Uganda : Jomeo Richard

Anti-Corruption Activist

Jomeo is in his late twenties and based in Uganda. He works with **anti-corruption** groups to create **public awareness** about the ongoing and severe violations and abuses of human rights by both public and private individuals.

His work involves **monitoring and documenting human rights violations** and corruption through digital media.

He is not very experienced in the use of technology to collect sensitive information, but he has used Signal and PGP to communicate securely with his contacts. The group he works with has some technical capacity and experience with digital security.

"I need to use secure communication tools. The threats against my work are politically motivated. It is high time I develop a security strategy."

Goals

Jomeo wants to continue to use the Internet as a primary medium to expose corruption.

He needs to **build his capacity** to promote governance, human rights, accountability, and transparency through social media and avid blogging. He also needs to maintain a **secure** environment to protect his work and his sources.

#socialmedia #securecomms

Strengths

Jomeo has previously attended **security trainings**. He learned how to maintain strong passwords, enable 2-step verification, and how to securely communicate via encryption.

He also backs up confidential documents to ensure **safe storage**.

His groups are helping keep him up-to-date with digital security measures.

Threats

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He is the target of **intimidation** and **harassment** by police.

Office and home **raids** lead to the **confiscation** of phones, laptops, flash disks, modems, and soft and hard copies of documents by security operatives.

Surveillance is a concern, as phones have been tapped. Other concerns include **imprisonment** and degradation of the organization.

#seizure #surveillance #imprisonment

Questions

What can happen to me if I am **arrested** without my colleagues knowledge?

How can I **communicate** with my contacts about the arrest?

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