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OPERATIONAL INSIGHTS AND EMERGING RISKS QUARTERLY REPORT

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INTRODUCTION

This report will analyse the two most prevalent security threats observed by Vigilance and its partners in Q3 2022.

It will then outline mitigations and corrective action in simple steps in order to try to prevent or resolve the issues.

In particular, we'll be looking at the impact of both Aggravated Trespass & Illegal Encampments, as well as Squatting.



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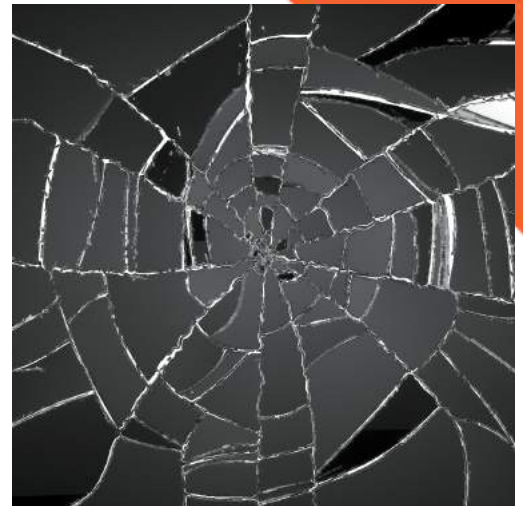


AGGRAVATED TRESPASS & ILLEGAL ENCAMPMENTS - OVERVIEW

- Groups now target areas rather than individual sites. They will identify vulnerable sites within an area and move to an already identified and recce'd site when moved on
- Perimeter gates are targeted, often using an angle grinder or disc cutter to quickly cut any lock, or the gate itself to gain entry
- Groups will break into sites in the early evening, usually on a Friday; they will usually delay any planned activity until police have attended and left site so as to appear to be benign
- Utility service cables/pipes are cut out; fixtures such as radiators, water pipes, taps and other metal fittings are removed and stolen for scrap

POTENTIAL MITIGATIONS AND CORRECTIVE ACTION

- **DENY** unauthorised access to the site by ensuring access control is robust and there is surveillance to gather evidence of any attempted break-in
- **DISRUPT** any established encampment by increasing security resources on site, such as Canine Units
- **REPORT** all criminal activity to police; their attendance will further disrupt crimes being carried out
- **REMOVE** encampments by serving and enforcing a notice to vacate as quickly as possible



SQUATTING - OVERVIEW

- There has been an observed increase in the number of vacant commercial buildings in town and city centres being squatted
- Squatters are breaking in by exploiting open or weakly secured ground or 1st floor windows
- Many of these squats are resulting in significant internal damage to property as they search for and cut out high-value fixtures

POTENTIAL MITIGATIONS AND CORRECTIVE ACTION

- **DISRUPT** potential squats by draining down and shutting off all utilities in vacant buildings
- **DENY** unauthorised access to the building by ensuring all windows and doors are secure and robust
- **DETECT** squats by ensuring an effective remotely monitored alarm or surveillance system is installed
- **REMOVE** squats by service and enforcing a notice to vacate as quickly as possible



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Our military heritage and ethical approach are bringing a fresh perspective to the security industry

Our military heritage is at the heart of everything we do, proven by our discipline, integrity and commitment to excellence. As an ethical business, we take our Corporate Social Responsibility seriously - we're driven by the need to create positive change in the world.

We proudly work with ex-Armed Forces personnel, and support the military community. Our connections bring valuable skills and experience that are a major asset to our business and services; this professionalism is unmatched in the industry. Unlike many security suppliers, our management team come from a range of business and commercial backgrounds, so we have a deep understanding of our clients' businesses. Our goal is to shake up the industry, bring progress and innovation into the market, and create better smarter solutions for every one of our clients.



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