

Re: A new bug in csrss.exe ??

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Are you serious?

It's not talking about "MSN messenger"

All you have to do is disable the "MESSANGER SERVICE"

"H. Debs" <no@spam.com> wrote in message

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- > *This is the 3rd or 4th time I see a dialog box pop up on my Win2000 SP3*
- > *system, with an ADVERTISEMENT! Looking at the Task Manager, I discover*
- > *that*
- > *the thread responsible for this new process is csrss.exe. The window*
- > *title*
- > *and process are called "Messenger service" or something similar, and the*
- > *text in this dialog box window is a well known SPAM advertisement for*
- > *"University Diplomas" which I'm sure everyone has received by email at*
- > *some*
- > *point, especially if they have a hotmail account.*
- >
- > *This is *not* a regular IE popup. The dialog box has the regular close [X]*
- > *button, and an "OK" button only. No icons. I think I was always connected*
- > *to*
- > *the internet when I got this message (about 4 times in the past month).*
- >
- > *I have up to date versions of Norton Antivirus 2002 and ZoneAlarm Pro*
- > *running, configured for maximum security. I also frequently update and*
- > *run*
- > *AdAware and I'm positive there's no Spyware nor virus on my system.*
- >
- > *I read a bit about csrss.exe and it appears to handle text displays in*
- > *consoles (dos boxes), so how can this dialog box be related to it?*
- >
- > *Regarding the window title "Messenger service", I never have the windows*
- > *Messenger application running (removed it from the startup programs a long*
- > *time ago), and do not have any account with Messenger, and never even set*
- > *it*
- > *up or used it.*
- > *But I do have a hotmail account. However, I'm not logged into my hotmail*

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- > *account when this occurs, nor is Outlook Express running at the time this*
- > *happens (I've configured it to fetch my hotmail email), so I shouldn't be*
- > *logged in. So can this be a Microsoft Messenger abuse or vulnerability?*

Or

- > *just a ruse?*
- >
- > *Anyone seen this problem before, or knows how I can kill it?*
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