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ABSTRAK

Pada masa kini banyak syarikat dan organisasi telah menggunakan Rangkaian Maya Persendirian (VPN) sebagai suatu penyelesaian yang mampu dalam mengurangkan kos dan membentuk persekitaran yang lebih selamat. Pasaran bagi VPN the berubah secara mendadak semenjak sepuluh tahun lepas di mana Internet telah berkembang dan semakin banyak syarikat telah menggunakannya sebagai satu kaedah untuk berkomunikasi. Laporan ini akan mendekati VPN sebagai suatu cara melayari sumber rangkaian persendirian melalui Internet secara selamat. Kemudian, saya akan membincangkan teknologi VPN yang telah digunakan pada masa kini di Internet. Ini termasuklah *tunneling*, *authentication*, *access control* dan sekuriti data. Selain itu, laporan ini juga akan melihat kepada rekabentuk dan topologi VPN. Untuk memasukkan unsur sekuriti VPN, saya akan membincangkan dan seterusnya mendirikan *firewall*, *encrypted data tunnel* dan juga *Intrusion Detection System (IDS)*. Pada bahagian akhir keputusan dan peralatan percubaan juga akan dimasukkan selepas rekaan rangkaian baru dibentuk.

ABSTRACT

Many companies and organizations nowadays uses Virtual Private Network (VPN) as a solution, which enable them to save cost and create more secure environment. The VPN market has changed significantly in the past ten years as the Internet has grown and more companies have come to rely on it for communications. This report will look at VPN as a means of user to access private network resources securely over the Internet. Then I will look on the part of technologies for VPNs used today on the Internet including tunneling, authentication, access control and data security. Beside, this report will also including VPN architectures, and topologies. For integrated VPN security I will describe and setting up firewall, encrypted data tunnel and also Intrusion Detection System (IDS). Lastly, testing tools and result will be administered on the new configuration.

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ABBREVIATIONS AND ACRONYMS

ACL	Access Control List
AH	Authentication Header
ATM	Asynchronous Transfer Mode
CGI	Common Gateway Interface
CHAP	Challenge Handshake Authentication Protocol
CIDF	Common Intrusion Detection Framework
CPE	Customer Premise Equipment
DES	Data Encryption Standard
DNS	Domain Name System
DOS	Deny of Service
DUN	Dialup Networking
ESP	Encapsulating Security Payload
FTP	File Transfer Protocol
FWTK	Firewall Toolkit
HQ	Headquarter
HTTP	Hypertext Transfer Protocol
IDS	Intrusion Detection System
IPSec	Internet Protocol Security
ISP	Internet Service Provider
L2TP	Layer Two Tunneling Protocol
LAN	Local Area Network
MPLS	Multi Protocol Label Switching
Nmap	Network Mapper
OC3	Optical Carrier 3
OS	Operating System
PAP	Password Authentication Protocol
PKI	Public Key Infrastructure
POP	Point of Presence
PPP	Point-to-Point Protocol

PPTP	Point-to-Point Tunneling Protocol
PSK	Pre-Shared Key
PSTN	Public Switched Telephone Network
QoS	Quality of Service
RAS	Remote Access Server
SLA	Service level Agreements
SMTP	Simple Mail Transfer Protocol
SNA	System Networking Architecture
SSH	Secure Shell Protocol
SSL	Secure Socket Layer
TCP/IP	Transmission Control Protocol/Internet Protocol
TPM	Technology Park Malaysia
UDP	User Datagram Protocol
VPN	Virtual Private Network
WAN	Wide Area Network
WWW	World Wide Web

CHAPTER 1

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You're waiting to cross a crowded downtown street at night, when a long black limousine zooms past. Its darkened windows reflect neon signs, giving away nothing about who is inside or what they're doing. You can't help wondering what that sleek exterior hides: Diplomat? Crime boss? Movie star? The light changes, and the limo vanished into the night, leaving behind nothing but your speculations.

Translate that experience into the world of the Internet, and you can grasp what's cool about VPNs (Virtual Private Networks). Just as the limousine drives the public streets but keeps its contents private, a message sent via VPN travels the public Internet, but is encapsulated in encryption so that its content remains private. Only the originator and the receiver of the message see it in a clearly readable state. Any hacker trying to eavesdrop en route gets nothing but a scrambled mess. The path of a VPN message has "light" at each end but "darkness" (obscurity) at all the between-points, so it is called, metaphorically, a VPN tunnel.

In today's business world, the need for access to company data reaches beyond the walls of the office. The world has changed a lot in the last couple of decades. Instead of simply dealing with local or regional concerns, many businesses now have to think about global markets and logistics. Many companies have facilities spread out across the country or around the world, and there is one thing that all of them need: A way to maintain fast, secure and reliable communications wherever their offices are.

Where private business communications were once the privilege of the largest corporations, who could afford their own private networks, now VPN technology allows almost anyone with a computer and access to the Internet to send and receive data confidentially. VPNs are rapidly moving from merely being a trendy phrase, to being essential for wired business.

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