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FBI Provides IoT Security Tip Sheet

The US Federal Bureau of Investigation has offered advice on securing Internet of Things devices to prevent "Cyber Actors" using your garage door for nefarious purposes. The cheat sheet [\[link\]](#) includes an explanation of what a Cyber Actor is (sadly, not a Max Headroom reference), how to know if a device is compromised, and steps to users can take to protect themselves. The Feds list a variety of potential targets for miscreants, from the obvious (routers) through to the obscure (a clock). Even the poor old Raspberry Pi doesn't escape the gimlet gaze of the Bureau. A Cyber Actor, the FBI warned, might use a compromised device to unleash a tsunami of spam, mask internet browsing by ne'er-do-wells or take part in botnets aimed at finding or exploiting vulnerabilities or data breaches. Users will never be able to look at their garage door quite the same way again. The FBI also has tips on how to know if you have a compromised device, presumably before the Feds come knocking on your door after your microwave has attempted to swing an election at the behest of a not-so-nice foreign power.