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The White House Invites Fortinet CEO Ken Xie to Participate in the Summit on Cybersecurity and Consumer Protection

Ken Xie Invited to Provide Industry Insight and Commentary on Public-Private Collaboration on Cybersecurity

SUNNYVALE, CA -- (Marketwired) -- 02/12/15 -- Fortinet® (NASDAQ: FTNT) -- a global leader in High Performance Cyber Security Solutions, today announced that Ken Xie, founder, chairman and CEO, will participate in the White House Summit on Cybersecurity and Consumer Protection, being held at Stanford University on February 13, 2015. This important event will bring together leaders from across the country who have a stake in this issue -- industry, technology companies, law enforcement, consumer and privacy advocates, law professors who specialize in this field, and students -- to collaborate and explore partnerships that will help develop the best ways to bolster our cybersecurity. Xie has been asked to participate in the event, providing insights in discussions focused on public-private collaboration on cybersecurity.

In 1997 Xie founded Netscreen, an Internet security company that was acquired by Juniper Networks for over \$4 billion. In 2000, he founded Fortinet, and has led the company to become a \$5B+ market cap cyber security leader in the industry. Xie, who holds a Master of Science from EE of Stanford University, lends critical insights and credibility to the cybersecurity market, with more than 25 years experience in the industry. A member of the National Academy of Engineering, he is dedicated to advancing the well-being of the nation by promoting a vibrant engineering profession and lending expertise and advice to the federal government on matters involving engineering and technology.

- "Improving collaboration between the public and private sector when it comes to cybersecurity is critical to tackling the growing threats businesses, governments and consumers are battling both today and in the future," said Xie. "Bringing these discussions to Silicon Valley, where leaders from both the government and the technology industry can discuss current issues, share insights into the threat landscape and help to determine new ways to protect against cyber crime, is an admirable first step in helping to mitigate increasing risks. As a leader in cybersecurity, Fortinet is dedicated to continuously protecting customers against advanced threats. We are very pleased to be taking part with the government in further protecting our country's critical infrastructure."

About the White House Summit on Cybersecurity and Consumer Protection

The Summit will bring together leaders from across the country who have a stake in this issue to collaborate and explore partnerships that will help develop the best ways to bolster our cybersecurity. From increasing cybersecurity information sharing to improving adoption of more secure payment technologies, here's a look at the topics that panels at the Summit will address:

- Public-Private Collaboration on Cybersecurity
- Improving Cybersecurity Practices at Consumer-Oriented Businesses and Organizations
- Promoting More Secure Payment Technologies
- Cybersecurity Information Sharing
- International Law Enforcement Cooperation on Cybersecurity
- Improving Authentication: Moving Beyond the Password
- Chief Security Officers' Perspectives: New Ideas on Technical Security
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