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Special Ops Security Speaks at Pentagon Security Forum

Erik Pace Birkholz presents to the Pentagon Security Forum, presented by the Network Security Services–Pentagon team within the US Army OAA–Information Technology Agency.

PENTAGON, Washington, DC—March 01, 2005—Erik Pace Birkholz, president and founder of Special Ops Security, Inc., was invited to speak at the monthly Pentagon Security Forum, presented by the Network Security Services–Pentagon (NSS-P) team within the US Army OAA–Information Technology Agency. He spoke on the importance of an asset-centric model for computer network security, outlining the deficiencies in the traditional perimeter security paradigm. Chief Technology Officer Steven Andrés was on-hand to assist with the live web and database hacking demonstrations to illustrate the concepts presented. In attendance were members from the Missile Defense Agency (MDA), Office of the Secretary of Defense (OSD), the Army, and the Air Force.

“We were extremely fortunate to have Special Ops Security share their unique vision with our Pentagon community. We anticipated technical excellence from pen-testing subject matter experts, and our expectations were exceeded,” said Rick Anderson, Director of Network Security Services–Pentagon.

“We were honored to be invited to the Pentagon and share our security expertise with the DoD community,” said Birkholz. “Coming from a military family, it was important for me to contribute in some small way to the security of our nation's critical infrastructure.”

Mr. Birkholz is an experienced speaker, having presented to the NATO Supreme Headquarters Allied Powers Europe (SHAPE) in April 2004 and the Federal Financial Institutions Examination Council (FFIEC), which includes the Federal Reserve Board (FRB), Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC), National Credit Union Administration (NCUA), Office of the Comptroller of the Currency (OCC), and the Office of Thrift Supervision (OTS), in August 2004. Additionally, Erik trained members of the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) and several agencies within the US Department of Defense (DoD) as a Principal Security Consultant for Foundstone, recently acquired by McAfee in late 2004. For further information on public appearances or speaking engagements, please consult our website at www.SpecialOpsSecurity.com.

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