

## **Accenture, Splunk, Palo Alto Networks and Tanium Team on New Cyber Breach Prevention and Defense Solution**

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### **Delivered Through Accenture Cyber Defense Platform, Enables Organizations to Quickly Close Security Gaps and Stop the Spread of Attacks**

**NEW YORK – August 4, 2016** – Accenture (NYSE: ACN), Splunk (NASDAQ: SPLK), Palo Alto Networks (NYSE: PANW) and Tanium today announced an advanced managed cyber defense solution that makes it easier, more efficient and effective to identify, prevent, detect, and respond to attacks. The integrated offering will be delivered through the Accenture Cyber Defense Platform (ACDP) to improve security and visibility across global networks and on every endpoint.

The announcement was made at the Black Hat 2016 conference, which takes place July 30 to August 4 in Las Vegas, Nevada. Conference attendees are invited to visit the Splunk booth # 1348 or the Palo Alto Networks booth # 1000 to view a live demonstration of the offering.

Accenture has integrated Palo Alto Networks Next-Generation Firewalls and Traps Advanced Endpoint Protection offering, Tanium's 15-second endpoint visibility software and control platform, and Splunk® Enterprise Security (ES) with its own operating model and cyber defense architecture to deliver a managed cyber defense experience. This unique combination will help organizations better defend their networks, protect their endpoints, gain insight into the security behavior within their enterprise, and effectively automate breach detection, prevention, response and recovery efforts.

"Organizations today are facing highly sophisticated hackers who can hide their tracks for weeks, months and even years without being noticed. Attaining a secure network environment across the entire company in this threat landscape is a significant challenge for organizations," said Kelly Bissell, senior managing director, Accenture Security. "With the combined capabilities of these industry leading products, we can now offer clients a comprehensive solution that helps address identification, protection, prevention, detection and response and does so across all endpoints and networks, which is a major leap in mitigating risk."

Additionally, a new custom Splunk application combines the direct integration of all four technologies into a single pane of glass with a defined workflow and aggregated data. The data can be correlated within the application to better identify indicators of compromise and remediation on each of the technologies can be triggered from within the application itself.

"Having an integrated security architecture is critical to reducing the amount of time it takes to identify and respond to security threats," said Julie Boehl, director of security operations, BG Group. "To quickly eradicate these threats requires a multilayer approach that addresses the growing number of attack surfaces. The integrated solutions form a powerful, comprehensive platform that actively identifies network intrusions and stops attacks at the earliest phases."

The Accenture Cyber Defense Platform provides advanced threat detection, correlation, search and incident management capabilities designed to help organizations respond to and remediate sophisticated cyber threats on-demand, at-speed and at-scale. The combined offering of Splunk, Palo Alto Networks and Tanium technologies, delivered via the Accenture Cyber Defense Platform, further enhances these capabilities. Whether onsite, in the cloud, or as-a-Service, clients can easily select cyber defense services, partners and support options based on their business requirements.

"Organizations seeking end-to-end visibility require a new approach, revolved around data and analytics- driven security," said Haiyan Song, senior vice president of security markets, Splunk. "Bringing together network and endpoint technologies with powerful analytics, enablement of adaptive response and automation allows companies to address the full spectrum of security challenges they face. By teaming with Palo Alto Networks, Tanium and Accenture we are able to offer a powerful solution in one integrated platform, ensuring a strong defensive posture."

"In the face of increasingly sophisticated attacks, organizations must adopt a prevention-minded security approach to protect our way of life in the digital age," said Chad Kinzelberg, senior vice president of business and corporate development, Palo Alto Networks. "This collaboration brings together a powerful combination of technologies to help organizations expand their visibility, enhance their analytics capabilities, and protect themselves from the latest cyberthreats."

"The reality is that endpoint and network security are often not in sync and don't provide end-to-end coverage of the attack surface, leaving unprotected spaces that hackers exploit," said Curt Aubley, vice president of global strategic alliances and technology, Tanium. "By combining our strengths, we close those gaps and make it simple for operations and security teams to secure their entire IT environment--at unprecedented speed and scale."

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Tanium gives the world's largest enterprises and government organizations the unique power to secure, control and manage millions of endpoints across the enterprise within seconds. Serving as the "central nervous system" for enterprises, Tanium empowers security and IT operations teams to ask questions about the state of every endpoint across the enterprise in plain English, retrieve data on their current and historical state and execute change as necessary, all within seconds. With the unprecedented speed, scale and simplicity of Tanium, organizations now have complete and accurate information on the state of endpoints at all times to more effectively protect against modern day threats and realize new levels of cost efficiency in IT operations. Visit us at [www.tanium.com](http://www.tanium.com) or follow us on Twitter at @Tanium.

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