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Besides, hackers are also trying to trick users into accessing a content or advertising site that contains a malicious file that could exploit security bugs in PowerPoint.

The above security error affects both Microsoft PowerPoint 2000, 2002 and 2003.

Once you have successfully hacked the failed system, the PowerPoint virus will install another keylogger to record all keystrokes on the failed system. At the same time, the virus also opens the door to an infected system for hackers to hack into installing more malware.

According to a Symantec security expert, the PowerPoint virus will install a backdoor program to allow all other malware to be downloaded and the infected system can be remotely controlled.

However, so far only very few users have become victims of the virus.

Microsoft said it is currently working on completing a security update to fix the security breach. It is expected that the security update will be released on August 8 here in accordance with the schedule for the release of Microsoft's monthly security update.

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