## Team: TEAM 3 Team members: Aidan Curley Ian Wolloff & Kaoru Kitamura Marker: Dr Cathryn Peoples Date: April 2022

Criteria	Level	Comments
Knowledge and under-standing of the topic / issues under consideration (25%)	Excellent – Distinction	The system requirements in Table 2 are presented from a limited perspective, and perhaps there is an opportunity here to make it explicit that the perspective is a security one. Otherwise, I might expect to see that the amount of system memory, as one example, would also be included in this list. In relation to the system assumptions, there is an opportunity to describe the users who you are assuming to use the system.
Application of knowledge & understanding (25%)	Excellent – Distinction	In terms of functional requirements in Table 3, security is generally recognised as a non-functional requirement - Methinee Amorndettawin and Twittie Senivongse. 2019. Non-functional Requirement Patterns for Agile Software Development. In Proceedings of the 2019 3rd International Conference on Software and e-Business (ICSEB 2019). Association for Computing Machinery, New York, NY, USA, 66–74. DOI:https://doi.org/10.1145/3374549.3374561. Scalability and fault tolerance are also considered as non-functional requirements. In terms of functional requirements, I would like to see more explicitly the functions that the system will enable. This could include the creation of a user profile, for example, and ability to upload/download a file. I really like how you have considered the proactive security control application from the perspective of OWASP. This demonstrates good alignment between the theory studied and its application in practice. Excellent range of approaches considered to secure the system, including Regex. Great attention to detail consideration of the tests which will be applied, including unit and user acceptance.
Criticality (25%)	Excellent – Distinction	An excellent range of technologies are proposed to be applied in the system deployment, including Snort for intrusion detection and Kafka for queue control.

		On what basis have you reached an assumption that communication will take place using TCP/IP? Have you read any material that supports this assumption?
Structure & Presentation (25%)	Excellent – Distinction	<ul> <li>material that supports this assumption?</li> <li>Please note it is convention to number and label figures at the bottom of the diagram.</li> <li>Please re-check your referencing approach. Instead of "(2018, Malesky)", we would hope to see "(Malesky, 2018)".</li> <li>Excellent attention given to the presentation &amp; style applied, even down to the font style.</li> <li>Please ensure that all acronyms are defined in full the first time they are used in a document. After that point, the acronym alone may be used.</li> <li>I would like references to be included for all software which you are planning to use in your deployment.</li> <li>Please pay attention to ensuring that capital letters are used, and not used, in the correct places.</li> <li>It is particularly effective that the reference list has been organised according to those which are academic and non-academic.</li> <li>The tables have been presented as figures, and I appreciate the reason why this has been done through our earlier conversation. Just something to keep in mind in relation to this for the future is that a reader may be looking for specific topics in your work to examine if they have been covered. When the text has been included in a figure, this check cannot be made, and important detail may be missed in this way.</li> <li>I really like that this report does not have a massive Appendix, and that mostly the entire report is communicated through the main body contents. This greatly supports readability and understanding</li> </ul>
		of the work.

Overall comments	

## Positives:

- Excellent attention has been given to harnessing a broad range of technologies to support the design of your system. This is an ambitious programme of work. I am looking forward to seeing, in particular, the application of Snort and Kafka in your software (although I do not see Snort included in Table 7).
- Excellent alignment of proactive security control in your system with industry practices (OWASP).
- Overall, there is excellent attention given to detail in your report, and the diagrams are precisely and professionally defined.

## **Points for development:**

- Please include references for all software mentioned in your report.
- Please check your understanding of functional and non-functional requirements. I have noted that a few of the functional requirements are more like non-functional requirements, and I feel that the functional requirements list which remains is incomplete it does not capture any of the CRUD capability, for example.

**Overall Grade:** Excellent – Distinction