

Re: Virus – Bin Laden Suicide Hoax

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On Sat, 24 Jul 2004 05:24:11 –0400, John Baderstadt wrote:

- > *Reposted from sci.astro.amateur.*
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- > *An added bit of interest for this group *may* be the security analyst.*
- > *Is this a relation? Can't be the same one, can it?*
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- > *SEATTLE (Reuters) – A virus purporting to show images of Osama Bin*
- > *Laden's*
- > *suicide popped up on the Internet on Friday, designed to entice*
- > *recipients*
- > *to open a file that unleashes malicious software code, security*
- > *experts*
- > *said.*
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- > *The virus was attached to a message that was posted on over 30,000*
- > *usenet*
- > *newsgroups and is not being spread via e–mail, said Web security*
- > *vendor*
- > *Sophos.*
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- > *The U.S. government has been hunting for Bin Laden since 2001, holding*
- > *him*
- > *responsible for masterminding the attacks on the World Trade Center*
- > *and*
- > *Pentagon (news – web sites) on Sept. 11, 2001, but he has not yet been*
- > *found.*
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- > *Chris Kraft, senior security analyst at Sophos, said the message and*
- > *virus*
- > *was designed to lure unsuspecting readers into opening a file, similar*
- > *to*
- > *the Anna Kournikova (news – web sites) virus that enticed readers to*
- > *open a*

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> *file that unleashed malicious software code.*

LOL, I doubt it. But if anyone could help the "real" Chris Kraft is the man!