» acme_registration

The acme_registration resource can be used to create and manage accounts on an ACME server. Once registered, the same private key that has been used for registration can be used to request authorizations for certificates.

This resource is named acme_registration for historical reasons - in the ACME v1 spec, a *registration* referred to the account entity. This resource name is stable and more than likely will not change until a later major version of the provider, if at all.

Keep in mind that when using this resource along with acme_certificate within the same configuration, a change in the provider-level server_url (example: from the Let's Encrypt staging to production environment) within the same Terraform state will result in a resource failure, as Terraform will attempt to look for the account in the wrong CA. Consider different workspaces per environment, and/or using multiple provider instances.

» Example

The following creates an account off of a private key generated with the tls_private_key resource.

```
provider "acme" {
    server_url = "https://acme-staging-v02.api.letsencrypt.org/directory"
}

resource "tls_private_key" "private_key" {
    algorithm = "RSA"
}

resource "acme_registration" "reg" {
    account_key_pem = "${tls_private_key.private_key.private_key_pem}"
    email_address = "nobody@example.com"
}
```

» Argument Reference

NOTE: All arguments in acme_registration force a new resource if changed.

The resource takes the following arguments:

- account_key_pem (Required) The private key used to identity the account.
- email_address (Required) The contact email address for the account.

» Attribute Reference

The following attributes are exported:

- id: The original full URL of the account.
- registration_url: The current full URL of the account.

id and registration_url will usually be the same and will usually only diverge when migrating protocols, ie: ACME v1 to v2.

» acme_certificate

The acme_certificate resource can be used to create and manage an ACME TLS certificate.

NOTE: As the usage model of Terraform generally sees it as being run on a different server than a certificate would normally be placed on, the acme_certificate resource only supports DNS challenges.

» Example

The below example is the same example that can be found on the index page, and creates both an account and certificate within the same configuration. The account is created using the acme_registration resource.

NOTE: When creating accounts and certificates within the same configuration, ensure that you reference the account_key_pem argument in the acme_registration resource as the corresponding account_key_pem argument in the acme_certificate resource. This will ensure that the account gets created before the certificate and avoid errors.

```
provider "acme" {
    server_url = "https://acme-staging-v02.api.letsencrypt.org/directory"
}

resource "tls_private_key" "private_key" {
    algorithm = "RSA"
}

resource "acme_registration" "reg" {
    account_key_pem = "${tls_private_key.private_key.private_key_pem}"
    email_address = "nobody@example.com"
}

resource "acme_certificate" "certificate" {
    account_key_pem = "${acme_registration.reg.account_key_pem}"
```

» Using an external CSR

The acme_certificate resource can also take an external CSR. In this example, we create one using tls_cert_request first, before supplying it to the certificate_request_pem argument.

NOTE: Some current ACME CA implementations (including Let's Encrypt) strip most of the organization information out of a certificate request subject. You may wish to confirm with the CA what behavior to expect when using the certificate_request_pem argument with this resource.

NOTE: It is not a good practice to use the same private key for both your account and your certificate. Make sure you use different keys.

```
provider "acme" {
  server_url = "https://acme-staging-v02.api.letsencrypt.org/directory"
resource "tls_private_key" "reg_private_key" {
  algorithm = "RSA"
resource "acme_registration" "reg" {
  account_key_pem = "${tls_private_key.reg_private_key.private_key_pem}"
  email address
                = "nobody@example.com"
}
resource "tls private key" "cert private key" {
  algorithm = "RSA"
}
resource "tls_cert_request" "req" {
 key_algorithm = "RSA"
 private_key_pem = "${tls_private_key.cert_private_key.private_key_pem}"
                 = ["www.example.com", "www2.example.com"]
 dns_names
  subject {
    common_name = "www.example.com"
```

» Argument Reference

The resource takes the following arguments:

NOTE: All arguments in acme_certificate, other than min_days_remaining, force a new resource when changed.

- account_key_pem (Required) The private key of the account that is requesting the certificate.
- common_name The certificate's common name, the primary domain that the certificate will be recognized for. Required when not specifying a CSR.
- subject_alternative_names The certificate's subject alternative names, domains that this certificate will also be recognized for. Only valid when not specifying a CSR.
- key_type The key type for the certificate's private key. Can be one of: P256 and P384 (for ECDSA keys of respective length) or 2048, 4096, and 8192 (for RSA keys of respective length). Required when not specifying a CSR. The default is 2048 (RSA key of 2048 bits).
- certificate_request_pem A pre-created certificate request, such as one from tls_cert_request, or one from an external source, in PEM format. Either this, or the in-resource request options (common_name, key_type, and optionally subject_alternative_names) need to be specified.
- dns_challenge (Required) The DNS challenges to use in fulfilling the request.
- recursive_nameservers (Optional) The recursive nameservers that will be used to check for propagation of the challenge record. Defaults to your system-configured DNS resolvers.
- must_staple (Optional) Enables the OCSP Stapling Required TLS Security Policy extension. Certificates with this extension must include a valid OCSP Staple in the TLS handshake for the connection to succeed. Defaults to false. Note that this option has no effect when using an external CSR it must be enabled in the CSR itself.

NOTE: OCSP stapling requires specific webserver configuration to support

the downloading of the staple from the CA's OCSP endpoints, and should be configured to tolerate prolonged outages of the OCSP service. Consider this when using must_staple, and only enable it if you are sure your webserver or service provider can be configured correctly.

- min_days_remaining (Optional) The minimum amount of days remaining on the expiration of a certificate before a renewal is attempted. The default is 30. A value of less than 0 means that the certificate will never be renewed.
- certificate_p12_password (Optional) Password to be used when generating the PFX file stored in certificate_p12. Defaults to an empty string.

» Using DNS challenges

As the usage model of Terraform generally sees it as being run on a different server than a certificate would normally be placed on, the acme_certificate resource only supports DNS challenges. This method authenticates certificate domains by requiring the requester to place a TXT record on the FQDNs in the certificate.

The ACME provider responds to DNS challenges automatically by utilizing one of the supported DNS challenge providers. Most providers take credentials as environment variables, but if you would rather use configuration for this purpose, you can by specifying config blocks within a dns_challenge block, along with the provider parameter.

For a full list of providers, click here.

Example with the Route 53 provider:

```
resource "acme_certificate" "certificate" {
    #...

dns_challenge {
    provider = "route53"

    config = {
        AWS_ACCESS_KEY_ID = "${var.aws_access_key}"
        AWS_SECRET_ACCESS_KEY = "${var.aws_secret_key}"
        AWS_DEFAULT_REGION = "us-east-1"
    }
}

#...
```

» Using Variable Files for Provider Arguments

Most provider arguments can be suffixed with _FILE to specify that you wish to store that value in a local file. This can be useful if local storage for these values is desired over configuration as variables or within the environment.

Building on the above Route 53 provider example, the following example uses local files to get the access key ID and secret access key.

```
resource "acme_certificate" "certificate" {
    #...

dns_challenge {
    provider = "route53"

    config = {
        AWS_ACCESS_KEY_ID_FILE = "/data/secrets/aws_access_key_id"
        AWS_SECRET_ACCESS_KEY_FILE = "/data/secrets/aws_secret_access_key"
        AWS_DEFAULT_REGION = "us-east-1"
    }
}
#...
}
```

» Manually specifying recursive nameservers for propagation checks

The ACME provider will normally use your system-configured DNS resolvers to check for propagation of the TXT records before proceeding with the certificate request. In split horizon scenarios, this check may never succeed, as the machine running Terraform may not have visibility into these public DNS records.

To override this default behavior, supply the recursive_nameservers to use as a list in host:port form within the dns_challenge block:

```
resource "acme_certificate" "certificate" {
    #...
    recursive_nameservers = ["8.8.8.8:53"]
    dns_challenge {
        provider = "route53"
    }
    #...
}
```

» Using multiple primary DNS providers

The ACME provider will allow you to configure multiple DNS challenges in the event that you have more than one primary DNS provider.

```
resource "acme_certificate" "certificate" {
    #...

    dns_challenge {
       provider = "azure"
    }

    dns_challenge {
       provider = "gcloud"
    }

    dns_challenge {
       provider = "route53"
    }

    #...
}
```

Some considerations need to be kept in mind when using multiple providers:

- You cannot use more than one provider of the same type at once.
- Your NS records must be correctly configured so that each DNS challenge provider can correctly discover the appropriate zone to update.
- DNS propagation checks are conducted once per configured common name and subject alternative name, using the highest configured or default propagation timeout (*_PROPAGATION_TIMEOUT) and polling interval (*_POLLING_INTERVAL) settings.

» Relation to Terraform provider configuration

The DNS provider configuration specified in the acme_certificate resource is separate from any that you supply in a corresponding provider whose functionality overlaps with the certificate's DNS providers. This ensures that there are no hard dependencies between any of these providers and the ACME provider, but it is important to note so that configuration is supplied correctly.

As an example, if you specify manual configuration for the AWS provider via the **provider** block instead of the environment, you will still need to supply the configuration explicitly as per above.

Some of these providers have environment variable settings that overlap with the ones found here, generally depending on whether or not these variables are supported by the corresponding provider's SDK.

Check the DNS provider page of a specific provider for more details on exactly what variables are supported.

» Certificate renewal

The acme_certificate resource handles automatic certificate renewal so long as a plan or apply is done within the number of days specified in the min_days_remaining resource parameter. During refresh, if Terraform detects that the certificate is within the expiry range specified in min_days_remaining, or is already expired, Terraform will mark the certificate to be renewed on the next apply.

Note that a value less than 0 supplied to min_days_remaining will cause renewal checks to be bypassed, and the certificate will never renew.

» Attribute Reference

The following attributes are exported:

- id The full URL of the certificate within the ACME CA.
- certificate_url The full URL of the certificate within the ACME CA. Same as id.
- certificate_domain The common name of the certificate.
- private_key_pem The certificate's private key, in PEM format, if the certificate was generated from scratch and not with certificate_request_pem. If certificate_request_pem was used, this will be blank.
- certificate_pem The certificate in PEM format. This does not include the issuer_pem. This certificate can be concatenated with issuer_pem to form a full chain.
- issuer_pem The intermediate certificate of the issuer.
- certificate_p12 The certificate, intermediate, and the private key archived as a PFX file (PKCS12 format, generally used by Microsoft products). The data is base64 encoded (including padding), and its password is configurable via the certificate_p12_password argument. This field is empty if creating a certificate from a CSR.