



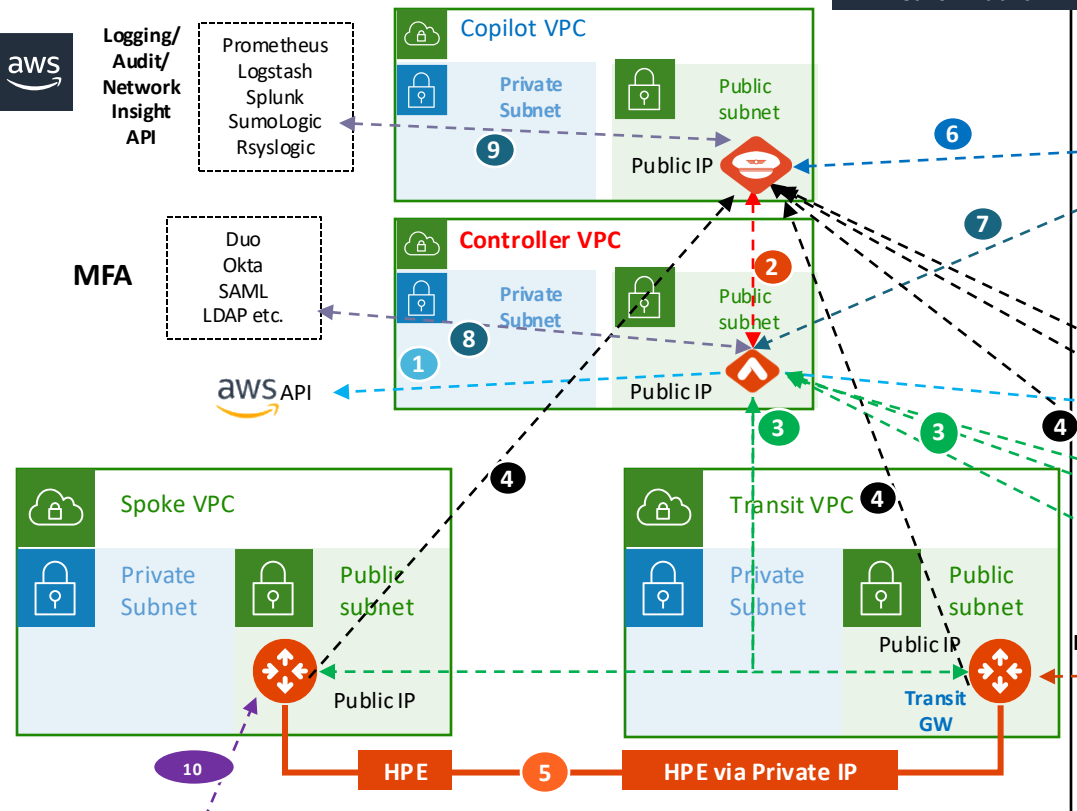
Security

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## Built-in Security of the Aviatrix Platform

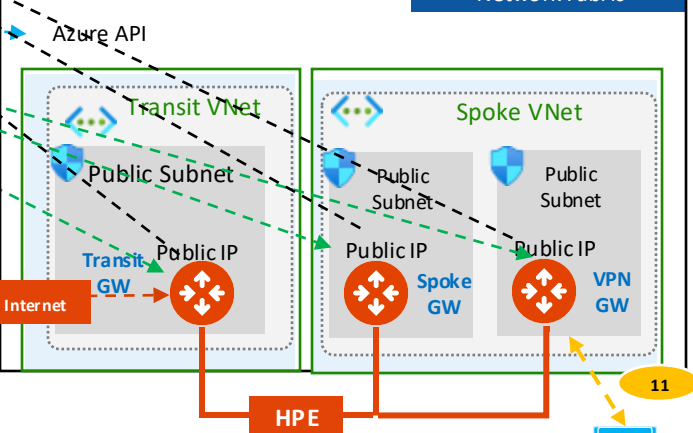
# AWS Cloud



Traffic inside AWS Network Fabric

- Traffic Pattern**
1. Controller to CSP API
  2. Controller with Copilot
  3. Controller to GW management traffic
  4. Gateway to Copilot (Syslog, Netflow etc)
  5. Encrypted data transfer
  6. Copilot access locked to customer IP
  7. Controller access locked to customer IP
  8. Controller to MFA
  9. Copilot to Customers Network Insight API or Logging locations
  10. Aviatrix Gateway to 3<sup>rd</sup> Party devices
  11. Remote user to Aviatrix VPN gateway

# Azure Cloud



Traffic inside Azure Network Fabric

On Prem DC/  
Branch Office/  
B2B Partner

Remote User

## Controller Security Group Management (part.1)

- You can use the **Controller Security Group Management** feature to automatically manage the Controller instance's inbound rules from gateways.
- When enabled (**default**), each time you deploy an Aviatrix gateway, a rule will be automatically added to the Controller instance's inbound rule to allow the gateway to reach the Controller. Only TCP port 443 needs to be opened for inbound traffic to the Controller. Gateways launched from the Controller use its public IP address to communicate back to the Controller.
- After the Controller Security Group Management feature is enabled, you can edit the security rules that are outside gateways public IP addresses to limit the source address range. When specifying the custom IP addresses to allow access, you must include your own public IP address.

## Controller Security Group Management (part.2)

The screenshot displays the CoPilot Configuration interface. The left sidebar contains a menu with 'Configuration' highlighted. The main content area is divided into 'General' and 'Security' sections. In the 'General' section, the 'Associated Aviatrix Controller' is set to 'ctrl.demo.aviatrixtest.com'. The 'Controller Session Timeout' is set to 60 minutes. The 'Sharing Metrics with Aviatrix' toggle is turned on. In the 'Security' section, the 'CoPilot Security Group Management' toggle is turned on. A red arrow points to the 'Controller Security Group Management' toggle, which is also turned on. Below this, the 'VPC/VNet' is set to 'AviatrixVPC(vpc-06048f3b2328eaccf)' and the 'Account' is set to 'operations-aws'.

- You can enable Controller Security Group Management in CoPilot from **Settings > Configuration > General**

## CoPilot Security Group Management (part.1)

- When **CoPilot Security Group Management** is enabled (**default**), the Controller creates a security group for the specified CoPilot virtual machine to manage its inbound security-group rules.

The feature adds gateway IP rules to customer-attached CoPilot security groups as well as CoPilot-created security groups. CoPilot comes with a base security group when it is first launched.

The Controller adds rules to the security group for each gateway IP for the following:

- **UDP port 5000** (default) — Enable Syslog for CoPilot Egress FQDN (Legacy) & Audit Data (from each gateway). Gateways send remote syslog data to CoPilot.
- **TCP port 5000** (default, if using Private Mode) — Enable Syslog for CoPilot Egress FQDN & Audit Data (from each gateway). Gateways send remote syslog data to CoPilot.
- **UDP port 31283** (default, port is configurable) — Enable NetFlow for CoPilot FlowIQ Data (from each gateway). Gateways send NetFlow to CoPilot.

The Controller adds the above rules for:

- New gateways launched from the Controller after the feature is enabled.
- Existing gateways launched from the Controller before the feature was enabled.

## CoPilot Security Group Management (part.2)

The screenshot displays the Aviatrix CoPilot Configuration interface. The left-hand navigation menu includes options like Dashboard, Cloud Fabric, Networking, Security, Groups, Cloud Resources, Monitor, Diagnostics, Administration, Settings, and Configuration (which is currently selected). The main configuration area is divided into several sections. The 'General' tab is active, showing settings for the associated controller, session timeout, and metrics sharing. The 'Security' section contains two toggle switches: 'CoPilot Security Group Management' and 'Controller Security Group Management', both of which are turned on. A red box highlights the 'CoPilot Security Group Management' toggle, and a red arrow points to it. Below the toggles, dropdown menus for 'VPC/VNet' and 'CoPilot' are visible, showing specific resource IDs.

- You can enable CoPilot Security Group Management in CoPilot from **Settings > Configuration > General**



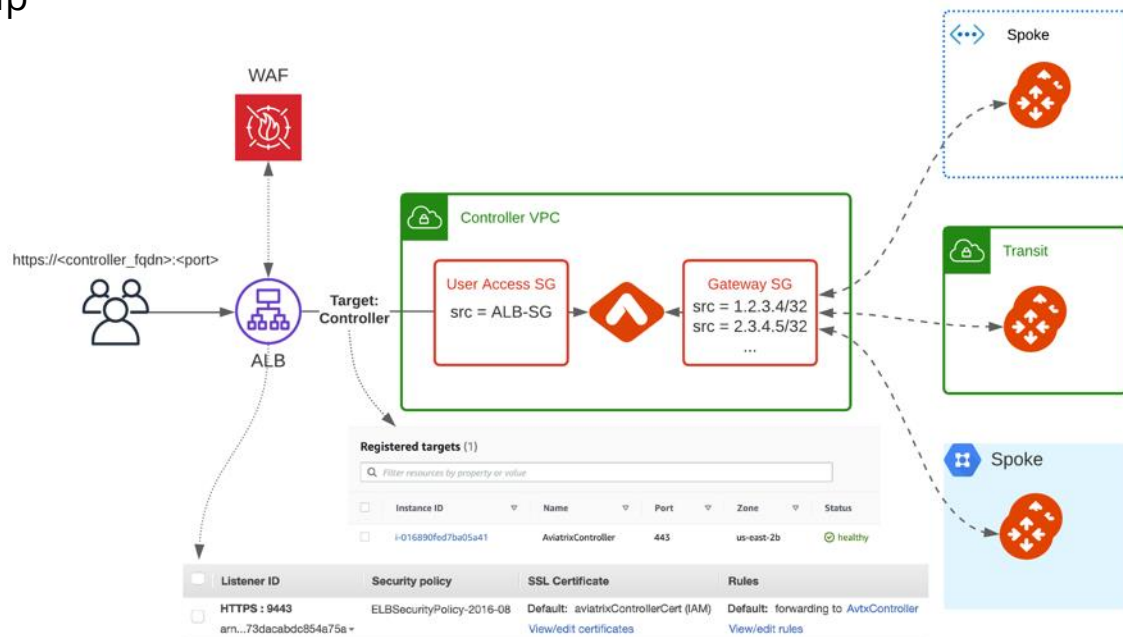
## Securing the Platform with Cloud Native Load Balancers



# Problem Statement

- Enterprise concerns around putting Aviatrix Controller with a public IP in a Public subnet
- Enterprises need tighter security and availability
- What are the options?
  1. Limit access using cloud native L4 stateful firewalls such as:
    - AWS Security Groups
    - Azure Network Security Groups
    - GCP Firewall Rules
  2. Deploy a third-party Firewall in front of controller
  3. Deploy an Application (L7) Load Balancer in front of Aviatrix Controller

- Verify that the Controller Security Group Management feature is NOT disabled. This feature allows access to the Controller EIP from Aviatrix Gateways, solely
- Create a new internet facing ALB
- Modify main Controller Security Group to only allow access from the ALB Security Group
- Enable WAF on the ALB with AWS Managed Rules
- Adjust ALB idle timeout, modify rulesets
- Modify ALB Security Group to only allow access from the admin user IP





# Aviatrix Cloud Firewall

## Private workloads need internet access

- SaaS integration

- Patching



- Updates



# Understanding the Pain

## *Improve Security and Lower Cloud Costs*

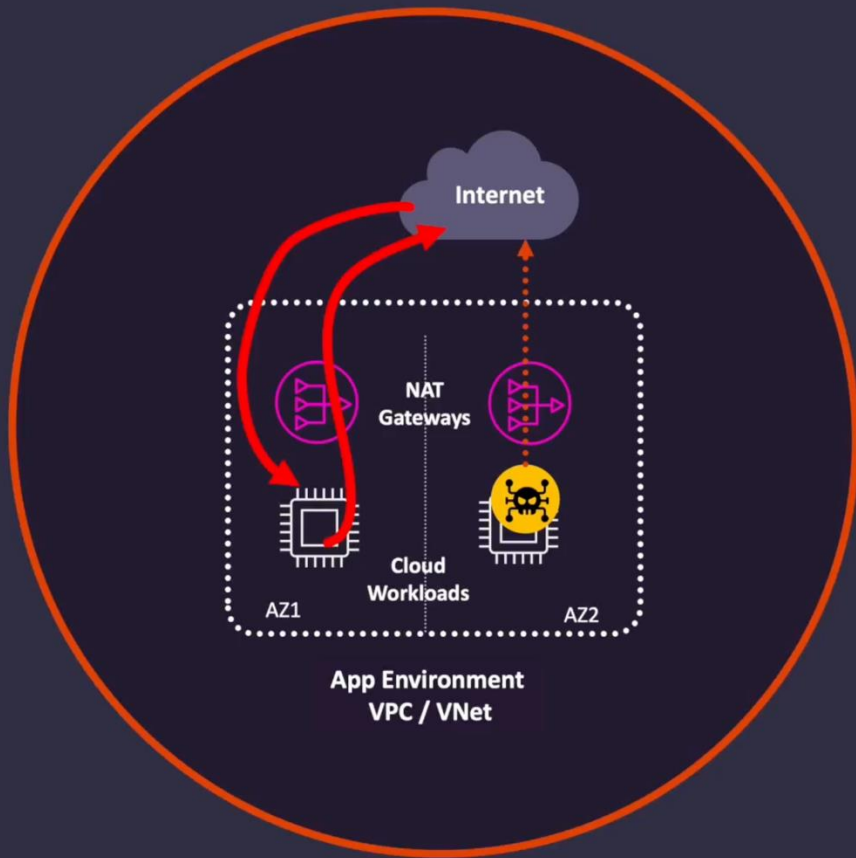


- **Business Pain**

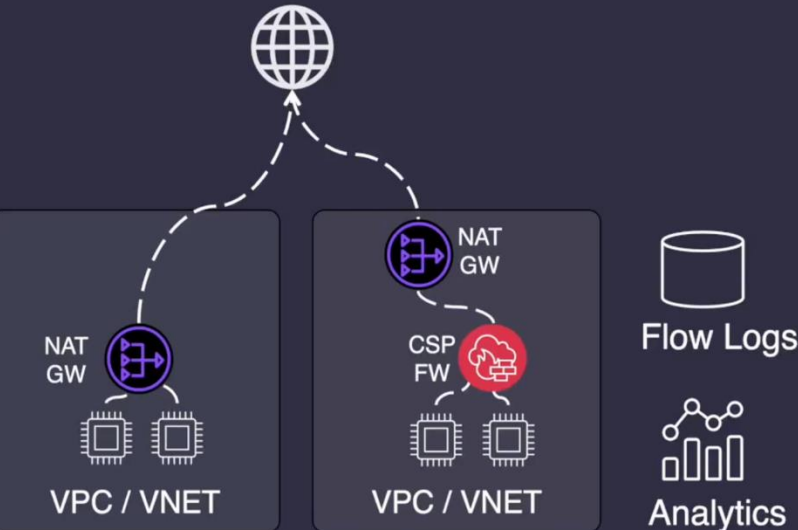
- Excessive Cloud Costs
- Lack of Compliance & Governance
- Risk to Business-Critical Workloads
- Regulatory Fines and Penalties
- Brand Health and Customer Trust

- **Technical Pain**

- No Policy Enforcement
- Slow Troubleshooting and Forensics
- Identifying Noisy Workloads
- Support Distributed Deployments
- Advanced Inspection Capabilities



# Two Common Paths



## 1. Distributed Cloud Provider Services

- Expensive: High data-processing costs
- Zero / Weak Security
- Poor Visibility
  - Some visibility with a lot of tools
- Log storage and analytics costs
- No centralized intelligence
- Not multi-cloud capable

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CLOUD SECURITY

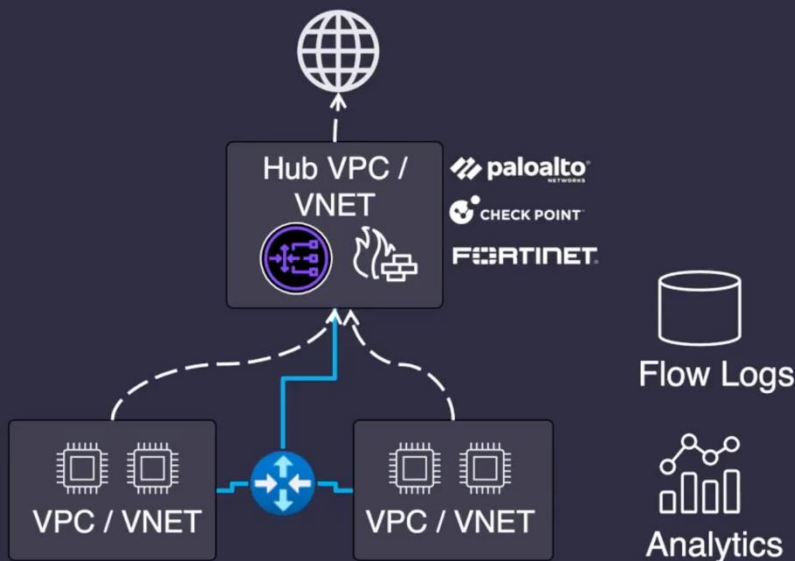
### CyberRatings.org Announces Test Results for Cloud Service Provider Native Firewalls

Protection ranged from 0.38% to 50.57% for security effectiveness.

# Two Common Paths

## 2. Central Virtualized Appliances

- Very Expensive
- Not built for cloud: operational complexity
- No support for Island VPCs / VNets
- Requires Overly Complex Routing Architecture
- Security Hub Connectivity dependent
- No centralized network and security intelligence
- Additional troubleshooting issues
- Not multi-cloud deployable



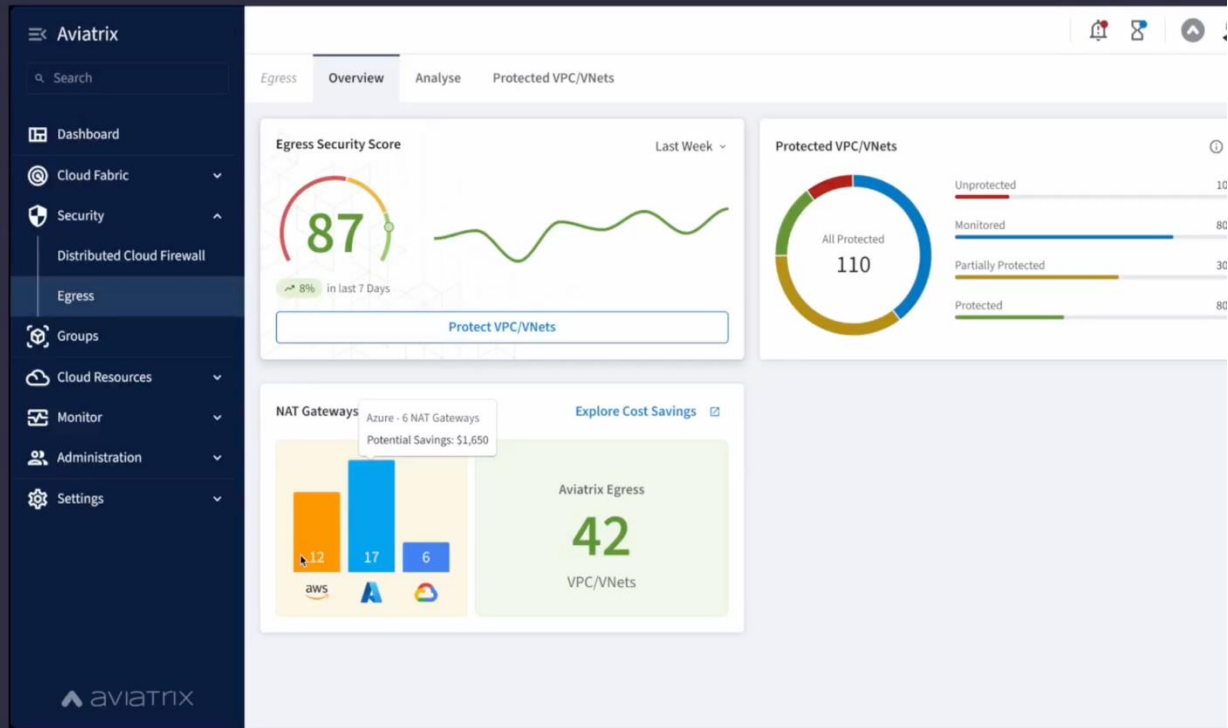
# Aviatrix Cloud Firewall

## What it is:

- Central Policy Management & Observability
- Distributed Enforcement: at the workload

## What you get:

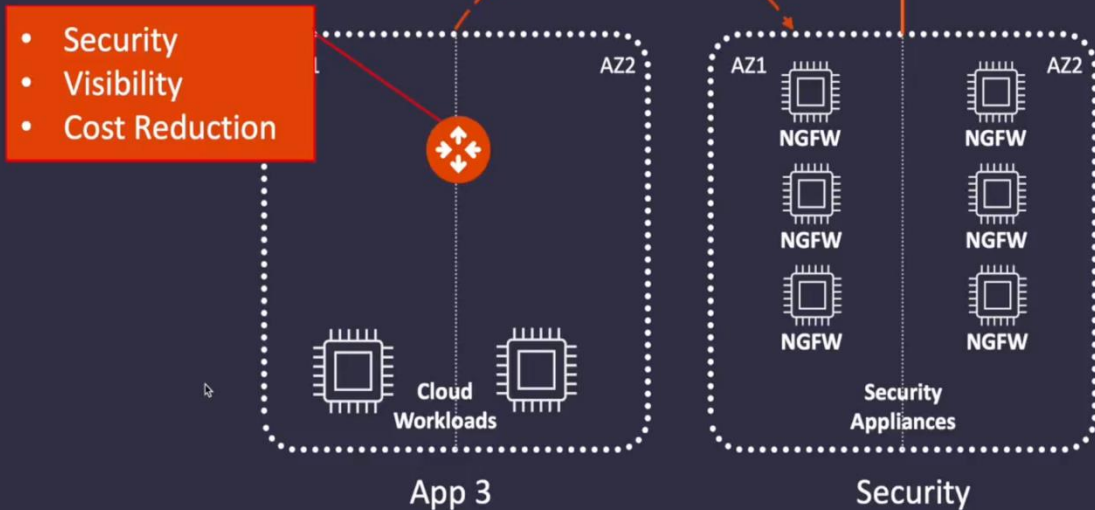
- Secure Networking that's:
  - Agile,
  - Reduces Costs & Complexity
  - Increases Visibility





# Central Virtualized Appliances vs Aviatrix

- Reduce Data Transfer Costs:
  - Enforcement at the Workload
- Reduced Data Transfer Costs \$\$\$
- Reduced Route Complexity
- Reduced Operational Pain



# Distributed Cloud Provider Services vs Aviatrix

- Consolidation of Egress Security Stack
- Reduction in complexity
- Reduction in Data Transfer Costs \$\$\$
- Reduction in Operational Pain



**Aviatrix Cloud  
Firewall**

**For LESS than  
your NAT GW  
Data Transfer Bill**

Logging and  
Analysis

VPC Traffic  
Mirroring

Amazon  
GuardDuty

Route 53  
Resolver DNS  
Firewall

EC2 Security  
Groups and  
Network ACLs

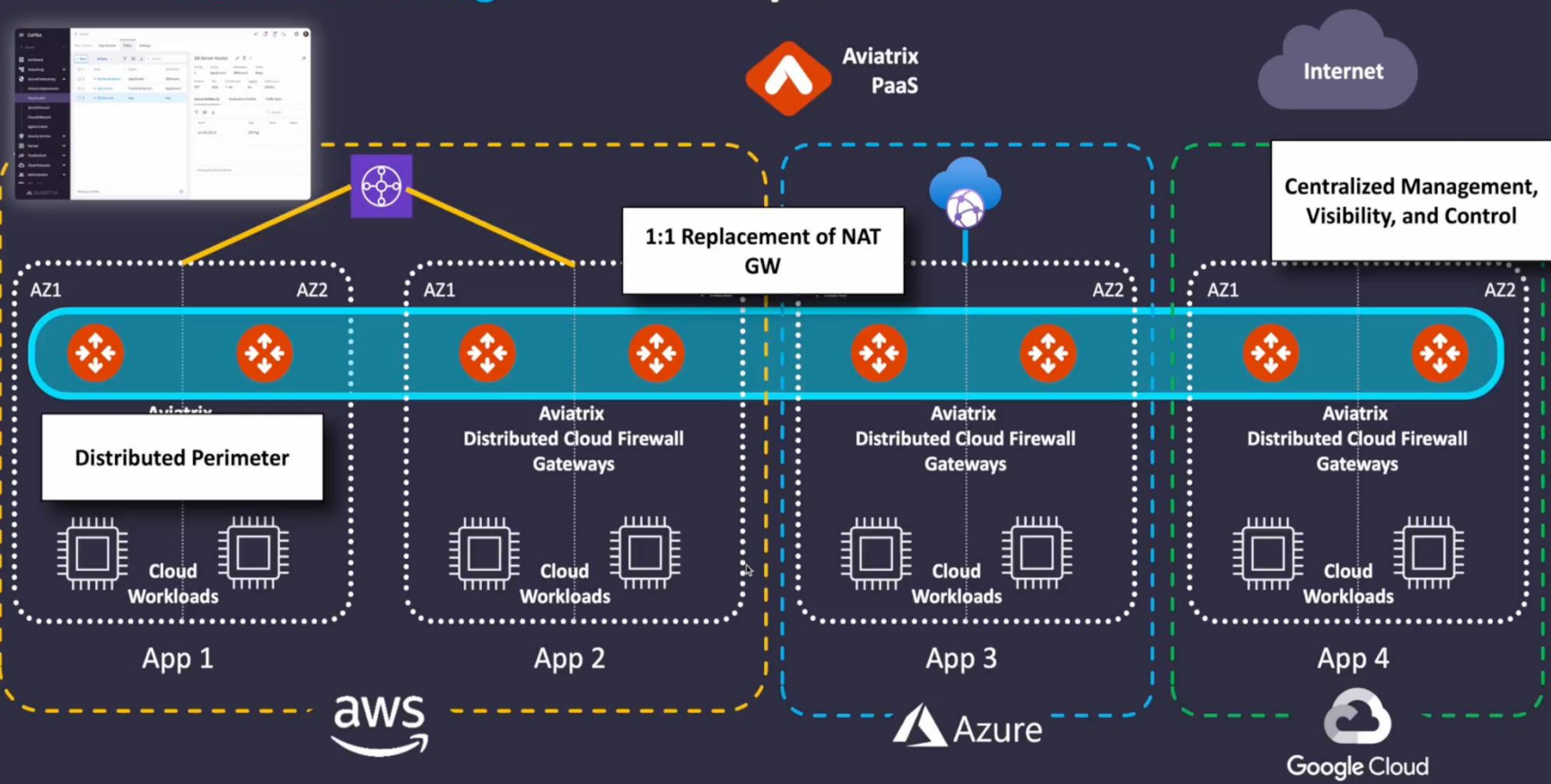
AWS Firewall

AWS NAT GW

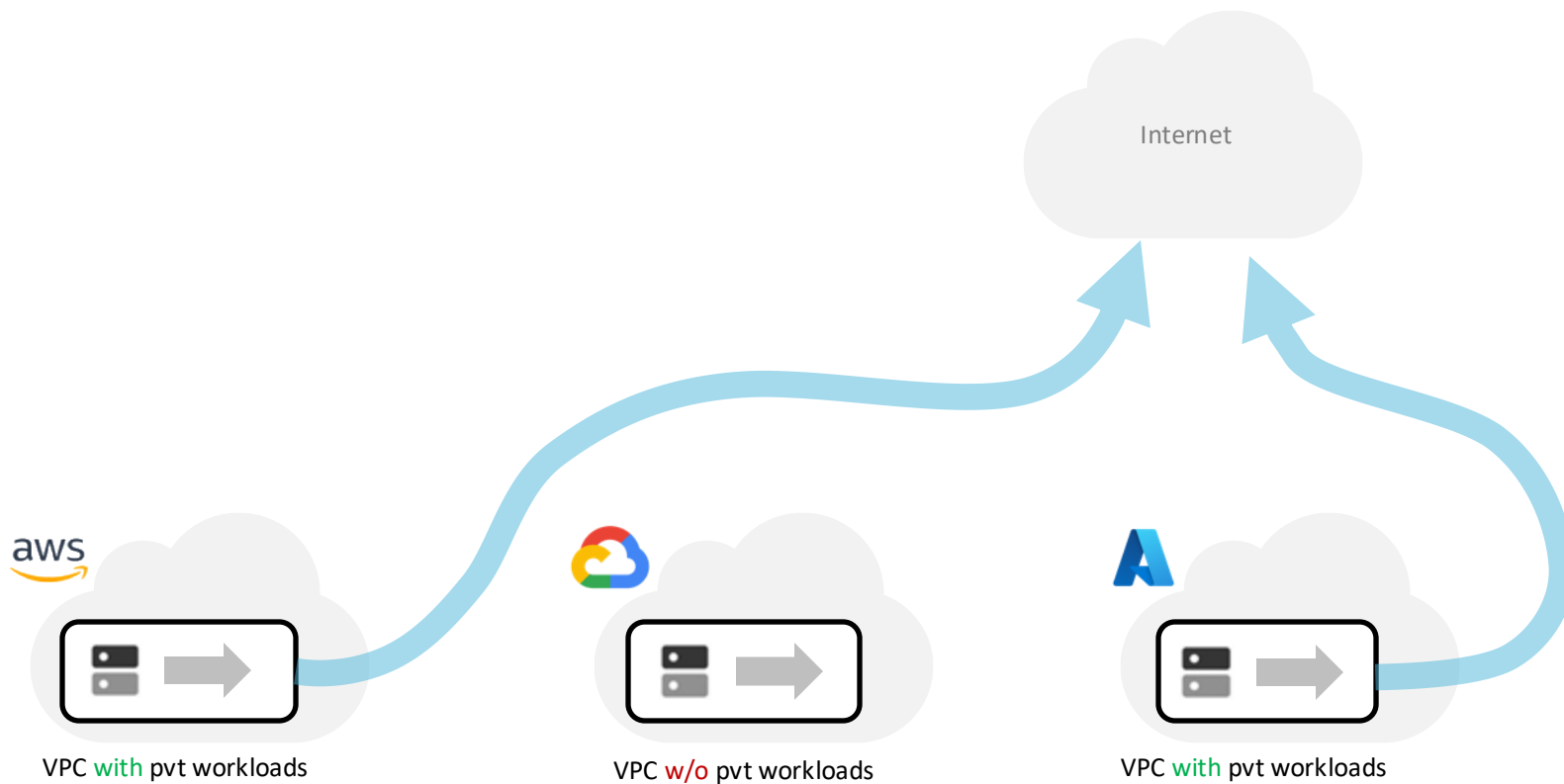
Cost and Complexity

<https://aviatrix.com/aviatrix-paas>

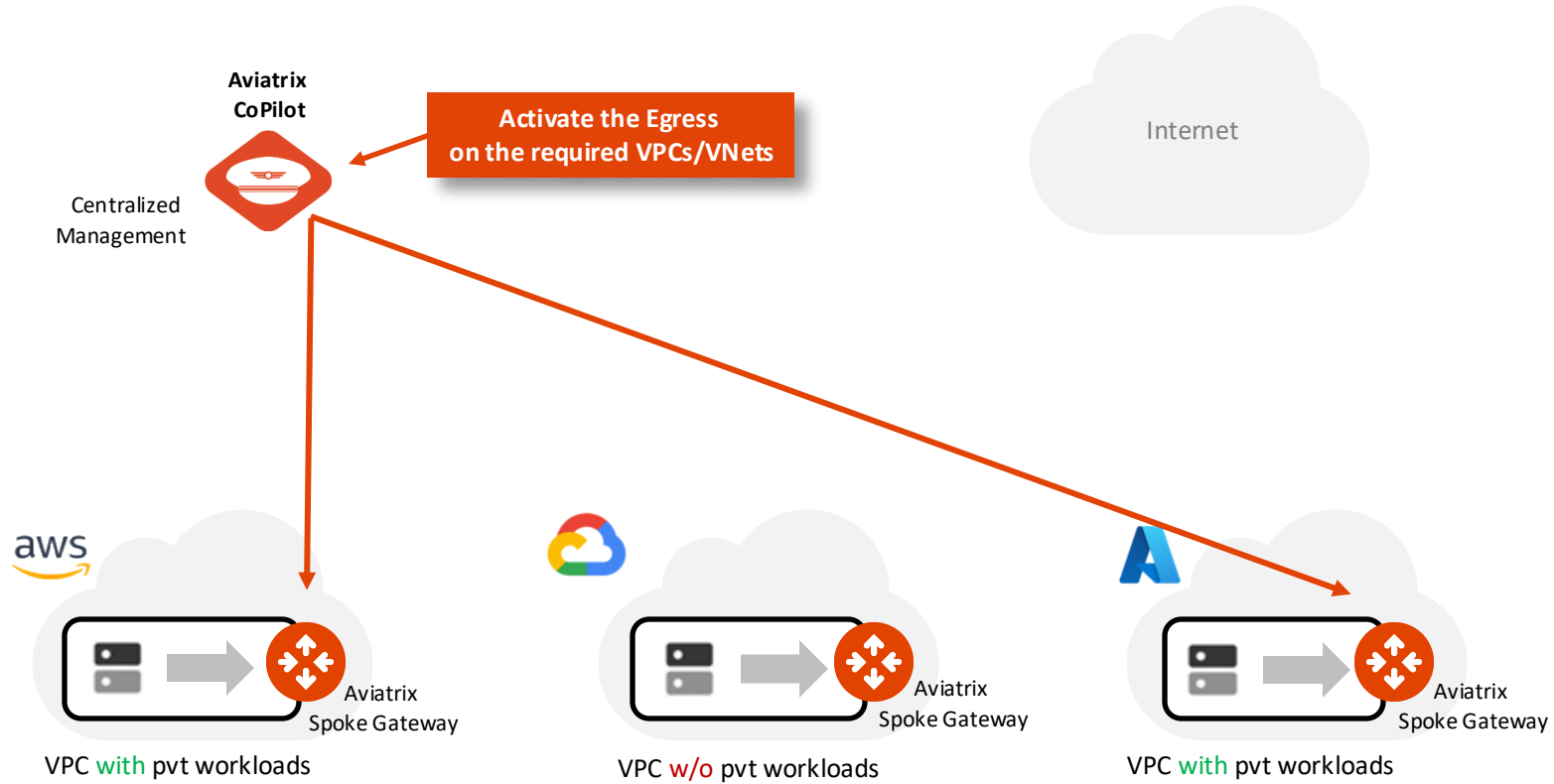
# Achieve 25% Cost Savings over 1<sup>st</sup> Party NAT GWs



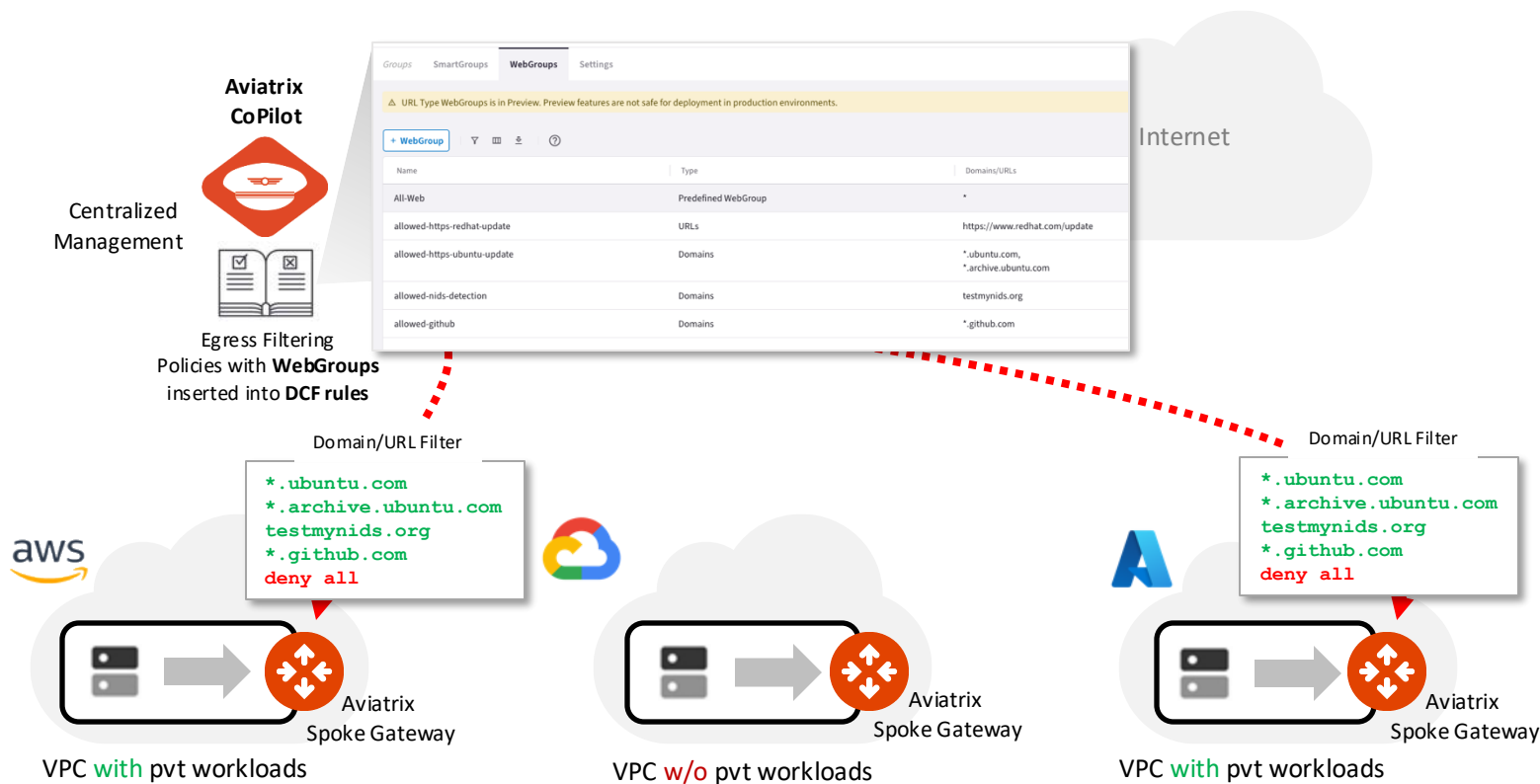
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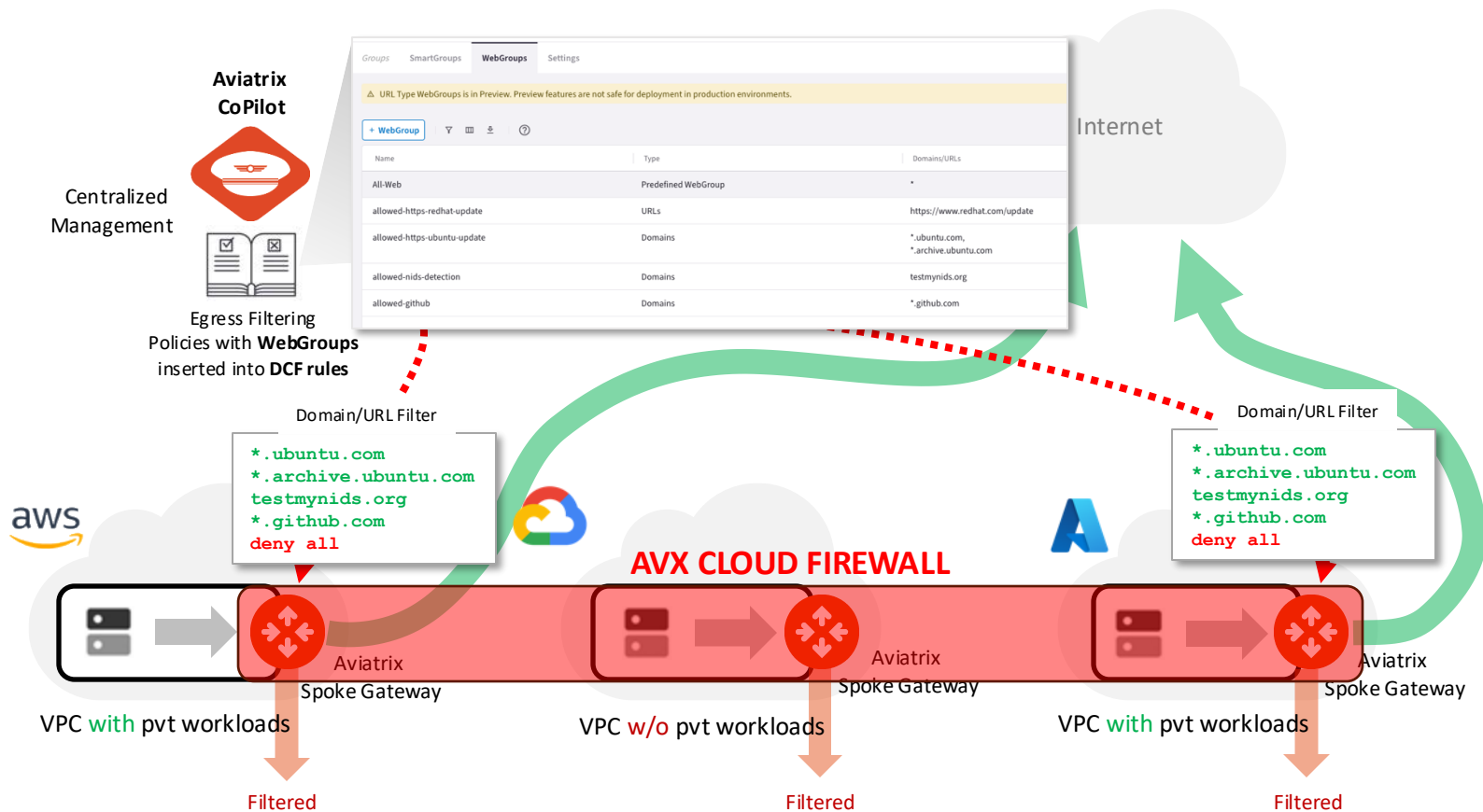
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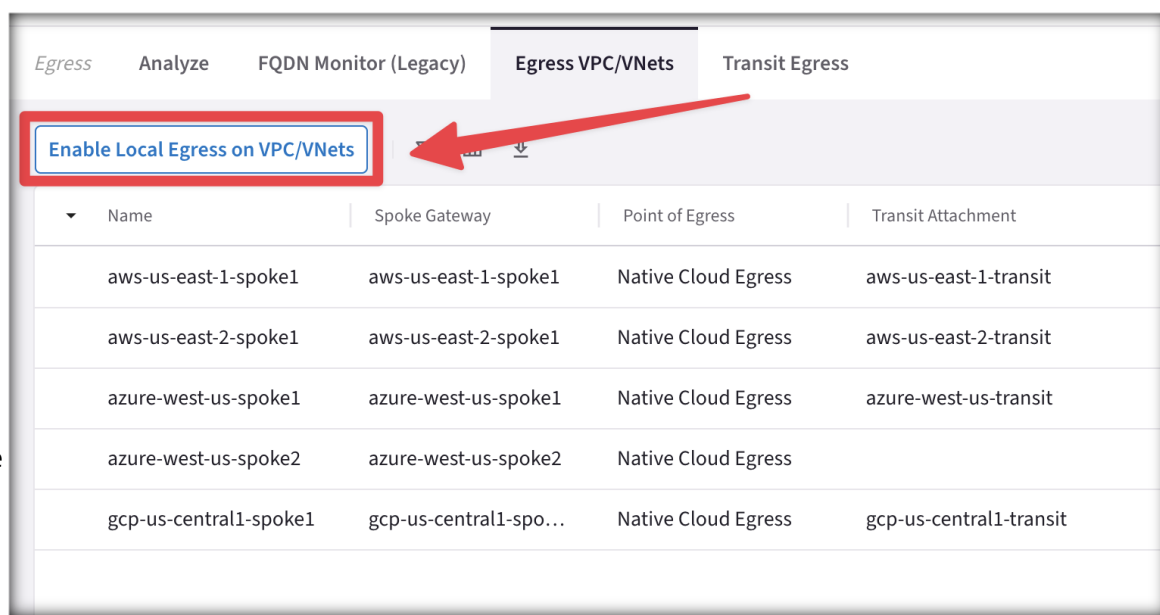


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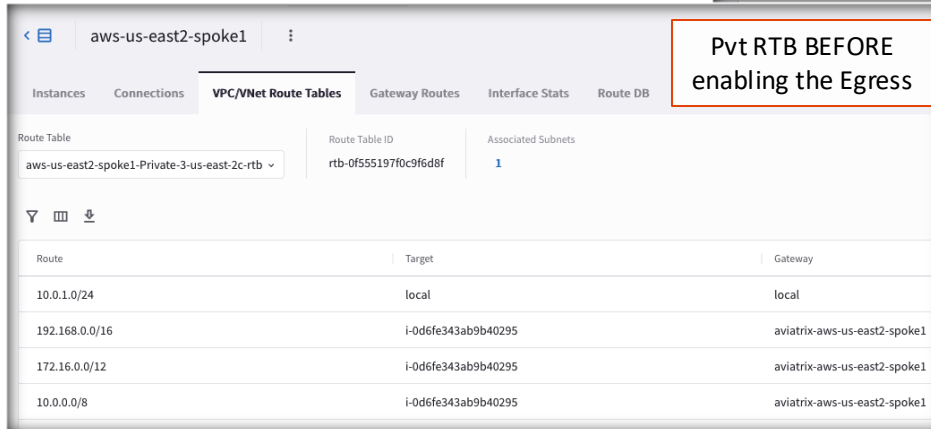


# Enabling Egress

- Adding Egress Control on VPC/VNet changes the default route on VPC/VNet to point to the Spoke Gateway and enables **SNAT**.
- In addition to the **Local route**, the **three RFC1918 routes**, also a **default route** will be injected.
- CAVEAT: Egress Control also requires additional resources on the Spoke Gateway (i.e. scale up the VM size). Before enabling Egress Control on Spoke Gateways, ensure that you have created the additional CPU resources on the Spoke Gateway required to support Egress Control.

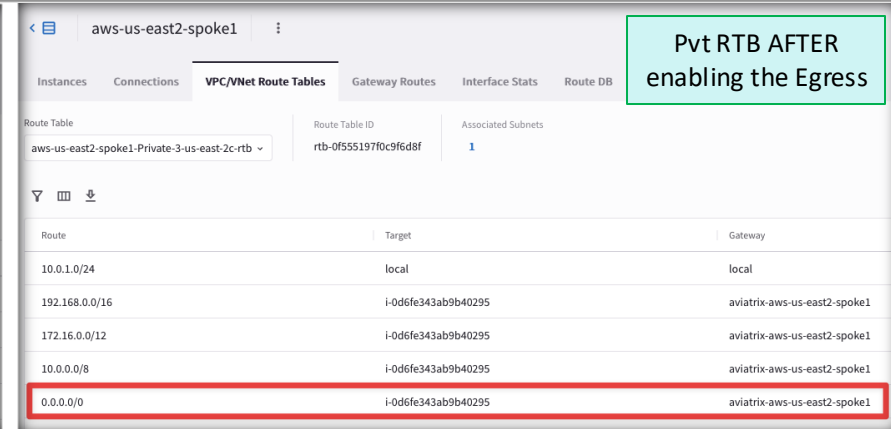


Name	Spoke Gateway	Point of Egress	Transit Attachment
aws-us-east-1-spoke1	aws-us-east-1-spoke1	Native Cloud Egress	aws-us-east-1-transit
aws-us-east-2-spoke1	aws-us-east-2-spoke1	Native Cloud Egress	aws-us-east-2-transit
azure-west-us-spoke1	azure-west-us-spoke1	Native Cloud Egress	azure-west-us-transit
azure-west-us-spoke2	azure-west-us-spoke2	Native Cloud Egress	
gcp-us-central1-spoke1	gcp-us-central1-spo...	Native Cloud Egress	gcp-us-central1-transit



Pvt RTB BEFORE enabling the Egress

Route	Target	Gateway
10.0.1.0/24	local	local
192.168.0.0/16	i-0d6fe343ab9b40295	aviatrix-aws-us-east2-spoke1
172.16.0.0/12	i-0d6fe343ab9b40295	aviatrix-aws-us-east2-spoke1
10.0.0.0/8	i-0d6fe343ab9b40295	aviatrix-aws-us-east2-spoke1



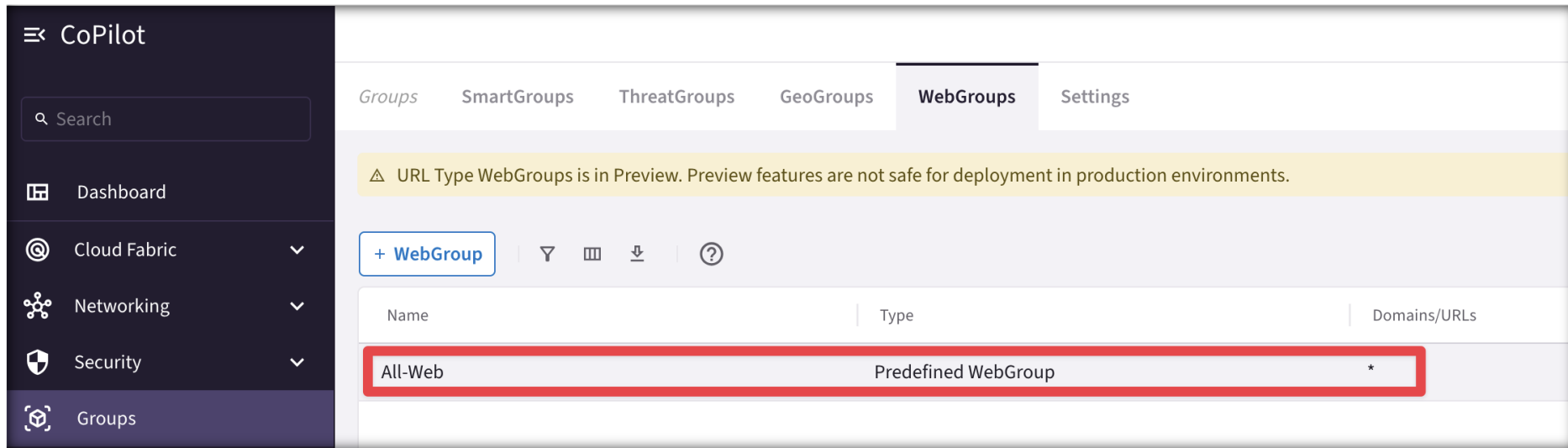
Pvt RTB AFTER enabling the Egress

Route	Target	Gateway
10.0.1.0/24	local	local
192.168.0.0/16	i-0d6fe343ab9b40295	aviatrix-aws-us-east2-spoke1
172.16.0.0/12	i-0d6fe343ab9b40295	aviatrix-aws-us-east2-spoke1
10.0.0.0/8	i-0d6fe343ab9b40295	aviatrix-aws-us-east2-spoke1
0.0.0.0/0	i-0d6fe343ab9b40295	aviatrix-aws-us-east2-spoke1



# Predefined WebGroup: All-Web

- When you navigate to **CoPilot > Groups**, a predefined WebGroup, *All-Web*, has already been created for you.
- This is an "allow-all" WebGroup that you must select in a Distributed Cloud Firewall rule if you do not want to limit the Internet-bound traffic for that rule, but you still want to log the FQDNs that are being accessed.



The screenshot shows the Aviatrix CoPilot interface. On the left is a dark sidebar with the 'CoPilot' header and a search bar. Below the search bar are navigation links: Dashboard, Cloud Fabric, Networking, Security, and Groups. The 'Groups' link is selected. The main content area has tabs for Groups, SmartGroups, ThreatGroups, GeoGroups, WebGroups, and Settings. The 'WebGroups' tab is active. A yellow warning banner states: 'URL Type WebGroups is in Preview. Preview features are not safe for deployment in production environments.' Below the banner is a '+ WebGroup' button and icons for filter, view, download, and help. A table lists the WebGroups:

Name	Type	Domains/URLs
All-Web	Predefined WebGroup	*

The 'All-Web' row is highlighted with a red border.

# Monitor

- On the **FQDN Monitor (Legacy)** section you can retrieve all the logs and therefore distinguish the domains that should be permitted from those ones that should be denied.

Egress Analyze **FQDN Monitor (Legacy)** Egress VPC/VNets Transit Egress

Filters

Time Period: Last 24 Hours Start: Apr 03, 2025 12:00 PM End: Now VPC/VNets: accounting-aws-spoke-dev

Timestamp	Source IP	VPC/VNet	Domain	Port	Rule Match
Apr 4, 2025 11:50 AM	10.1.2.5	accounting-aws-spoke-dev	ssm.us-east-1.amazonaws...	443	Matched
Apr 4, 2025 11:21 AM	10.1.2.5	accounting-aws-spoke-dev	ssm.us-east-1.amazonaws...	443	Matched
Apr 4, 2025 11:11 AM	10.1.2.5	accounting-aws-spoke-dev	api.snapcraft.io	443	Matched
Apr 4, 2025 11:10 AM	10.1.2.5	accounting-aws-spoke-dev	api.snapcraft.io	443	Matched
Apr 4, 2025 11:10 AM	10.1.2.5	accounting-aws-spoke-dev	api.snapcraft.io	443	Matched
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Apr 4, 2025 8:06 AM	10.1.2.5	accounting-aws-spoke-dev	ssm.us-east-1.amazonaws...	443	Matched

## Top Rules Hit

www.wikipedia.com (80)	3
www.football.com (80)	3
www.espn.com (80)	3
www.aviatrix.com (80)	3
us-east-2.ec2.archive.ubuntu.com (80)	3
security.ubuntu.com (80)	1
esm.ubuntu.com (443)	1

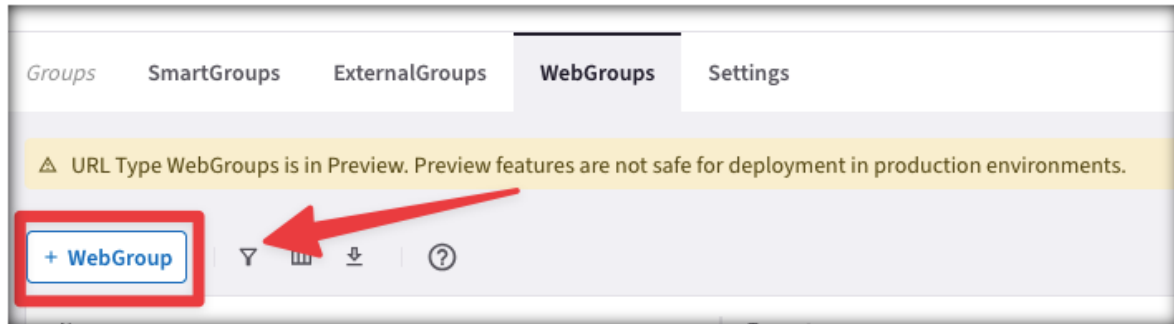
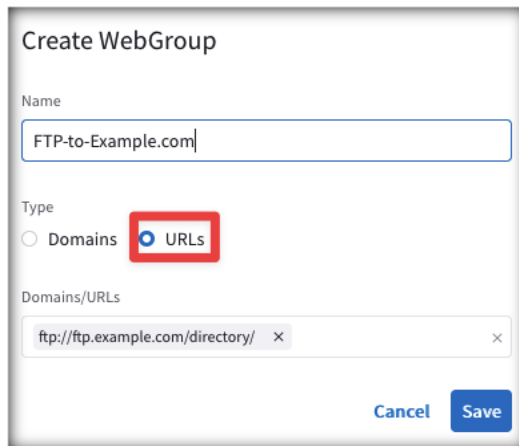
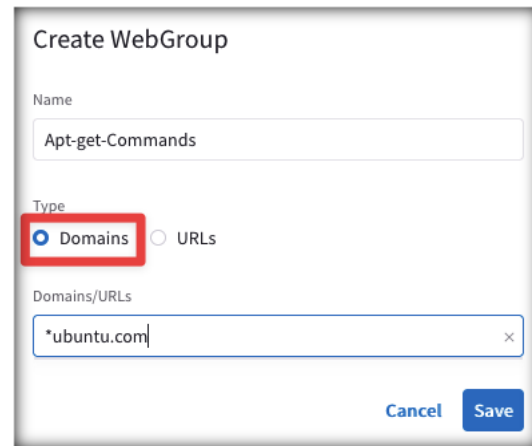
Allowed

Allowed

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# WebGroup Creation

- **WebGroups** are groupings of domains and URLs, inserted into Distributed Cloud Firewall rules, that filter (and provide security to) Internet-bound traffic.
- In addition to the predefined WebGroup **All-Web**, you can also create two kind of custom WebGroups:
  1. **URLs WebGroup**: for HTTP/HTTPS and for other protocols, but you need to define the full Path.
    - CAVEAT: TLS Decryption must be turned on when URLs-based WebGroups are used.
  2. **Domains WebGroup**: for HTTP and HTTPS traffic (wild cards are supported – i.e. partial names).

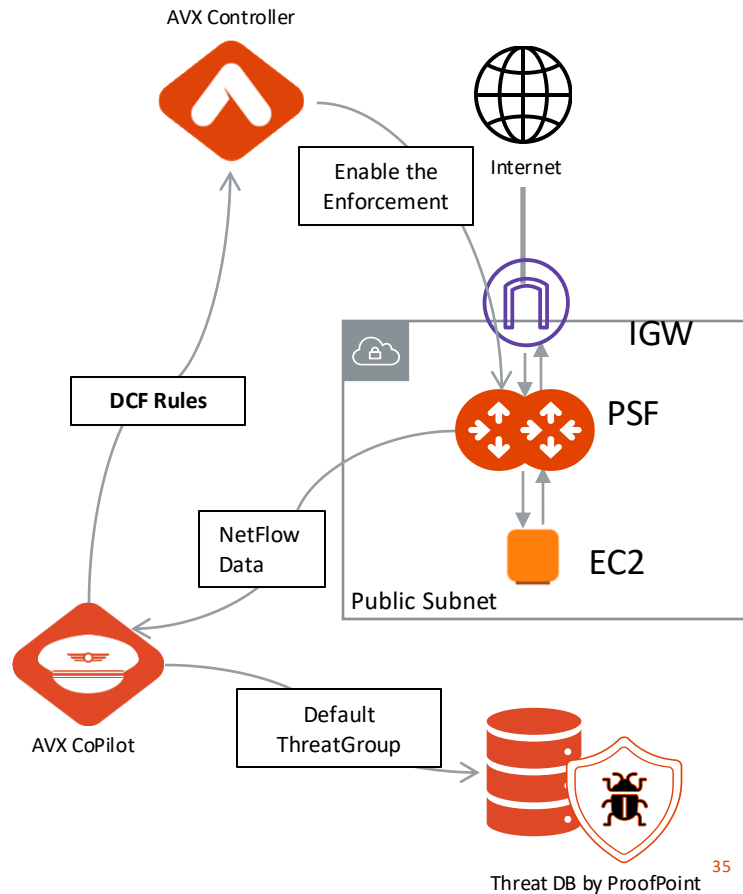






Aviatrix PSF GW(aka Public Subnet  
Filtering Gateway)

# Aviatrix Public Subnet Filtering Gateways (PSF GWs)

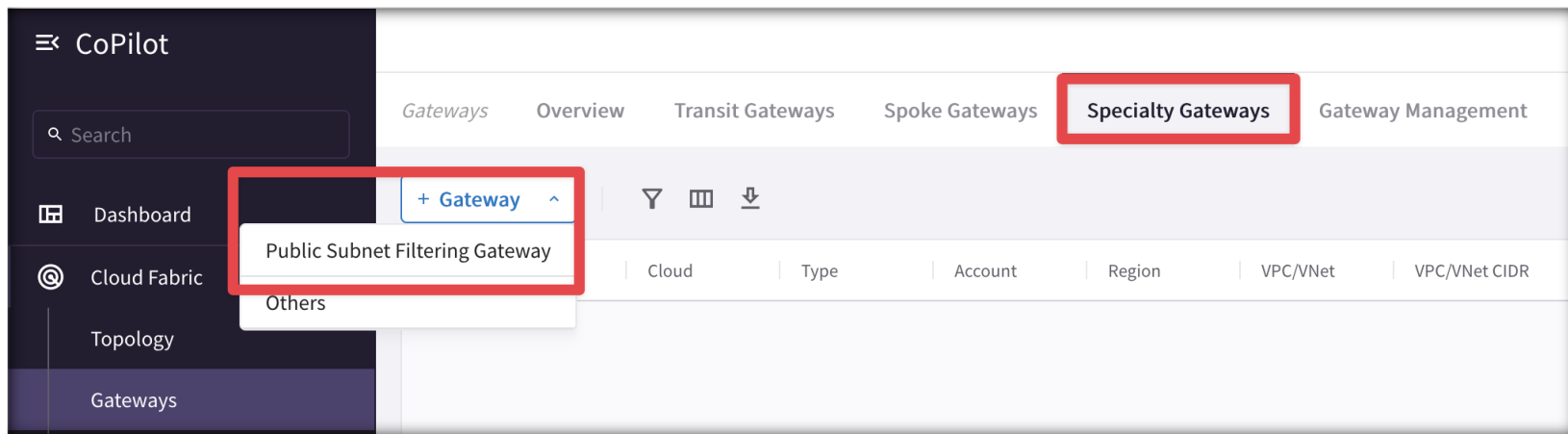
- **Public Subnet Filtering Gateways (PSF** gateways) provide ingress and egress security for **AWS** public subnets where instances have public IP addresses.
- After the Public Subnet Filtering (PSF) gateway is launched, you can apply also DCF (Distributed Cloud Firewall) rules – *enforcement must be enabled*.
- The PSF Gateway acts as a **standalone Gateway** (it's neither a Spoke nor a Transit).
- Leverage the **Default ThreatGroup** (i.e., a Malicious IP addresses DB supplied by ProofPoint) if you want to prevent attacks towards your public-facing workloads.



# Aviatrix PSF Deployment Workflow (part.1)

To deploy a Public Subnet Filtering Gateway:

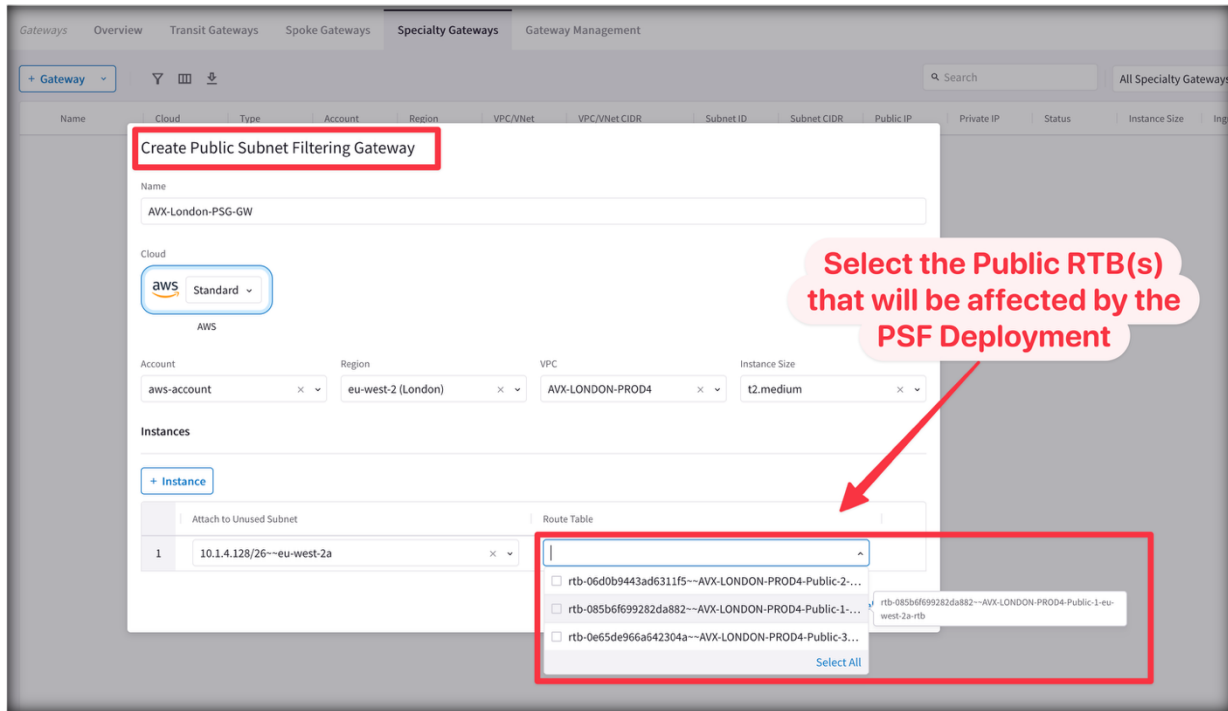
1. In CoPilot, navigate to **Cloud Fabric** > **Gateways** > **Speciality Gateways** tab.
2. Click **+Gateway** and select **Public Subnet Filtering Gateway**.



# Aviatrix PSF Deployment Workflow (part.2)

3. Fill up the relevant fields with the required parameters.
4. Select the Public RTB that will get its default route affected (i.e. pointing to the PSF, instead of the IGW)

After the Public Subnet Filtering Gateway is deployed, **Ingress traffic** from IGW is routed to the gateway in a “pass through” manner. **Egress traffic** from instances in the protected public subnets is routed to the PSF gateway in a pass through manner.



**Create Public Subnet Filtering Gateway**

Name: AVX-London-PSG-GW

Cloud: aws Standard

Account: aws-account Region: eu-west-2 (London) VPC: AVX-LONDON-PROD4 Instance Size: t2.medium

Instances

+ Instance

	Attach to Unused Subnet	Route Table
1	10.1.4.128/26--eu-west-2a	<div> <input type="checkbox"/> rtb-06d0b9443ad6311f5--AVX-LONDON-PROD4-Public-2-...           <input type="checkbox"/> rtb-085b6f699282da882--AVX-LONDON-PROD4-Public-1-...           <input type="checkbox"/> rtb-0e65de966a642304a--AVX-LONDON-PROD4-Public-3-...         </div>

Select All

**Select the Public RTB(s) that will be affected by the PSF Deployment**

# Enforcement on PSF

The Enforcement of DCF (Distributed Cloud Firewall) rules on the PSF Gateway is *disabled* by default.

- CAVEAT: This feature must be enabled if you want the AVX Controller to push DCF Rules to this standalone Gateway as well.

## Enforcement on PSF Gateways ⚠ Preview

Control the application of Distributed Cloud Firewall Policy on PSF Gateways.

Status

☐ Disabled

[Enable](#)





## Lab 5 – Aviatrix Cloud Firewall (with Secure Egress)