The latest legislative trends in Russia on crimes committed in the area of Information Technologies (IT crimes)

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The variety of IT crimes in Russia

- Illegal access to computer information
- Creation, use and dissemination of malicious computer programs
- Violation of the rules for operation of computer information storage, processing and transmission facilities and of information-telecommunication networks
- Production and distribution of materials or objects with pornographic pictures of minors
- Fraud and theft with the use of computer and telecommunication technologies
- Production or sale of counterfeit credit or debit cards
- Illegal trafficking in special hardware, intended for secret obtainment of information
- Violation of copyrights in the sphere of information technology
- Unlawful actions within electronic payment systems
The latest legislative amendments

Article 274.1.
of the Russian Criminal Code

Unlawful impact on critical information infrastructure of the Russian Federation, - that is

Creation, dissemination or use of computer programs or other computer information, which are knowingly intended for taking wrongful effect on critical information infrastructure of the Russian Federation, including for the purposes of its destruction, blocking, modification or copying of computer information.

Illegal access to legally protected computer information contained in critical information infrastructure of the Russian Federation, including by means of computer programs or computer information, which are knowingly intended for taking wrongful effect on critical information infrastructure of the Russian Federation, or by means of any other malicious computer programs, if this has involved damage to critical infrastructure of the Russian Federation.
The latest legislative amendments

**Article 274.1. of the Russian Criminal Code**
(came into effect on January 1, 2018)

Unlawful impact on critical information infrastructure of the Russian Federation, - that is

Violation of the rules for operation of the facilities for computer information storage, processing and transmittance contained in critical information infrastructure of the Russian Federation, or of information systems, information-telecommunication networks, automated management system related to critical information infrastructure that has entailed damage to critical information infrastructure of the Russian Federation.

Maximum penalty – 10 years of imprisonment (heavy consequences)
The latest legislative amendments

Legal definition of critical information infrastructure is given into Federal Law on Security of Critical Information Infrastructure of the Russian Federation

Critical information infrastructure consists of information system, information-telecommunication networks and automated management systems operating in the areas of healthcare, transport, energy, banking and financial spheres, fuel and power sector, mining, chemical, steel and other major industries
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Article 110.1.
of the Russian Criminal Code
(came into effect on June 18, 2017)

Incitement of minors to commit suicides or facilitating in the commission of such act, - that is

Inducement to commit suicides by virtue of persuasion, offer, bribery, deceit, or in any other way.

Assistance in the commission of an act of suicide by virtue of advice, instructions, providing the information as well as means and instruments of commission the crime, or removal obstacles to it, or by promising to conceal such means and instruments.

Maximum penalty – 15 years of imprisonment (if led to at least an attempt to commit suicide on the part of a minor)
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Draft Federal Law on Amendments to the Criminal Code of the Russian Federation (specifically strengthening criminal liability for offence related to money thefts from banking accounts and electronic payment means)

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<th>Article 158 (Theft) Paragraph 3 and Article 159.6. (Fraud in the area of computer information) Paragraph 2 are supplemented as follows</th>
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Theft or Fraud …committed from banking account as well as electronic payment means…
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To amend Article 159.3. of the Russian Criminal Code (Fraud committed with the use of payment cards) in the following way

Fraud committed with the use of electronic payment means, that is larceny of other people’s property conducted with the use of falsified electronic means of payment or belonging to another individual, including credit, debit or any other payment card, by virtue of deception of an authorized employee of trading company, financial institution or any other entity.
Draft Federal Law on Amendments to the Criminal Code of the Russian Federation (specifically strengthening criminal liability for offence related to money thefts from banking accounts and electronic payment means)

Imprisonment (up to 3 years) is introduced as alternative sentence with regard to Article 159.3. Paragraph 1.

Common thresholds of a large scale (250,000 RUB) and an especially large scale (1 million RUB) are applicable to all offences connected to money thefts committed from banking accounts or electronic payment means.
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International information exchange on IT crimes via Interpol channels

- Romance scam, «fraud 419»
- Copyright infringement
- Payment card fraud
- Extortion
- Malware dissemination
- Illegal access to computer information
- Child sexual abuse
Thank you for attention!