> (or phoneav.com)

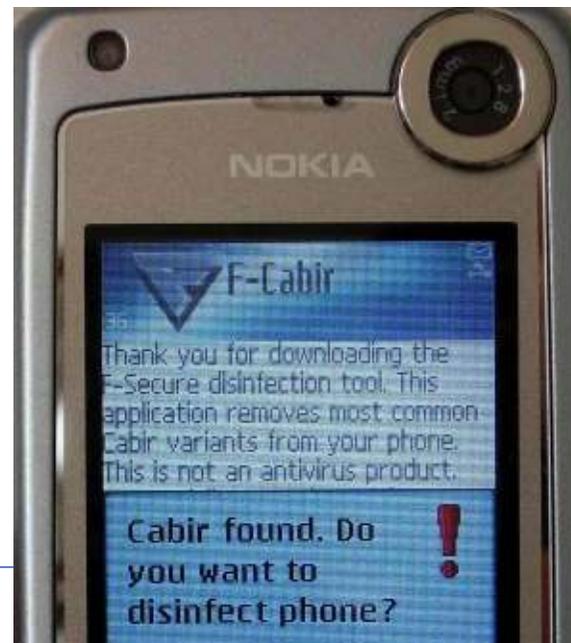
F-Secure Mobile Anti-Virus

F-Cabir

F-Commwarrior

F-Skulls

F-Locknut



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( scanning )  
81: Nokia 6310 Exit

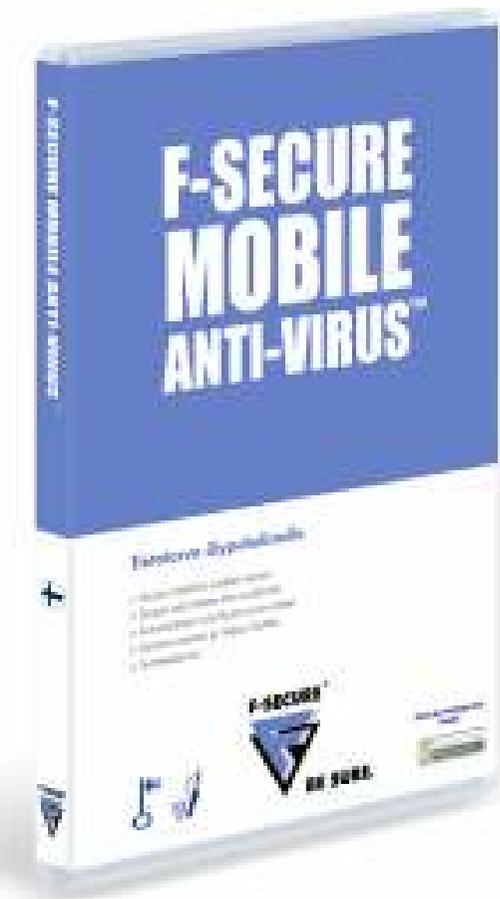
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# F-Secure antivirus system for phones



**Anti-Virus**

**Main**

**Protection mode:**  
Real-time protection

**Status:**

- Updates
- Subscription
- 5 Infections

**Options** **Done**

## Mobile antivirus solutions



Real-time scanning is the only way to ensure protection at all times

For mobile devices with a multitude of connectivity options, antivirus updates need to be distributed over-the-air, directly to the device

MMS viruses can be scanned by the operator – Bluetooth viruses can't

Protection that relies on user interaction is never up-to-date

**Try: <http://mobile.f-secure.com>**



# <http://www.f-secure.com/weblog>

F-Secure : News from the Lab - March of 2005 - Microsoft Internet Explorer provided by F-Secure Corporation

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**Thursday, March 3, 2005**

[Cabir now in Hongkong and Japan](#) Posted by Jarno @ 12:30 GMT

It seems that as long as people are not using Anti-Virus and are curious, the [Cabir](#) phone worm just keeps spreading.

Now we have received confirmed report from our [Japan office](#) of Cabir in Hongkong and Japan; a Japanese visitor in Hong Kong picked up the infection to his phone in late February and returned to Tokyo with the infected handset. He noticed that something is wrong because his battery life had reduced to 30 minutes per recharge. However, it is likely that the infection has spread to at least some handsets before this.

If your phone receives any SIS file from someone that you were not expecting, please do not install it. Instead, send the file to [vsamples@f-secure.com](mailto:vsamples@f-secure.com). We are rather interested about just what variants are on the move.

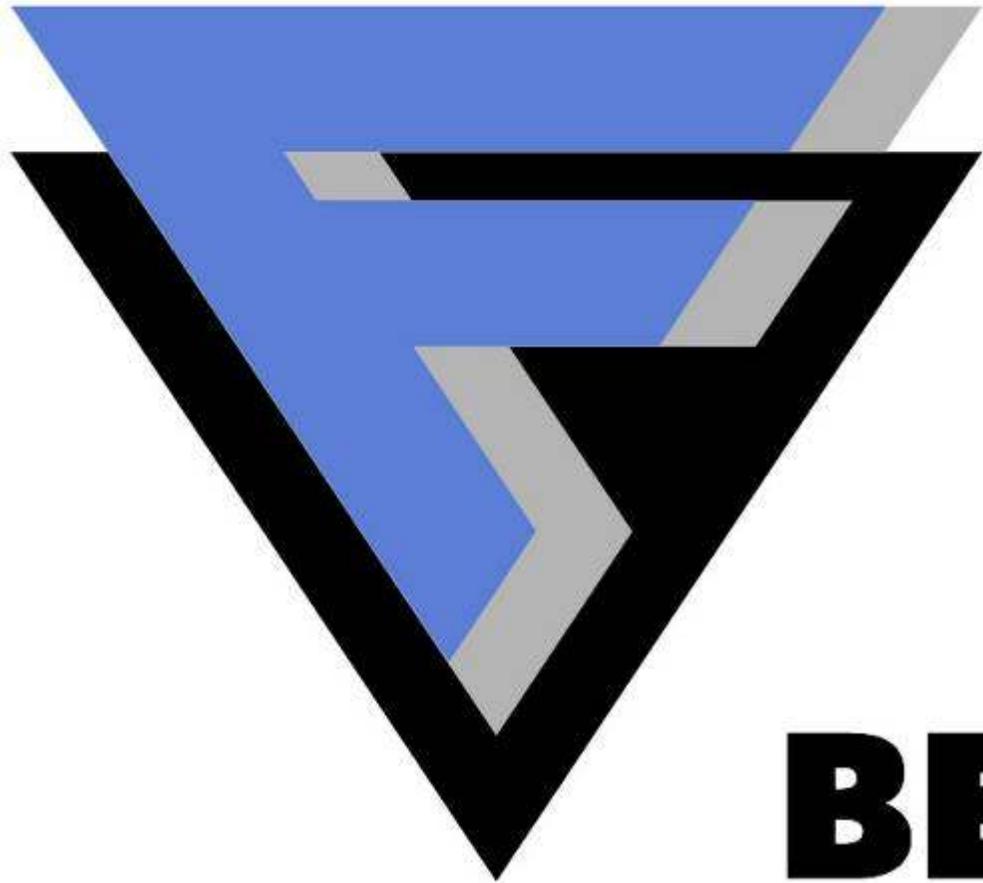
And for those who are curious, please use [F-Secure Mobile Anti-Virus](#) which detects Cabir and all other known Symbian Viruses, worms and trojans.

So now we have 16 countries with Cabir sightings:

1. Philippines
2. Singapore



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