VOLATILE CEDAR

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LEBANON

Canada, Israel, Lebanon, Russia, Sauc Arabia, UK, USA.

EXPLOSIVE

HAWK BASE
HOME FOR APT RESEARCHERS

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A SURVEY ON VOLATILE CEDAR ABOUT, WEAPON OF CHOICE, TECHNIQUES & ENGAGEMENTS

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I. INTRODUCTION

Volatile Cedar also known as Dancing Salome is a threat group based out of Lebanon which focuses on information theft and espionage.

II. TARGETS

The target/s of this threat group mainly focuses on education, government, and hosting based services onto various countries like Canada, Israel, Lebanon, Russia, UK, USA.

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III. METHODS USED

The methods used by this group used are various RATs, but USB propagation methods also they have been using a rare "micro" backdoor against their targets, also they have been using "Explosive" trojan to infect the victims, the trojan Explosive uses custom obfuscation techniques to various configuration values.

IV. CAMPAIGNS

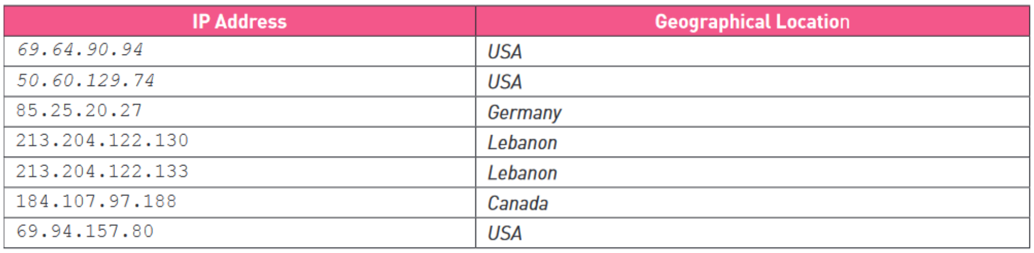
This threat group has been linked to campaigns related to attacks on individuals, companies and institutions worldwide around 2012, this same campaign was active for the next three years.

ATTRIBUTION

This threat group is attributed to be based out of Lebanon. The Trojan **Explosive** was hosted by a major Lebanese hosting company, DNS registrant information from these servers were previously registered under contacts with a very similar Lebanese address.

[Cited from Check Point Research]

V. IOCS



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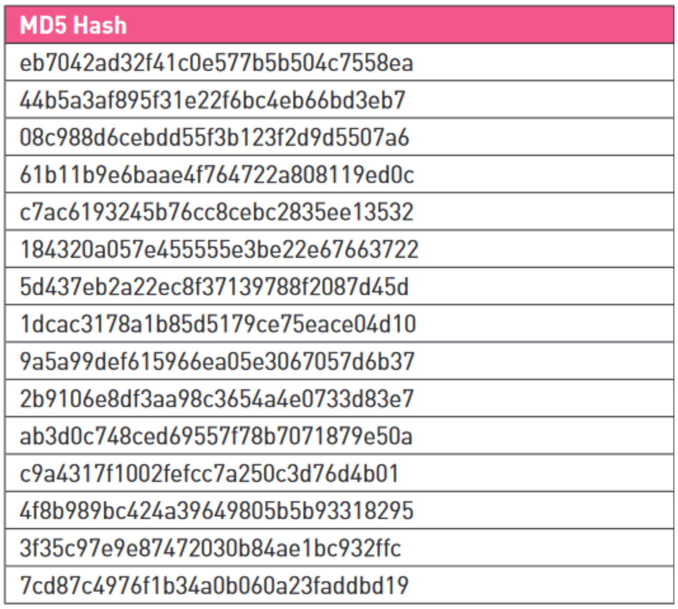

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