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## GCHQ supports Cyber Security Challenge - UK 2015 Masterclass

### Cyber security

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**USPA NEWS** - Cyber security experts from BT, GCHQ, the National Crime Agency, Lockheed Martin, Juniper and Airbus Group will design a cyber terrorist attack simulation specifically to test the skills of UK amateur online defenders.

The attack will form the Cyber Security Challenge UK's 2015 Masterclass final, the culmination of almost a year's worth of nationwide competitions to identify new talent for the cyber security profession and address a critical skills shortage that affects government bodies, businesses and citizens alike. The 42 finalists will spend two days in March investigating and preventing simulated attacks by a cyber terrorist group aiming to cause real world damage that could bring physical harm to citizens in central London. Many of the places in the final are still available. To qualify, candidates must register with the Challenge and prove their talent by playing one or more of the upcoming virtual qualifier competitions.

Minister for Cabinet Office, Francis Maude, said

"It is part of this Government's long-term economic plan to make the UK one of the safest places to do business online. As part of our strategy to improve cyber security we need the best calibre skilled professionals. We are funding the Cyber Security Challenge to help potential experts hone their skills through an exciting and stretching series of scenarios. I would encourage all budding cyber experts to get involved and test their skills."

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