

NETMANAGEIT

Intelligence Report

Organizations under attack from cryptominer-keylogger-backdoor combo

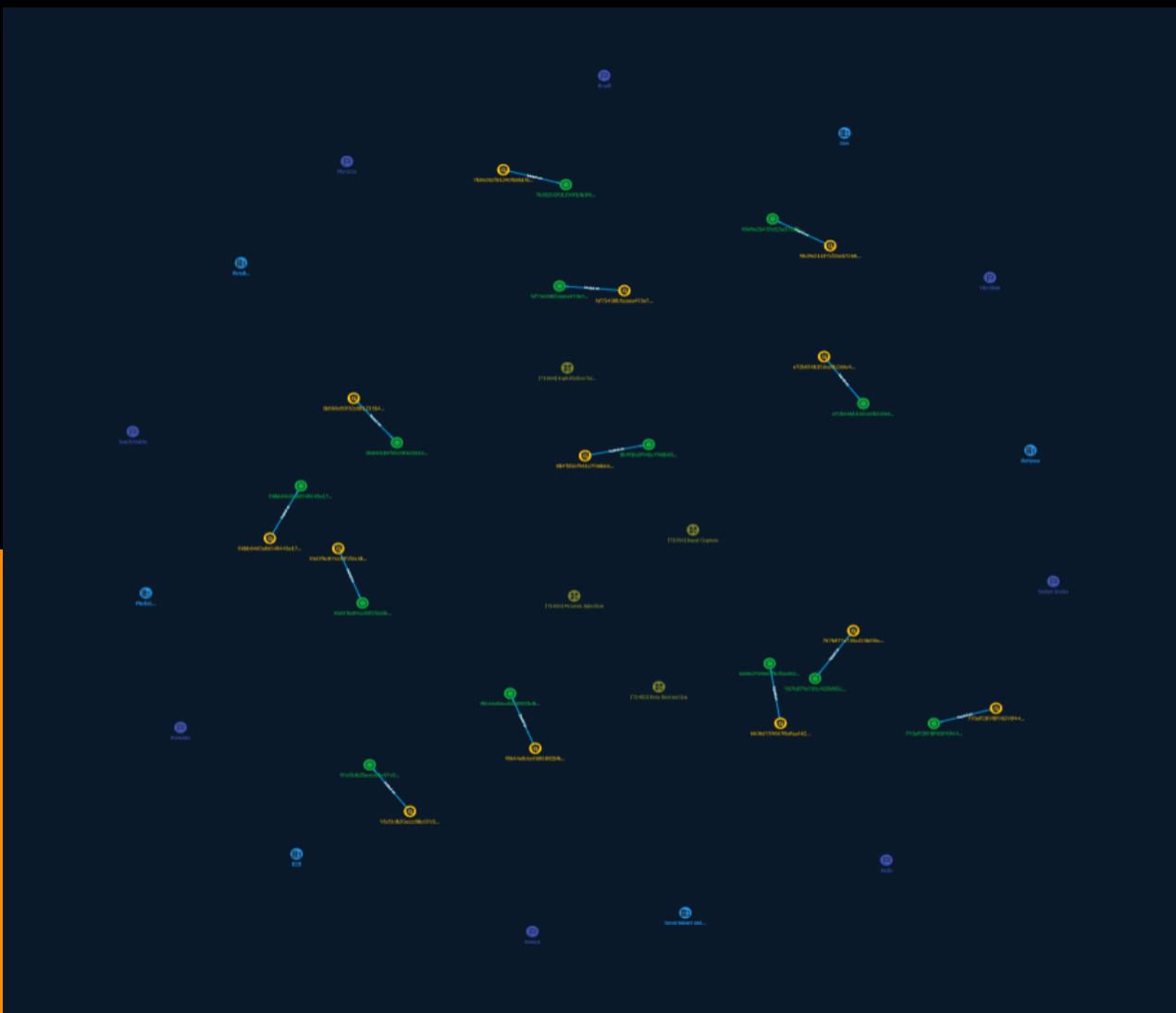


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Overview

Description

In April of this year, the FBI published an advisory on attacks targeting government, law enforcement, and non-profit organizations. Attackers download scripts onto victims' devices, delivering several types of malware all at once. The main aim is to utilize company resources for mining, steal data using keyloggers, and gain backdoor access to systems.

Confidence

This value represents the confidence in the correctness of the data contained within this report.

15 / 100

Content

N/A

Attack-Pattern

Name

Input Capture

ID

T1056

Description

Adversaries may use methods of capturing user input to obtain credentials or collect information. During normal system usage, users often provide credentials to various different locations, such as login pages/portals or system dialog boxes. Input capture mechanisms may be transparent to the user (e.g. [Credential API Hooking](https://attack.mitre.org/techniques/T1056/004)) or rely on deceiving the user into providing input into what they believe to be a genuine service (e.g. [Web Portal Capture](https://attack.mitre.org/techniques/T1056/003)).

Name

Process Injection

ID

T1055

Description

Adversaries may inject code into processes in order to evade process-based defenses as well as possibly elevate privileges. Process injection is a method of executing arbitrary code in the address space of a separate live process. Running code in the context of another process may allow access to the process's memory, system/network resources, and possibly elevated privileges. Execution via process injection may also evade detection from security products since the execution is masked under a legitimate process. There are many different ways to inject code into a process, many of which abuse legitimate functionalities. These implementations exist for every major OS but are typically platform specific. More sophisticated samples may perform multiple process injections to segment modules and further evade detection, utilizing named pipes or other inter-process communication (IPC) mechanisms as a communication channel.

Name

Exploitation for Privilege Escalation

ID

T1068

Description

Adversaries may exploit software vulnerabilities in an attempt to elevate privileges. Exploitation of a software vulnerability occurs when an adversary takes advantage of a programming error in a program, service, or within the operating system software or kernel itself to execute adversary-controlled code. Security constructs such as permission levels will often hinder access to information and use of certain techniques, so adversaries will likely need to perform privilege escalation to include use of software exploitation to circumvent those restrictions. When initially gaining access to a system, an adversary may be operating within a lower privileged process which will prevent them from accessing certain resources on the system. Vulnerabilities may exist, usually in operating system components and software commonly running at higher permissions, that can be exploited to gain higher levels of access on the system. This could enable someone to move from unprivileged or user level permissions to SYSTEM or root permissions depending on the component that is vulnerable. This could also enable an adversary to move from a virtualized environment, such as within a virtual machine or container, onto the underlying host. This may be a necessary step for an adversary compromising an endpoint system that has been properly configured and limits other privilege escalation methods. Adversaries may bring a signed vulnerable driver onto a compromised machine so that they can exploit the vulnerability to execute code in kernel mode. This process is

sometimes referred to as Bring Your Own Vulnerable Driver (BYOVD).(Citation: ESET InvisiMole June 2020)(Citation: Unit42 AcidBox June 2020) Adversaries may include the vulnerable driver with files delivered during Initial Access or download it to a compromised system via [Ingress Tool Transfer](<https://attack.mitre.org/techniques/T1105>) or [Lateral Tool Transfer](<https://attack.mitre.org/techniques/T1570>).

Name

Data Destruction

ID

T1485

Description

Adversaries may destroy data and files on specific systems or in large numbers on a network to interrupt availability to systems, services, and network resources. Data destruction is likely to render stored data irrecoverable by forensic techniques through overwriting files or data on local and remote drives.(Citation: Symantec Shamoon 2012)(Citation: FireEye Shamoon Nov 2016)(Citation: Palo Alto Shamoon Nov 2016)(Citation: Kaspersky StoneDrill 2017)(Citation: Unit 42 Shamoon3 2018)(Citation: Talos Olympic Destroyer 2018) Common operating system file deletion commands such as `del`` and `rm`` often only remove pointers to files without wiping the contents of the files themselves, making the files recoverable by proper forensic methodology. This behavior is distinct from [Disk Content Wipe](<https://attack.mitre.org/techniques/T1561/001>) and [Disk Structure Wipe](<https://attack.mitre.org/techniques/T1561/002>) because individual files are destroyed rather than sections of a storage disk or the disk's logical structure. Adversaries may attempt to overwrite files and directories with randomly generated data to make it irrecoverable.(Citation: Kaspersky StoneDrill 2017)(Citation: Unit 42 Shamoon3 2018) In some cases politically oriented image files have been used to overwrite data.(Citation: FireEye Shamoon Nov 2016)(Citation: Palo Alto Shamoon Nov 2016)(Citation: Kaspersky StoneDrill 2017) To maximize impact on the target organization in operations where network-wide availability interruption is the goal, malware designed for destroying data may have worm-like features to propagate across a network by leveraging additional techniques like [Valid Accounts](<https://attack.mitre.org/techniques/T1078>), [OS Credential Dumping](<https://attack.mitre.org/techniques/T1003>), and [SMB/Windows Admin Shares](<https://attack.mitre.org/techniques/T1021/002>).(Citation: Symantec Shamoon 2012)(Citation: FireEye Shamoon Nov 2016)(Citation: Palo Alto Shamoon Nov 2016)(Citation: Kaspersky StoneDrill 2017)(Citation: Talos Olympic Destroyer 2018). In cloud environments, adversaries may leverage access to delete cloud storage, cloud storage accounts, machine

images, and other infrastructure crucial to operations to damage an organization or their customers.(Citation: Data Destruction - Threat Post)(Citation: DOJ - Cisco Insider)

Sector

Name

Market infrastructures

Description

Encompasses all the systems necessary for the smooth process of market financing operations. Are included payment systems, clearing houses, central securities depositories, securities settlement systems and trade repositories.

Name

Gas

Description

Public or private entities involved in exploration, extraction, refining, transporting and marketing of natural gas products.

Name

Government and administrations

Description

Civilian government institutions and administrations of the executive and legislative branches. The diplomatic and judicial branches are not included.

Name

Retail (distribution)

Description

Distribution and sale of goods directly to the consumer.

Name

Defense

Description

Public and private entities involved in the conception and production of weapons and the planning and conducting of military operations.

Name

B2B

Indicator

Name

8b9f1fa5f941c7f46b65bf8929ca80d132435151e1dcb3a5de7693b70b254467

Description

stack_string SHA256 of a7cde18f991e97037a7899b7669e2548

Pattern Type

stix

Pattern

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[file:hashes:'SHA-256' =  
'8b9f1fa5f941c7f46b65bf8929ca80d132435151e1dcb3a5de7693b70b254467']
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Name

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Description

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Pattern Type

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Pattern

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Pattern Type

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Pattern

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Name

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Description

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Pattern Type

stix

Pattern

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Name

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Description

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Pattern Type

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Pattern

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Name

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Description

SHA256 of 3c47d45f09948b8e6fdb5f96523bc60b

Pattern Type

stix

Pattern

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Name

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Description

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Pattern Type

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Pattern

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Description

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Pattern Type

stix

Pattern

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Name

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Pattern Type

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Pattern

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Pattern Type

stix

Pattern

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Name

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Description

stack_string SHA256 of 227fa5d690a943114ff3ccfe7977192a

Pattern Type

stix

Pattern

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Pattern Type

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Pattern

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Pattern

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Country

Name

Brazil

Name

India

Name

Saudi Arabia

Name

Viet Nam

Name

Greece

Name

Morocco

Name

United States

Name

Romania

StixFile

Value

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