

AWS

Web application firewall sitting on top of an external facing load balancer, pointing to cloud deployment of the container at port 9015. The WAF sits at the entry point and blocks common headers exploitations. Also, a simple custom rule for blocking headers that contain both Content-Length & Transfer-encoding headers in line with RFC 7230 guidelines.

The same burp relay as before is successful in bypassing the rule filters, getting a successful request onto the remote nginx deployment for the hidden data. However, the connection is closed on the second response so it can't be seen without a keep-alive.

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sudo docker logs nginx_nginx_1_17_6_1
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172.31.86.197 - - [23/Mar/2022:01:40:14 +0000] "GET /a HTTP/1.1" 302 145 "-" "-" "82.4.50.233"
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172.31.86.197 - - [23/Mar/2022:01:40:14 +0000] "GET /_hidden/index.html HTTP/1.1" 200 22 "-" "-" "-"
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Unlike previously, the hidden resource can't be directly accessed by specifying the host, as it's recognised by the bad known inputs as an attempt to access a localhost.

With rule:

AWS- AWSManagedR ulesKnownBadI nputsRuleSet	82.4.50.233 (GB)	/_hidden/index.html	AWS#AWSManagedRules KnownBadInputsRuleSet# Host_localhost_HEADER	BLOCK	Wed Mar 23 2022 01:56:31 GMT+0000 (Greenwich Mean Time)
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Without rule:

The screenshot shows the Burp Suite interface with the 'Repeater' tab selected. The target is set to 'http://smugprotect-1770814714-us-east-1.elb.amazonaws.com'. The request is a GET to 'http://localhost/_hidden/index.html'. The response is a 200 OK from 'nginx/1.17.6' with a content length of 22 bytes. The response body contains the text 'This should be hidden!'. The Inspector panel on the right shows the request and response details, including headers and body parameters.

NAME	VALUE
Host	localhost
Content-Length	2

NAME	VALUE
Date	Wed, 23 Mar 2022 01:59:39 GMT
Content-Type	text/html
Content-Length	22
Connection	close
Server	nginx/1.17.6

Simple TE/CL rule:

Statement 1

Field to match
Header (transfer-encoding)

Match type
Size greater than

Size
0

Text transformations
• None (Priority 0)

AND

Statement 2

Field to match
Header (content-length)

Match type
Size greater than

Size
0

Text transformations
• None (Priority 0)

WAF response:

Sampled request for metric Headerv ×

Source IP 82.4.50.233	Rule inside rule group -	Action BLOCK	Time Wed Mar 23 2022 02:08:33 GMT+0000 (Greenwich Mean Time)
Country GB	URI /a		

Request

GET /a
Host: smugprotect-1770814714.us-east-1.elb.amazonaws.com
Content-Length: 5
Transfer-Encoding: chunked

Close

Because of the simplicity of this filter it might be bypassed by known permutations that are then normalised on the server, s.a.: X: X[\n]Transfer-Encoding: chunked

Load balancer: smugprotect-1770814714.us-east-1.elb.amazonaws.com