

# SAFEGUARDING OUR ELECTIONS

## Foreign Adversaries Are Targeting U.S. Elections With Disinformation

### THREAT

- » Foreign adversaries, including Russia, China, and Iran, are manipulating information to shape public opinion, divide the country, and influence the election process

### IMPACT

While foreign adversary goals and methods differ, their efforts could:

- » Sow public confusion and distrust in the reliability of U.S. institutions and the integrity of our election process, including election results
- » Foster an advantageous political environment for the adversary
- » Undermine confidence in political candidates or parties
- » Interfere with the election process
- » Amplify controversial topics favorable to foreign adversaries' goals and objectives

### MITIGATION

- » Know the source and verify your information
- » Use official websites and reliable news sources for your information
- » Consider before you share, repost, or "like" online information – don't amplify a foreign adversary's message or false narrative
- » Use official government websites for election day details and guidance
- » Refer to state and local officials for accurate information on local elections



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