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**Subject:** Security Warning: Personalized Malware Attack Vector  
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Hello CNRE,

Below is a snippet and link to an article that talks about a new wave of email that is very personalized and may even contain a valid shipping address of yours.

\*\*\* Snippet \*\*\*

There's a new malware attack in town, and it's designed to hit a little too close to home.

A new phishing campaign is sending thousands of ominous-looking emails that contain the recipient's home address.

The well-worded email appears to come from a legitimate email address and domain name, and raises very few irregularities. The email comes with an demand for money for an arbitrary service, along with a link that purports to be an "overdue invoice."

Click that link and open the file (which looks like a Word document), and you'll become the latest victim of ransomware -- that is, malware that encrypts your files and locks you out of your computer until you pay a ransom.

\*\*\* End Snippet \*\*\*

[http://www.zdnet.com/article/new-phishing-attack-knows-your-address-and-brings-ransomware/?tag=nl.e589&s\\_cid=e589&ttag=e589&ftag=TRFc64629f](http://www.zdnet.com/article/new-phishing-attack-knows-your-address-and-brings-ransomware/?tag=nl.e589&s_cid=e589&ttag=e589&ftag=TRFc64629f)

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