## Introduction

how cyber-attacks can disproportionally afect women, over the

State-sponsored and State-Facilitated Cyber Warfare

consistently observe that cyber-attacks are an inefective coercive



security protections, both states and state-af liated actors can not only obtain identifable

coercion is generally an inefective tool to force another state to change its behaviour, conf dential information about citizens or government employees that may contain full

to maintain these hacking operations (Grif ths 2024). However, in the remaining 89% of

posing a signif cant risk to civilian privacy and national security.

Should these hackers publish datasets of identifable information during ransomware

scandal that published the full names and addresses of roughly fifty million Turkish citizens men, the attack had a disproportional efect on women. Every year, hundreds of Turkish

thousands of women in danger and contributed to well-documented incidents of of ine gender-based violence; 'doxing', the process of publishing conf dential personal information online, has led women to be the targets of of ine stalking sexual violence, death threats,

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leak conf dential data to the public can result in increased negative outcomes for women. Acknowledging how intersectional identities experience disinformation differently is a good
Public reception to data breaches may interact with gendered social norms to influence
a serious candidate (Neuendorf 2014). The release of thousands of Hillary Clinton's emails
Clinton as untrustworthy, incompetent, and unft for leadership (Goss 2020). No state took
recently used to inf uence elections (Ornstein 2017). Although it is unclear how signif cant the
face can be catastrophic to their careers, when men face similar scandals, patriarchal gender

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5.	Communicate the gendered and non-gendered threat that cyberwarfare poses to civilians: about cyber-security. However, resources such as "Get Cyber Safe" do not signal the
6.	Include a more robust gender analysis in Canada's National Cyber Threat Assessment:
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inte	emational organizations implement the Women, Peace, and Security (WPS) agenda. Specifically, his
his	work on WPS, Owen studies the macro-political regulation of ethnic confict with Dr. John McGarry, the

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