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From a senior management perspective, the future of information technology security is equally frustrating and satisfying. Almost every day brings yet another series of reports and requirements detailing security breeches, software patches and system vulnerabilities. It is somewhat frustrating to both executive management and security professionals that whatever defenses are developed, purchased, installed or operated, over time they will be defeated by clever people and misapplied technology components.

However, every day that unauthorized people and intrusive attacks are kept out of information, systems, networks and buildings, and business operations continue without interruption, is professionally satisfying. The objective, of course, is to achieve 100% sustained success in protecting information, systems and networks — a difficult and challenging feat.

Wishing you constant success in protecting your information, network and systems assets 24×7.

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