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Quest and Penta Security Systems Sign Distribution Agreement

WAPPLES, a web application firewall with a unique logic-based security analysis engine, was launched in the Japanese market in May 2008. WAPPLES sales in South Korea are greater than those of any other web application firewall.



<Seokwoo Lee, founder and CEO of Penta Security Systems Inc. (left),
with Kazuro Sato, President of Quest Co., Ltd.>

On April 30, 2008, Penta Security Systems signed a distribution agreement with Quest to supply WAPPLES, the web application firewall it developed, to the Japanese market. Penta Security Systems (<http://www.pentasecurity.com/english/>) is a major application security solutions vendor in South Korea, and was founded by its CEO, Seokwoo Lee. Quest (<http://www.quest.co.jp/english/index.html>) offers IT services and solutions to businesses; its president and representative director is Kazuro Sato.

Today, web applications are widely used for online commercial transactions and government services. This

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has greatly increased the potential damage of hack attacks, and made effective security countermeasures mandatory. The WAPPLES data security device protects web applications from hack attacks, in a way that would be impossible for conventional security products such as network firewalls and IPS.

Quest has established a solid reputation through its many years of business with major Japanese corporations, and will now make WAPPLES part of its total platform solution (TPS) for greater web security. The company has established a professional team for its WAPPLES distribution services, in order to promote sales to financial institutions, manufacturers and other enterprises that know they need a trustworthy data security system. Quest plans to expand sales through its subsidiary agents. Sales during the first year are projected at 300 million yen.

Penta Security Systems developed WAPPLES, which is now used by many major government offices and financial institutions in South Korea, including the Ministry of Government Administration and Home Affairs, Ministry of Information and Communication, Ministry of National Defense, Financial Supervisory Service, Kookmin Bank, Daewoo Securities, and Samsung Fire & Marine Insurance. WAPPLES sales in South Korea in 2008 have been greater than those of any other web application firewall. (Results of survey conducted by Penta Security Systems)