

# QUARTERLY SECURITY BRIEFING

Board of Directors | Q4 2024

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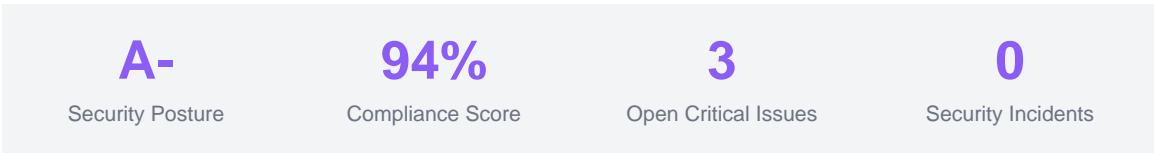
Period:

Q4 2024 (October - December)

Classification:

Board Confidential

## EXECUTIVE SUMMARY



**Bottom Line:** Security posture improved significantly this quarter. SOC 2 Type II certification achieved on schedule. Three critical vulnerabilities identified during Q4 penetration test require board awareness — remediation underway with 30-day target. No security incidents or data breaches occurred. Recommend approving budget increase for 2025 to address cloud security gaps identified in AWS assessment.

## ENTERPRISE RISK OVERVIEW

Top risks requiring board attention:

Risk	Category	Score	Status
Unpatched Exchange servers (CVE-2024-XXXX)	Infrastructure	9.8	Mitigating
Privileged access management gaps	Access Control	9.2	In Progress
Cloud S3 bucket misconfiguration	Cloud Security	8.7	Resolved
Third-party vendor risk (payment processor)	Third Party	7.4	Monitoring
Security awareness training completion	People	5.2	On Track

KEY SECURITY METRICS

Metric	Q3 2024	Q4 2024	Trend	Target
Mean Time to Remediate	20 days	12 days	↓ Better	<14 days
Phishing Click Rate	10.3%	4.2%	↓ Better	<5%
MFA Adoption	85%	97%	↑ Better	100%
Patch Compliance	78%	94%	↑ Better	>95%
Vendor Assessments Complete	18/28	24/28	↑ Better	28/28

SECURITY ROADMAP

Quarter	Initiative	Status	Owner
Q4 2024	SOC 2 Type II certification	Complete ✓	Security
Q4 2024	Annual penetration test	Complete ✓	Security
Q4 2024	MFA rollout (97% complete)	Complete ✓	IT
Q1 2025	Cloud security posture (CSPM)	In Progress	DevOps
Q1 2025	Zero trust network pilot	Planned	Network
Q1 2025	ISO 27001 gap assessment	Planned	Security
Q2 2025	ISO 27001 certification	Planned	Security
Q2 2025	EDR enhancement	Planned	IT

SECURITY INVESTMENT

Category	2024 Actual	2025 Proposed	Change
Tools & Technology	\$XXX,XXX	\$XXX,XXX	+15%
Personnel	\$XXX,XXX	\$XXX,XXX	+10%
Compliance & Audit	\$XXX,XXX	\$XXX,XXX	+5%
Training	\$XX,XXX	\$XX,XXX	+20%
Consulting	\$XX,XXX	\$XX,XXX	0%
TOTAL	\$XXX,XXX	\$XXX,XXX	+18%

BOARD RECOMMENDATIONS

**1. Approve 2025 Security Budget** — 18% increase addresses critical gaps in cloud security and enables zero trust architecture deployment. Risk reduction: 40% improvement in cloud posture score.

**2. Prioritize PAM Completion** — Privileged access gaps are #2 risk. Completion by end of Q1 eliminates critical attack vector. Risk reduction: Eliminates 2 of 3 critical findings.

**3. Pursue ISO 27001 Certification** — Required for EU expansion. Gap assessment shows 70% control overlap with SOC 2 — achievable by Q2. Business impact: Enables EU market entry.

## QUESTIONS?

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