Clandestine Hunter - Two Strategies for Supply Chain Attack

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Two Strategies for Supply Chain Attack

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Risk of Supply Chain Attack

ASUS Supply Chain Attack



What is Supply Chain Attack?

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- A supply chain attack is a cyber-attack that seeks to damage an organization by targeting less-secure elements in the supply network. wikipedia





What is Supply Chain Attack?







ASUS Supply Chain Attack : TYPE - A







ASUS Supply Chain Attack : TYPE - B







ASUS Supply Chain Attack : Select Infection PC







ASUS Supply Chain









Case Study

Supply Chain Attack



Case Study : Supply Chain Attack







Case A : Overview

Intranet of company A







Case A : Certificate Signing









Case A : PlugX Malware

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ASILESS Hex diap	ASCII
10070910 BP 3A 10 00 C7 FE 52 ED 39 24 EA 22 E4 D6 2E 92 74. WEN4 ME. 10070910 31 9C 4C 4C BP 3A 10 00 E8 03 00	00 01 00 00 00 1 1 1. F. F. F.
10070920 14 86 00 ES ED D4 20 5C AD 70 4D FD 4E 20 80 IF 1798/ AKC+7 10070920 6E 61 74 65 87 61 2E 64 75 61 60	6C 69 76 53 21 11 11.
10070930 15 P0 D3 D4 19 D1 26 D0 D1 9E 54 DE 60 03 0E 9A *HE7/679(7) 10070930 63 67 6D 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00 00 00 00
10070340 05 DD PS 02 02 PS 10 PE CS 13 CS PD 6E 13 S4 DE	00 00 00 00 00
L0070950 A2 F4 B8 26 D2 BB A3 2C 53 9A D8 62 LF F0 17 LD 773 75 457	00 00 00 00 00
10070960 PC 48 54 04 EL 30 00 PG 18 ES 08 55 84 60 02 C2 77*7.7420361	00 00 00 00 00
Address Rex duap ASCII gess Rex duap	ASCII
100708/AC 38 55 50 88 74 34 94 F7 5A 3C 9D F1 F1 3C 85 28 :0-#44#2ct277	00 00 00 00 00
10070785 CD 42 44 A6 96 78 50 72 52 42 CB 12 30 CT AC CD 10 11:18 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10	00 00 00 00 00 winsvefs
10070FCC 99 69 F5 19 33 68 42 18 55 03 A8 CA A3 87 C3 EC 番130851 母爱名	00 00 00 00 00
1007070C K1 C5 81 6D 12 23 17 13 30 8D 91 C1 DD 08 X9 AC (2)	00 00 00 00 00
100707EC 7E DC 4C EB 68 41 E0 4D 23 26 54 F1 37 A4 50 4C L3A:4: # 20 707EC 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00 00
10070FFC 37 FE 44 F9 63 C4 20 6A 15 24 59 BA D6 E2 A7 03 755時147音機1 10070FFC 00 60 60 60 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00 00
1007100C 5F CC A6 AB RC 20 27 30 P9 45 24 53 PC 64 73 78 _ 通道1017100C 50 50 50 50 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00 00
10071010 92 CF 1A DA 60 C2 E7 27 C5 ED 25 AC 50 EF 96 59 - + # 4 141/7 10071010 00 10 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00	00.00.00.00.00
1007103C A7 23 E1 C5 2K 6F 34 JF 90 02 F0 ET 82 C5 83 4F 7美,77番答美 1007103C 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00 00
10071030 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00 00
ul = decoding sub 10004E10(&u19 &unk 10024508 9 0x763ED3BA &unk 1007076C)·// XX	XXXXXX
at a contract of a contract of a big and a contract of a c	
01 = -(memcmp_sub_1000660F(&urigin_Binary_dword_10070910, *00, 8) != 0);	
And_sub_10004F69(&v19);	
Check String "XXXXXXXX and Dec	rvnt Date

```
if ( v10 != dword_10070914 )
{
    v11 = decode_(&v12, &unk_1002454C, 16, 0x1FC1D09C, &unk_100706EC);// CONFIG-DESTORY!
    sub_1001C2B2(*v11); // messageboxA
    sub_10004F69();
```



Case A : PlugX Malware



Remote Control Commands





Case B : Overview Intranet of company B Update server **Build Server** 5. Modulated file upload 1. Logon to sever 3. Build S/W execution EXE Attacker (batch file) 4. Automatic 6. Malware NAS generation infection of modulated file 2. New version upload **Version Management Development manager** Server User 7. Send the infected PC information (Computer name, user name, and infection date) **C&C Server**



Case B : Plug X malware

- The first malware(PlugX) was infected: 2017.03.31
- The Second malware(ShadowPad) was distributed: 2017.07.18







Case B : Plug X malware





Check String "XXXX" and Decrypt Data

??????1.???....^..Y.r.r.|.r|...1bMXf3h10Fr0...Uf8s1k .20170317.https://markhed...Uin.github.io/index.html.%Progra...U mData%\Test\.SOFTWARE\MicrosoftJ..?\?ows\CurrentVersion\Run."& S%Svc[H.1^% +?Service1.%w?ir%\system32\svdl. 吕ost.ex\-explore

bMXf3hI0FrOUf8s1k - ID

Decrypt

20170317 - PlugX Version

https://markhedin.github.io/index.html - URL to get additional C&C

%ProgramData%\Test\ - path to copy file

SOFTWARE\Microsoft\Windows\CurrentVersion\Run - registry path to run automatically

Test – registry name

TestSvc – service name

Windows Service – service description

%windir%\system32\svchost.exe - target for injection

%windir%\explorer.exe





Case B : Plug X malware





Case B : Code Tampering



Normal code

.rdata:1000F6A8 dd	offset ??EafxModuleState@@YAXXZ ;
.rdata:1000F6AC dd	offset sub_1000EA60
.rdata:1000F6B0 dd	offset sub_1000EA80
.rdata:1000F6B4 dd	offset sub_1000EAA0
.rdata:1000F6B8 dd	offset sub_1000EAC0
.rdata:1000F6BC dd	offset sub_1000EAE0
.rdata:1000F6C0 dd	offset sub_1000EB00
.rdata:1000F6C4 dd	offset sub_1000EB10
.rdata:1000F6C8 dd	offset sub_1000EB20
.rdata:1000F6CC dd	offset sub_1000EB30
.rdata:1000F6D0 dd	offset sub_1000EB40

Code Tampering

rdata:1000F6	9C dd offset ?? EafxHoduleState@@YAXXZ :
rdata:1000E6	an dd offset MaliciousCode sub 1000E600
rdata:1000F6	dd offset sub 1000E510
rdata:1000F6	A8 dd offset sub 1000E530
rdata:1000F6	AC dd offset sub 1000E550
rdata:1000F6	B0 dd offset sub 1000E570
rdata:1000F6	B4 dd offset sub 1000E590
rdata:1000F6	B8 dd offset sub 1000E580
rdata:1000F6	BC dd offset sub 1000E5C0
rdata:1000F6	CO dd offset sub 1000FSD0
rdata:1000F6	<pre>u2 = this;</pre>
rdata:1000F6	hAlloc = VirtualAlloc(0, 64328u, 0x1000u, 0x40u);
	v5 = byte_1000F718[0]; // 0CF56F204h
	for ($i = 0; i < 64324; ++i$)
	{
	*(hAlloc + i) = v5 ^ *(Gbyte_1000F718[1] + i);
	v5 = 0xC9BED351 * ((v5 >> 16) + (v5 << 16)) - 0x57A25E37;
)
	if (hAlloc(0) < 0x1000)
	MessageBoxA(0, "###ERROR###", 0, 0);
	return v2;



Case B : Certificate Signing







Case B : DGA Algorithm



- Collect system information and use it as a subdomain
- Attackers check subdomain information to identify targets





Case B : Select Infection PC



5. Decode additional malware using key1 and key2



Case C : Overview







Case C : Hiding Attacker IP



- To hide the server intrusion
- Except for the attacker's IP

/bin \$*] gr /bin ;*3\$	/p grep - ep" /sh "	vE "45.	. 32 . 39	2:443 \$\$	1	
GCC:	(GNU)	4.8.3	20140911	(Red Hat	t 4.8.3	3-9)
GCC:	(GNU)	4.8.5	20150623	(Red Har	t 4.8.5	5-11)





Case C : PlugX Malware



if (memcmp_(&XOR_STR_dword, "XXXXXXXX", 8) result = XOR_STR_dword; Check string "XXXXXXXXX" v5 = XOR STR dword; cnt_ = 0; do v5 = 0x1FFF * v5 + 13; result = 31 * result + 1; *(&XOR_STR_dword + cnt_++) ^= (result >> 7) ^ (v5 >> 7);// c2 : 198.13.58.18:443 while (cnt_ < 2616); if (decode_result != 0x12345678) v7 = dword_1002A324; if (!dword_1002A324) V7 = dword_10022B40(dword_10022B34, "MessageBoxA"); dword 1002A324 = v7; result = v7(0, "CONFIG-ERR!", 0, 0x200040); 03 = a2 - 4; for (i = 0; i < v3; ++i)</pre> if (a1[i] == 'D' && a1[i + 1] == '2' && a1[i + 2] == 'K' && a1[i + 3] == 'S') preak: if (i >= 03) Parse string "DZKS", "DZJS" return 1168; 06 = i + 4; u7 = u6; if (u6 >= u3) return 1168;

do f (a1[07] -- 'D' && a1[07 + 1] -- 'Z' && a1[07 + 2] -- 'J' && a1[07 + 3] -- 'S' ++u7; while (u7 < u3); if (07 >= 03) return 1168; for (j = 0; u6 < u7; ++j)</pre> u9 = a1[u6] + 16 * (a1[u6 + 1] - 65); a1[j + 1] = 0; a1[j] = 09 - 65; U6 += 2; *(a3 + 2) = *a1 + (a1[1] << 8); *(a3 + 2) = *a1 + (a1[1] << 8); *(a3 + 2) = *a1 + (a1[1] << 8);for (k = 0; k < j; ++k)*(k + a3 + 4) = a1[k + 2];return 0;

Remote control commands

<pre>result = xor_sub_l0004060(s1, v1, -1); if (result) break; v1 = v2[1]; if (v1 == 0x3000) (if (v1 == 0x3000) (result = get_01sk_info(s1, v2);</pre>	<pre>result = Create_pipe(s2, v2); } else { switch (vi) (case 0x6002u: result = DeleteService_(s2); break; case 0x6004u: result = QueryServiceConfig_(v2, break; case 0x6004u: result = StartService_(v2, s2); break; case 0x6005u: result = Open_ControlService(v2, break; default: eout LABEL 68: } } </pre>
<pre>case dx2002u: coult = SysRestart_(+2, s2); break;</pre>	<pre>result = Open_ControlService(v2, break; default:</pre>
<pre>case de200000 result = SysShutdown_(v2, s2); breat; case de200500 case de200500</pre>	goto LABEL_68;
break; default: goto LAMFL 68;	

result = ScreenCtrl_(v2, a2); else switch (v5)

case 0x3008u: result = FileCreateFile(v2, a2); break; case 0x300Cu: result = FileExecute_(v2, a2); break; case 0x300Du: result = FileOption_(v2, a2); break; case 0x300Eu: result = sub_10015D90(v2, a2, a2); break; case 0x300Fu: result = sub_10015CF0(v2, &savedregs, a2, a3); break; default: goto LABEL 68:



Case C : Certificate Signing









Case C : Select Infection PC

• Proxy_Pass : Setting variables set for proxy in the Nginx software





Case C : Distribution Additional Malware



Case D : Overview







Case D : PlugX Malware

sub_10008890(&STRUCT_SOCKET, header);



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if ( (nemcnp_)(&Decode_binary_dword_10029398, "XXXXXXXX", 8) )
                                                 Check string "XXXXXXXX"
                                                                                          V3 = a2 - 4;
  result = Decode_binary_dword_10029398;
                                                                                          for ( i = 0; i < u3; ++i )
  v5 = Decode_binary_dword_10029398;
                                                                                            if ( a1[i] == 'D' && a1[i + 1] == 'Z' && a1[i + 2] == 'K' && a1[i + 3] == 'S' )
  cnt = 0;
                                                                                             break;
  do
                                                                                                            Parse string "DZKS", "DZJS"
                                                                                          if ( i >= u3 )
    u5 = 8x1FFF + u5 + 13;
                                                                                           return 1168;
    result = 31 * result + 1;
                                                                                          v6 = i + 4;
                                                                                          u7 = u6;
    *(&Decode_binary_dword_10029398 + cnt++) ^= (result >> 7) ^ (v5 >> 7);
                                                                                          if ( 06 >= 03 )
                                                                                           return 1168;
  while ( cnt < 0xA38 );
  if ( dword 1002939C != 0x12345678 )
                                                                                           if ( a1[v7] == 'D' && a1[v7 + 1] == 'Z' && a1[v7 + 2] == 'J' && a1[v7 + 3] == 'S' )
                                                                                             break;
    MessageBoxA_ = *MessageBoxA;
                                                                                           ++07:
    if ( !*MessageBoxA )
                                                                                          while ( 07 < 03 );
      MessageBoxA_ = GetProcAddress(dword_10022B34, "MessageBoxA");
                                                                                         if ( U7 >= U3 )
      *MessageBoxA = HessageBoxA_;
                                                                                           return 1168;
                                                                                          for ( j = 0; u6 < u7; ++j )</pre>
    result = (MessageBoxA_)(0, "CONFIG-ERR!", 0, 2097216);
                                                                                           u9 = a1[u6] + 16 * (a1[u6 + 1] - 65);
                                                                                           a1[] + 1] = 0;
                                                                                           a1[j] = 09 - 65;
if ( (WaitForSingleObject_)(v6, v5) )
                                                                                           U6 += 2;
                                                                                          *(a3 + 2) = *a1 + (a1[1] << 8);
 do
                                                                                          *(a3 + 2) = *a1 + (a1[1] << 8);
                                                                                          *(a3 + 2) = *a1 + (a1[1] << 8);
   if ( !InternetReadFile_Proxy_RegQueryValueExA_sub_10003C50(&STRUCT_SOCKET, 0) )
                                                                                          for ( k = 0; k < j; ++k )
                                                                                           *(k + a3 + 4) = a1[k + 2];
      GetLengthSid_sub_100073B0(0, &STRUCT_SOCKET);
                                                                                          return 0;
      v9 = v15 - 1;
      header->version = 0x20120712;
                                               // version
      header->what = 0x1001;
                                       PlugX Version (20120712)
     header->dword8 - 8;
     header->dwordC = 0;
      if ( 09 <- 1 )
```



Case D : Hiding attacker IP

- Command file modification
 - To hide the server intrusion
 - Except for the attacker's IP

/bin/p		
\$* grep -vE "45. 16.248:443 \$\$ [
l'grep"		
/bin/sh		
;*3\$"		
GCC: (Ubuntu 5.4.0-6ubuntu1~16.04.2)	5.4.0	20160609
crtstuff.c		





Case E : Overview







Case E : Hijacking account







Association Analysis

Supply Chain Attack



Association Analysis



	CASE - A (2011)	CASE - B (2017)	CCleaner (2017)	CASE - C (2018)	ASUS (2018)	CASE -D (2018)	CASE – E (2018)
Selection of infected PCs	•	•	•	•	•		
PlugX Module	•	•		•	•	•	
Code tampering		•	•		•		
ShadowPad		•	•				
Lunux command modific ation				•			٠
Attacker IP				•		•	•



Association Analysis : Select Infection PC



U69	-	1:
070	=	0x3FC5147B;
U71	=	0xC14C60D3;
V72	=	0xF45ACAEB;
V73	=	0xD5FE5A41;
074	=	0;
U75	=	Θ;
U76	=	Θ;
077	=	Θ;
V78	=	0:
V79	=	0;
080	=	Θ;
V81	=	0;
482	=	1;
083	=	0x2EA68E3A;
v84	=	0×BEECB432;
085	=	0xA50DF33;
486	=	0x73C8EB28;
087	=	Θ;
088	=	0;
089	=	Θ;
090	=	0;
091	=	Θ;
U92	=	Θ;
V93	=	Θ;
094	=	Θ;
U95	=	1:
096	=	0x6C9516CC;
097	=	0x2BCD0695;
098	=	0xD7A789B3;
U99	=	0xBD3324DA;/







CCleaner



Association Analysis : Code Tampering



CCleaner



ASUS



Resource(136)

CASE - B

rdata:1000F69C	dd offset ?? EafxHoduleState@@YAXXZ ;
rdata:1080F608	dd offset MaliciousCode sub 1000E600
rdata:1000F6A4	dd offset sub_1000E510
rdata:1000F6A8	dd offset sub 1000E530
rdata:1000F6AC	dd offset sub 1000E550
rdata:1000F6B0	dd offset sub 1000E570
rdata:1000F6B4	dd offset sub 1000E590
rdata:1000F6B8	dd offset sub 1000E5B0
rdata:1000F6BC	dd offset sub 1000E5C0
rdata:1000F6C0	dd offset sub 1000FSD0
rdata:1000F6(v2 = this;	
rdata:1000F6(hAlloc = VirtualAllo	oc(0, 64328u, 0x1000u, 0x40u);
v5 = byte_1000F718[0]; // 0CF56F284h
for (i = 0; i < 643	1324; ++i)
(
*(hAlloc + i) = v!	5 ^ *(&byte_1000F718[1] + i);
↓5 = 0xC9BED351 ★	+ ((U5 >> 16) + (U5 << 16)) - 0x57A25E37;
>	
if (hAlloc(0) < 0x	:1000)
MessageBoxA(0, "#	I##ERROR###", 0, 0);
return v2;	



Association Analysis : ShadowPad



CASE - B

```
*(hAlloc + i) = v5 ^ *(&byte_1000F718[1] + i);
v5 = 0xC9BED351 * ((v5 >> 16) + (v5 << 16)) - 0x57A25E37;</pre>
```

```
if ( hAlloc(0) < 0x1000 )
   HessageBoxA(0, "###ERROR###", 0, 0);
return 02;</pre>
```

CCleaner

```
def real4(buf, size):
    temp = ``
    i = 0
    v5 = 0xF6CB855
    if size :
    while i < size-1:
        temp += chr(buf[i] ^ (v5 & 0xFF))
        v5 = (0x47A6547 * ((v5 >> 8) & 0xFFFFFFFF)) & 0xFFFFFFFF
        i+=1
```

```
return temp
```



Association Analysis : PlugX Module



				CASE - D
	CASE - A	CASE - D	CASE - C	Customer of Company C
20100921	•			
20120123				
20120712			•	•
20170317		•		
20180717 (9002 RAT)			●	•

*a1 =	0x20100921;	
a1[1]	= a2;	
a1[3]	= a4;	
a1[2]	= 0;	
return	sub_1001E0D3(a3,	a1);



Association Analysis : Hiding Attacker IP





CASE - C

hinzn			
\$* grep -	νE "45.	.16.248:4	43 \$\$ [
ligrep"			
∕bin∕sh			
*07			
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<07			
gmon_sta	rt_		

CASE - D

/bin/p			
\$*¦grep -vE	"45. 16.248:443!\$\$![
ligrep"			
/bin/sh			
;*3\$"			
GCC: (Ubuntu	5.4.0-6ubuntu1~16.04.2>	5.4.0	20160609
crtstuff.c			

CASE - E



Association Analysis : Attacker IP

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Eitz		영생청근	103.46.141.77	88
Att		원객체어	116.127.121.41	
DE		영양 정속	139.180.200.14	[미국]
BAL	noview	역성코드 C2	174.139.203.27	
BAL	noview	역성코드 C2	174.139.62.61	
Citt	PlugX	막성코트 (2	198.13.58.18:443	[0] 국]
CILL		업데이트 서버	198.54.117.244	미국
Cét		비평상 로그인 iP	202.182.113.9	(M -R
Eit_2		관련 악성코드 유포지	207.148.88.54	
EHL2		bat파일 다운로드치	207.148.94.157	
X 补		관련 역성코드 유포지	207.148.94.157	(013)
CCleaner	ShadowPad	역성코트 C2	216.126.225.148	
EAL		명생정근	43.226.231.33	88
ERT		영생접근	45.115.25.45	8.8
ERL		영생접근	45.115.25.61	8.8
Eit		그용웨어 서비 에러 로그	45.32.16.248	22M
Ditt	backdoor.	백도어 악성코트	45.32.16.248	198 M
Eit_2	backdoor	백도야 약생코트	45.32.16.248:443	
CEL		업데이트 세비 원로그	45.32.17.245	[일본]
EH±_2		백도어 약성코드	45.32.39.252	
DIE	backdoor	백도어 역성코드	45.32.39.252	92M
CHL	backdoor,	백도어 역성코드	45.32.39.252:443	
EAL	PlugX	역성코드 C2	45.32.8.143:443	일본 미국
Dit		웹 관리자 로그인	45.77.251.245	0
X 科	PlugX	약성코드 C2	66.42.37.101	미국
Citt	PlugX.		66.42.37.101	[0]3]
Bit.	noview	약성코트 C2	67.198.161.245	
841	nonew.	역성코트 C2	67.229.35.214	
Bitt	niview.	역정코드 C2	93.174.91.36	
Asus	ShadowHammer.	약성코드 음포지	https://asushotfix.com/logo.jpg	
a la	ruonew:	C2 파성	https://markhedin.github.io/index.html	



• 207.148.XX.XX

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Attack Features and Strategies





Attack Features and Strategies : ATT&CK Matrix





Attack Features and Strategies

- PlugX malware series were mainly used
- Targeting a specific company

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GetLastActivePopup

- Select the infected PCs for final malware
- Operations are carried out secretly for a long period of time

CASE B – Attack Time(`17.1 ~ `17.8, 210days) CASE C – Attack Time(`18.4 ~ `18.7, 120days) CASE D – Attack Time(`18.7 ~ `19.7, 365days) CASE E – Attack Time(`18.6 ~ `18.8, 90days)

• The attacker is skilled at detection avoidance techniques





Attack Features and Strategies







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Defensive Strategy

- SVN, Build Server
 - Latest update of vaccine program
 - System access control
 - Forbidden to login automatically
 - Record and approval of certificate usage
 - System network separation
 - Internet access blocking
 - Separate certificate management system

→ Update Server



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Defensive Strategy

- Update System
 - Check update server IP/URL modulation
 - Limit client remote update ports
 - Update file code signature
 - Update integrity verification
 - Use safe integrity verification technology
 - Update client, mutual authentication between servers





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