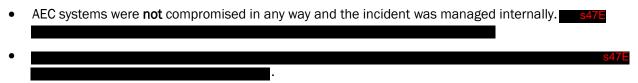


Electoral Integrity and Communications Branch: Cyber Security

Spear Phishing Attempt Against the AEC

<u>Overview</u>

• There was a 'spear phishing' email campaign against the AEC in November 2023. A **phishing campaign** is typically an email scam designed to steal personal information from victims and **spear phishing** is when the campaign is targeted or more specific to the recipient/s.



- We shared this information with the EIAT on the basis that despite being contained, the campaign appeared targeted and somewhat sophisticated.
- It is also a reminder to be vigilant against cyber threats in the lead up to, and throughout, the proposed referendum.

Background

