

LOCKBIT2.0 RANSOMWARE AS A SERVICE (RaaS)

Unauthorized user gains access to front-facing host(s) with no authentication required by exploiting CVEs.



1. RECON & WEAPONIZATION

CVE-2021-34473

Pre-auth path confusion leads to ACL bypass

CVE-2021-34523

Elevation of privilege on Exchange PowerShell

CVE-2021-31207

Post-auth arbitrary-file-write leads to RCE

When chained together, these CVEs are known as **ProxyShell** and target vulnerable **Microsoft Exchange** web servers.

2. DELIVERY

IIS log entries for IOAs utilizing the **cttgo.aspx** file on client Exchange server:

```
2021-09-29 [IP Address] GET /aspnet_client/cttgo.aspx
-443- [IP Address] python-requests/2.25.1 -200 0 0 5000
```

```
2021-09-29 [IP Address] GET /aspnet_client/cttgo.aspx
exec_code=Response.Write%28new+ActiveXObject%28%22WScript
.Shell%22%29.Exec%28%22cmd.exe+
%2Fc+whoami%22%29.StdOut.ReadAll%28%29%29%3B 443 - [IP
Address] python-requests/2.25.1 -2000 0 562
```

While Avalon is unable to confirm with a high degree of forensic certainty, the **IOAs** identified are similar to an automated exploitation of **ProxyLogon** (Github).



3. EXPLOITATION & INSTALLATION

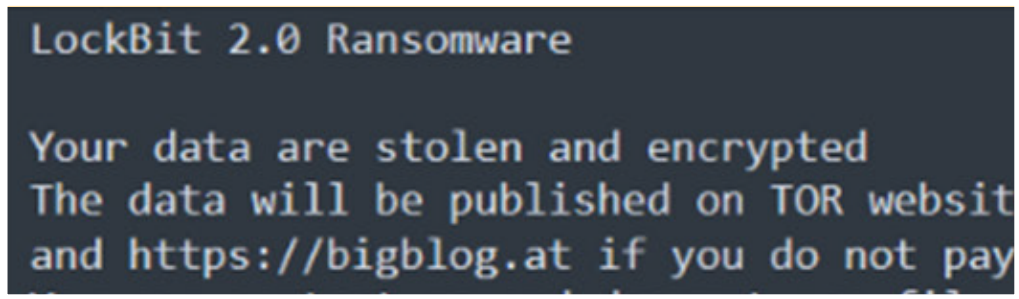
Anomalous programs found on client Exchange server:

- TightVNC
- Advanced Port Scanner
- PsExec64.exe
- LocalRdpscan474.exe

mimikatz_trunk.zip
AnyDesk

Malicious application **ACB65E.exe** discovered on 16 hosts, which Avalon determined to be the ransomware executable **LockBit2.0**.

Appends file names with **.lockbit** extension and writes ransom note: **Restore-My-Files.txt**



4. DATA EXFILTRATION

(through examination of log/trace files)

mimikatz dump file: **bb.txt**

AnyDesk user interaction:
app.ctrl_clip_com –
Got a text offer
clipbrd.capture

Additional *.zip files removed

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TASK SCHEDULER

Creation of new
*\GroupPolicy\GPUdate
*\<Task_Binary>

TASK KILL

Attempts to delete
backups and silence AV

EXPANDED TASK KILL LIST FOR LOCKBIT

<https://gist.github.com/whichbuffer/c6d6839de5b58a5fa5fad971c07825ab>