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Using on-board GSM/GPRS services to track targets

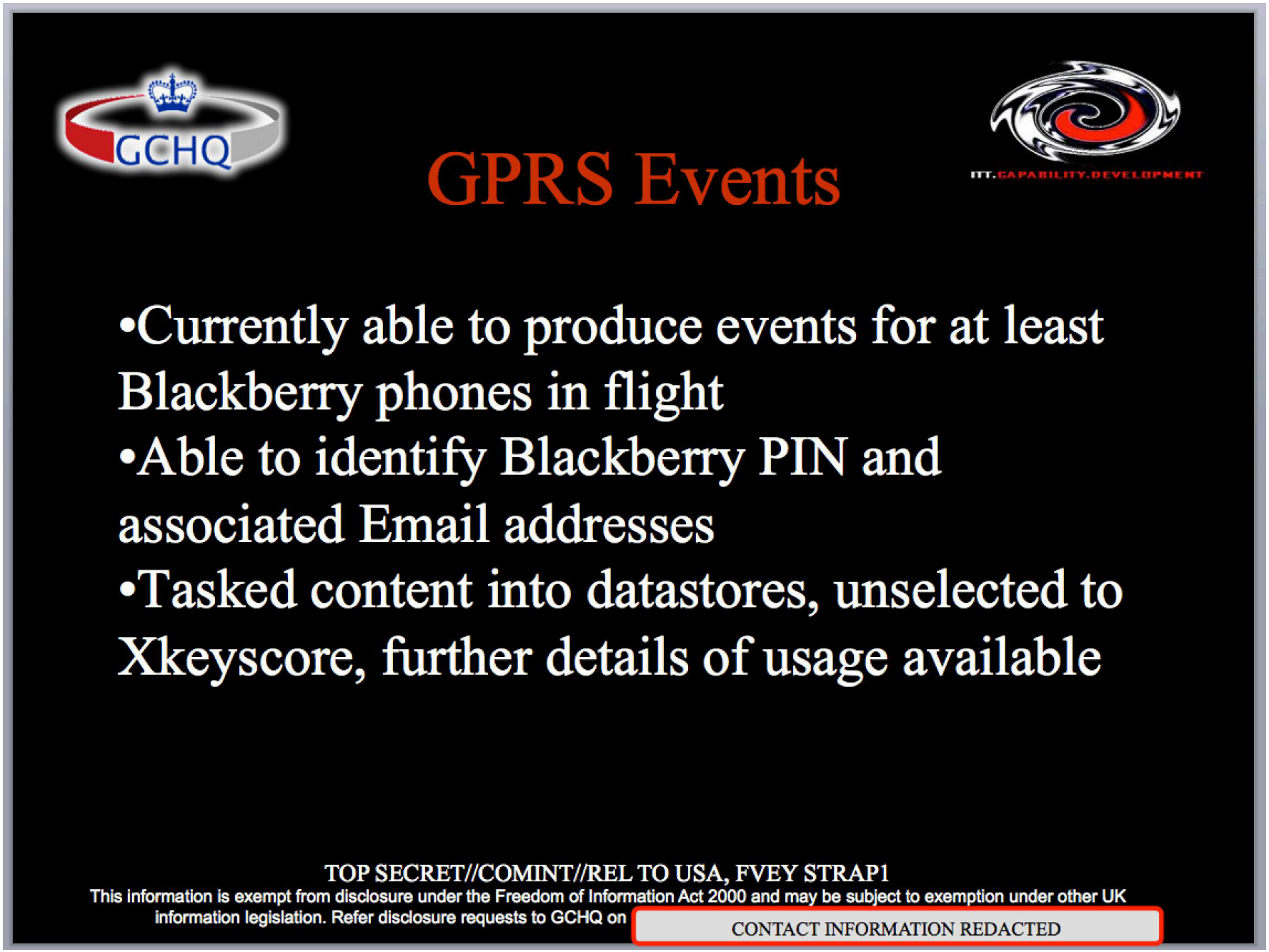
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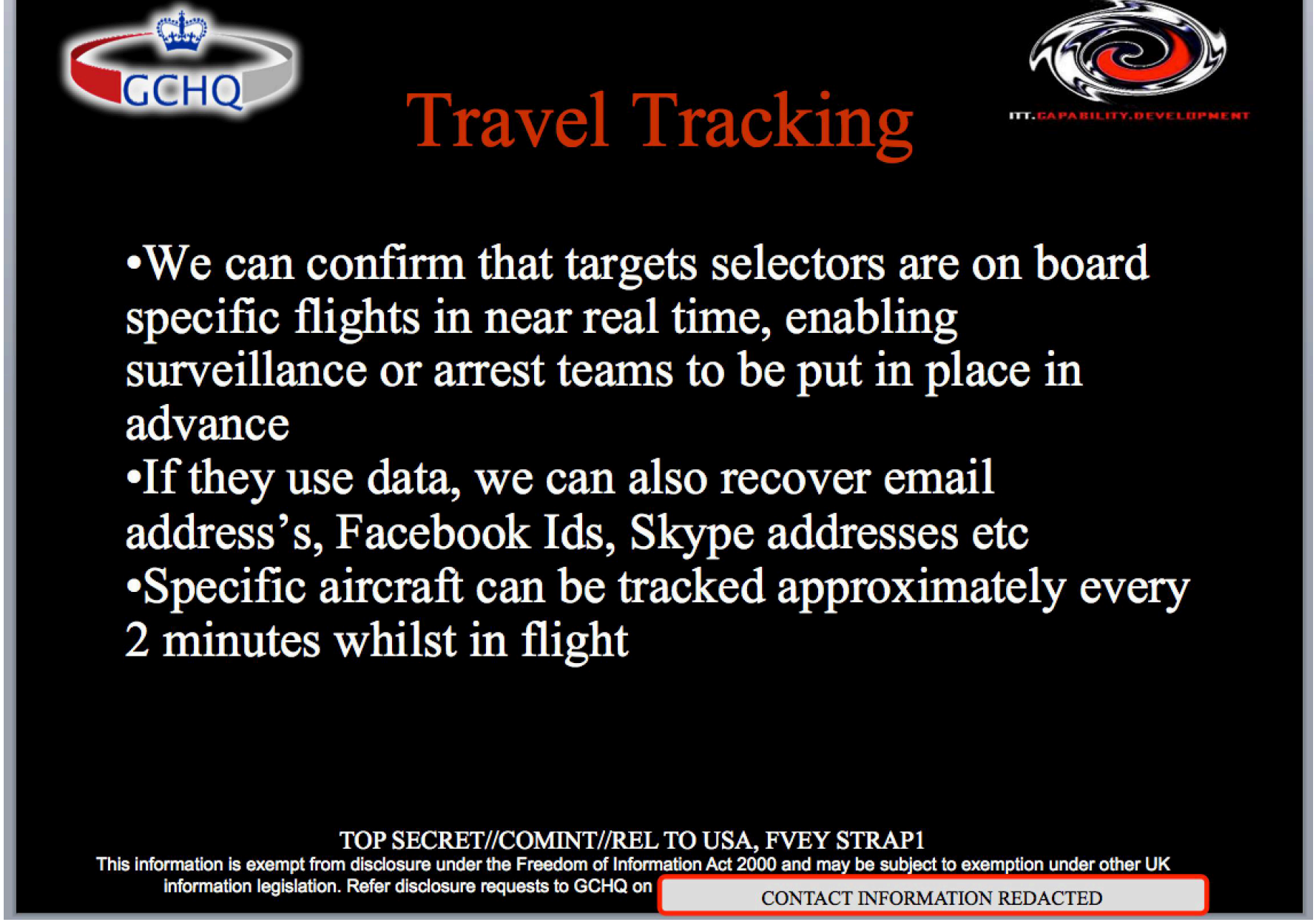
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On board GSM Services
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•Many airlines are offering on-board mobile phone services, particularly for long haul and business class (list is growing)
•At least British Airways are restricting the service to data and SMS only – no voice
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Access
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•Global coverage via SOUTHWINDS is planned in the next year
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GPRS Events
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•Currently able to produce events for at least Blackberry phones in flight
•Able to identify Blackberry PIN and associated Email addresses
•Tasked content into datastores, unselected to Xkeyscore, further details of usage available
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Travel Tracking
•We can confirm that targets selectors are on board specific flights in near real time, enabling surveillance or arrest teams to be put in place in advance
•If they use data, we can also recover email address's, Facebook Ids, Skype addresses etc
•Specific aircraft can be tracked approximately every 2 minutes whilst in flight
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