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**Article Review: “Cyber Security Readiness in Iraq: Role of the Human Rights Activists”**

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The article "Cyber Security Readiness in Iraq: Role of the Human Rights Activists" examines the current state of cyber security preparedness in Iraq and the potential function that human rights activists could play in improving it (AbdulAmeer et al., 2022). The article relates to social sciences principles by exploring the intersection of cyber security and human rights activism and their impact on Iraqi society.

The study's research questions include identifying the current state of cyber security readiness in Iraq, the challenges facing implementing effective cyber security policies, and the potential role human rights activists could play in improving cyber security. Ten Iraqi human rights advocates were interviewed in semi-structured interviews as part of the study's qualitative research methodology.

The data was analyzed using content analysis, and the article presents a thematic analysis of the interview data. The article also discusses the concepts discussed in class, such as cyber security, cyber attacks, and human rights activism.

The study concludes that the current state of cyber security readiness in Iraq needs to be improved and that several challenges face in implementing effective cyber security policies. The article identifies the potential role that human rights activists could play in improving cyber security, such as raising awareness, advocating for better policies, and collaborating with relevant stakeholders (AbdulAmeer et al., 2022).

The article also highlights marginalized groups' challenges, concerns, and contributions, as cyber-attacks and poor cyber security can disproportionately affect vulnerable groups such as human rights activists and journalists.

The study's overall contribution to society is its potential to inform policymakers and stakeholders about the importance of addressing cyber security and its impact on human rights activism in Iraq. The findings could also be used to develop targeted interventions and policies to strengthen Iraq's capacity for cyber security and safeguard the rights of human rights defenders.

In conclusion, "Cyber Security Readiness in Iraq: Role of the Human Rights Activists" gives insightful information about the readiness for cyber security in Iraq at the moment and the potential part that advocates for human rights may play in enhancing it. The article's focus on the intersection of cyber security and human rights activism provides a unique perspective that can contribute to developing effective strategies to address cyber security challenges in Iraq.

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