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Used abbreviations

SB	State bodies
RUz	The Republic of Uzbekistan
Law «On Cybersecurity»	Law of the Republic of Uzbekistan «On cybersecurity» № ZRU-764 dated 15.04.2022
SSO	State Security Office
CC RUz	Criminal code of the Republic of Uzbekistan (Approved by the Law of the Republic of Uzbekistan Nº 2012-II dated 22.09.1994)
RLA	Regulatory legal act
IS	Information systems
IT	Information technologies
ICT	Information and Communication technologies
CII	Critical Information infrastructure
OCII	Object of Critical Information Infrastructure
SCII	Subject of Critical Information Infrastructure



Law «On Cybersecurity»: goals and principles

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Objective of the Law: regulation of the field of cybersecurity

Cybersecurity: the state of protection of the interests of the individual, society and the state from external and internal threats in cyberspace

Main principles of the cybersecurity

- legitimacy
- the priority of protecting the interests of the individual, society and the state in cybersecurity
- unified approach to cybersecurity regulation
- priority for the participation of domestic manufacturers in the cybersecurity system creation
- openness of the RUz to international cooperation in ensuring cybersecurity

Powers of the State bodies in the sphere of cybersecurity (1/2)

Governance bodies

President of the RUz SSO

Powers

- Defines a unified state policy in the field of cybersecurity
- Development of RLA and state programs
- Conducting operational-search activities, pre-investigation checks and investigative actions on cybersecurity incidents
- Detection and prevention of cybersecurity incidents and taking appropriate measures on them, including organizational and technical measures to eliminate their consequences
- Organization of work on certification of hardware and software in IS and resources in accordance with the requirements of cybersecurity
- Formation of a unified register of OCII, as well as its organization and maintenance
- Making a decision on the inclusion of objects in the unified register of OCII based on information provided by cybersecurity subjects
- Determination of the procedure for attestation of informatization objects and OCII in accordance with the requirements of cybersecurity
- Licensing of activities for the development, production and sale of cryptographic information protection tools

Powers of the State bodies in the sphere of cybersecurity(2/2)

(Continuation)

Governance bodies

SSO

(continuation)

Powers

- Regulation of the activities of cybersecurity units, services and groups of independent experts, interaction with law enforcement agencies in the field of countering cyberthreats
- Creation of a classifier according to the level of cybersecurity provision in IS and resources
- Determination of mechanisms for conducting an expertise for compliance with cybersecurity requirements
- Determination of assessment methods and assessment of the implementation of cybersecurity of cybersecurity objects and OCII
- Definition of categorization criteria and categorization of OCII



Rights of the SSO

The State Security Office, in exercising the powers listed above, has the right, among other things:

- to use technical installations and services free of charge to take immediate measures to eliminate cyber attacks
- to visit state bodies and other organizations, get acquainted with the necessary documents and materials, as well as request and receive information and other necessary documents and materials from state bodies and other organizations, citizens, identify them and use them in investigative actions on cybersecurity incidents
- to have an unimpeded access and connection in the prescribed manner to the IS and resources of state bodies and organizations, OCII, as well as the study of data regarding the implementation and operation of cybersecurity tools for information systems and resources of these objects
- to enter freely, if necessary with damage to locking devices and other items, into residential premises and other
 objects of individuals and legal entities, inspect them when pursuing persons suspected of committing crimes in the
 field of IT, or if there are sufficient grounds to believe that there is being committed or committed such a crime, or
 there is a person hiding from law enforcement agencies, or if the delay may endanger the life and health of citizens,
 with subsequent notification of the prosecutor within 24 hours, as well as with compensation for the harm caused in
 accordance with the law

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Right and obligations of the subjects of cybersecurity (article 16)

Subjects have the following rights:

- 1. to receive information from the SSO about cyber threats, software vulnerabilities, equipment and technologies in order to ensure their cybersecurity
- 2. to receive information and advice from the SSO on the means and methods of protection against cyber attacks, as well as methods for their detection and prevention
- 3. to develop and implement measures to ensure cybersecurity

Subjects are obliged, inter alia:

- 1. to prevent illegal distribution, theft, loss, violation of integrity, blocking and falsification of data, as well as other types of unauthorized access, take timely appropriate measures
- 2. to notify the SSO of cybersecurity incidents and cybercrime that have occurred, take measures to prevent the loss of relevant digital traces, and ensure the permanent storage of information necessary for analyzing cybersecurity incidents and investigating cybercrime
- 3. to exchange data with the SSO
- 4. to maintain cybersecurity incident response mechanisms and cyber security teams
- 5. to ensure the storage of IS and resources in accordance with the internal policy of IS by creating a backup copy of data for a period of less than the last 3 months
- 6. to grant the SSO the right to access monitoring systems and (or) cybersecurity facilities



Mechanisms ensuring cybersecurity (1/2)

Nº	Mechanisms ensuring cybersecurity	Description	Status of RLA
1.	Classification of cybersecurity objects (article 17)	Determination of the level of organizational and technical complexity of cybersecurity objects types. The categories of cybersecurity objects to be classified are determined in accordance with the law.	As of the date of this presentation, the RLA has not been enacted
2.	Expertise for compliance with cybersecurity requirements (article18)	Expertise can be mandatory or initiated by cybersecurity subjects. Expertise is mandatory for: (i) information resources of SB, (ii) IS of SB, (iii) IS included in the category of OCII. The procedure for the examination is determined by the SSO.	As of the date of this presentation, the RLA has not been enacted
3.	Certification of hardware and software used to ensure the cybersecurity of IS and resources (article 19)	Certification is mandatory. The certification procedure is determined by the SSO.	As of the date of this presentation, the RLA has not been enacted



Mechanisms ensuring cybersecurity(2/2)

Nº	Mechanisms ensuring cybersecurity	Description	Status of RLA
4.	Attestation of informatization objects and OCII (article 20)	Attestation of objects of informatization and OCII is a set of organizational and technical measures aimed at determining the compliance of the actual state of security of objects of informatization with the requirements of state standards and RLA in the field of cybersecurity. Categories of objects of informatization and OCII subject to attestation are determined in accordance with the law. The attestation procedure is determined by the SSO.	As of the date of this presentation, the RLA has not been enacted
5.	Assessment of the level of cybersecurity assurance (article 21)	Assessment of the level of cybersecurity is a set of organizational and technical measures aimed at determining the state of security of IS and resources, as well as the effectiveness of organizational measures taken. Categories of objects of informatization and OCII subject to assessment are determined in accordance with the law. The assessment procedure is determined by the SSO.	As of the date of this presentation, the RLA has not been enacted



OCII

In accordance with the Law "On Cybersecurity", OCII includes informatization systems used in the following areas::

- 1. in the field of public administration and the provision of public services
- 2. defense
- 3. ensuring state security and public order
- 4. fuel and energy complex (nuclear energy)
- 5. chemical, petrochemical industries
- 6. metallurgy
- 7. water use and water supply
- 8. agriculture
- 9. health care
- 10. housing and communal services
- 11. banking and financial system
- 12. transport
- 13.ICT
- 14. ecology and environmental protection, mining and processing of minerals of strategic importance
- 15. industry
- 16. as well as in other sectors of the economy and the social sphere



Basic provisions regarding OCII

- i. OCII are divided into the following categories:
- Hight level OCII
- Medium level OCII
- Low level OCII

The criteria for categorizing OCII is determined by the SSO

(As of the date of this presentation, these criteria have not been approved)

- ii. The SSO maintains a unified register of OCII. As of the date of this presentation, RLA regarding the category of OCII subjects mandatory to entry into the unified register, as well as the procedure for entry, have not been approved.
- iii. The subjects of critical information infrastructure, among other things, are obliged:
- To provide information about cybersecurity incidents to the attention of the SSO
- To provide the SSO with access rights to monitoring systems or to OCII for the implementation of organizational and technical measures for monitoring the state of ensuring cybersecurity
- To notify the SSO when changing information about an object included in the unified register of OCII
- To ensure the security of OCII in accordance with the requirements of cybersecurity



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