Ladies and Gentlemen, Organizers of the RusCrypto Conference, I am very honored to be able to greet you by video, to convey this short message and to be present with you from the heart. I cannot forget to thank Yuri Malinin and all his team, Alex Zhukhov, Alexander Istomin, Alisa Koroneva and Grigory Marshalko and Dmitry Matyukhin for not forgetting their friend from France and for their support in these circumstances. But no adversity and no virus can prevent me from being wholeheartedly with Russia and with all of you.

I am of course sad not to be with you because in addition to the friends I was pleased to see again, this year's program announces a very nice edition. This once again reinforces my conviction that Russian science, especially in the field of cryptology and cyber security, is, along with France, among the richest. The best recent example is certainly the work presented at Black Hat Asia by Mark Ermolov and Maxim Goryachy. And several subjects in the RusCrypto program promised to be very interesting.

Cryptology and cyber security are bound to make great advances as long as there are still independent, open, truly progressive scientific conferences and events that are resistant to fashions and orthodoxy. I am convinced that RusCrypto is one of these few environments of choice. I reiterate my proposal to the organizers of RusCrypto to publish some long papers of the work presented during these two days, in the Journal of computer Virology and Hacking Techniques. It would be an honor and a great pleasure to be able to contribute to make Russian science known.

I thank you for these few precious minutes that you had the kindness and friendship to devote to me.

I wish you all an excellent conference, rich in exchanges and fraternal. Take care of all of you and see you all next year among you.