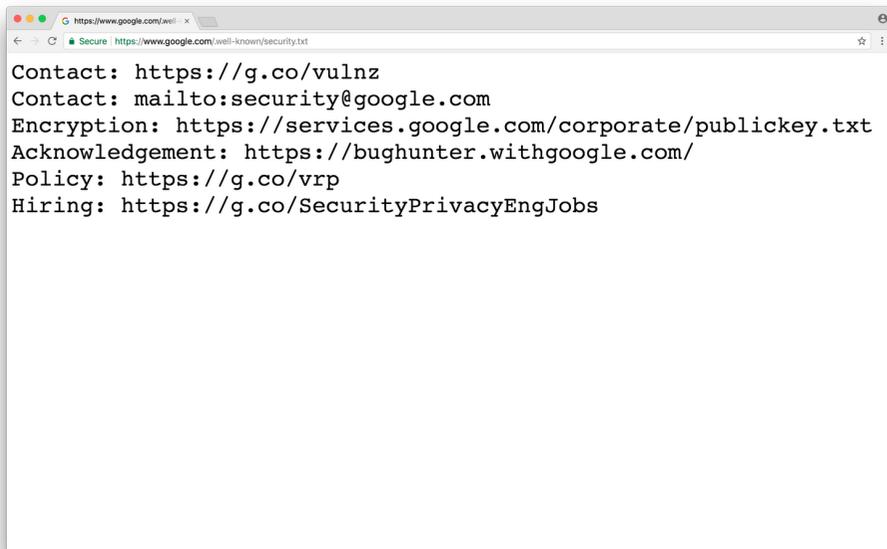




security.txt

**A proposed standard that allows websites to easily
define security policies.**

A screenshot of a web browser window showing the content of a security.txt file. The browser's address bar displays the URL https://www.google.com/well-known/security.txt. The page content is as follows:

```
Contact: https://g.co/vulnz
Contact: mailto:security@google.com
Encryption: https://services.google.com/corporate/publickey.txt
Acknowledgement: https://bughunter.withgoogle.com/
Policy: https://g.co/vrp
Hiring: https://g.co/SecurityPrivacyEngJobs
```

What is security.txt?

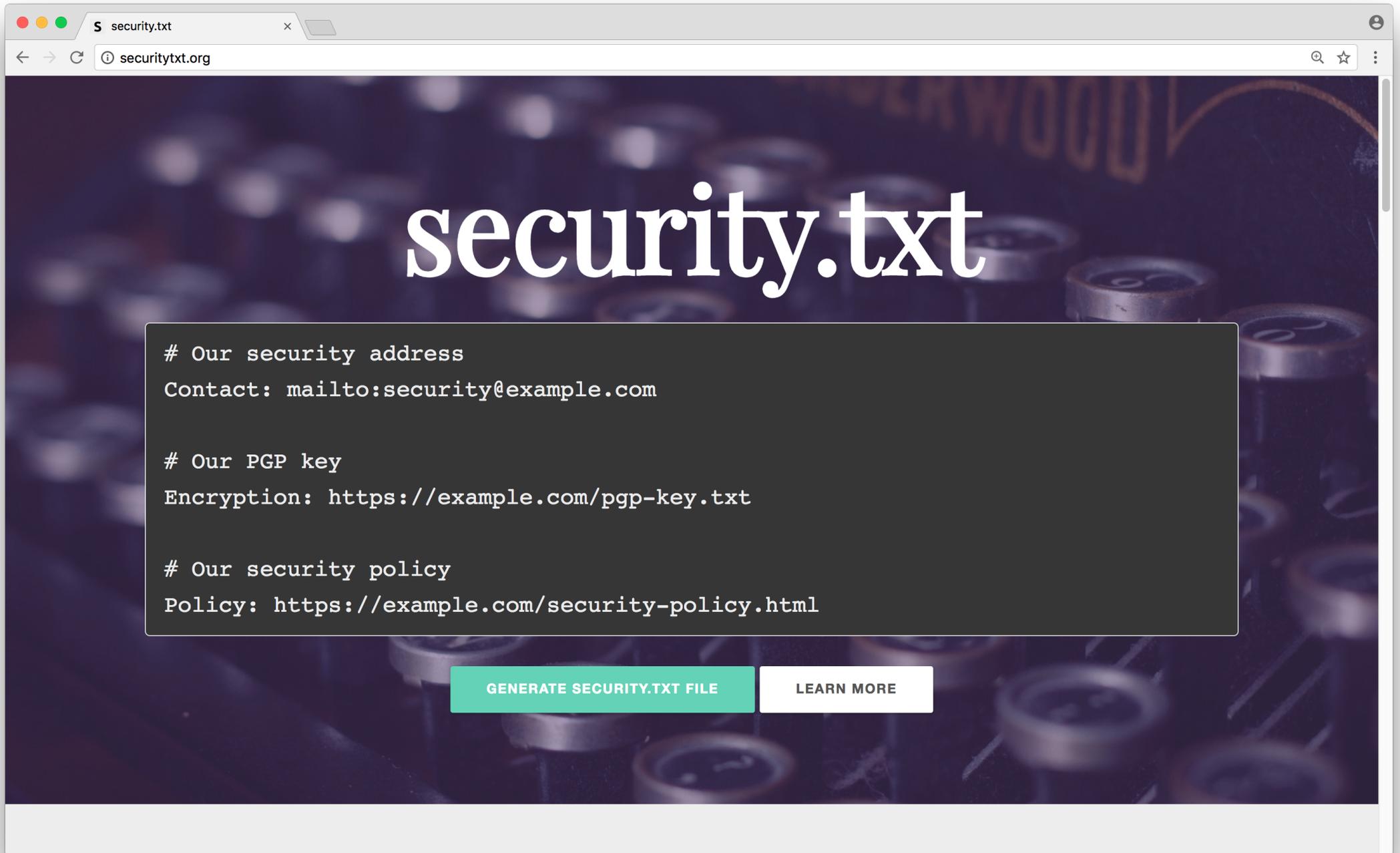
A text file to describe the steps a researcher must take in order to report a security vulnerability.

An aerial photograph of the New York City skyline at dusk. The Empire State Building is the central focus, standing tall with its iconic spire. The city is densely packed with skyscrapers, and the sky is a mix of blue and orange from the setting sun. The text "It all started in NY." is overlaid in the center in a bold, white, sans-serif font.

It all started in NY.

Currently used by





security.txt

```
# Our security address
```

```
Contact: mailto:security@example.com
```

```
# Our PGP key
```

```
Encryption: https://example.com/pgp-key.txt
```

```
# Our security policy
```

```
Policy: https://example.com/security-policy.html
```

[GENERATE SECURITY.TXT FILE](#)

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MAILBOX NAMES FOR COMMON SERVICES, ROLES AND FUNCTIONS

Status of this Memo

This document specifies an Internet standards track protocol for the Internet community, and requests discussion and suggestions for improvements. Please refer to the current edition of the "Internet Official Protocol Standards" (STD 1) for the standardization state and status of this protocol. Distribution of this memo is unlimited.

ABSTRACT

This specification enumerates and describes Internet mail addresses (mailbox name @ host reference) to be used when contacting personnel at an organization. Mailbox names are provided for both operations and business functions. Additional mailbox names and aliases are not prohibited, but organizations which support email exchanges with the Internet are encouraged to support AT LEAST each mailbox name for which the associated function exists within the organization.

1. RATIONALE AND SCOPE

Various Internet documents have specified mailbox names to be used when reaching the operators of the new service; for example, [RFC822 6.3, C.6] requires the presence of a <POSTMASTER@domain> mailbox name on all hosts that have an SMTP server. Other protocols have defacto standards for well known mailbox names, such as <USENET@domain> for NNTP (see [RFC977]), and <WEBMASTER@domain> for HTTP (see [HTTP]). Defacto standards also exist for well known mailbox names which have

/.well-known/security.txt

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Defining Well-Known Uniform Resource Identifiers (URIs)

Abstract

This memo defines a path prefix for "well-known locations", "/.well-known/", in selected Uniform Resource Identifier (URI) schemes.

Status of This Memo

This is an Internet Standards Track document.

This document is a product of the Internet Engineering Task Force (IETF). It represents the consensus of the IETF community. It has received public review and has been approved for publication by the Internet Engineering Steering Group (IESG). Further information on Internet Standards is available in [Section 2 of RFC 5741](#).

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Authenticity

How can we verify the authenticity of the security.txt file?

A photograph of a person in a grey long-sleeved shirt sitting at a wooden table, writing on a document with a black pen. In the background, another person in a black shirt is gesturing with their hands. The scene is dimly lit, suggesting an indoor setting like a meeting or office.

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