

GuLoader Malware Disguised as Tax Invoices and Shipping Statements (Detected by MDS Products) - ASEC

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AhnLab Security Emergency response Center (ASEC) has identified circumstances of GuLoader being distributed as attachments in emails disguised with tax invoices and shipping statements. The recently identified GuLoader variant was included in a RAR (Roshal Archive Compressed) compressed file. When a user executes GuLoader, it ultimately downloads known malware strains such as Remcos, AgentTesla, and Vidar.

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RAR doc 00499892998.rar 396 KB

Dea= Valued Customer,

Y=ur Original Shipping Documents is ready for delivery.
A=tached is the Electronic Proof(s) of your Shipment and Documents.

D=L Tracking No. 6711896424
D=tetd – 15.06.2023:


Documents;

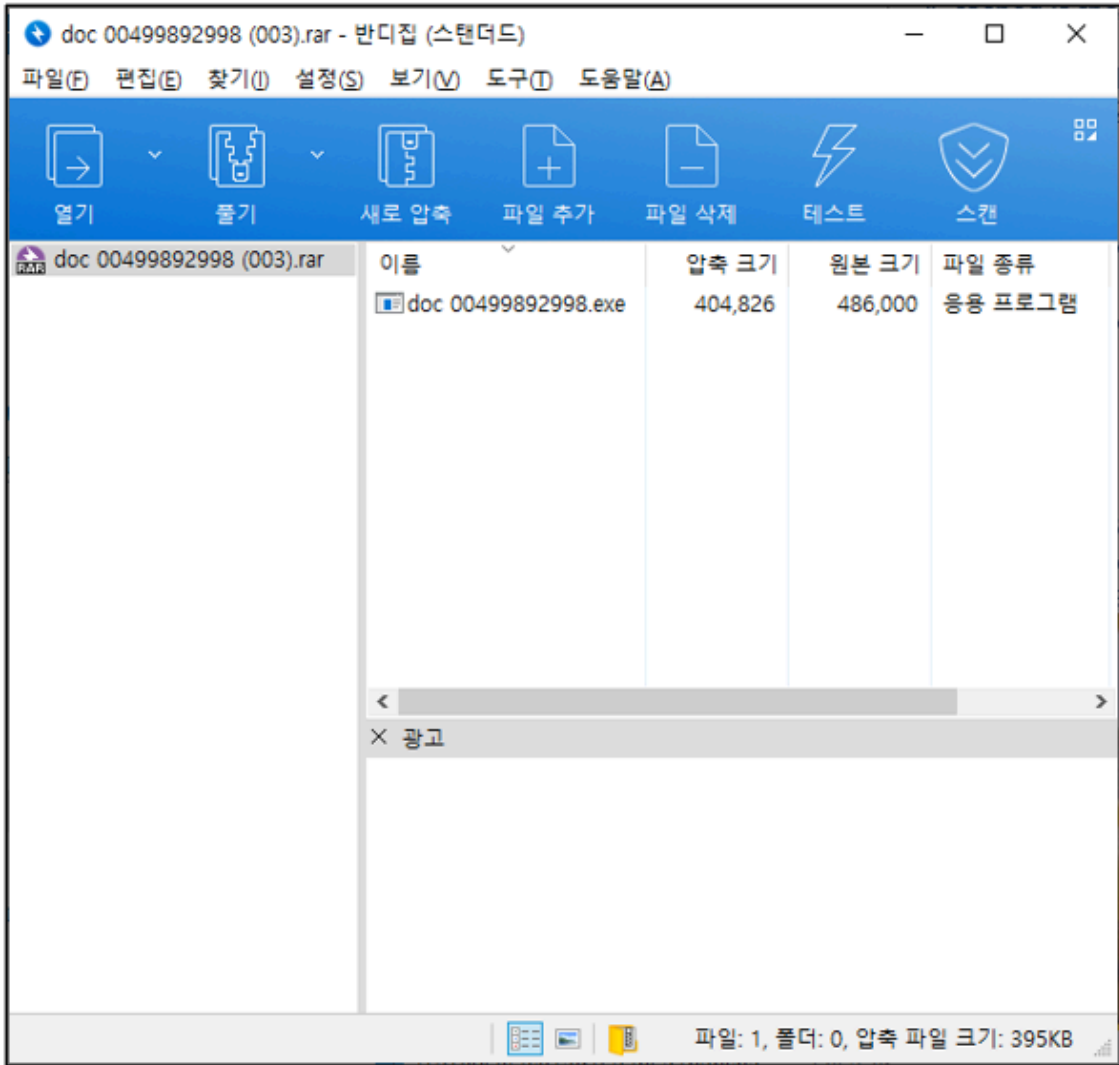
C=mmercial Invoice
P=cking List
A=tested COO & Invoice
F=nal AWB

Sincerely,

[Redacted]

수입세금계산서





AhnLab’s MDS products provide a Mail Transfer Agent (MTA) feature to block malware distributed via email. Figure 3 below shows the GuLoader malware detection report screen of AhnLab MDS. In this case, the GuLoader downloader downloaded Remcos from the threat actor’s server.

The screenshot displays the AhnLab MDS (Malware Detection System) interface. At the top, there is a navigation bar with icons for home, search, and settings. Below it, a header shows the event ID '이벤트 ID: 230802-7' and the host name '7a6c84805df4fc81ced677ea0350b651'. The main content area is divided into several sections:

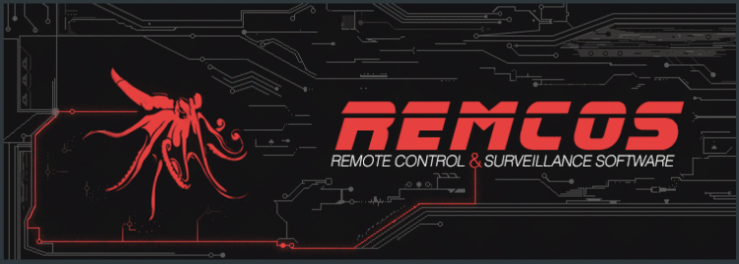
- 탐지 현황 (Detection Status):** A table showing the detection process, including the host name, file name, suspicious traffic, and URL.
- 탐지 원인 (Detection Cause):** A list of actions that triggered the detection, such as '의심스러운 파일의 생성 흔적을 탐지했습니다' (Detected suspicious file creation traces) and '악성 URL에 접속하는 행위를 탐지했습니다' (Detected access to malicious URLs).
- 탐지 스크린샷 (Detection Screenshots):** A series of six small screenshots showing the system's state during the detection process.
- 행위 분석 (VM) (Behavior Analysis (VM)):** A section for analyzing the malware's behavior, including details like '동적 분석 진단명' (Dynamic analysis diagnosis name) and 'MDS 호스트 이름' (MDS host name).

Remcos is a known RAT (Remote Administration Tool) distributed via spam emails and MS-SQL vulnerabilities. The malware has been covered on the ASEC Blog.

- [\(Nov 23, 2020\) Remcos RAT Malware being Distributed as Spam Mail](#)


There is an official sales page for Remcos. Following the initial release of version 1.0 in July 2016, version 4.9.0 was released on July 26th, 2023. It seems the creator is constantly updating the features of this malware and selling copies for commercial purposes.

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When an email is received, MDS uses the virtual machine-based dynamic analysis to detect malware strains based on GuLoader's behavior of downloading malware types and Remcos' behavior of exfiltrating information as well as their characteristics.

AhnLab MDS

탐지 현황 > 탐지 현황

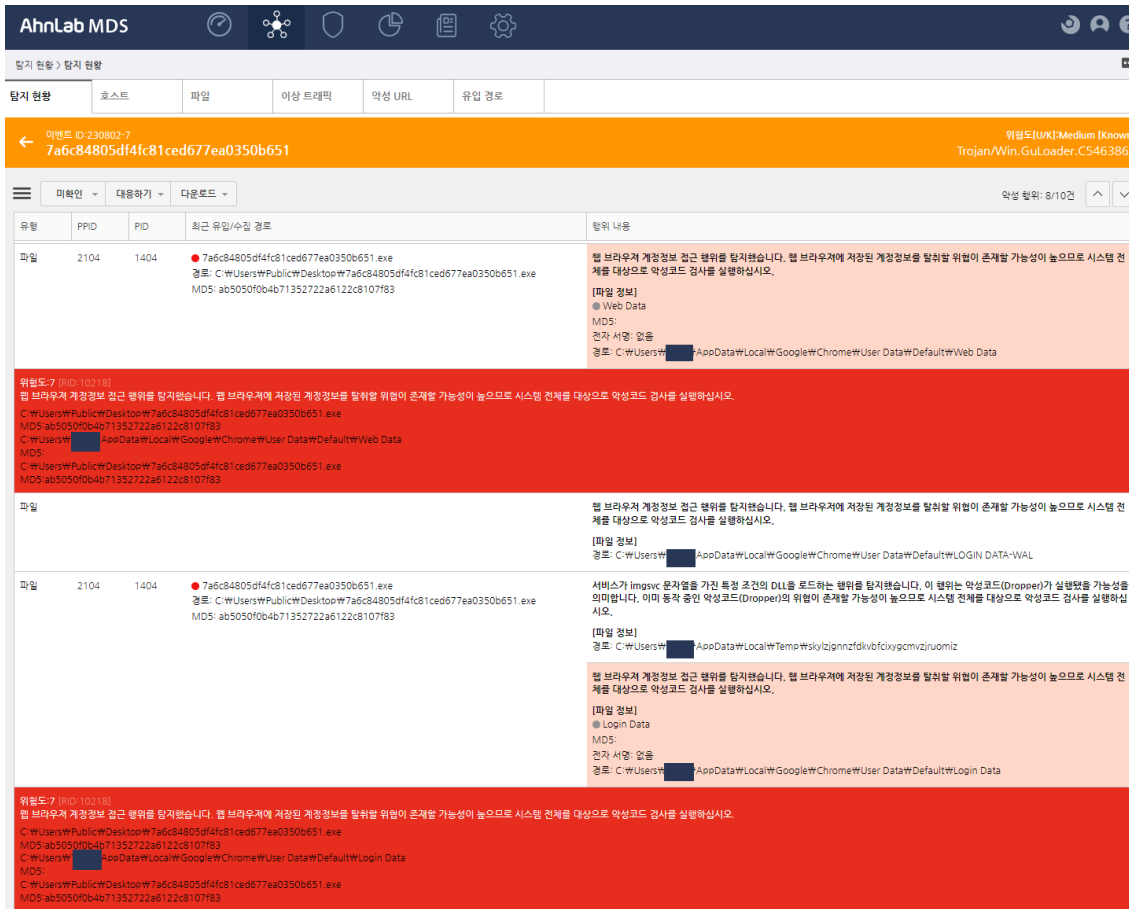
탐지 현황 | 호스트 | 파일 | 이상 트래픽 | 악성 URL | 유입 경로

이벤트 ID: 230802-7
7a6c84805df4fc81ced677ea0350b651

위험도(LU/L): Medium [Known]
Trojan/Win.Gul.loader.C5463862

악성 필터: 2/10건

유형	PPID	PID	최근 유입/수집 경로	알림 내용
네트워크 (HTTP)	2424	2104	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 7a6c84805df4fc81ced677ea0350b651.exe 경로: C:\Users\Public\Desktop\7a6c84805df4fc81ced677ea0350b651.exe MDS: ab5050f0b4b71352722a6122c8107f83 	<p>악성 URL에 접속하는 행위를 탐지했습니다.</p> <p>[네트워크 정보] 프로토콜: TCP IP 주소: 194.59.218.151 포트: 80 [URL 정보] 호스트: 194.59.218.151 URL: /BVVPhawfYLwz23.bin 데이터: 47 45 54 20 2f 42 56 56 50 68 61 57 66 79 4c 62 77 5a 32 32 2e 62 69 6e 20 48 54 50 2f 31 2e 31 0d 0a 55 7 3 65 72 2d 41 67 65 6e 74 3a 20 4d 6f 7a 69 6c 6c 61 2f 35 2e 30 20 28 57 69 6e 64 6f 77 73 20 4e 54 20 31 30 2e 30 3 b 20 57 69 6e 34 3b 20 78 26 34 3b 20 72 76 3a 31 20 39 2e 30 29 20 47 65 63 6b 6f 2f 32 30 31 30 30 31 20 46 69 72 65 66 6f 78 2f 31 31 35 2e 30 0d 0a 48 6f 73 74 3e 20 31 39 34 2e 35 39 2e 32 31 38 2e 31 35 31 0d 0a 43 61 63 68 65 2d 43 6f 6e 74 72 6f 6c 3a 20 6e 6f 2d 63 61 63 69 65 0d 0a 0d 0a 실용 전송 호스트: 100</p>
<p>위험도: 7 [RID: 10340] 악성 URL에 접속하는 행위를 탐지했습니다.</p> <p>C:\Users\Public\Desktop\7a6c84805df4fc81ced677ea0350b651.exe MDS: ab5050f0b4b71352722a6122c8107f83 C:\Users\Public\Desktop\7a6c84805df4fc81ced677ea0350b651.exe MDS: ab5050f0b4b71352722a6122c8107f83</p>				
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레지스트리	2424	2104	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 7a6c84805df4fc81ced677ea0350b651.exe 경로: C:\Users\Public\Desktop\7a6c84805df4fc81ced677ea0350b651.exe MDS: ab5050f0b4b71352722a6122c8107f83 	<p>Remcos 악성코드를 탐지했습니다. 악성코드가 실행되어 이미 동작 중인 악성코드의 위험이 존재할 가능성이 높으므로 시스템 전체를 대상으로 악성코드 검사를 실행하십시오.</p> <p>[레지스트리 정보] 키: HKCU\SOFTWARE\Rmc-FUG8H1 값: exeopath 종류: 3 실용값: ffffffff4 49 34 56 ffffffff ffffffff ffffffff 0f ffffffff 7b 4c 11 29 38 ffffffff 32 1a ffffffff ffffffff ffffffff 3f ff ffff81 24 ffffffff ffffffff 27 23 ffffffff 13 ffffffff ffffffff 49 ffffffff ffffffff ffffffff 7a 0e ffffffff ffffffff ffffffff f ffffffff ffffffff ffffffff 37 22 ffffffff 6d 6d ffffffff 2 ffffffff ffffffff ffffffff ffffffff ffffffff 0a ffffffff ffffffff 4 3 ffffffff ffffffff ffffffff ffffffff 09 39 76 ffffffff ffffffff 07 ffffffff 08 1e 69 41 2b 4f 27 7c 7a 08 20 2a 61 ffffff b2 ffffffff ffffffff ffffffff ffffffff 4c ffffffff ffffffff 0e ffffffff 31 ffffffff 1 ffffffff ffffffff 8e 22 ffff ffff ffffffff ffffffff 55 ffffffff 1e 0d 13 39 49 ffffffff ffffffff ffffffff 40 25 ffffffff</p>
<p>위험도: 7 [RID: 10393] Remcos 악성코드를 탐지했습니다. 악성코드가 실행되어 이미 동작 중인 악성코드의 위험이 존재할 가능성이 높으므로 시스템 전체를 대상으로 악성코드 검사를 실행하십시오.</p> <p>C:\Users\Public\Desktop\7a6c84805df4fc81ced677ea0350b651.exe MDS: ab5050f0b4b71352722a6122c8107f83 C:\Users\Public\Desktop\7a6c84805df4fc81ced677ea0350b651.exe MDS: ab5050f0b4b71352722a6122c8107f83</p>				



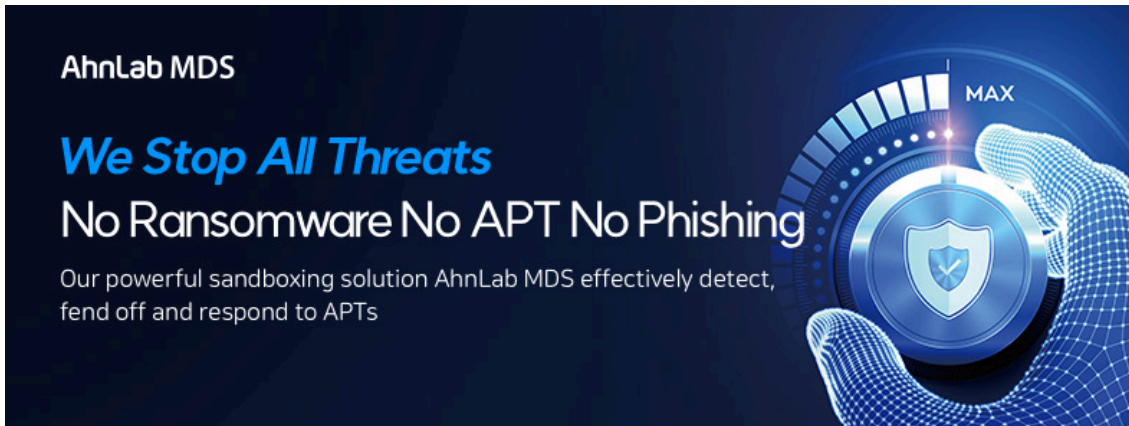
Besides Remcos, GuLoader also downloads and runs malware strains being sold on the Internet such as Formbook and Lokibot. Such malware strains offered for sale are called commodity malware. The threat actor likely uses downloaders such as GuLoader to propagate commercial malware instead of distributing them directly to bypass signature-based detection of security products. In the past, GuLoader was compiled in VisualBasic, and nowadays, it is compiled in NSIS and .NET. Whatever the case may be, its form is constantly being changed during distribution to evade static detection. However, the malware strains being executed in the memory area are commercial malware types such as Remcos, so even if the forms are different, each variant performs the same malicious behaviors. Thus, corporate security managers must implement not only endpoint security products (V3) but also sandbox-based APT solutions such as MDS to prevent damage from cyber attacks.

[File Detection]

– Trojan/Win.Guloader.C5463862 (2023.08.02.00)

[Behavior Detection]

- Execution/MDP.Remcos.M11099
- Infostealer/MDP.Credential.M10218

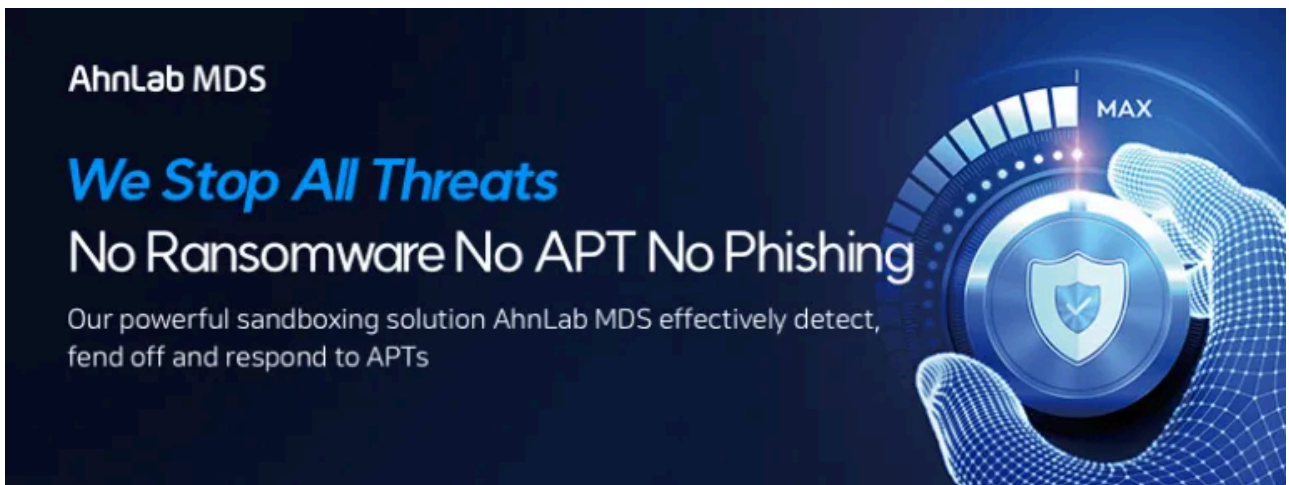


MD5

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Additional IOCs are available on AhnLab TIP.

To learn more about **AhnLab MDS's** sandbox-based behavioral analysis, please click the banner below.



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