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## IPv6 and Its Impact on Cybersecurity, Emerging Technologies, and the Future of Internet

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In the era of Internet of Things (IoT), blockchain, AI, and many other emerging technologies, it is a daily nightmare encountered by organizations from both public and private sectors, big and small, struggling to react to the aftermath of the constant cybersecurity breaches and ransomware attacks.

The situation can only get worse in a few more years when the global IPv6 adoption rate will reach 100% running in parallel with IPv4, effectively doubling the overall attack vectors. Thus we must change our cybersecurity strategy dramatically now to efficiently secure and effectively defend the global network infrastructure by securely deploying the single stack of IPv6 and turning off IPv4 before the time is running out.

On November 19, 2020, the United States Office of Management and Budget (OMB) issued the latest U.S. federal government IPv6-only policy in its memorandum (M-21-07) titled Completing the Transition to Internet Protocol Version 6 (IPv6), directing all federal government agencies to complete at least 80% of the transition from IPv4 to the single stack of IPv6 by 2025. Given the importance of this IPv6-only policy by the U.S. federal government and the tight deployment schedules with specific milestones as stated in the OMB memo, all of the federal agencies are currently facing a huge challenge to meet the OMB mandate.

Undoubtedly, this new federal IPv6-only policy and mandate will dramatically change our national network infrastructures and the cybersecurity posture. It will also impact the global information systems including the Internet for both the public and private sectors in the days to come.

It is high time to adopt and enforce an IPv6-only policy both domestically and globally in order to reduce the overall attack vectors in the current dual mode of operations running both IPv4 and IPv6 simultaneously by setting a specific deadline to disable and sunset IPv4 globally.

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