

Computer Fraud - Unauthorized Access to a Protected Computer; Wire Fraud; Computer Fraud - Threatening to Impair the Confidentiality of Information; Computer Fraud - Threatening to Damage a Protected Computer/Impair the Confidentiality of Information; Interstate Transmission of an Extortionate Communication; Aggravated Identity Theft



DESCRIPTION

Alias: Skote Vahshat	
Date(s) of Birth Used: August 26, 1988, August 27, 1988	Place of Birth: Naghadeh, Iran
Hair: Brown	Eyes: Brown
Height: 5'9"	Weight: 175 pounds
Sex: Male	Race: White
Nationality: Iranian	NCIC: W052433913

REMARKS

Mesri is known to speak Farsi and resides in Iran.

CAUTION

Behzad Mesri is wanted for his alleged involvement in criminal activities to include unauthorized access to computer systems, stealing proprietary data from those systems, and attempted extortion for approximately \$6 million in Bitcoin. On November 8, 2017, a grand jury in the United States District Court, Southern District of New York, indicted Mesri and a federal arrest warrant was issued for him after he was charged with Computer Fraud – Unauthorized Access to a Protected Computer; Wire Fraud; Computer Fraud – Threatening to Impair the Confidentiality of Information; Computer Fraud – Threatening to Damage a Protected Computer/Impair the Confidentiality of Information; Interstate Transmission of an Extortionate Communication; and Aggravated Identity Theft.

SHOULD BE CONSIDERED AN INTERNATIONAL FLIGHT RISK

If you have any information concerning this person, please contact your local FBI office or the nearest American Embassy or Consulate.

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