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Title**1/9/2000****A Denial of Service attack against Nokia phones****Summary**

Mobile phones are joining mobile devices as targets for security attacks. A new DoS (denial of service) attack was discovered against Nokia wireless phones.

The attack is performed by sending a certain SMS message. Upon receiving the offending message, the target phone will freeze for about 30 to 60 seconds.

Details

[Web2Wap](#), a Norwegian WAP service provider, has discovered that by sending a certain SMS message to Nokia wireless phones, a Denial-of-Service attack can be performed. The attack freezes the phone that receives the message - making the keypad unusable for 30 to 60 seconds.

Although the actual SMS message required to perform this DoS attack is yet unknown, this proves to be a step up in the attacks on mobiles phones.

Additional information

See our previous article about [a vulnerability in AT&T's wireless text messaging service](#) and [the first Trojan horse to invade the Palm](#)

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