

INCIDENT REPORT – USE CASE 6

Vulnerability Detection (Ubuntu Agent)

Incident ID: SOC-VULN-006

Incident Title: Detection of Known Software Vulnerabilities on Ubuntu Host

Date & Time: Jan 19, 2026 @ 10:53:00

Detection Source: Wazuh SIEM – Vulnerability Detection Module

Affected Asset

Host: Ubuntu Agent

Asset Type: Linux Server

Operating System: Ubuntu Linux

Severity: Medium

Incident Summary

Wazuh SIEM identified known security vulnerabilities on an Ubuntu Linux system by analyzing installed software packages and correlating them with published CVE data. The detected vulnerabilities represent potential security risks that could be exploited by attackers if remediation actions are not taken.

Detection Details

Detection Tool: Wazuh SIEM

Detection Type: Host-based Vulnerability Detection

Detection Module: Vulnerability Detector

Affected Package: Ubuntu system package

Installed Version: Outdated version detected

CVE ID: CVE-XXXX-XXXX (example)

CVSS Severity: Medium

Investigation and Analysis

Reviewed the vulnerability alerts displayed in the Wazuh dashboard and examined the affected package details, including the installed version, fixed version, and associated CVE information. The analyst assessed whether the vulnerable package was actively running and whether the system was exposed to external access. Correlation was performed with other security events, including authentication logs, command execution alerts, and network activity. No indicators of active exploitation were identified during the investigation.

Classification

True Positive – Security Exposure (No Active Exploitation Observed)

Root Cause

The Ubuntu system was running outdated software packages due to pending security updates, resulting in known vulnerabilities being present on the host.

Impact Assessment

No service disruption was observed.

No evidence of system compromise or exploitation was detected.

If left unpatched, the vulnerabilities could be exploited to gain unauthorized access or escalate privileges.

Response Actions

The vulnerability findings were documented and reported to the system owner.

Security updates and patching of affected packages were recommended.

Temporary mitigation measures were suggested where immediate patching was not feasible.

The system was placed under continued monitoring for signs of exploitation.

Lessons Learned

Regular vulnerability detection and timely patch management are essential to reduce the attack surface of Linux systems. Early identification of vulnerabilities allows SOC teams to take preventive actions before attackers can exploit known weaknesses.

MITRE ATT&CK Mapping

Tactic: TA0001 – Initial Access

Technique ID: T1190

Technique Name: Exploit Public-Facing Application

Technique ID: T1068

Technique Name: Exploitation for Privilege Escalation

Incident Status

Closed – Informational (Vulnerability Identified, Remediation Recommended)