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WELCHMAN KEEN IS A STRATEGIC ADVISORY

- ✓ As a part of our focus on connectivity, we provide training on a variety of topics.
- ✓ Help to build a country's CII strategy from the ground up through a measured approach to include what is necessary in achieving their specific objectives.
- ✓ Our key focus on critical information infrastructure (CII) represents a belief that these pillars hold the key to national, economic, public safety and social well-being.



TECHNOLOGY POLICY



TELECOMMUNICATION INVESTMENT STRATEGY



CYBER RISK AND POLICY

SECTION 01

WHAT IS A CRITICAL INFORMATION INFRASTRUCTURE (CII)?



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Critical Infrastructure

“Those infrastructures which are essential for the maintenance of vital societal functions, health, safety, security, economic or social well-being of people, and the disruption or destruction of which would have serious consequences.”

SOURCE:

Global Forum on Cyber Expertise (GFCE)



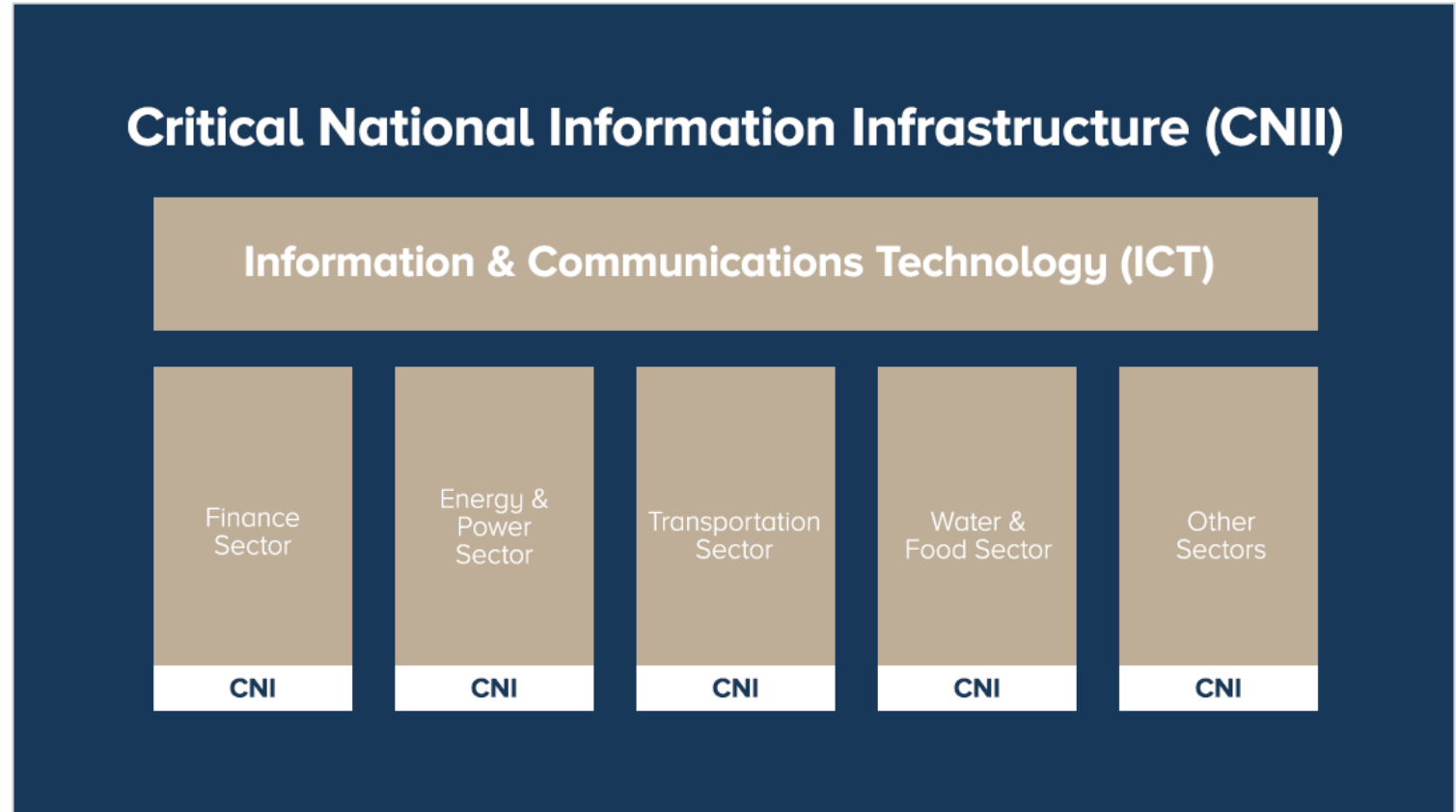
Critical Information Infrastructure (CII)

“Material and digital assets, networks, services, and installations that, if disrupted or destroyed, would have a serious impact on the health, security, or economic well-being of citizens and the efficient function of a country’s government.”

SOURCE:

INTERNATIONAL CIIP HANDBOOK 2008/2009

CNI & CNII Integration



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CNII SECTORS

✓ A critical sector in one country may not be critical to another, however, there are common sectors that most countries agree on to be categorised as critical and essential.

✓ Governments must prioritize these sectors when it comes to its protection as it relies on the availability of funding, technology and human capacity.



Health



ICT



Energy



Security &
Defense



Water



Manufacturing



Food



Transportation



Finance



Government

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SECTION 02

THREATS AND ATTACKS ON CNII



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THREATS DURING COVID-19

INCREASED CYBER THREATS DURING COVID-19

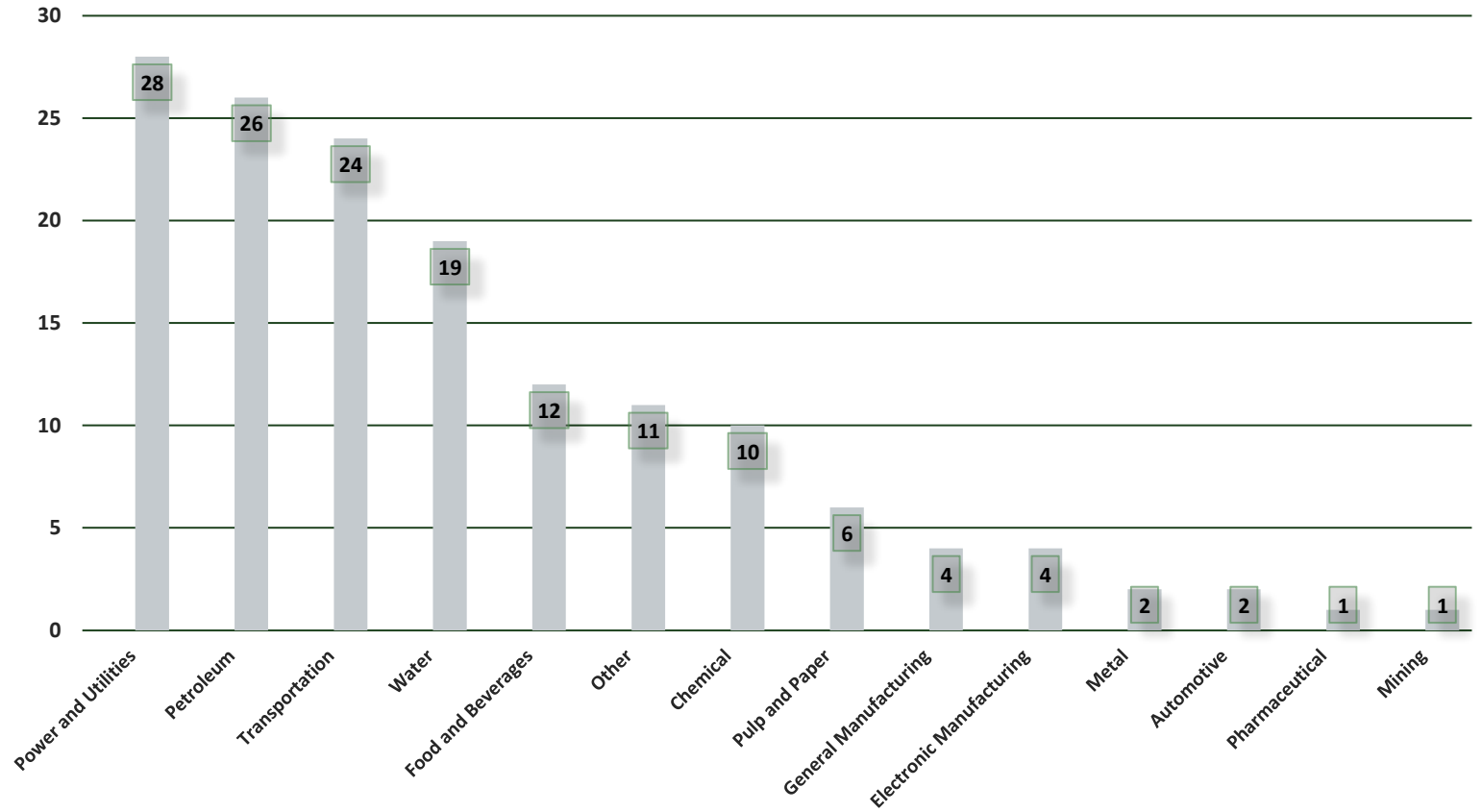
- ✓ Recent assessment conducted by INTERPOL, it was revealed that the Covid-19 pandemic has seen a shift of attacks from small businesses to critical infrastructure, government and major corporations.
- ✓ Deloitte reported that COVID-19 is seeing a “next normal” where sectors not classified as critical before are now being viewed as critical.
- ✓ Healthcare and humanitarian organisations such as WHO are being targeted and Check Point Software Technologies reported a 500% increase in attacks toward these organisations.

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Most Targeted Industries

Global Statistics

MOST TARGETED INDUSTRIES (CNII) - GLOBAL



Source: <https://www.lanner-america.com/critical-infrastructure/integrating-multi-layer-architectures-mitigate-cyber-vulnerabilities-oil-gas-sectors/>

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Global CNII Cyber Attacks

2009 - 2020



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Section 03

ADDRESSING THE THREATS

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CIIP for Countries

- ✓ Institutional architecture
- ✓ National risk assessment
- ✓ Identification of critical information infrastructure
- ✓ Strategies, policy, regulation and standards
- ✓ Public-private cooperation
- ✓ Education and capacity building
- ✓ Development of a trusted market
- ✓ National crisis management
- ✓ Monitoring and improvement

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CII PROTECTION



CIIP for Operators

- ✓ Define a risk management framework
- ✓ Build and test emergency plans
- ✓ Training and education
- ✓ Supply chain security
- ✓ Information sharing and cooperation
- ✓ Legal compliance
- ✓ Continuous monitoring and assessment of cybersecurity posture

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Section 04

MOVING FORWARD



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MOVING FORWARD

- ✓ **CNI should have a broader and more holistic approach and mindset in the manner cybersecurity is addressed**
 - ✓ **Look beyond technical tools to adopt a new cyber defence strategy**
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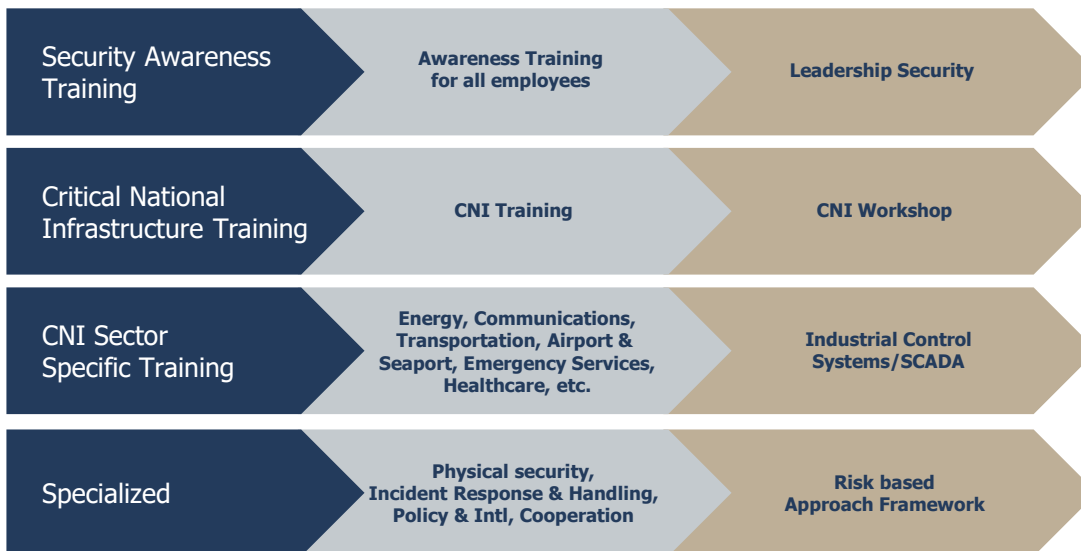
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- ✓ Whitepaper: Safeguarding Critical National Infrastructure – Risk & Opportunities
- ✓ Webinar and Training (2020– 2022) – Focusing on Small Island Developing States and Pacific Island Countries



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THANK YOU

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