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SUMMARY

Skilled Compliance Officer with a robust background in cybersecurity, enhancing compliance processes and security measures at ICT VISORY. Proficient in web app security assessments, network security improvements, and conducting comprehensive audits. Previously served as a IT GRC at DESCON, focusing on improving security standards, conducted IT Audit, and network management. Demonstrated success in elevating security standards and employee awareness. Seeking opportunities for professional development in IT VAPT.

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

ICT VISORY - PART TIME (REMOTE - UAE)

2022 - Present

Junior VAPT

- Performed Foot printing & Reconnaissance using Google Dorks, whois, and nmap, identifying and documenting **50** potential vulnerabilities across the organization's digital footprint.
- Executed ethical penetration testing on an FTP server using Hydra, identifying **70%** of passwords as weak and recommending a new password policy that strengthened password security by **40%**.
- Successfully executed a tailored Social Engineering Attack using the Social Engineering Toolkit (SET), achieving a 65% success rate in penetrating simulated defenses, and raising employee awareness by 40%.
- Implemented Traffic filtration using ACLs, resulting in 20% reduction in unauthorized network access.
- Configured and Managed VLANs for departmental segregation, improving network performance by 15%.

DESCON – TRAINEE

June 2024 – August 2024

IT GRC

- Managed process for handling access exceptions, reducing average resolution time by 30% and ensuring 100% compliance with security protocols.
- Conducted Grey Box web application security assessments using Metasploit, Burp Suite identifying, and mitigating vulnerabilities, that improved security by 14%.
- Installed a Read-Only Domain Controller (RODC) in Oman remotely, minimizing downtime by 95% and enhancing network security.
- Conducted a comprehensive audit resulting in the identification and resolution of 23 non-compliance issues, improving overall adherence to regulatory standards by 25%.
- Developed and implemented a standardized form to streamline the process of NT Account display name changes, resulting in a 34% improvement in processing efficiency.

TSC - PART TIME 2021 - 2022

IT SUPPORT

• Resolved over **40**+ software related issues weekly, providing timely and effective solutions to ensure minimal downtime.

- Managed and updated patches for 420+ end-user devices, ensuring compliance with the latest OS updates and maintaining system security.
- Led the deployment of new hardware for 100+ workstations, completing the project 22% ahead of schedule and enhancing overall workplace productivity.
- Automated disk space monitoring with CRONTAB, reducing system downtime by **35%** by proactively alerting administrators before critical thresholds were reached.
- Configured MAC binding for network devices, enhancing access control security by **42%** and reducing unauthorized access.

SKILLS

- Active Directory
- Metasploit
- BASH
- NESSUS

- Google Dorking
- Exception Management
- Remote Desktop
- CRON

EDUCATION

University of Management and Technology - Lahore

BS Information Technology, CGPA: 3.83

CERTIFICATION

ISC2 SKILL FRONT

Certified Cyber Security Engineer ISO/IEC 27001:2022

EC COUNSIL EC COUNSIL

Ethical Hacking Essentials Network Defense Essentials

CISCO SIEM XPERT

Cyber Security Administrator SOC ANALYST

HACKER RANK HACKER RANK

Problem Solving Basic & Intermediate SQL Security Basic & Intermediate