

## **Stagefright Vulnerability for Android Users**

You may be hearing about the Stagefright vulnerability in the news. Stagefright is vulnerable to a remote code execution bug, allowing hackers to potentially infiltrate devices and access private information by sending a SMS message with a video in it.

If you use an Android device, as a security best practice, we recommend that you temporarily disable Multimedia Messaging Service (“MMS”) especially if you’re utilizing Google Hangouts as your default SMS client. Disabling MMS will prevent media files from being sent to a device. Text messages and hyperlinks should continue normally.

For the statement from Android regarding this threat, link to <http://www.androidcentral.com/stagefright>.

Additionally, a description of the steps necessary for disabling MMS is available at:

<https://www.twilio.com/blog/2015/07/how-to-protect-your-android-device-from-stagefright-exploit.html>