CHAPTER 6: STEERING THE SHIP

Mission 6: The Sandworm Brief

OPERATION NAME: NEURAL NEXUS
CLASSIFICATION: TLP RED
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Analysts:
To understand the Phantom Group's actions we need to study historically similar groups. Recent collection indicates the Phantom Group may be attempting to replicate the tactics, techniques, and procedures (TTPs) of GRU-linked Sandworm, which has been linked to power grid disruptions, malware campaigns, and targeted attacks on critical infrastructure.
Using AI, generate an executive-level briefing on Sandworm's operations that helps leaders understand why the Phantom Group is a risk under similar conditions. Begin with a vague prompt, analyze the failures of the output, then refine step by step using the techniques in this chapter. Each iteration should improve structure, accuracy, and relevance.

Director of AI Intelligence Agency
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Analyst (that's you)

Date

Tools used

VERIFICATION NOTE
Sandworm is real and well documented. Treat every AI claim about it as a lead until you have matched it to a primary source: government advisories, vendor research, or court documents.

ITERATIONS Vague to mission ready

Iteration 1 (start vague on purpose)

Prompt

What failed: structure, accuracy, relevance, hallucination, missing sources

Technique applied next

Prompt type

Iteration 2

Prompt

What failed: structure, accuracy, relevance, hallucination, missing sources

Technique applied next

Prompt type

Iteration 3

Prompt

What failed: structure, accuracy, relevance, hallucination, missing sources

Technique applied next

Prompt type

Iteration 4

Prompt

What failed: structure, accuracy, relevance, hallucination, missing sources

Technique applied next

Prompt type

Iteration 5

Prompt

What failed: structure, accuracy, relevance, hallucination, missing sources

Technique applied next

Prompt type

CHECKS Before it goes to leadership

- [ ] Every factual claim matched to a primary source
- [ ] Dates and attributions verified
- [ ] Asked the model what it might be missing or overstating
- [ ] Tested for bias: does the framing presume the Phantom Group connection?
- [ ] Confidence language matches the evidence
- [ ] AI use documented

DELIVERABLE Executive briefing

Bottom line up front

Sandworm TTPs most relevant to the Phantom Group comparison

Why the Phantom Group is a risk under similar conditions

Key uncertainties and alternative explanations

Overall confidence: ○ Low ○ Moderate ○ High