

Operation Sharpshooter, Campaign C0013 | MITRE ATT&CK®

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Enterprise [T1583 .006 Acquire Infrastructure: Web Services](#)

For [Operation Sharpshooter](#), the threat actors used Dropbox to host lure documents and their first-stage downloader.^[1]

Enterprise [T1547 .001 Boot or Logon Autostart Execution: Registry Run Keys / Startup Folder](#)

During [Operation Sharpshooter](#), a first-stage downloader installed [Rising Sun](#) to `%Startup%\mssync.exe` on a compromised host.^[1]

Enterprise [T1059 .005 Command and Scripting Interpreter: Visual Basic](#)

During [Operation Sharpshooter](#), the threat actors used a VBA macro to execute a simple downloader that installed [Rising Sun](#).^[1]

Enterprise [T1584 .004 Compromise Infrastructure: Server](#)

For [Operation Sharpshooter](#), the threat actors compromised a server they used as part of the campaign's infrastructure.^[2]

Enterprise [T1587 .001 Develop Capabilities: Malware](#)

For [Operation Sharpshooter](#), the threat actors used the [Rising Sun](#) modular backdoor.^[1]

Enterprise [T1105 Ingress Tool Transfer](#)

During [Operation Sharpshooter](#), additional payloads were downloaded after a target was infected with a first-stage downloader.^[1]

Enterprise [T1559 .002 Inter-Process Communication: Dynamic Data Exchange](#)

During [Operation Sharpshooter](#), threat actors sent malicious Word OLE documents to victims.^[1]

Enterprise [T1036 .005 Masquerading: Match Legitimate Resource Name or Location](#)

During [Operation Sharpshooter](#), threat actors installed [Rising Sun](#) in the Startup folder and disguised it as `mssync.exe`.^[1]

Enterprise [T1106 Native API](#)

During [Operation Sharpshooter](#), the first stage downloader resolved various Windows libraries and APIs, including `LoadLibraryA()`, `GetProcAddress()`, and `CreateProcessA()`.^[1]

Enterprise [T1055 Process Injection](#)

During [Operation Sharpshooter](#), threat actors leveraged embedded shellcode to inject a downloader into the memory of Word.^[3]

Enterprise [T1090 Proxy](#)

For [Operation Sharpshooter](#), the threat actors used the ExpressVPN service to hide their location.^[2]

Enterprise [T1608 .001 Stage Capabilities: Upload Malware](#)

For [Operation Sharpshooter](#), the threat actors staged malicious files on Dropbox and other websites.^[1]

Enterprise [T1204 .002 User Execution: Malicious File](#)

During [Operation Sharpshooter](#), the threat actors relied on victims executing malicious Microsoft Word or PDF files.^[1]

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