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# **‘Moderate’ cyber crisis alert issued with regard to the Nuclear Security Summit**

- The Government announced that it issued, as of 00:00 March 11, a **‘moderate’ level cyber crisis alert** to warn against the possibility of cyber attacks on websites related to the Nuclear Security Summit Seoul 2012 held from March 26th to 27th.

※ Cyber crisis warning levels are ‘minor→moderate→strong→severe→extreme.’

- On March 8, the Government held a cyber crisis evaluation meeting to discuss how to enhance the Government’s readiness. Officials from 8 agencies including the National Intelligence Service, the Korea Communications Commission, the Ministry of Public Administration and Security, and the Ministry of National Defense, attended this meeting.
  - The group intensively monitored for Internet intrusions around the clock to see if there were any hacking activities or DDoS attacks targeting websites related to the Nuclear Security Summit, and,

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- o If there were to be any intrusion, they would quickly join forces with relevant agencies, Internet service providers and vaccine makers to set up an effective response.
  
- In addition, to prevent the hijacking of PCs to become proxies for triggering DDoS attacks, the Government asked users to not open any e-mail whose sender is not clear (including e-mails regarding the Nuclear Security Summit and important figures), and update Windows and vaccine programs to the latest version.
  
- Meanwhile, Internet users in need of technical support or help may visit the Bohonara website <http://www.boho.or.kr> operated by the Korea Internet Security Agency (KISA), or call the KISA e-call center at ☎ 118 to get professional help.