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analyst@a290ce02d304:~$ cat custom.rules
alert http $HOME_NET any -> $EXTERNAL_NET any (msg:"GET on wire"; flow:established,to_server; content:"GET"; http_method; sid:12345; rev:3;)
analyst@a290ce02d304:~$ ls -l /var/log/suricata
total 0
analyst@a290ce02d304:~$ sudo suricata -r sample.pcap -S custom.rules -k none
10/6/2023 -- 12:51:32 -- <Notice> - This is Suricata version 6.0.1 RELEASE running in USER mode
10/6/2023 -- 12:51:32 -- <Notice> - all 2 packet processing threads, 4 management threads initialized, engine started.
10/6/2023 -- 12:51:32 -- <Notice> - Signal Received. Stopping engine.
10/6/2023 -- 12:51:32 -- <Notice> - Pcap-file module read 1 files, 200 packets, 54238 bytes
analyst@a290ce02d304:~$ ls -l /var/log/suricata
total 16
-rw-r--r-- 1 root root 1418 Jun 10 12:51 eve.json
-rw-r--r-- 1 root root 292 Jun 10 12:51 fast.log
-rw-r--r-- 1 root root 2846 Jun 10 12:51 stats.log
-rw-r--r-- 1 root root 1512 Jun 10 12:51 suricata.log
analyst@a290ce02d304:~$ cat /var/log/suricata/fast.log
11/23/2022-12:38:34.624866 (**) [1:12345:3] GET on wire [**] [Classification: (null)] [Priority: 3] [TCP] 172.21.224.2:49652 -> 142.250.1.139:80
11/23/2022-12:38:58.958203 (**) [1:12345:3] GET on wire [**] [Classification: (null)] [Priority: 3] [TCP] 172.21.224.2:58494 -> 142.250.1.102:80
analyst@a290ce02d304:~$ cat /var/log/suricata/eve.json
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The action of the rule determined the action to take if all conditions were met. In this case, the action was an alert, which instructed Suricata to alert on selected network traffic.

The rule options allowed for customization of the signature with additional parameters. These options narrowed down the network traffic to be analyzed. In the example rule, options such as **msg**, **flow**, **content**, **sid**, and **rev** were used to specify the conditions for generating an alert.

After running Suricata, I examined the alert logs generated by Suricata in the **fast.log** file. Each entry in the **fast.log** corresponded to an alert triggered by Suricata when it processed a packet that met the conditions of the rule.

In conclusion, I successfully examined a custom rule, triggered it in Suricata, and analyzed the resulting alert logs and additional output in Suricata's log files.