Five tips for protecting against wireless KRACK
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The recent KRACK (Key Reinstallation Attacks) attack on the Wi-Fi WPA2 security protocols (CVE-2017-13077 through CVE-2017-13088) highlights the requirement to actively maintain and update embedded systems, especially long-life systems deployed in hostile environments.

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Cyber operations, infrastructure support contract for Air Combat Command won by Telos

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Security solutions provider Telos Corp. received the NETCENTS-2 Network Operations and Infrastructure Solutions small business contract, a five-year, $108 million contract to provide planning, infrastructure systems, networks operations and support for Air Combat Command.

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DoD taps Kratos to modernize cyberspace defense support network

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National security contractor Kratos Defense and Security Solutions was awarded a full and open Task Order (TO) from a Department of Defense Command to modernize and expand a closed network that supports and protects a significant portion of a cyberspace weapon system. The TO is worth up to $10.5 million.

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U.S. Army contracts for secure medical systems for mobile operations
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The U.S. Army has contracted with IT security firm Cog and embedded sensor maker Management Sciences, Inc. (MSI) to develop a prototype multilevel security (MLS) capability on tactical mobile devices that will be used in the field to more efficiently deliver patient medical data.