

Intelligence Report

Android GravityRAT goes after WhatsApp backups





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Overview

Description

Confidence

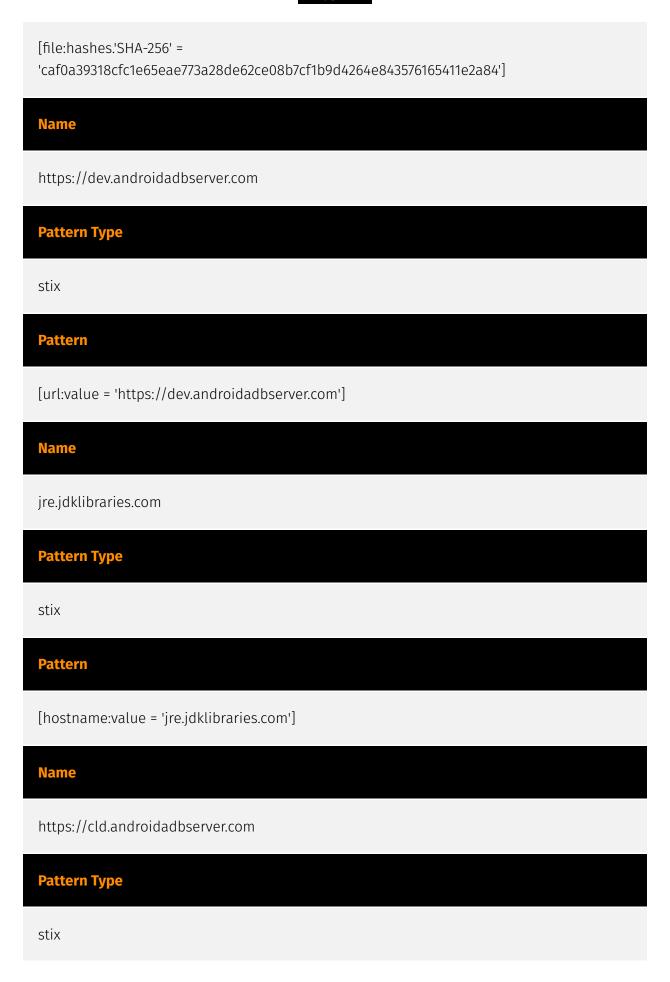
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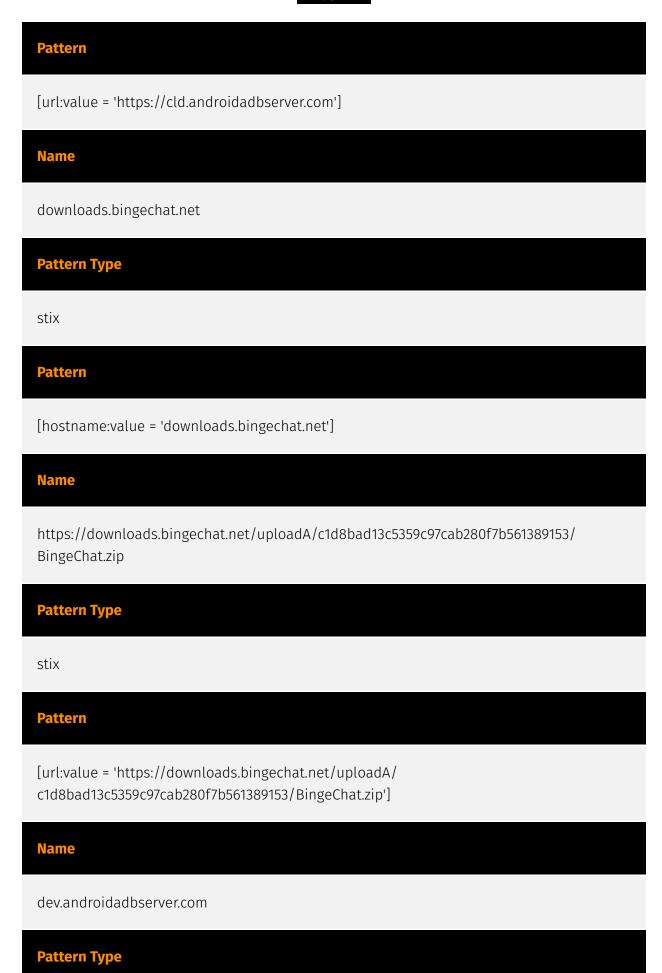
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Indicator

Name
adb.androidadbserver.com
Pattern Type
stix
Pattern
[hostname:value = 'adb.androidadbserver.com']
Name
caf0a39318cfc1e65eae773a28de62ce08b7cf1b9d4264e843576165411e2a84
Description
dbgdetect_files SHA256 of 2b448233e6c9c4594e385e799cea9ee8c06923bd
Pattern Type
stix
Pattern





stix **Pattern** [hostname:value = 'dev.androidadbserver.com'] **Name** dev.jdklibraries.com **Pattern Type** stix **Pattern** [hostname:value = 'dev.jdklibraries.com'] Name bingechat.net **Pattern Type** stix **Pattern** [domain-name:value = 'bingechat.net'] **Name** ping.androidadbserver.com **Pattern Type**

stix **Pattern** [hostname:value = 'ping.androidadbserver.com'] **Name** cld.androidadbserver.com **Pattern Type** stix **Pattern** [hostname:value = 'cld.androidadbserver.com'] Name chatico.co.uk **Pattern Type** stix **Pattern** [domain-name:value = 'chatico.co.uk'] **Name** https://ping.androidadbserver.com **Description**

HTML document, ASCII text, with CRLF line terminators 25fb23868ebf48348f9e438e00cb9b9d9b3a054f32482a781c762cc4f9cc6393

Pattern Type

stix

Pattern

[url:value = 'https://ping.androidadbserver.com']

Malware

Name
SpaceCobra
Name
BingeChat
Name
GravityRAT
Description

[GravityRAT](https://attack.mitre.org/software/S0237) is a remote access tool (RAT) and has been in ongoing development since 2016. The actor behind the tool remains unknown, but two usernames have been recovered that link to the author, which are "TheMartian" and "The Invincible." According to the National Computer Emergency Response Team (CERT) of India, the malware has been identified in attacks against organization and entities in India. (Citation: Talos GravityRAT)

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Attack-Pattern

Name

Boot or Logon Initialization Scripts

ID

T1398

Description

Adversaries may use scripts automatically executed at boot or logon initialization to establish persistence. Initialization scripts are part of the underlying operating system and are not accessible to the user unless the device has been rooted or jailbroken.

Name

File and Directory Discovery

ID

T1420

Description

Adversaries may enumerate files and directories or search in specific device locations for desired information within a filesystem. Adversaries may use the information from [File and Directory Discovery](https://attack.mitre.org/techniques/T1420) during automated discovery to shape follow-on behaviors, including deciding if the adversary should fully infect the target and/or attempt specific actions. On Android, Linux file permissions and

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SELinux policies typically stringently restrict what can be accessed by apps without taking advantage of a privilege escalation exploit. The contents of the external storage directory are generally visible, which could present concerns if sensitive data is inappropriately stored there. iOS's security architecture generally restricts the ability to perform any type of [File and Directory Discovery](https://attack.mitre.org/techniques/T1420) without use of escalated privileges.

Name

Data from Local System

ID

T1533

Description

Adversaries may search local system sources, such as file systems or local databases, to find files of interest and sensitive data prior to exfiltration. Access to local system data, which includes information stored by the operating system, often requires escalated privileges. Examples of local system data include authentication tokens, the device keyboard cache, Wi-Fi passwords, and photos. On Android, adversaries may also attempt to access files from external storage which may require additional storage-related permissions.

Name

Location Tracking

ID

T1430

Description

Adversaries may track a device's physical location through use of standard operating system APIs via malicious or exploited applications on the compromised device. On Android, applications holding the `ACCESS_COAURSE_LOCATION` or

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`ACCESS_FINE_LOCATION` permissions provide access to the device's physical location. On Android 10 and up, declaration of the `ACCESS_BACKGROUND_LOCATION` permission in an application's manifest will allow applications to request location access even when the application is running in the background.(Citation: Android Request Location Permissions) Some adversaries have utilized integration of Baidu map services to retrieve geographical location once the location access permissions had been obtained.(Citation: PaloAlto-SpyDealer)(Citation: Palo Alto HenBox) On iOS, applications must include the `NSLocationWhenInUseUsageDescription`,

`NSLocationAlwaysAndWhenInUseUsageDescription`, and/or

`NSLocationAlwaysUsageDescription` keys in their `Info.plist` file depending on the extent of requested access to location information.(Citation: Apple Requesting Authorization for Location Services) On iOS 8.0 and up, applications call `requestWhenInUseAuthorization()` to request access to location information when the application is in use or `requestAlwaysAuthorization()` to request access to location information regardless of whether the application is in use. With elevated privileges, an adversary may be able to access location data without explicit user consent with the `com.apple.locationd.preauthorized` entitlement key.(Citation: Google Project Zero Insomnia)

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Country



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Domain-Name

Value

bingechat.net

chatico.co.uk

StixFile

Value

caf0a39318cfc1e65eae773a28de62ce08b7cf1b9d4264e843576165411e2a84

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Hostname

Value
ping.androidadbserver.com
dev.androidadbserver.com
dev.jdklibraries.com
jre.jdklibraries.com
cld.androidadbserver.com
downloads.bingechat.net
adb.androidadbserver.com

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Url

Value

https://cld.androidadbserver.com

https://downloads.bingechat.net/uploadA/c1d8bad13c5359c97cab280f7b561389153/BingeChat.zip

https://ping.androidadbserver.com

https://dev.androidadbserver.com

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