

Press Release

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ISC Renews SecretAgent "Trade-Up Offer" for PGP Users

Information Security Corporation (ISC) announces the continuation of its SecretAgent "Trade-Up Offer" for current Pretty Good Privacy (PGP) users. Under the terms of this promotion, PGP users can purchase a single copy of the latest version of SecretAgent 5, ISC's popular file encryption utility, for only \$49.95. Deeper discounts for larger quantities are available.

"NAI's recent dissolution of its PGP business unit has caused many organizations to seek a more lasting solution for their file encryption needs," said Tom Venn, President of ISC. "We want to help PGP environments transition to SecretAgent 5 by offering our premier, multi-platform encryption utility at a very attractive price," Venn added.

Since its debut in 1991, SecretAgent has been the security product of choice for many of the Federal Government's most security-conscious intelligence, law enforcement, and defense organizations. SecretAgent allows a user to encrypt and/or digitally sign any type of file in a manner compliant with all relevant Federal Information Processing Standards (FIPS), as well as ANSI, ISO, and IEEE standards. AES and Triple DES are provided for bulk encryption; RSA, DSA, and Elliptic Curve public key schemes are employed for key agreement and digital signatures. Tight integration with popular Microsoft Office applications as well as direct mail tie-ins for Exchange/Outlook and Netscape 6 make SecretAgent extremely easy to use. SecretAgent 5 can generate self-signed X.509 certificates for use outside a formal Public Key Infrastructure (PKI), or PKCS#10 certificate requests for interoperability with all leading PKI products, including ISC's new low-cost CertAgent Certificate Authority software and CA products from VeriSign, Entrust, Baltimore Technologies, Microsoft, RSA Security, and CertCo. SecretAgent 5 also supports PKCS#11 cryptographic tokens from all leading manufacturers.

"The inherent nature and explosive growth of the digital economy is creating an ever-increasing level of awareness regarding information security requirements. ISC has been dedicated to the encryption market for over thirteen years, and we are committed to on-going innovation and support of our customers over the long term," said Venn.

Orders can be placed, or more information can be obtained, by calling Information Security Corporation at (847) 405-0500.

About ISC:

Founded in 1989, ISC specializes in the design and development of cryptographic products that conform to all Federal and industry standards. ISC's product range includes SecretAgent, CertAgent (CA), SecurePhone (voice encryption), SpyProof! (disk encryption), cryptographic development toolkits, and the CDSA 1.2 CSP distributed by Hewlett-Packard under the Praesidium brand name. AT&T has marketed some of ISC's products since 1993.

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Footnote added March 3, 2003, revised March 6, 2003: In response to a request from PGP Corp.'s legal counsel, we are providing references in support of Mr. Venn's use of the term "dissolution" in his June 2002 reference to NAI actions regarding its PGP business unit:

"[Network Associates] CEO George Samenuk said he expects the dissolution of PGP and the other moves to save the company \$50 million in 2002." Dennis Fisher, *Network Associates Cuts PGP Unit*, eWeek October 12, 2001 (http://www.eweek.com/article2/0_3959_114344_00.asp)

"As part of a corporate restructuring, Network Associates today said that it will no longer develop its PGP desktop encryption software. ... The move, announced during NAI's third quarter earnings report, is the result of the firm's decision to dissolve its PGP Security Business." Brian McWilliams, *PGP Doesn't Pay For Network Associates*, Newsbytes Oct 12 2001 11:59AM (<http://online.securityfocus.com/news/264>)

About two months after the original issuance of the above press release PGP Corporation purchased from NAI certain elements of the PGP product line.

Phil Zimmermann, the creator of PGP, provides the following clarification on his personal website:

PGP Command-line Products

First, the bad news: If you need the command-line (non-GUI) version of PGP, perhaps to run on a server, you can't get it from PGP Corp, because Network Associates (NAI) retained ownership of that product when they sold the rest of the PGP GUI products to PGP Corp. In fact, you won't see PGP Corp develop a product like that and compete with NAI before early 2004. You can still get NAI's command-line product, but keep in mind that NAI fired its PGP engineering team in early 2002, and they don't publish their source code. Plus, it's fiendishly expensive.

ISC now offers its own OpenPGP-compatible (RFC2440-compliant) command line program for Windows and UNIX platforms. Source code and pre-built binaries are available along with technical and integration support (if desired).