

MOEFANG



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CHINA



MYANMAR



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A SURVEY ON MOFANG: ABOUT , WEAPON OF CHOICE , TECHNIQUES & ENGAGEMENTS

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I. INTRODUCTION

Mofang is a cyber-espionage group based out of China that has targeted various countries and is probably government affiliated , it also goes by various names like Whitefly , ATK 83 , SectorM04 which mostly focuses on critical information theft.

II. TARGETS

Mofang has been targeting those investments or technological advances that somehow is related to China , also they have been focusing on Myanmar and it's critical infrastructure and political artifacts , they also have been targeting various critical artifacts onto multiple countries.

III. METHODS USED

MOFANG uses privilege elevation exploits built into their own malware .

MOFANG uses distinct tools ShimRat and ShimRatReporter .

MOFANG group also uses social engineering as one of their attack vectors.

MOFANG also uses Shims in windows to build up persistence , shims are hot patching process on the fly , to ensure backward compatibility of software on the Microsoft Windows

MOFANG has also been using open-source hacking tools and living off land tactics such as malicious Powershell Scripts.

IV. CAMPAIGNS

- Mofang has been involved in attack on Singapore's largest public health organization also known as SingHealth which resulted in 1.5 million patient records being stolen .
- Mofang has also hit a Canadian Organization in January 2013, later they continued their attacks onto unknown organizations.
- Mofang has also launched multiple attacks on Myanmar government entity , and South Korean Companies also the US based companies .
- Mofang has also continued it's attacks onto Myanmar based government entities onto 2015 and various organizations.

ATTRIBUTION

Mofang almost operated out of China and is probably government affiliated , it's targets are based on involvements or investments that potentially poses a threat to China , some reports also have validated that it's activities have links to a bid on an oil and gas pipeline project in Myanmar

[cited from Fox-IT reports]



V. IOCS

MD5 Hashes

f4b247a44be362898c4e587545c7653f
e79b2d2934e5525e7a40d74875f9d761
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C2's

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