To create a security case for Instant Messaging (IM) software using the provided pattern, I will instantiate the placeholders with specific information related to the IM software. Here is the hierarchical tree structure of the security case:

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Goal (G1, "IM software is acceptably secure in the corporate network")

Context (C1, "Definition and description of IM software")

Context (C2, "Definition and description of the corporate network")

Context (C3, "Definition of acceptably secure as per corporate security policies")

Strategy (S1, "Argument that IM software assets are under protection")

Justification (J1, "Protection of IM software assets supports that software is acceptably secure")

Goal (G2, "All identified IM software critical assets are protected")

Context (C4, "List of IM software critical assets, including messaging databases and user authentication data")

Strategy (S2, "Respective arguments of IM software critical assets")

Justification (J2, "Each asset's security measures are clearly defined and can be argued separately")

Goal (G3, "Specific IM software critical asset is protected")

Strategy (S3, "Argument by the type which the IM software critical asset belongs to")

Context (C5, "List of software critical asset types in the corporate environment includes databases, user data")

Justification (J3, "Types of IM software assets comply with corporate security standards")

Goal (G4, "IM software critical asset which belongs to user authentication is protected")

Goal (G4, "IM software critical asset which belongs to user database is protected")

Goal (G4, "IM software critical asset which belongs to communication encryption configuration is protected")

Goal (G4, "IM software critical asset which belongs to application binaries is protected")

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This structure translates the pattern into a context-specific goal and strategy focusing on the protection of critical assets within the IM software, ensuring that they comply with corporate security standards. Each instantiated placeholder now relays vital, specific information tailored to the situation, supporting the overall argument for the security of the IM software.