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Australian Cyber Security Centre

A new Australian Cyber Security Centre (ACSC) will be established in Canberra to boost the country's ability to protect against cyber-attacks. The ACSC will be responsible for analysing the nature and extent of cyber threats, and leading the government's response to cyber incidents. It will include, in one place, cyber security operational capabilities from the Defence Signals Directorate, Defence Intelligence Organisation, Australian Security Intelligence Organisation, the Attorney-General's Department's Computer Emergency Response Team Australia, Australian Federal Police and the Australian Crime Commission. Establishment of the ACSC will begin immediately and it should be fully operational by late 2013.

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