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Cybersecurity as a Campaign Issue

A Few Mentions at a Couple of Debates. That's It

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A major attack on key information systems could create havoc throughout the United States and severely damage the ability of our government, economy and society to function properly. Yet, as voters around the country begin the process to elect the next president, **cybersecurity** as a campaign issue is virtually nonexistent.

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"There really hasn't been much serious discussion of any issue, much less national security or foreign trade," James Lewis, director and senior fellow of the Technology and Public Policy Program at the Center for Strategic and International Studies, a Washington think tank. "Wait until the campaigns get hacked again, then they'll start paying attention."