

## UGANDA NATIONAL COMPUTER EMERGENCY RESPONSE TEAM (CERT.UG) 01/09/16

## **INFORMATION SECURITY VULNERABILITY ALERT**

**Scope:** Users of the Dropbox Cloud Storage Service.

Severity: CERT.UG rates the severity of this vulnerability as MEDIUM due to the

Dropbox credentials breach.

**Risk Assessment:** Dropbox experienced a breach that was reported to have exposed 68 million

credentials of its users. The Breach contains users' e-mail addresses as well as

hashed passwords.

**Vulnerability:** This implies that those users' who were included within this breach are

potentially exposed to unauthorized usage of their accounts leaving them vulnerable. In some instances, such data is used in phishing and impersonation scams that could negatively affect the affected users'

experience or loss of information.

**Risk Mitigation:** It's important to ensure that all Dropbox users change their passwords to

protect against this exposure risk. Remember that strong passwords contain a mix of upper case, lower case, symbols and figures. Dropbox reported to have notified all affected users. In case you want to double check if your email has ever been involved in any similar breach, you can check via:

https://haveibeenpwned.com/

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