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# IBM Launches Linux Utility Services for System z
# with webApp.secure™ by webScurity Inc.

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- *IBM News* **–** "Did you know approximately 80 percent of the world's business transactions are managed in a System z mainframe environment?"
- *2005 IBM Global Business Security Index Report* (23 Jan 2006) – "Based on early indicators, IBM anticipates a fundamental shift, or evolution, in cybercrime from pervasive global outbreaks to smaller, stealthier attacks targeted at specific organizations for extortion purposes."  "This means that attacks will be more targeted and potentially damaging.  Organizations around the world – from the public and private sectors – must move quickly and work together to address this growing challenge."

IBM recently introduced Infrastructure Simplification with increased web site security for System z as part of its Linux Utility Services for System z Virtualization at the LinuxWorld 2006 exposition, Moscone Convention Center, San Francisco [August 15, 2006].  IBM mainframes provide a security-rich environment, which has been further enhanced and hardened with advanced IT security infrastructure for protecting web application business logic (web sites and associated web assets) against stealth-type web application attacks that perpetrate identity theft [SQL Injection], financial theft and customer fleecing via bogus web sites [Cross-site Scripting].

As application level attacks increase and web application code vulnerabilities become more widely recognizable, technologies like webApp**.secure** are needed to fortify the zone between the Internet and the operating system on the System z, to protect web servers, data servers and transaction servers from malicious and criminal attacks.  webApp**.secure** ensures that web sites, their applications and associated databases, are used exactly as intended by employing a positive security model to enforce web site guidelines, rules and policy.

By deploying webApp**.secure** in the System z environment, it ensures that all web application code (existing code and newly developed), z/OS®, WebSphere® or other middleware ***and vulnerabilities*** are protected against malicious attacks.  It operates invisibly with "Set & Forget" controls, and autonomically (involuntarily) derives and updates policy, while adding a layer of regulatory compliance that exceeds government guidelines, with little or no impact to System z throughput.  webApp**.secure** will also log and report all break-in attempts that have been blocked.

webScurity has been working with IBM and with System z users in the government and private sectors.  This joint program of Utilities Services for System z has been in development over the last 18 months and is now available as Linux Utilities for System z.  webScurity will also provide free web assessments upon request.

**About webScurity Inc.**
webScurity Inc. is a maker of highly specialized Web security software. Company principals have over 20 years security industry experience with more than 10 years in the Web application security discipline. This experience is rooted in Web application code assessments within the banking industry. The company's proven Web application firewall technology was developed from a knowledge base of over 70 such assessments. webApp**.secure** has been protecting Web sites and applications since 2002. webScurity is a valued IBM business partner.

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