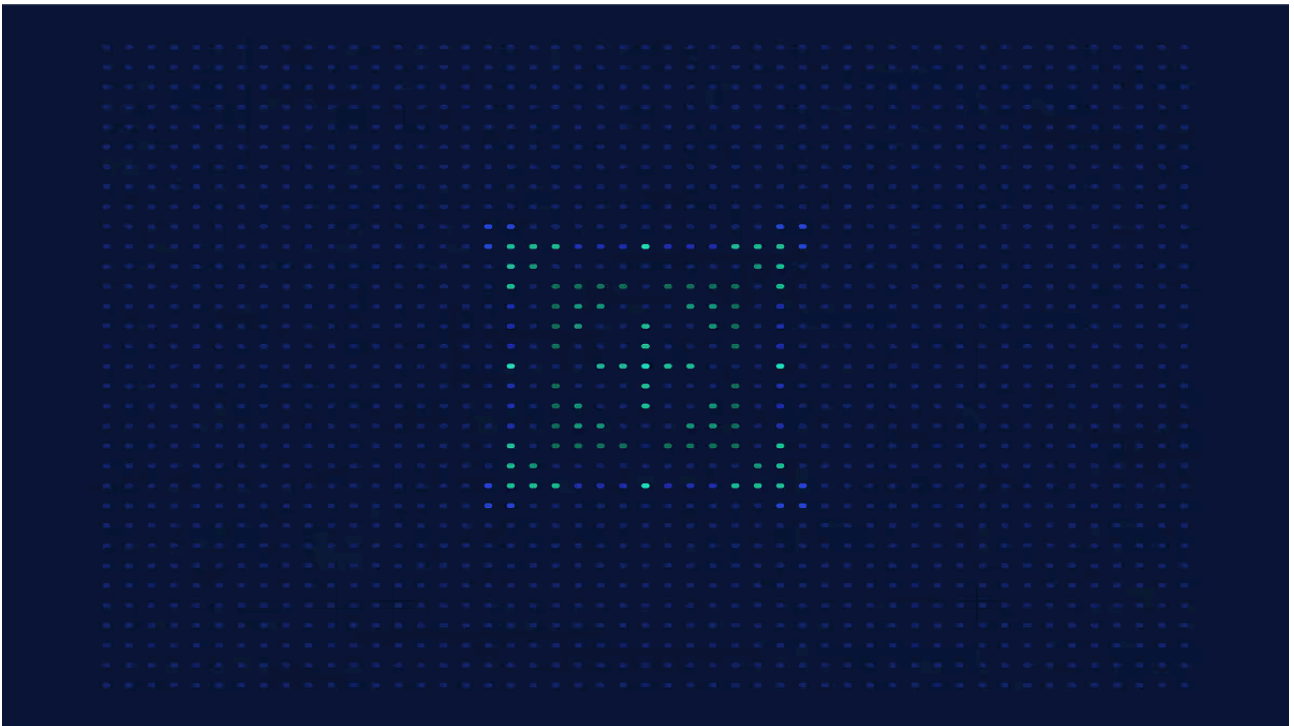


Malicious Activity Aligning with Gamaredon TTPs Targets Ukraine

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Overview

The Anomali Threat Research (ATR) team has identified malicious activity that we believe is being conducted by the Russia-sponsored Advanced Persistent Threat (APT) group Gamaredon (Primitive Bear). Some of the documents have been discussed by other researchers.[1] This Gamaredon campaign appears to have begun in mid-October 2019 and is ongoing as of November 25, 2019. Based on lure documents observed by ATR, we believe that at least the following Ukrainian entities and individuals may be targeted:

- Diplomats
- Government officials and employees

- Journalists
- Law enforcement
- Military officials and personnel
- Non-Governmental Organization (NGO)
- The Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Ukraine

ATR analysts have found Tactics, Techniques, and Procedures (TTPs) that align with known Gamaredon tactics, in addition to a new template-injection technique that has not previously been observed to be utilized by the group.

The object of this report is to highlight a new Gamaredon TTP and share IOCs to the security community for awareness and further analysis. Several lure documents will also be examined, as well as a technical analysis section that showcases the functionalities of the template injection.

[Get the full report on Gamaredon \(Primitive Bear\) and read through our key findings here.](#)

Endnotes

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