

(U) Juniper Warns About Spy Code in Firewalls – Computer World – 12.17.15

Juniper, a major manufacturer of networking equipment, said on Thursday it found spying code planted in certain models of its firewalls, an alarming discovery that echoes of state-sponsored tampering. The affected products are those running ScreenOS, one of Juniper's operating systems that runs on a range of appliances that act as firewalls and enable VPNs. ScreenOS versions 6.2.0r15 through 6.2.0r18 and 6.3.0r12 through 6.3.0r20 are vulnerable, according to an [advisory](#). The unauthorized code was found during a recent internal review, [wrote](#) Bob Worrall, Juniper's chief information officer. He did not indicate where Juniper thinks the code originated.

(U//NP) BRIC Note: The [FBI is currently investigating](#) the Juniper breach, as it could potentially allow access to any company or government agency that used Juniper Networks. Information at this point suggests the hack was the work of a foreign government due to the level of sophistication.