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Michael 'Mikeyy' Mooney attacks Twitter

The boy named Michael 'Mikeyy' Mooney said he was very disappointed about Twitter so that the vulnerability happened too long. Therefore, he wanted everyone to pay attention to it.

Just like the worm StalkDaily spread on Saturday (April 11), the worm 'Mikeyy' sent a series of warning messages on users' websites. 'Mikeyy' has begun to spread on this 'microblogging' since early morning on Sunday. This 17-year-old boy has no intention of harming Twitter, so he broadcast a message saying: '*Mikeyy is written by me and ask Twitter to patch this error, cherish Mikeyy*'

Mooney has long dreamed of becoming a security expert. He said he started writing computer worms three years ago. He said he wrote these programs not to harm anyone. However, this time, Mooney is depressed and wants to be famous. Mooney believed that the website he created had been active for only a few weeks and that 950

members would "float up" after he spread the attack on Twitter.

On Saturday, Twitter patched the vulnerability that allowed worms to spread throughout the network. ' *There are no passwords, phone numbers or personal information stolen,* ' the Twitter representative said.

However, on Sunday, Mooney released another type of worm, continuing to take advantage of the vulnerability that Twitter announced patched.

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