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Subject: CTMSCS S2 P3 Malware Analysis

(TA-II Assignment)

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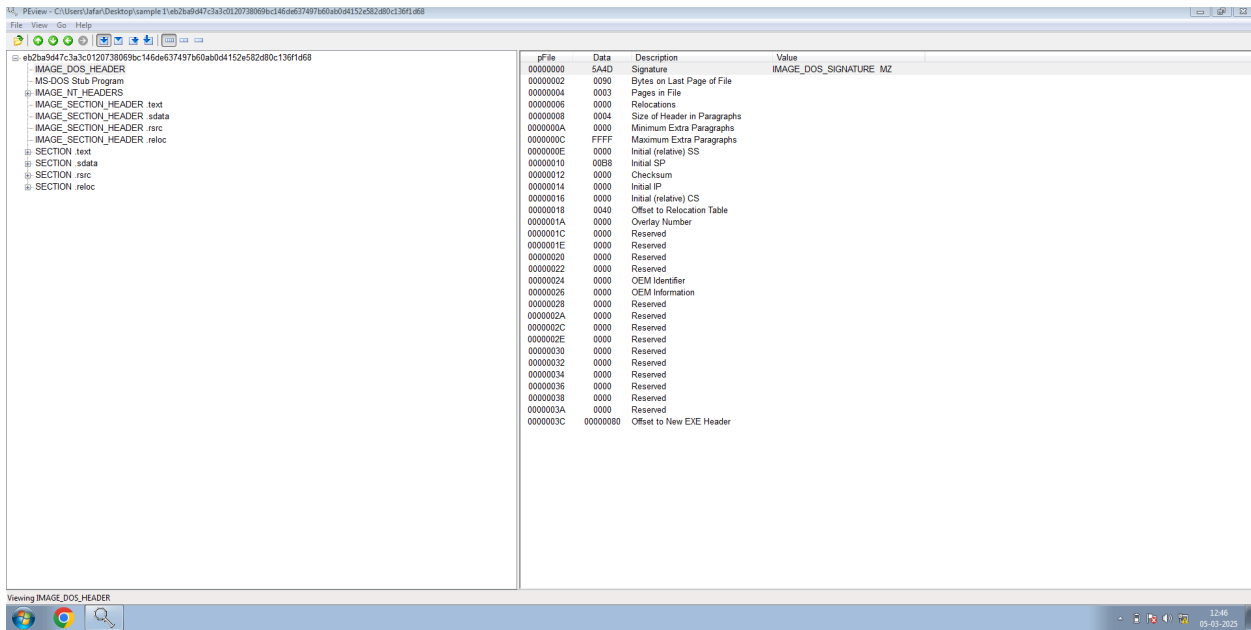
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SAMPLE 01 - SYRIAN MALWARE

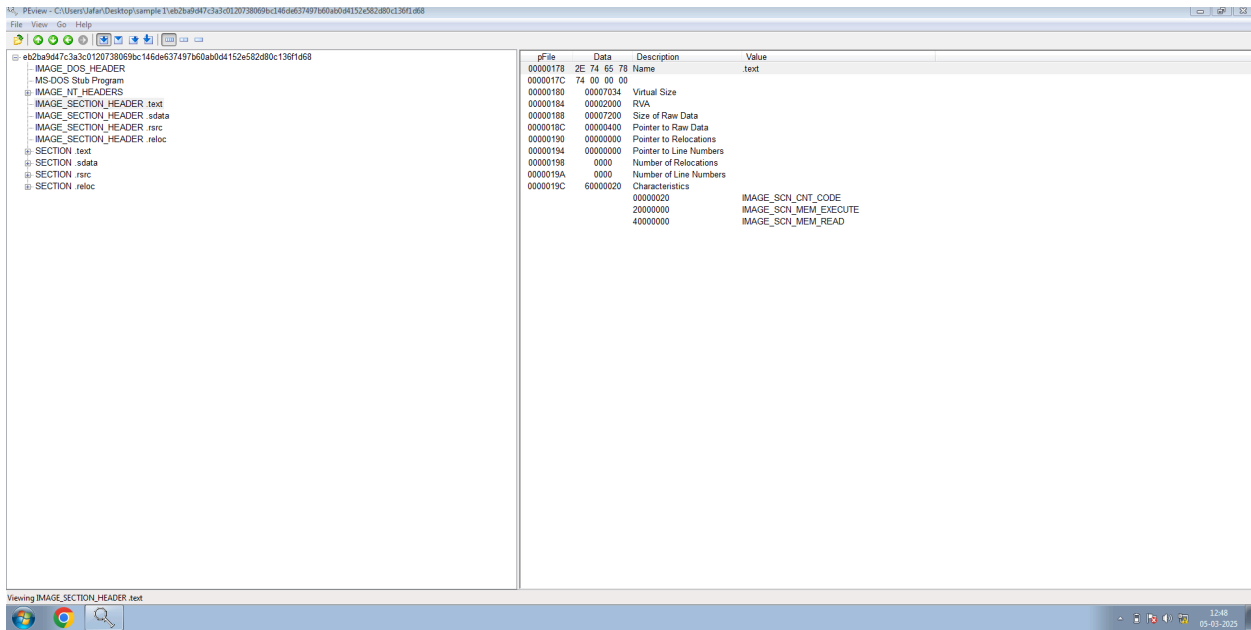
1. PE Header Information



pFile	Data	Description	Value
00000000	5A4D	Signature	IMAGE_DOS_SIGNATURE MZ
00000002	0000	Bytes on Last Page of File	
00000004	0003	Pages in File	
00000006	0000	Relocations	
00000008	0004	Size of Header in Paragraphs	
0000000A	0000	Minimum Extra Paragraphs	
0000000C	FFFF	Maximum Extra Paragraphs	
0000000E	0000	Initial (relative) SS	
00000010	0058	Initial SP	
00000012	0000	Checksum	
00000014	0000	Initial IP	
00000016	0000	Initial (relative) CS	
00000018	0040	Offset to Relocation Table	
0000001A	0000	Overlay Number	
0000001C	0000	Reserved	
0000001E	0000	Reserved	
00000020	0000	Reserved	
00000022	0000	Reserved	
00000024	0000	OEM Identifier	
00000026	0000	OEM Information	
00000028	0000	Reserved	
0000002A	0000	Reserved	
0000002C	0000	Reserved	
0000002E	0000	Reserved	
00000030	0000	Reserved	
00000032	0000	Reserved	
00000034	0000	Reserved	
00000036	0000	Reserved	
00000038	0000	Reserved	
0000003A	0000	Reserved	
0000003C	00000000	Offset to New EXE Header	

The MS DOS header, now discontinued, provides the aforementioned information. However, significant details can be found from the NT headers and section headers.

2. PE Section Headers



pFile	Data	Description	Value
00000178	2E 74 65 78	Name	text
0000017C	74 00 00 00	Virtual Size	
00000180	00007034	Virtual Size	
00000184	00002000	RVA	
00000188	00007200	Size of Raw Data	
0000018C	00000400	Pointer to Raw Data	
00000190	00000000	Pointer to Relocations	
00000194	00000000	Pointer to Line Numbers	
00000198	0000	Number of Relocations	
0000019A	0000	Number of Line Numbers	
0000019C	60000020	Characteristics	
	00000020	IMAGE_SCN_CNT_CODE	
	20000000	IMAGE_SCN_MEM_EXECUTE	
	40000000	IMAGE_SCN_MEM_READ	

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- IMAGE_DOS_HEADER
- MS-DOS Stub Program
- IMAGE_NT_HEADERS
 - IMAGE_SECTION_HEADER text
 - IMAGE_SECTION_HEADER .sdata
 - IMAGE_SECTION_HEADER .rsrc
 - IMAGE_SECTION_HEADER reloc
- SECTION text
- SECTION .sdata
- SECTION .rsrc
- SECTION reloc

pFile	Data	Description	Value
000001A0	2E 73 64 61	Name	.sdata
000001A4	74 61 00 00		
000001A8	00000089	Virtual Size	
000001AC	0000A000	RVA	
000001B0	00000200	Size of Raw Data	
000001B4	00007600	Pointer to Raw Data	
000001B8	00000000	Pointer to Relocations	
000001BC	00000000	Pointer to Line Numbers	
000001C0	0000	Number of Relocations	
000001C2	0000	Number of Line Numbers	
000001C4	C0000040	Characteristics	
	00000040	IMAGE_SCN_CNT_INITIALIZED_DATA	
	40000000	IMAGE_SCN_MEM_READ	
	80000000	IMAGE_SCN_MEM_WRITE	

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000001A0	2E 73 64 61	Name	.sdata
000001A4	74 61 00 00		
000001A8	00000089	Virtual Size	
000001AC	0000A000	RVA	
000001B0	00000200	Size of Raw Data	
000001B4	00007600	Pointer to Raw Data	
000001B8	00000000	Pointer to Relocations	
000001BC	00000000	Pointer to Line Numbers	
000001C0	0000	Number of Relocations	
000001C2	0000	Number of Line Numbers	
000001C4	C0000040	Characteristics	
	00000040	IMAGE_SCN_CNT_INITIALIZED_DATA	
	40000000	IMAGE_SCN_MEM_READ	
	80000000	IMAGE_SCN_MEM_WRITE	

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- IMAGE_DOS_HEADER
- MS-DOS Stub Program
- IMAGE_NT_HEADERS
- IMAGE_SECTION_HEADER text
- IMAGE_SECTION_HEADER sdata
- IMAGE_SECTION_HEADER rsrc
- IMAGE_SECTION_HEADER reloc
- SECTION text
- SECTION sdata
- SECTION rsrc
- SECTION reloc

pFile	Data	Description	Value
00001C38	2E 72 73 72	Name	rsrc
00001CC	63 00 00 00		
00001D0	00000A68	Virtual Size	
00001D4	0000C000	RVA	
00001D8	00000C00	Size of Raw Data	
00001DC	00007800	Pointer to Raw Data	
00001E0	00000000	Pointer to Relocations	
00001E4	00000000	Pointer to Line Numbers	
00001E8	0000	Number of Relocations	
00001EA	0000	Number of Line Numbers	
00001EC	40000040	Characteristics	
	00000040	IMAGE_SCN_CNT_INITIALIZED_DATA	
	40000000	IMAGE_SCN_MEM_READ	

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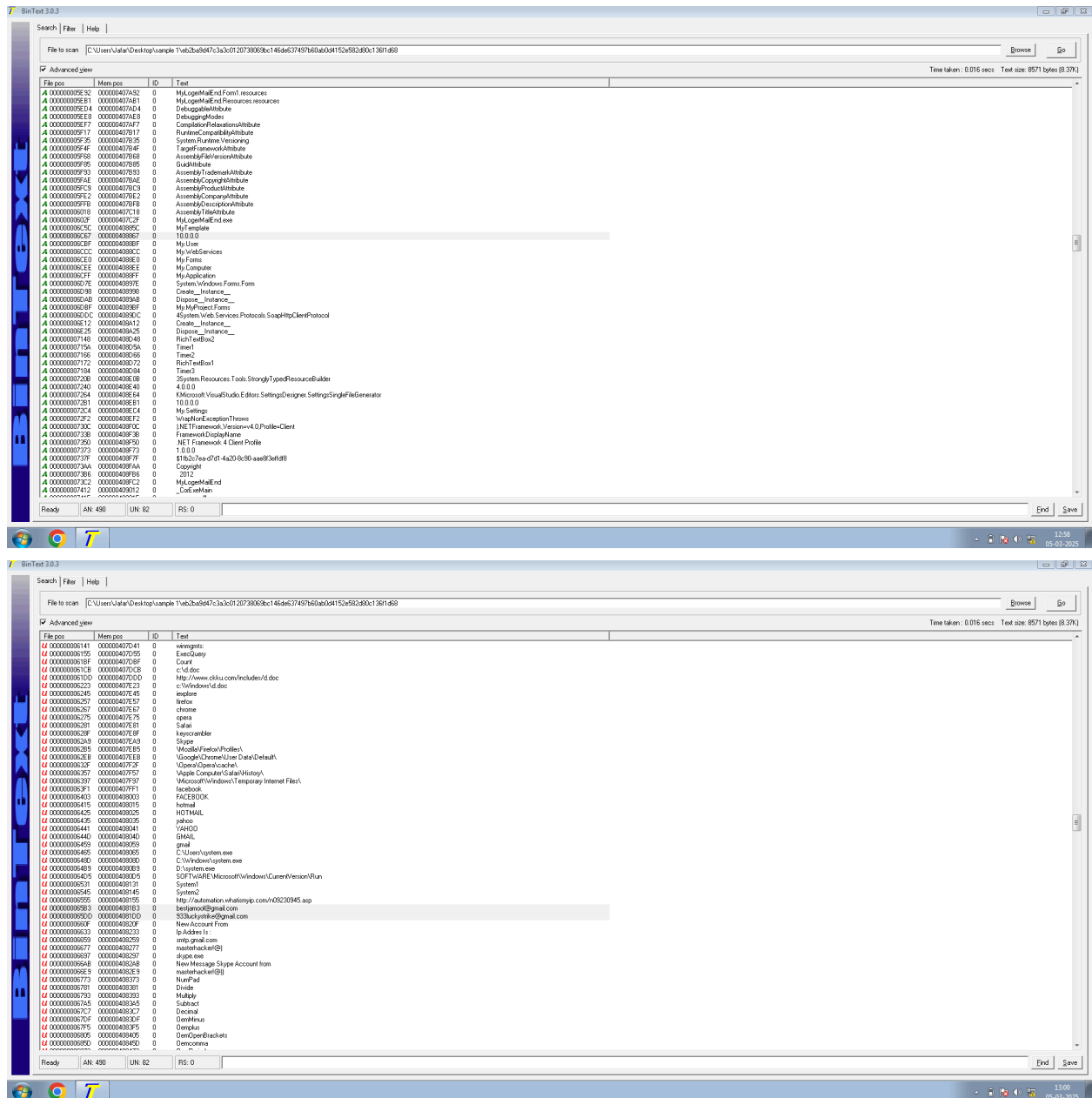
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- MS-DOS Stub Program
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- IMAGE_SECTION_HEADER reloc
- SECTION text
- SECTION sdata
- SECTION rsrc
- SECTION reloc

pFile	Data	Description	Value
00001F0	2E 72 65 6C	Name	reloc
00001F4	6F 63 00 00		
00001F8	0000000C	Virtual Size	
00001FC	0000E000	RVA	
0000200	00000200	Size of Raw Data	
0000204	00008400	Pointer to Raw Data	
0000208	00000000	Pointer to Relocations	
000020C	00000000	Pointer to Line Numbers	
0000210	0000	Number of Relocations	
0000212	0000	Number of Line Numbers	
0000214	42000040	Characteristics	
	00000040	IMAGE_SCN_CNT_INITIALIZED_DATA	
	02000000	IMAGE_SCN_MEM_DISCARDABLE	
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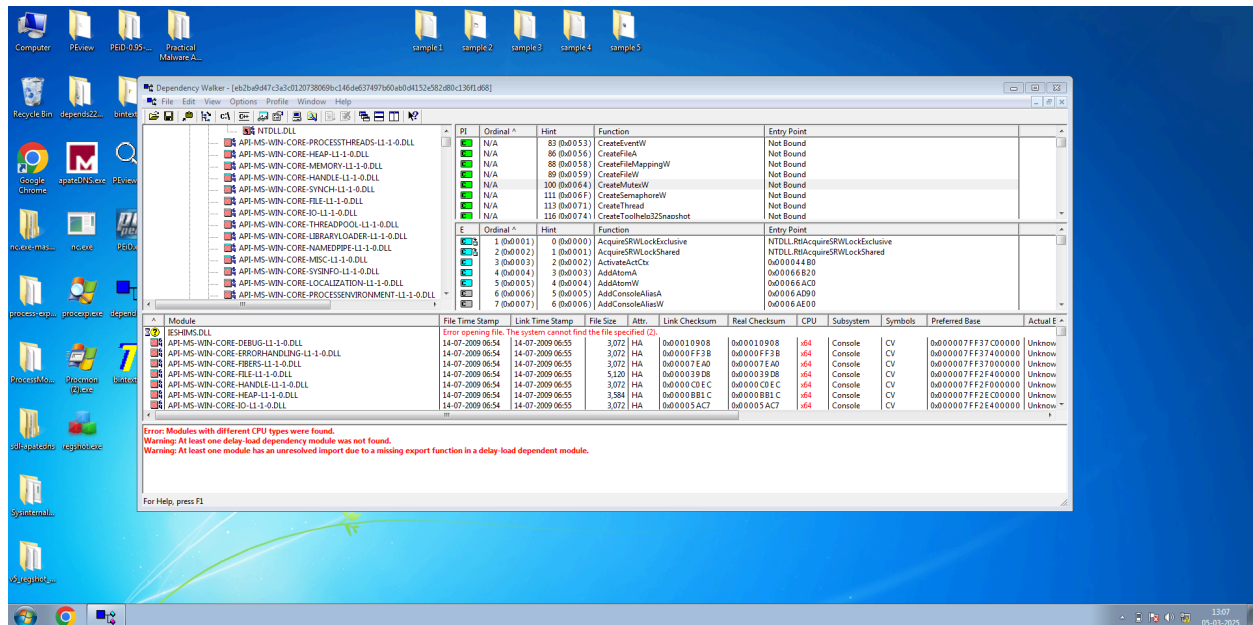
The section headers provide useful information about the 4 sections of the PE file and their associated details like Virtual Size and Size of Raw Data.

3. String Analysis



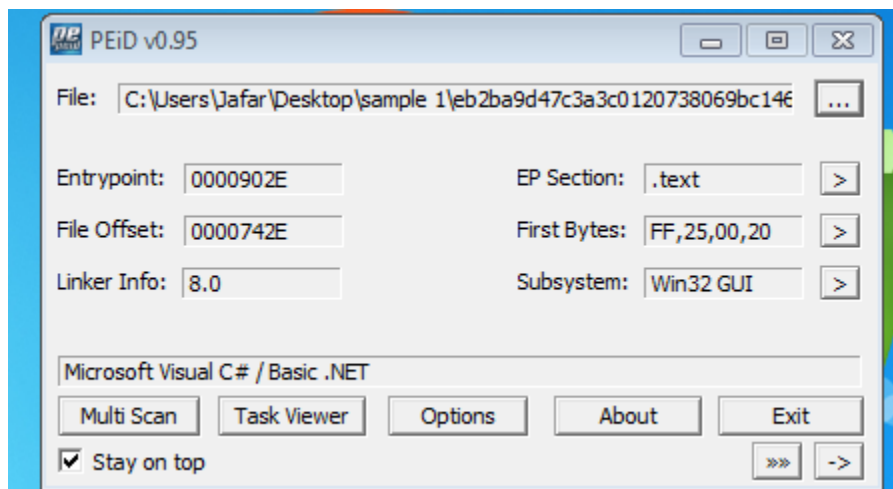
The strings contain an IP address possibly used to connect to the attacker's machine along with suspicious windows functions like GetProcAddress and LoadLibrary.

4. Imports/Exports Analysis



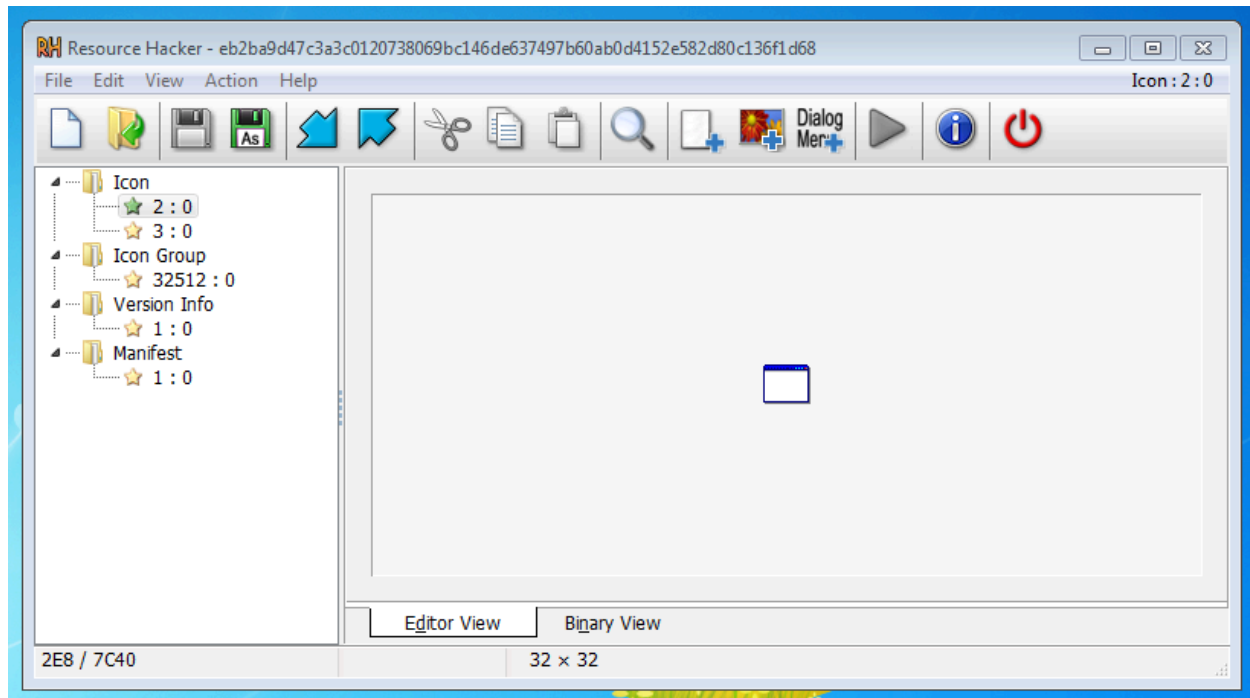
The imported DLLs use functions to create mutexes (mutual exclusion objects) that show the possibility of the file being a malware.

5. Is the file packed/obfuscated?



The file is not packed.

6. If GUI, then identify its resources



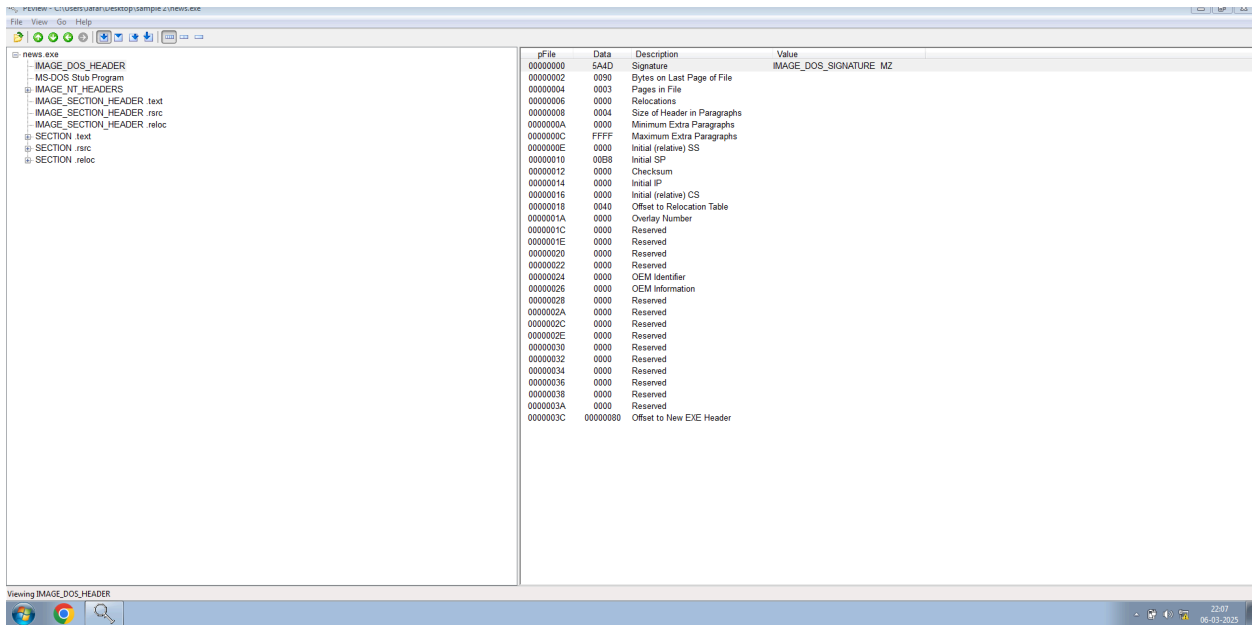
Resource Hacker does not provide much information about the functionality of the malware.

7. What is the file trying to do?

The potential malware file is trying to communicate with an external machine and transfer files or sensitive information. It is able to track the infected system's processes using mutexes and is modifying them simultaneously.

SAMPLE 02 - SYRIAN MALWARE

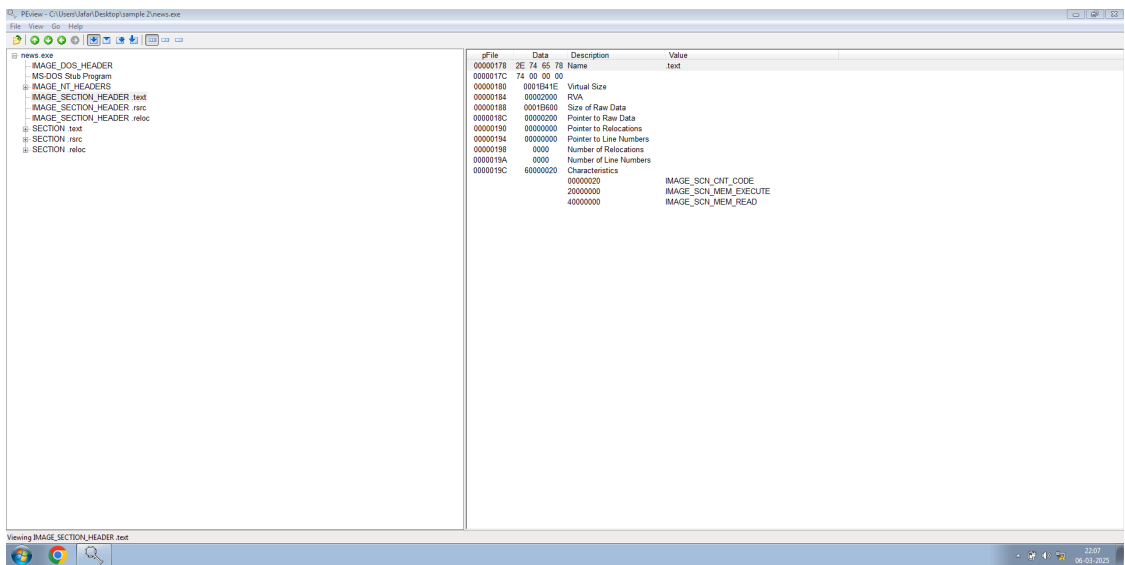
1. PE Header Information



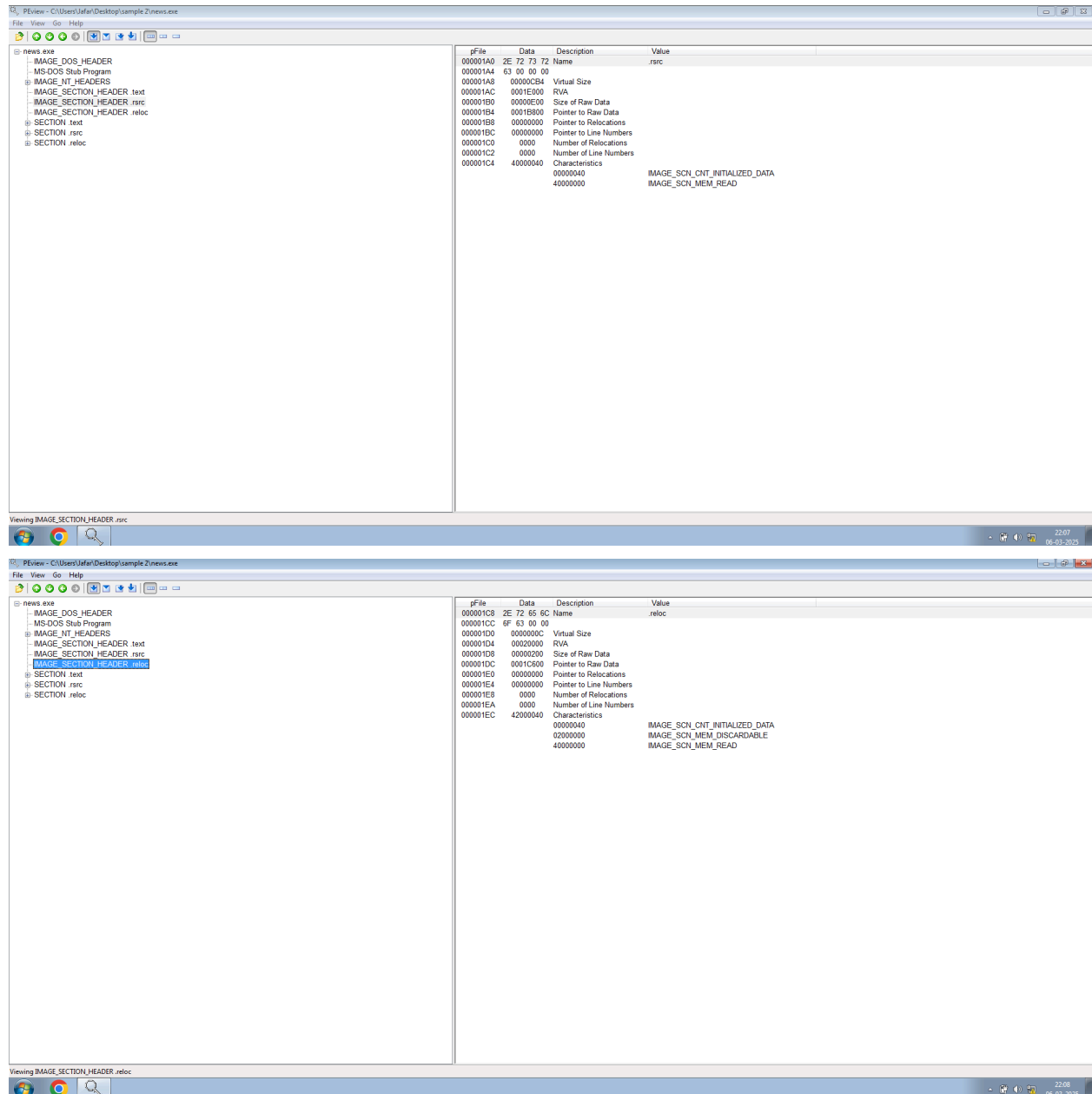
pFile	Data	Description	Value
00000000	5A4D	Signature	IMAGE_DOS_SIGNATURE: MZ
00000002	0990	Bytes on Last Page of File	
00000004	0003	Pages in File	
00000006	0000	Relocations	
00000008	0004	Size of Header in Paragraphs	
0000000A	0000	Minimum Extra Paragraphs	
0000000C	FFFF	Maximum Extra Paragraphs	
0000000E	0000	Initial (relative) SS	
00000010	00E8	Initial SP	
00000012	0000	Checksum	
00000014	0000	Initial IP	
00000016	0000	Initial (relative) CS	
00000018	0040	Offset to Relocation Table	
0000001A	0000	Overlay Number	
0000001C	0000	Reserved	
0000001E	0000	Reserved	
00000020	0000	Reserved	
00000022	0000	Reserved	
00000024	0000	OEM Identifier	
00000026	0000	OEM Information	
00000028	0000	Reserved	
0000002A	0000	Reserved	
0000002C	0000	Reserved	
0000002E	0000	Reserved	
00000030	0000	Reserved	
00000032	0000	Reserved	
00000034	0000	Reserved	
00000036	0000	Reserved	
00000038	0000	Reserved	
0000003A	0000	Reserved	
0000003C	00000080	Offset to New EXE Header	

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2. PE Section Headers

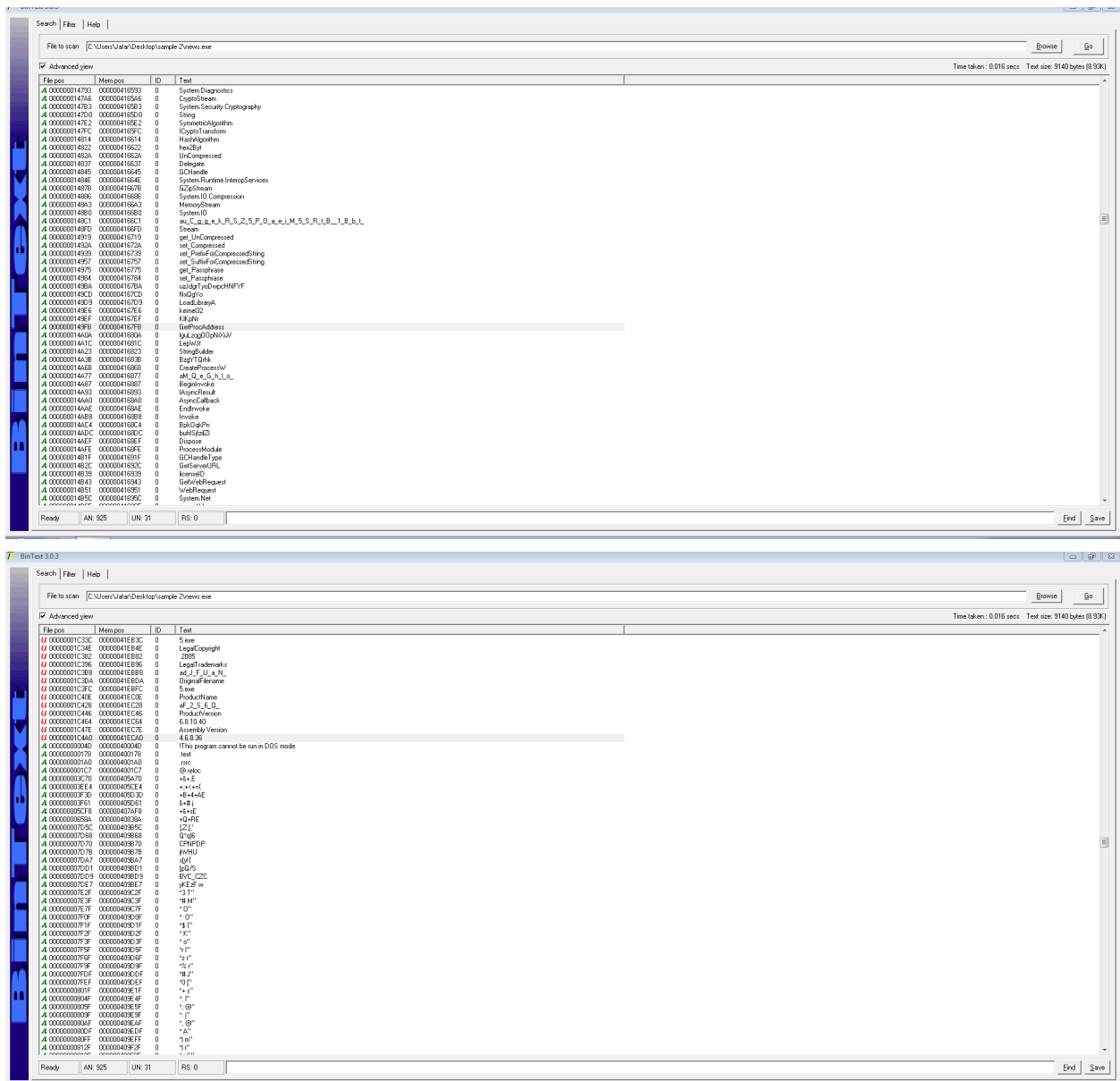


pFile	Data	Description	Value
00000178	2E 74 65 78	Name	text
0000017C	74 00 00 00		
00000180	0001B41E	Virtual Size	
00000184	00002000	RVA	
00000188	0001B600	Size of Raw Data	
0000018C	00000200	Pointer to Raw Data	
00000190	00000000	Pointer to Relocations	
00000194	00000000	Pointer to Line Numbers	
00000198	0000	Number of Relocations	
0000019A	0000	Number of Line Numbers	
0000019C	60000020	Characteristics	
	00000020	IMAGE_SCN_CNT_CODE	
	20000000	IMAGE_SCN_MEM_EXECUTE	
	40000000	IMAGE_SCN_MEM_READ	



The section headers provide useful information about the 4 sections of the PE file and their associated details like Virtual Size and Size of Raw Data.

3. String Analysis



The strings contain an IP address possibly used to connect to the attacker's machine along with suspicious windows functions like `GetProcAddress` and `LoadLibrary`.

4. Imports/Exports Information

Dependency Walker - [news.exe]

Imports:

Module	Ordinal	Hint	Function	Entry Point
MSCOREE.DLL	N/A	88 (0x0058)	CreateFileMappingW	Not Bound
KERNEL32.DLL	N/A	89 (0x0059)	CreateFileW	Not Bound
API-MS-WIN-CORE-RTLSUPPORT-L1-1-0.DLL	N/A	100 (0x0064)	CreateFileW	Not Bound
NTDLL.DLL	N/A	111 (0x006F)	CreateSemaphoreW	Not Bound
KERNELBASE.DLL	N/A	113 (0x0071)	CreateThread	Not Bound
API-MS-WIN-CORE-PROCESSTHREADS-L1-1-0.DLL	N/A	116 (0x0074)	CreateToolhelp32Snapshot	Not Bound
API-MS-WIN-CORE-HEAP-L1-1-0.DLL	N/A	122 (0x007B)	DebugBreak	Not Bound
API-MS-WIN-CORE-MEMORY-L1-1-0.DLL	1 (0x0001)	0 (0x0000)	AcquireSRWLockExclusive	NTDLL.RtlAcquireSRWLockExclusive
API-MS-WIN-CORE-MEMORY-L1-1-0.DLL	2 (0x0002)	1 (0x0001)	AcquireSRWLockShared	NTDLL.RtlAcquireSRWLockShared
API-MS-WIN-CORE-HANDLE-L1-1-0.DLL	3 (0x0003)	2 (0x0002)	ActivateActCtx	0x000044B0
API-MS-WIN-CORE-SYNCH-L1-1-0.DLL	4 (0x0004)	3 (0x0003)	AddAtomA	0x00066B20
API-MS-WIN-CORE-FILE-L1-1-0.DLL	5 (0x0005)	4 (0x0004)	AddAtomW	0x00066AC0
API-MS-WIN-CORE-FILE-L1-1-0.DLL	6 (0x0006)	5 (0x0005)	AddConsoleAliasA	0x0006AD90

Modules:

Module	File Time Stamp	Link Time Stamp	File Size	Attr	Link Checksum	Real Checksum	CPU	Subsystem	Symbols	Preferred Base	Actual Base	Virtual Size
IESHIMS.DLL	14-07-2009 06:54	14-07-2009 06:55	3,072	HA	0x00010908	0x00010908	x64	Console	CV	0x000007FF37C00000	Unknown	0x00004000
API-MS-WIN-CORE-DEBUG-L1-1-0.DLL	14-07-2009 06:54	14-07-2009 06:55	3,072	HA	0x0000FF3B	0x0000FF3B	x64	Console	CV	0x000007FF37400000	Unknown	0x00004000
API-MS-WIN-CORE-ERRORHANDLING-L1-1-0.DLL	14-07-2009 06:54	14-07-2009 06:55	3,072	HA	0x00007EAD	0x00007EAD	x64	Console	CV	0x000007FF37000000	Unknown	0x00004000
API-MS-WIN-CORE-FIBERS-L1-1-0.DLL	14-07-2009 06:54	14-07-2009 06:55	5,120	HA	0x000039D8	0x000039D8	x64	Console	CV	0x000007FF2F400000	Unknown	0x00004000

Error: Modules with different CPU types were found.
Warning: At least one delay-load dependency module was not found.
Warning: At least one module has an unresolved import due to a missing export function in a delay-load dependent module.

For Help, press F1

Dependency Walker - [news.exe]

Imports:

Module	Ordinal	Hint	Function	Entry Point
MSCOREE.DLL	N/A	385 (0x0181)	GetModuleHandleA	Not Bound
KERNEL32.DLL	N/A	388 (0x0184)	GetModuleHandleW	Not Bound
API-MS-WIN-CORE-RTLSUPPORT-L1-1-0.DLL	N/A	405 (0x0195)	GetOEMCP	Not Bound
NTDLL.DLL	N/A	418 (0x01A2)	GetProcAddress	Not Bound
KERNELBASE.DLL	N/A	421 (0x01A5)	GetProcessHeap	Not Bound
API-MS-WIN-CORE-PROCESSTHREADS-L1-1-0.DLL	N/A	441 (0x01B9)	GetStartupInfoA	Not Bound
API-MS-WIN-CORE-HEAP-L1-1-0.DLL	1 (0x0001)	0 (0x0000)	AcquireSRWLockExclusive	NTDLL.RtlAcquireSRWLockExclusive
API-MS-WIN-CORE-MEMORY-L1-1-0.DLL	2 (0x0002)	1 (0x0001)	AcquireSRWLockShared	NTDLL.RtlAcquireSRWLockShared
API-MS-WIN-CORE-HANDLE-L1-1-0.DLL	3 (0x0003)	2 (0x0002)	ActivateActCtx	0x000044B0
API-MS-WIN-CORE-SYNCH-L1-1-0.DLL	4 (0x0004)	3 (0x0003)	AddAtomA	0x00066B20
API-MS-WIN-CORE-FILE-L1-1-0.DLL	5 (0x0005)	4 (0x0004)	AddAtomW	0x00066AC0
API-MS-WIN-CORE-FILE-L1-1-0.DLL	6 (0x0006)	5 (0x0005)	AddConsoleAliasA	0x0006AD90

Modules:

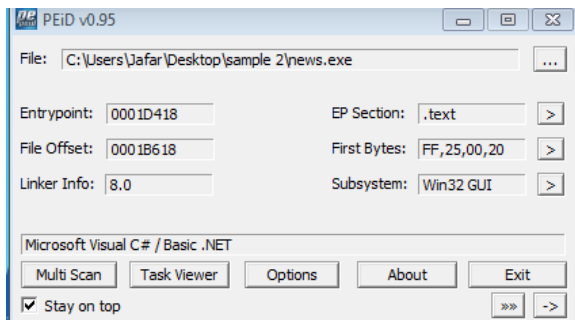
Module	File Time Stamp	Link Time Stamp	File Size	Attr	Link Checksum	Real Checksum	CPU	Subsystem	Symbols	Preferred Base	Actual Base	Virtual Size
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API-MS-WIN-CORE-DEBUG-L1-1-0.DLL	14-07-2009 06:54	14-07-2009 06:55	3,072	HA	0x0000FF3B	0x0000FF3B	x64	Console	CV	0x000007FF37400000	Unknown	0x00004000
API-MS-WIN-CORE-ERRORHANDLING-L1-1-0.DLL	14-07-2009 06:54	14-07-2009 06:55	3,072	HA	0x00007EAD	0x00007EAD	x64	Console	CV	0x000007FF37000000	Unknown	0x00004000
API-MS-WIN-CORE-FIBERS-L1-1-0.DLL	14-07-2009 06:54	14-07-2009 06:55	5,120	HA	0x000039D8	0x000039D8	x64	Console	CV	0x000007FF2F400000	Unknown	0x00004000

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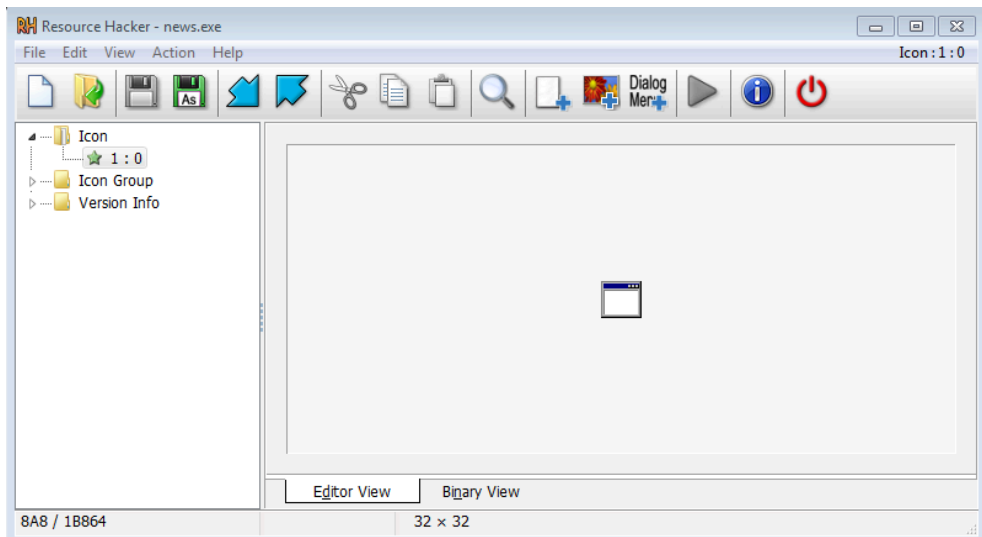
The imported DLLs use functions to create mutexes (mutual exclusion objects) that show the possibility of the file being a malware.

5. Is the file packed/obfuscated?



No the file is not packed.

6. If GUI, then analyse its resources



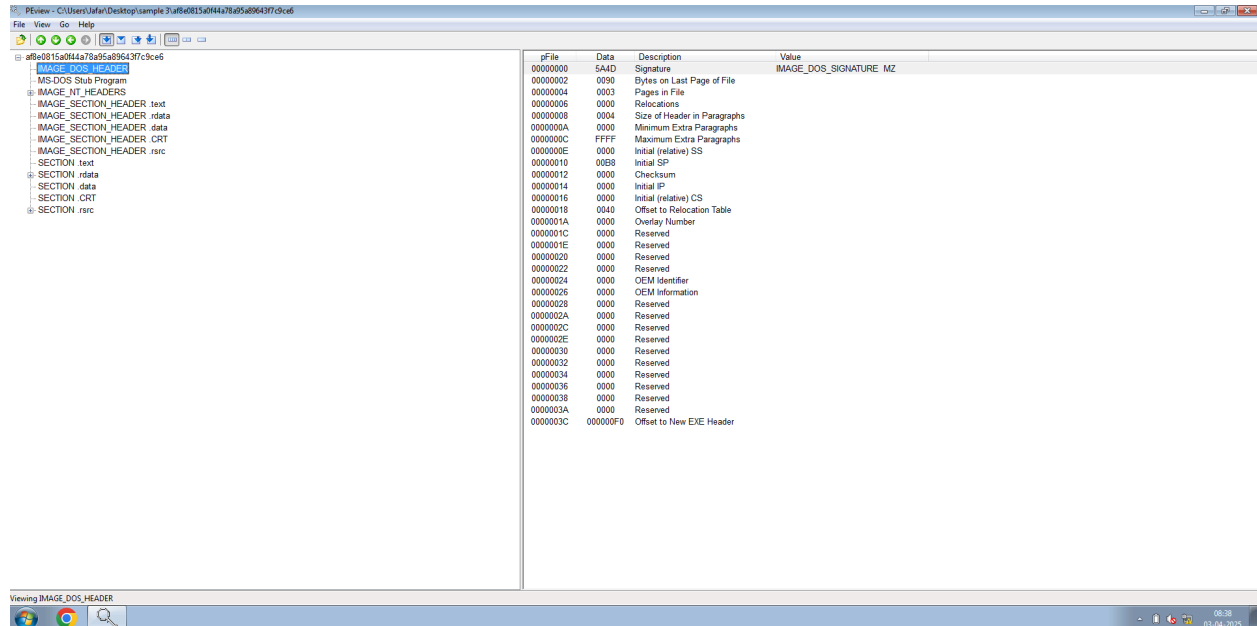
No useful information was retrieved from Resource Hacker.

7. What is the file trying to do?

The potential malware file is trying to communicate with an external machine and transfer files or sensitive information. It is able to track the infected system's processes using mutexes and is modifying them simultaneously.

SAMPLE 03 - SYRIAN MALWARE

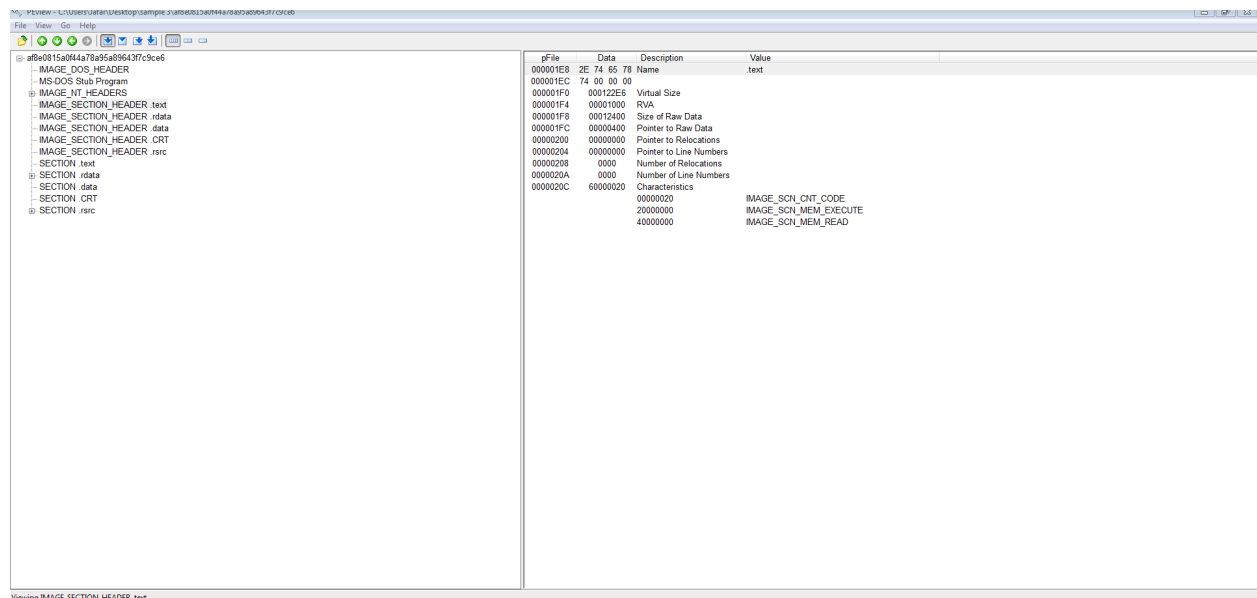
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0000000C	FFFF	Maximum Extra Paragraphs	
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00000010	00E8	Initial SP	
00000012	0000	Checksum	
00000014	0000	Initial IP	
00000016	0000	Initial (relative) CS	
00000018	0040	Offset to Relocation Table	
0000001A	0000	Overlay Number	
0000001C	0000	Reserved	
0000001E	0000	Reserved	
00000020	0000	Reserved	
00000022	0000	Reserved	
00000024	0000	OEM Identifier	
00000026	0000	OEM Information	
00000028	0000	Reserved	
0000002A	0000	Reserved	
0000002C	0000	Reserved	
0000002E	0000	Reserved	
00000030	0000	Reserved	
00000032	0000	Reserved	
00000034	0000	Reserved	
00000036	0000	Reserved	
00000038	0000	Reserved	
0000003A	0000	Reserved	
0000003C	000000F0	Offset to New EXE Header	

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2. PE Section Headers



pFile	Data	Description	Value
000001E8	2E 74 65 78	Name	text
000001EC	74 00 00 00	Virtual Size	
000001F0	000122E6	RVA	
000001F4	00001000	Size of Raw Data	
000001F8	00012400	Pointer to Raw Data	
000001FC	00000400	Pointer to Relocations	
00000200	00000000	Pointer to Line Numbers	
00000204	00000000	Number of Relocations	
00000208	0000	Number of Line Numbers	
0000020A	0000	Characteristics	
0000020C	60000020	IMAGE_SCN_CNT_CODE	
		IMAGE_SCN_MEM_EXECUTE	
		IMAGE_SCN_MEM_READ	

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- IMAGE_NT_HEADERS
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 - IMAGE_SECTION_HEADER rdata
 - IMAGE_SECTION_HEADER data
 - IMAGE_SECTION_HEADER CRT
 - IMAGE_SECTION_HEADER rsrc
- SECTION text
- SECTION rdata
- SECTION data
- SECTION CRT
- SECTION rsrc

pFile	Data	Description	Value
00000210	2E 72 64 61	Name	rdata
00000214	74 61 00 00		
00000218	00001D15	Virtual Size	
0000021C	00014000	RVA	
00000220	00001E00	Size of Raw Data	
00000224	00012800	Pointer to Raw Data	
00000228	00000000	Pointer to Relocations	
0000022C	00000000	Pointer to Line Numbers	
00000230	0000	Number of Relocations	
00000232	0000	Number of Line Numbers	
00000234	40000040	Characteristics	
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		IMAGE_SCN_MEM_READ	40000000

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 - IMAGE_SECTION_HEADER data
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 - IMAGE_SECTION_HEADER rsrc
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- SECTION rdata
- SECTION data
- SECTION CRT
- SECTION rsrc

pFile	Data	Description	Value
00000238	2E 64 61 74	Name	data
0000023C	61 00 00 00		
00000240	00017724	Virtual Size	
00000244	00016000	RVA	
00000248	00000200	Size of Raw Data	
0000024C	00014600	Pointer to Raw Data	
00000250	00000000	Pointer to Relocations	
00000254	00000000	Pointer to Line Numbers	
00000258	0000	Number of Relocations	
0000025A	0000	Number of Line Numbers	
0000025C	C0000040	Characteristics	
		IMAGE_SCN_CNT_INITIALIZED_DATA	00000040
		IMAGE_SCN_MEM_READ	40000000
		IMAGE_SCN_MEM_WRITE	80000000

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- IMAGE_DOS_HEADER
- MS-DOS Stub Program
- ④ IMAGE_NT_HEADERS
 - IMAGE_SECTION_HEADER .text
 - IMAGE_SECTION_HEADER .rdata
 - IMAGE_SECTION_HEADER .data
 - IMAGE_SECTION_HEADER .CRT
 - IMAGE_SECTION_HEADER .rsrc
- SECTION .text
- ④ SECTION .rdata
- SECTION .data
- SECTION .CRT
- ④ SECTION .rsrc

pFile	Data	Description	Value
00000260	2E 43 52 54	Name	CRT
00000264	00 00 00 00		
00000268	00000020	Virtual Size	
0000026C	0002E000	RVA	
00000270	00000200	Size of Raw Data	
00000274	00014800	Pointer to Raw Data	
00000278	00000000	Pointer to Relocations	
0000027C	00000000	Pointer to Line Numbers	
00000280	0000	Number of Relocations	
00000282	0000	Number of Line Numbers	
00000284	40000040	Characteristics	
	00000040		IMAGE_SCN_CNT_INITIALIZED_DATA
	40000000		IMAGE_SCN_MEM_READ

Viewing IMAGE_SECTION_HEADER .CRT

PEview - C:\Users\Jafar\Desktop\sample 3\af8e0815d0f4478d95a896437c3ce6

File View Go Help

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- IMAGE_DOS_HEADER
- MS-DOS Stub Program
- ④ IMAGE_NT_HEADERS
 - IMAGE_SECTION_HEADER .text
 - IMAGE_SECTION_HEADER .rdata
 - IMAGE_SECTION_HEADER .data
 - IMAGE_SECTION_HEADER .CRT
 - IMAGE_SECTION_HEADER .rsrc
- SECTION .text
- ④ SECTION .rdata
- SECTION .data
- SECTION .CRT
- ④ SECTION .rsrc

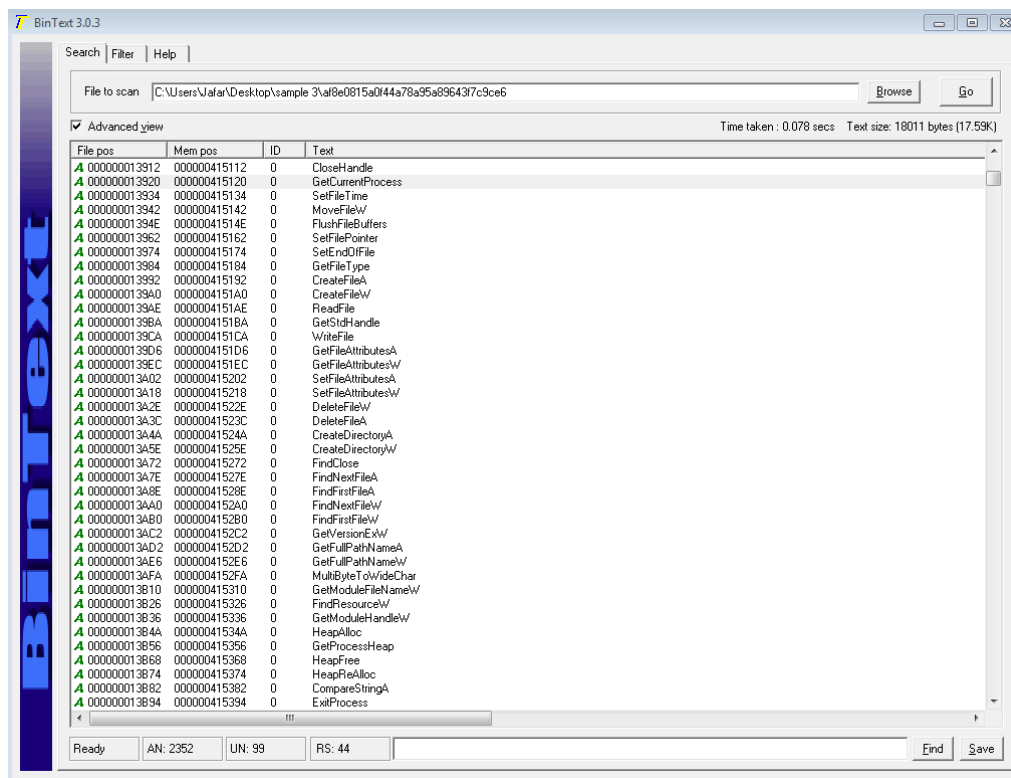
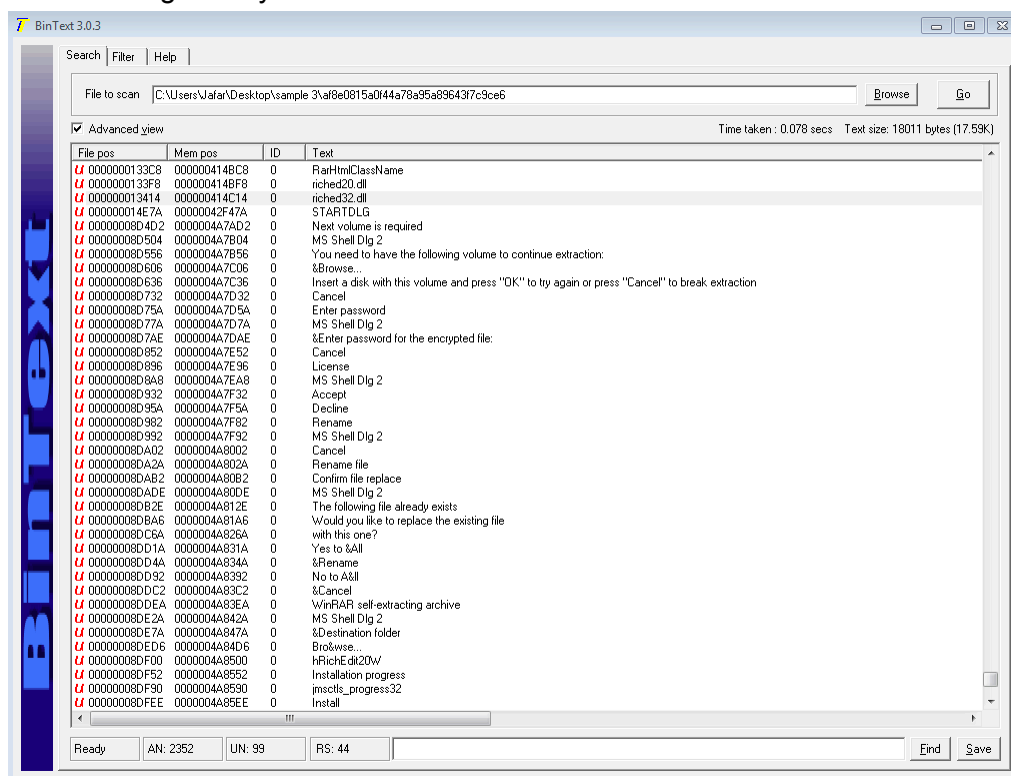
pFile	Data	Description	Value
00000288	2E 72 73 72	Name	.rsrc
0000028C	63 00 00 00		
00000290	0007A90C	Virtual Size	
00000294	0002F000	RVA	
00000298	0007AA00	Size of Raw Data	
0000029C	00114A00	Pointer to Raw Data	
000002A0	00000000	Pointer to Relocations	
000002A4	00000000	Pointer to Line Numbers	
000002A8	0000	Number of Relocations	
000002AC	0000	Number of Line Numbers	
000002AC	40000040	Characteristics	
	00000040		IMAGE_SCN_CNT_INITIALIZED_DATA
	40000000		IMAGE_SCN_MEM_READ

Viewing IMAGE_SECTION_HEADER .rsrc

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The section headers provide useful information about the 4 sections of the PE file and their associated details like Virtual Size and Size of Raw Data.

3. Strings Analysis



New DLLs are being called along with file manipulation functions and mutexes.

4. Imports/Exports Analysis

The first screenshot shows the 'Import' tab of the Dependency Walker tool. The left pane displays a tree of loaded modules, including COMCTL32.DLL, MSVCRT.DLL, KERNELBASE.DLL, and several API-MS-WIN-CORE-*.DLL files. The right pane shows the 'Import' list, which is currently empty. The bottom pane displays a table of modules with columns: Module, File Time Stamp, Link Time Stamp, File Size, Attr, Link Checksum, Real Checksum, CPU, Subsystem, Symbols, Preferred Base, Actual Base, and Virtual Size. A red error message is visible: 'Error: Modules with different CPU types were found. Warning: At least one delay-load dependency module was not found. Warning: At least one module has an unresolved import due to a missing export function in a delay-load dependent module.'

The second screenshot shows the 'Export' tab of the same tool. The left pane is identical. The right pane shows the 'Export' list, which is currently empty. The bottom pane displays the same table of modules as the first screenshot. The same red error message is visible.

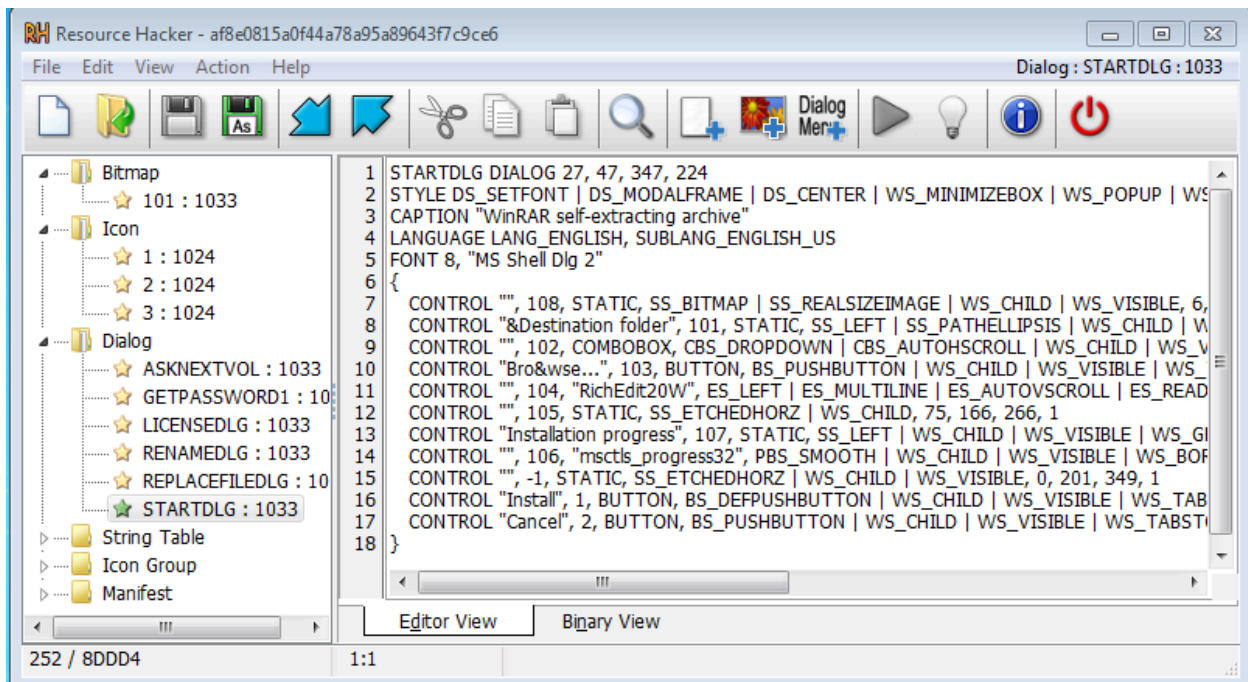
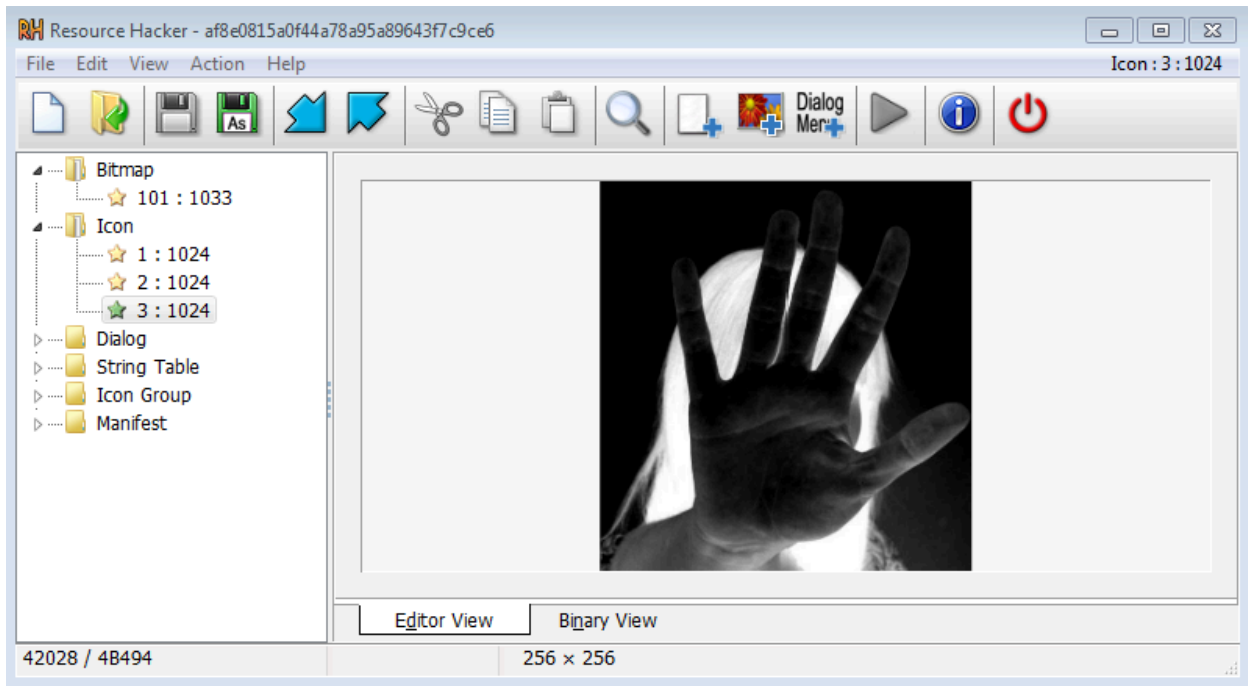
Different DLLs are importing NTDLL.dll which is a suspicious indicator of the file being a malware executable.

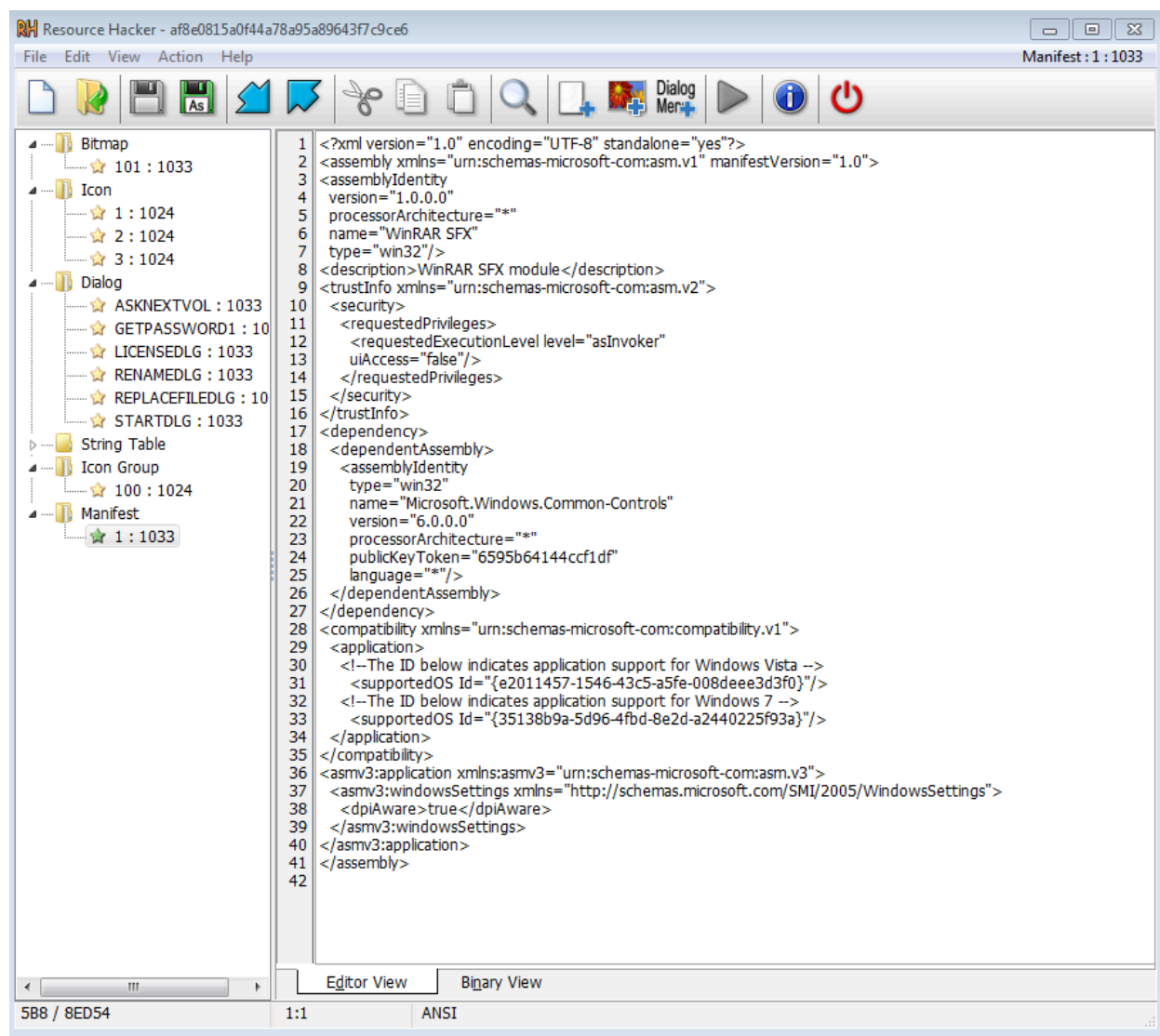
5. Is the file packed/obfuscated?

The screenshot shows the PEID v0.95 tool interface. The 'File' field contains the path 'C:\Users\Jafar\Desktop\sample 3\af8e0815a0f44a78a95a89643f7c9c6'. The 'Entrypoint' is '0000AC4F', 'EP Section' is '.text', 'File Offset' is '0000A04F', 'First Bytes' is 'E8,E3,FE,FF', 'Linker Info' is '9.0', and 'Subsystem' is 'Win32 GUI'. The 'Nothing found [RAR SFX] *' message is displayed. The 'Multi Scan' checkbox is checked. The 'Stay on top' checkbox is also checked.

No the file is not packed.

6. If GUI, then analyse its resources.





Resource Hacker provides us with an image that seems suspicious along with the manifest file of the executable.

7. What is the file trying to do with suspicious functions?

The file is a potential malware that does file manipulation using functions like CreateFile and DeleteFile repeatedly along with process manipulation using mutexes. No IP address is found, so the possibility of external communication can be ruled out.

SAMPLE 04 - SYRIAN MALWARE

1. PE Header Information

Preview - C:\Users\Jafar\Desktop\sample 4\1182f6d81b4ee9bc890ca490ca5bb258e19cce68175d1a69f054030db1075df6

	pFile	Data	Description	Value
1182f6d81b4ee9bc890ca490ca5bb258e19cce68175d1a69f054030db1075df6	00000000	5A4D	Signature	IMAGE_DOS_SIGNATURE MZ
IMAGE_DOS_HEADER	00000002	0090	Bytes on Last Page of File	
MS-DOS Stub Program	00000004	0003	Pages in File	
IMAGE_NT_HEADERS	00000006	0000	Relocations	
IMAGE_SECTION_HEADER .text	00000008	0004	Size of Header in Paragraphs	
IMAGE_SECTION_HEADER .sdata	0000000A	0000	Minimum Extra Paragraphs	
IMAGE_SECTION_HEADER .rsrc	0000000C	FFFF	Maximum Extra Paragraphs	
IMAGE_SECTION_HEADER .reloc	0000000E	0000	Initial (relative) SS	
SECTION .text	00000010	005B	Initial SP	
SECTION .sdata	00000012	0000	Checksum	
SECTION .rsrc	00000014	0000	Initial IP	
SECTION .reloc	00000016	0000	Initial (relative) CS	
	00000018	0040	Offset to Relocation Table	
	0000001A	0000	Overlay Number	
	0000001C	0000	Reserved	
	0000001E	0000	Reserved	
	00000020	0000	Reserved	
	00000022	0000	Reserved	
	00000024	0000	OEM Identifier	
	00000026	0000	OEM Information	
	00000028	0000	Reserved	
	0000002A	0000	Reserved	
	0000002C	0000	Reserved	
	0000002E	0000	Reserved	
	00000030	0000	Reserved	
	00000032	0000	Reserved	
	00000034	0000	Reserved	
	00000036	0000	Reserved	
	00000038	0000	Reserved	
	0000003A	0000	Reserved	
	0000003C	00000080	Offset to New EXE Header	

Viewing IMAGE_DOS_HEADER

The MS DOS header, now discontinued, provides the aforementioned information. However, significant details can be found from the NT headers and section headers.

2. PE Section Headers

Preview - C:\Users\Jafar\Desktop\sample 4\1182f6d81b4ee9bc890ca490ca5bb258e19cce68175d1a69f054030db1075df6

	pFile	Data	Description	Value
1182f6d81b4ee9bc890ca490ca5bb258e19cce68175d1a69f054030db1075df6	00001178	2E 74 65 78	Name	.text
IMAGE_DOS_HEADER	0000117C	14 00 00 00	Virtual Size	
MS-DOS Stub Program	00001180	001456A4	Virtual Size	
IMAGE_NT_HEADERS	00001184	00002000	Size of Raw Data	
IMAGE_SECTION_HEADER .text	00001188	001456A0	Pointer to Raw Data	
IMAGE_SECTION_HEADER .sdata	0000118C	00000000	Pointer to Relocations	
IMAGE_SECTION_HEADER .rsrc	00001190	00000000	Pointer to Line Numbers	
IMAGE_SECTION_HEADER .reloc	00001194	00000000	Number of Line Numbers	
SECTION .text	00001198	0000	Characteristics	
SECTION .sdata	0000119A	0000	IMAGE_SCN_CNT_CODE	
SECTION .rsrc	0000119C	00000000	IMAGE_SCN_MEM_EXECUTE	
SECTION .reloc	0000119E	00000000	IMAGE_SCN_MEM_READ	

Viewing IMAGE_SECTION_HEADER .text

PEView - C:\Users\Jafar\Desktop\sample 4\1182f6d81b4ee9bed90ca490ca5bb258e19cce68175d1a69054030db1075d86

File View Go Help

1182f6d81b4ee9bed90ca490ca5bb258e19cce68175d1a69054030db1075d86

- IMAGE_DOS_HEADER
- MS-DOS Stub Program
- IMAGE_NT_HEADERS
 - IMAGE_SECTION_HEADER .text
 - IMAGE_SECTION_HEADER .sdata
 - IMAGE_SECTION_HEADER .rsrc
 - IMAGE_SECTION_HEADER .reloc
- SECTION .text
- SECTION .sdata
- SECTION .rsrc
- SECTION .reloc

pFile	Data	Description	Value
000001AD	2E 73 64 61	Name	.sdata
000001AA	74 61 00 00		
000001AB	000013B8	Virtual Size	
000001AC	0014C000	RVA	
000001B9	00000200	Size of Raw Data	
000001BA	0014E000	Pointer to Raw Data	
000001B8	00000000	Pointer to Relocations	
000001BC	00000000	Pointer to Line Numbers	
000001C0	0000	Number of Relocations	
000001C2	0000	Number of Line Numbers	
000001C4	C0000040	Characteristics	
	00000040	IMAGE_SCN_CNT_INITIALIZED_DATA	
	40000000	IMAGE_SCN_MEM_READ	
	80000000	IMAGE_SCN_MEM_WRITE	

Viewing IMAGE_SECTION_HEADER .sdata

PEView - C:\Users\Jafar\Desktop\sample 4\1182f6d81b4ee9bed90ca490ca5bb258e19cce68175d1a69054030db1075d86

File View Go Help

1182f6d81b4ee9bed90ca490ca5bb258e19cce68175d1a69054030db1075d86

- IMAGE_DOS_HEADER
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 - IMAGE_SECTION_HEADER .reloc
- SECTION .text
- SECTION .sdata
- SECTION .rsrc
- SECTION .reloc

pFile	Data	Description	Value
000001C8	2E 72 73 72	Name	.rsrc
000001CC	63 00 00 00		
000001D0	00004E38	Virtual Size	
000001D4	0014E000	RVA	
000001D8	00004C00	Size of Raw Data	
000001DC	0014A000	Pointer to Raw Data	
000001E0	00000000	Pointer to Relocations	
000001E4	00000000	Pointer to Line Numbers	
000001E8	0000	Number of Relocations	
000001EA	0000	Number of Line Numbers	
000001EC	40000040	Characteristics	
	00000040	IMAGE_SCN_CNT_INITIALIZED_DATA	
	40000000	IMAGE_SCN_MEM_READ	

Viewing IMAGE_SECTION_HEADER .rsrc

PEView - C:\Users\Jafar\Desktop\sample 4\1182f6d81b4ee9bed90ca490ca5bb258e19cce68175d1a69054030db1075d86

File View Go Help

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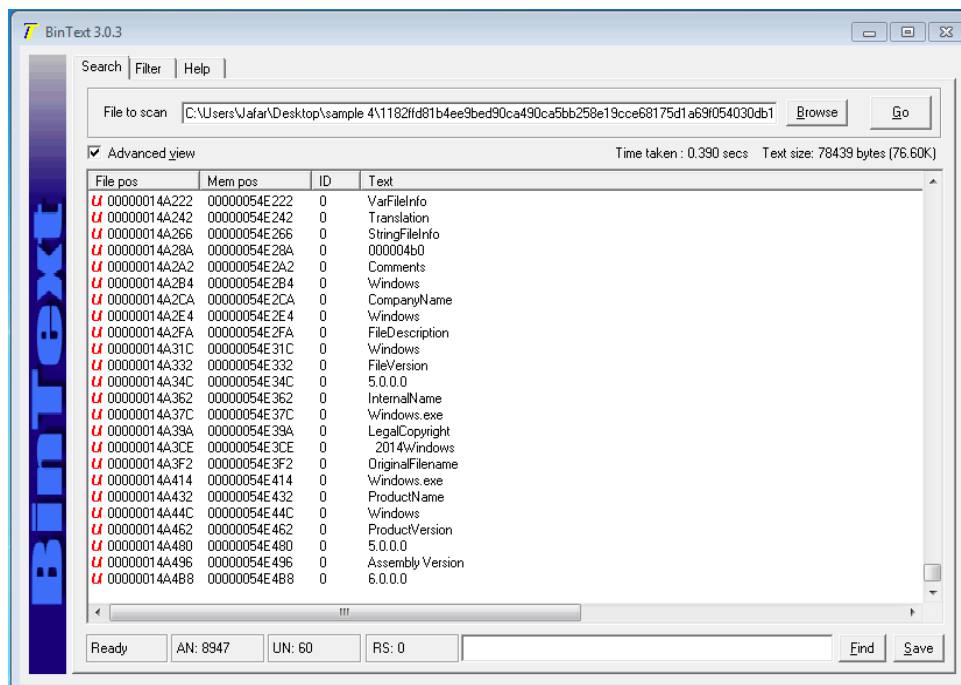
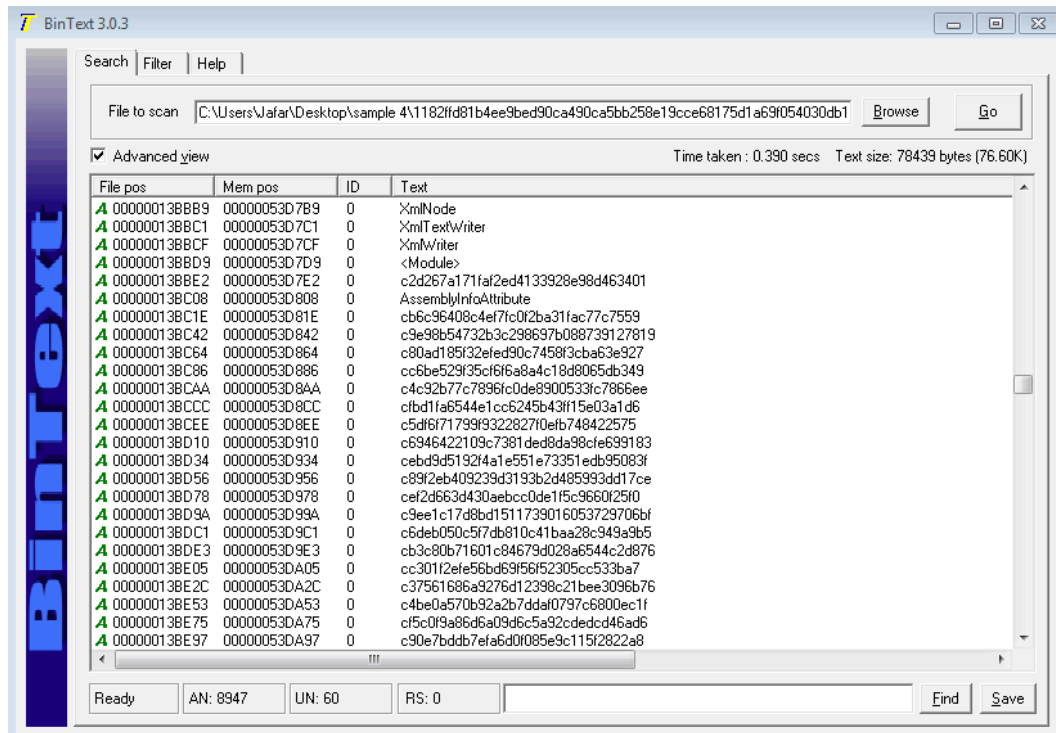
- IMAGE_DOS_HEADER
- MS-DOS Stub Program
- IMAGE_NT_HEADERS
 - IMAGE_SECTION_HEADER .text
 - IMAGE_SECTION_HEADER .sdata
 - IMAGE_SECTION_HEADER .rsrc
 - IMAGE_SECTION_HEADER .reloc
- SECTION .text
- SECTION .sdata
- SECTION .rsrc
- SECTION .reloc

pFile	Data	Description	Value
000001F0	2E 72 73 72	Name	.reloc
000001F4	6F 45 65 65		
000001F8	00000000	Virtual Size	
000001FC	0014E000	RVA	
00000200	00000200	Size of Raw Data	
00000204	0014E000	Pointer to Raw Data	
00000208	00000000	Pointer to Relocations	
0000020C	00000000	Pointer to Line Numbers	
00000210	0000	Number of Relocations	
00000214	0000	Number of Line Numbers	
00000218	40000040	Characteristics	
	00000040	IMAGE_SCN_CNT_INITIALIZED_DATA	
	40000000	IMAGE_SCN_MEM_READ	
	80000000	IMAGE_SCN_MEM_WRITE	

Viewing IMAGE_SECTION_HEADER .reloc

The section headers provide useful information about the 4 sections of the PE file and their associated details like Virtual Size and Size of Raw Data.

3. String Analysis



Strings contain an IP address and a list of hashes probably to files.

4. Imports/Exports Analysis

P/I	Ordinal	Hint	Function	Entry Point
N/A	54 (0x0036)		CloseHandle	Not Bound
N/A	83 (0x0053)		CreateEventW	Not Bound
N/A	86 (0x0056)		CreateFileA	Not Bound
N/A	88 (0x0058)		CreateFileMappingW	Not Bound
N/A	89 (0x0059)		CreateFileW	Not Bound
N/A	100 (0x0064)		CreateMutexW	Not Bound
N/A	111 (0x006E)		CreateSemaphoreW	Not Bound

E	Ordinal	Hint	Function	Entry Point
1 (0x0001)	0 (0x0000)		AcquireSRWLockExclusive	NTDLL.RtlAcquireSRWLockExclusive
2 (0x0002)	1 (0x0001)		AcquireSRWLockShared	NTDLL.RtlAcquireSRWLockShared
3 (0x0003)	2 (0x0002)		ActivateActCtx	0x00004480
4 (0x0004)	3 (0x0003)		AddAtomA	0x00006820
5 (0x0005)	4 (0x0004)		AddAtomW	0x00006AC0
6 (0x0006)	5 (0x0005)		AddConsoleAliasA	0x0000AD00

Error: Modules with different CPU types were found.
Warning: At least one delay-load dependency module was not found.
Warning: At least one module has an unresolved import due to a missing export function in a delay-load dependent module.

P/I	Ordinal	Hint	Function	Entry Point
N/A	3 (0x0003)		LpKExtTextOut	0x00007FF70411840
N/A	4 (0x0004)		LpKGetCharacterPlacement	0x00007FF7041161C0
N/A	5 (0x0005)		LpKGetTextExtentPoint	0x00007FF70411E200
N/A	6 (0x0006)		LpKInitialize	0x00007FF704111C00
N/A	9 (0x0009)		LpKUseGDIWidthCache	0x00007FF70411AC00

E	Ordinal	Hint	Function	Entry Point
1 (0x0001)	8 (0x0008)		LpKTabbedTextOut	0x00006AB0
2 (0x0002)	0 (0x0000)		LpKDllInitialize	0x00001080
3 (0x0003)	1 (0x0001)		LpKDrawTextEx	0x00001460
4 (0x0004)	2 (0x0002)		LpKEditControl	0x0000A050
5 (0x0005)	3 (0x0003)		LpKExtTextOut	0x00001840
6 (0x0006)	4 (0x0004)		LpKGetCharacterPlacement	0x000061C0

Error: Modules with different CPU types were found.
Warning: At least one delay-load dependency module was not found.
Warning: At least one module has an unresolved import due to a missing export function in a delay-load dependent module.

NTDLL is being called by other dlls and file manipulation as well as mutex functions are being called.

5. Is the file packed/obfuscated?

File: C:\Users\Jafar\Desktop\sample 4\1182ffd81b4ee9bed90ca490ca5bb...

Entrypoint: 0014B89E EP Section: .text

File Offset: 00149C9E First Bytes: FF,25,00,20

Linker Info: 11.0 Subsystem: Win32 GUI

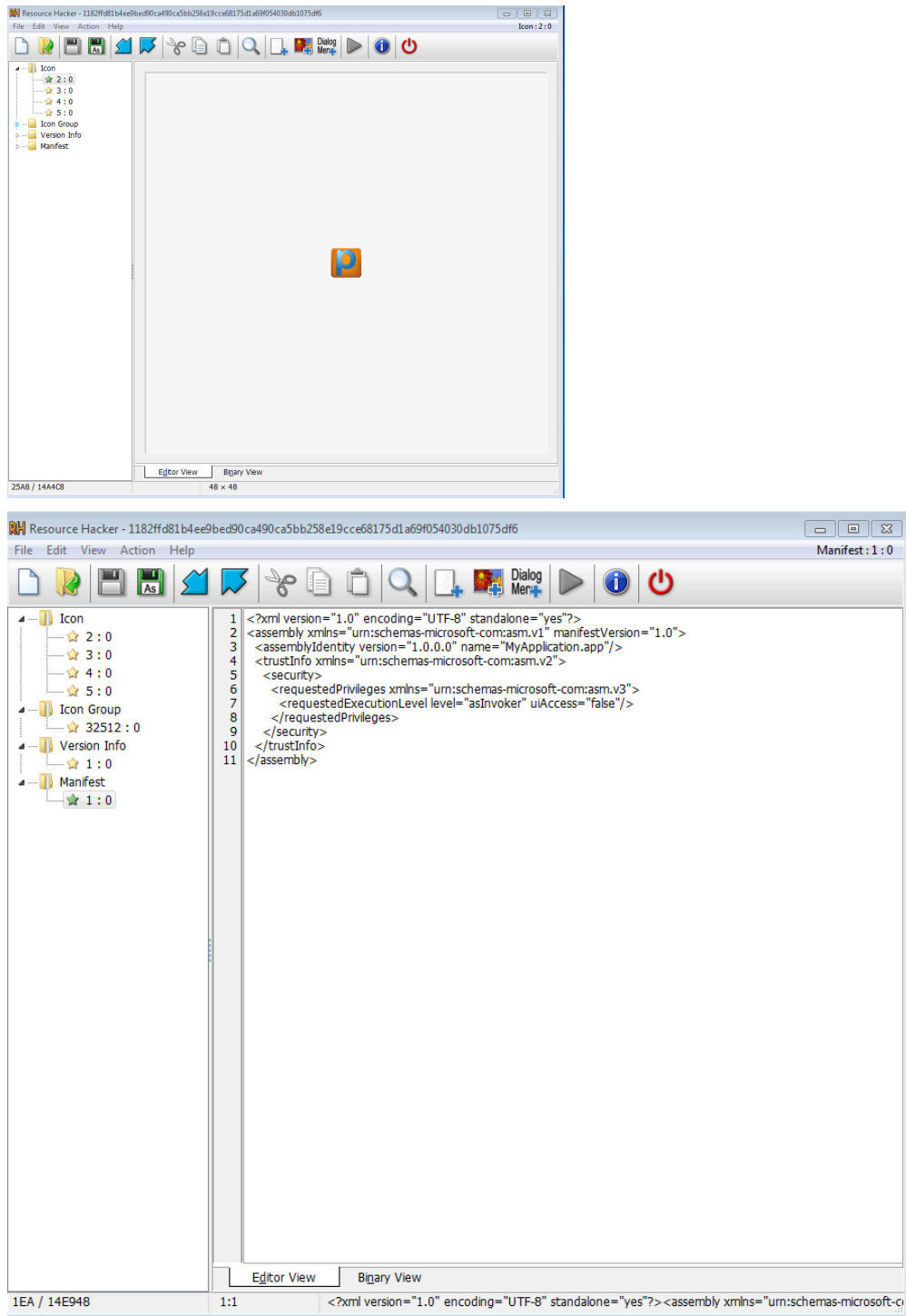
Microsoft Visual C# / Basic .NET

Multi Scan Task Viewer Options About Exit

Stay on top

No the file is not packed.

6. If GUI, then analyze its resources



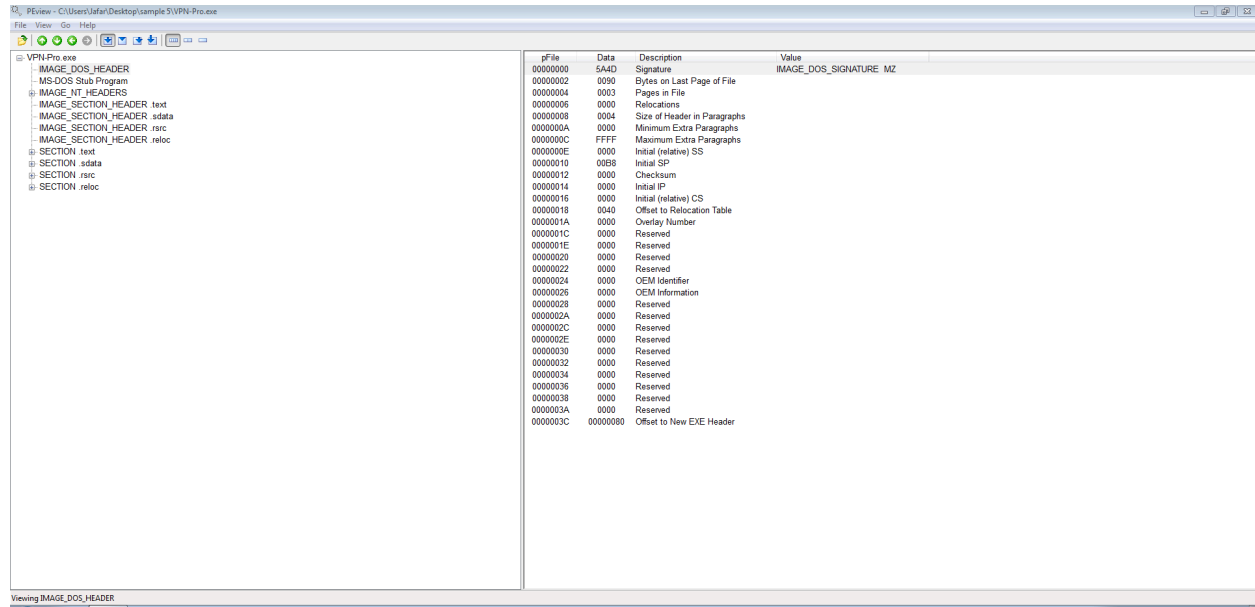
Resource hacker provides us with icons and the manifest file of the executable.

7. What is the file trying to do with suspicious functions?

The file is a potential malware that does file manipulation using functions like CreateFile and DeleteFile repeatedly along with process manipulation using mutexes. No IP address is found, so the possibility of external communication can be ruled out.

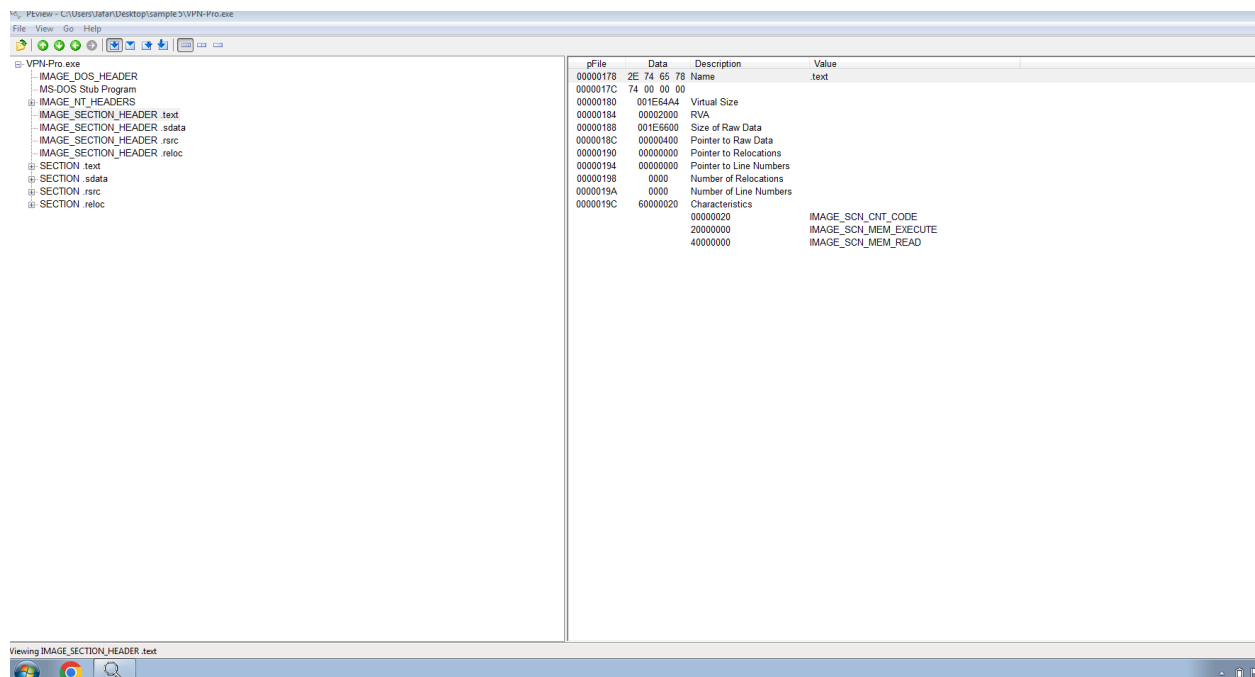
SAMPLE 05 - SYRIAN MALWARE

1. PE Header Information.



The MS DOS header, now discontinued, provides the aforementioned information. However, significant details can be found from the NT headers and section headers.

2. PE Section Headers Information



File View Go Help

VPN-Pro.exe

- IMAGE_DOS_HEADER
- MS-DOS Stub Program
- IMAGE_NT_HEADERS
- IMAGE_SECTION_HEADER .text
- IMAGE_SECTION_HEADER .sdata
- IMAGE_SECTION_HEADER .rsrc
- IMAGE_SECTION_HEADER .reloc

pFile	Data	Description	Value
000001A0	2E 73 64 61	Name	.sdata
000001A4	74 61 00 00		
000001A8	00000073	Virtual Size	
000001AC	001EAD00	RVA	
000001B0	00000200	Size of Raw Data	
000001B4	001E6A00	Pointer to Raw Data	
000001B8	00000000	Pointer to Relocations	
000001BC	00000000	Pointer to Line Numbers	
000001C0	0000	Number of Relocations	
000001C2	0000	Number of Line Numbers	
000001C4	C0000040	Characteristics	
		IMAGE_SCN_CNT_INITIALIZED_DATA	
		IMAGE_SCN_MEM_READ	
		IMAGE_SCN_MEM_WRITE	

Viewing IMAGE_SECTION_HEADER .sdata

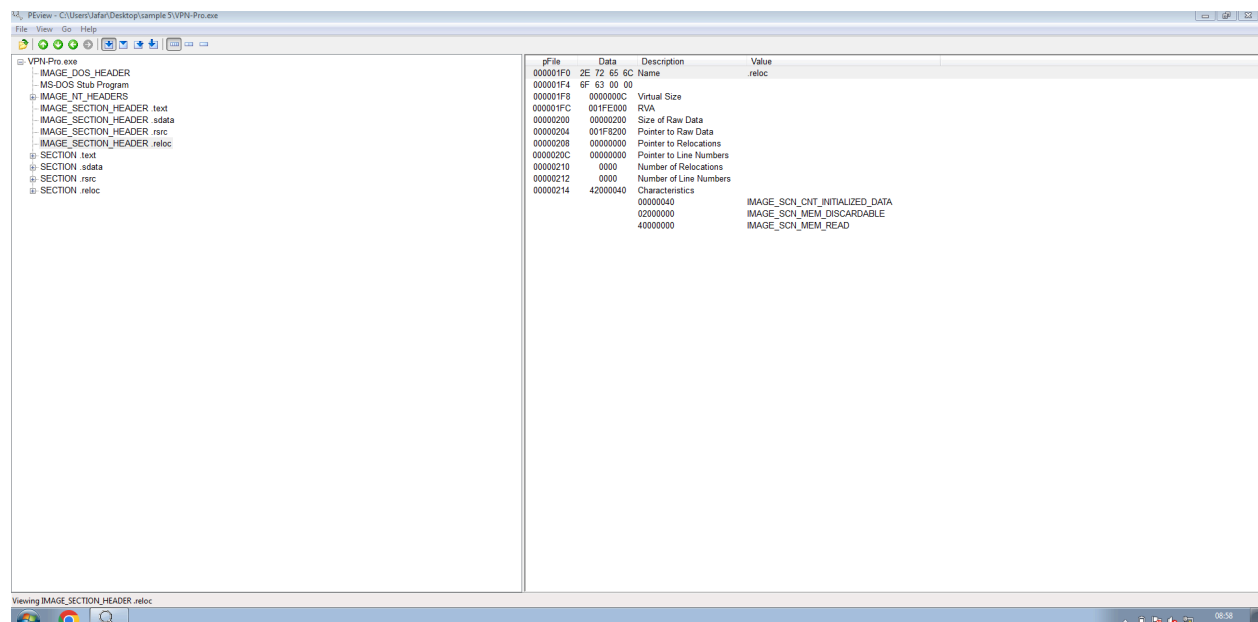
File View Go Help

VPN-Pro.exe

- IMAGE_DOS_HEADER
- MS-DOS Stub Program
- IMAGE_NT_HEADERS
- IMAGE_SECTION_HEADER .text
- IMAGE_SECTION_HEADER .sdata
- IMAGE_SECTION_HEADER .rsrc
- IMAGE_SECTION_HEADER .reloc

pFile	Data	Description	Value
000001C8	2E 72 72 72	Name	.rsrc
000001CC	63 00 00 00		
000001D0	000114F0	Virtual Size	
000001D4	001EC000	RVA	
000001D8	00011600	Size of Raw Data	
000001DC	001E6C00	Pointer to Raw Data	
000001E0	00000000	Pointer to Relocations	
000001E4	00000000	Pointer to Line Numbers	
000001E8	0000	Number of Relocations	
000001EA	0000	Number of Line Numbers	
000001EC	40000040	Characteristics	
		IMAGE_SCN_CNT_INITIALIZED_DATA	
		IMAGE_SCN_MEM_READ	

Viewing IMAGE_SECTION_HEADER .rsrc



The section headers provide useful information about the 4 sections of the PE file and their associated details like Virtual Size and Size of Raw Data.

3. String Analysis

Search | Filter | Help

File to scan C:\Users\Jafar\Desktop\sample 5\VPN-Pro.exe

Browse

Go

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Time taken : 0.329 secs Text size: 57378 bytes (56.03K)

File pos	Mem pos	ID	Text
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A 0000001E64DA	0000005E80DA	0	My.Application
A 0000001E6558	0000005E8158	0	System.Windows.Forms.Form
A 0000001E6572	0000005E8172	0	Create_Instance__
A 0000001E6585	0000005E8185	0	Dispose_Instance__
A 0000001E6599	0000005E8199	0	My.MyProject.Forms
A 0000001E65B6	0000005E81B6	0	4System.Web.Services.Protocols.SoapHttpClientProtocol
A 0000001E65EC	0000005E81EC	0	Create_Instance__
A 0000001E65FF	0000005E81FF	0	Dispose_Instance__
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A 0000001E6796	0000005E8396	0	10.0.0.0
A 0000001E67A9	0000005E83A9	0	My.Settings
A 0000001E67D7	0000005E83D7	0	WrapNonExceptionThrows
A 0000001E67F2	0000005E83F2	0	1.0.0.0
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A 0000001E6829	0000005E8429	0	Copyright
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A 0000001E6841	0000005E8441	0	VPN-Pro
A 0000001E6893	0000005E8493	0	GetMain

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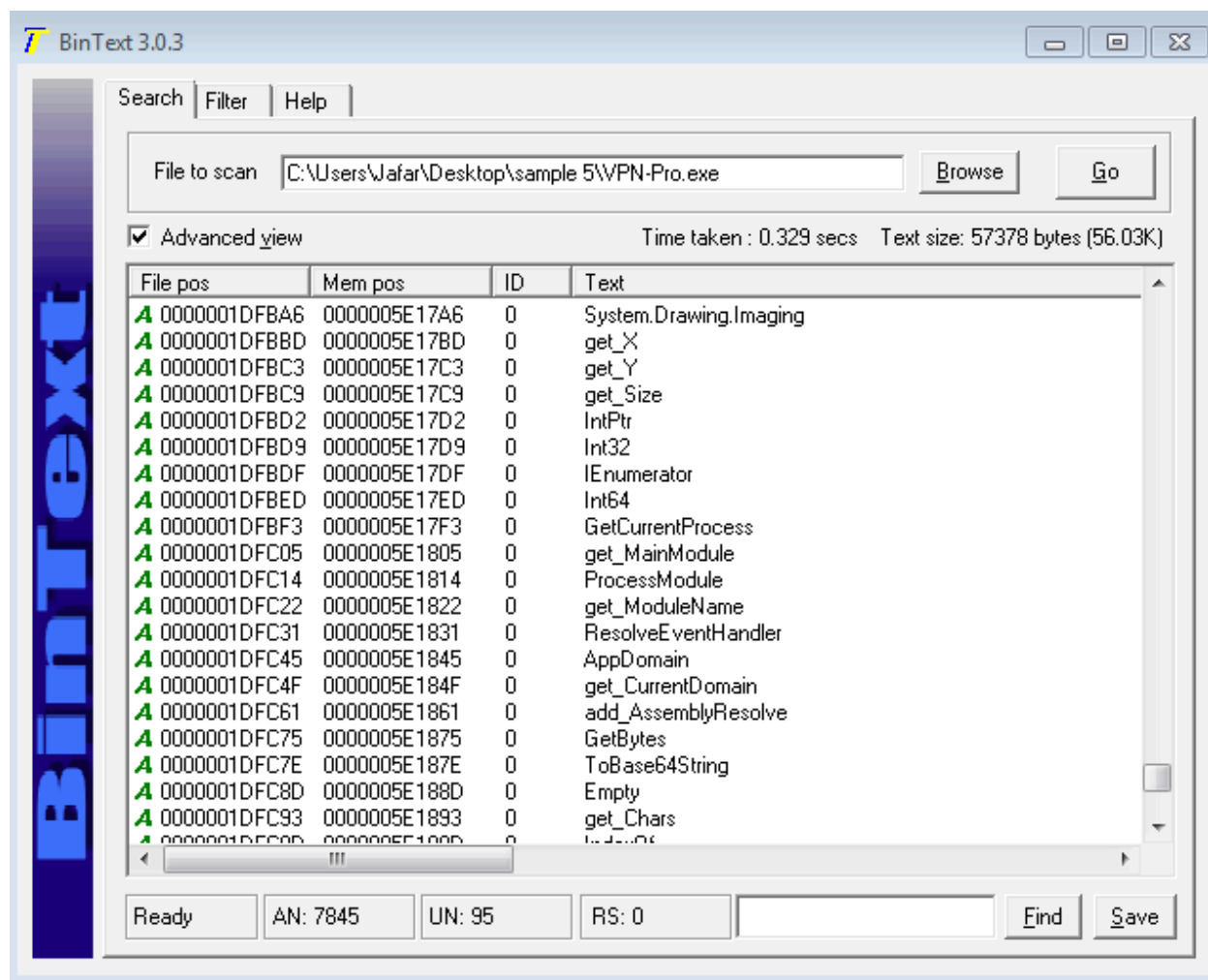
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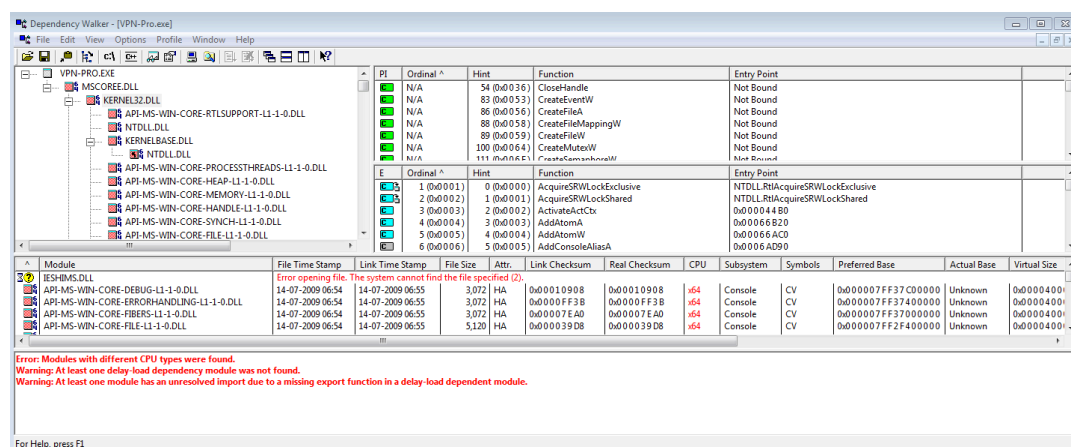
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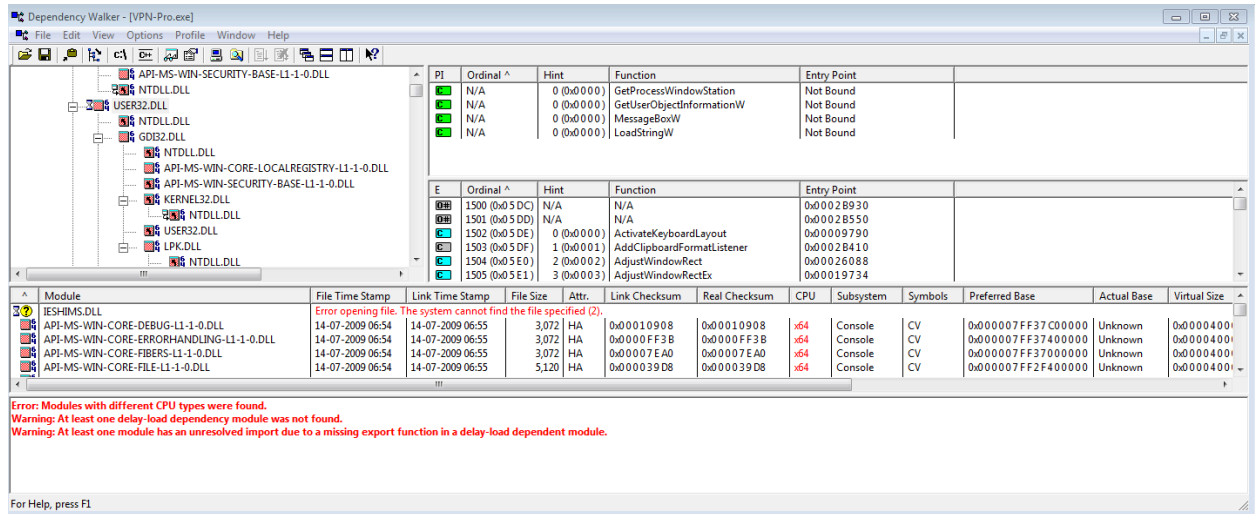
Save



Strings contain encryption to base64 as well as an IP address.

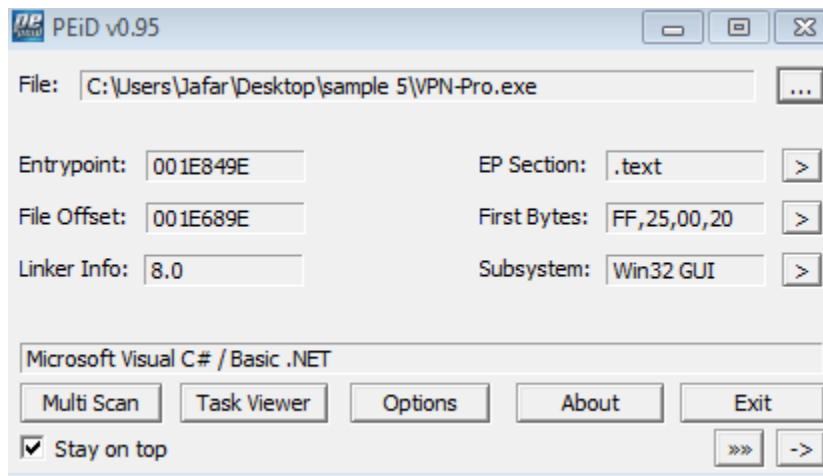
4. Imports/Exports Analysis





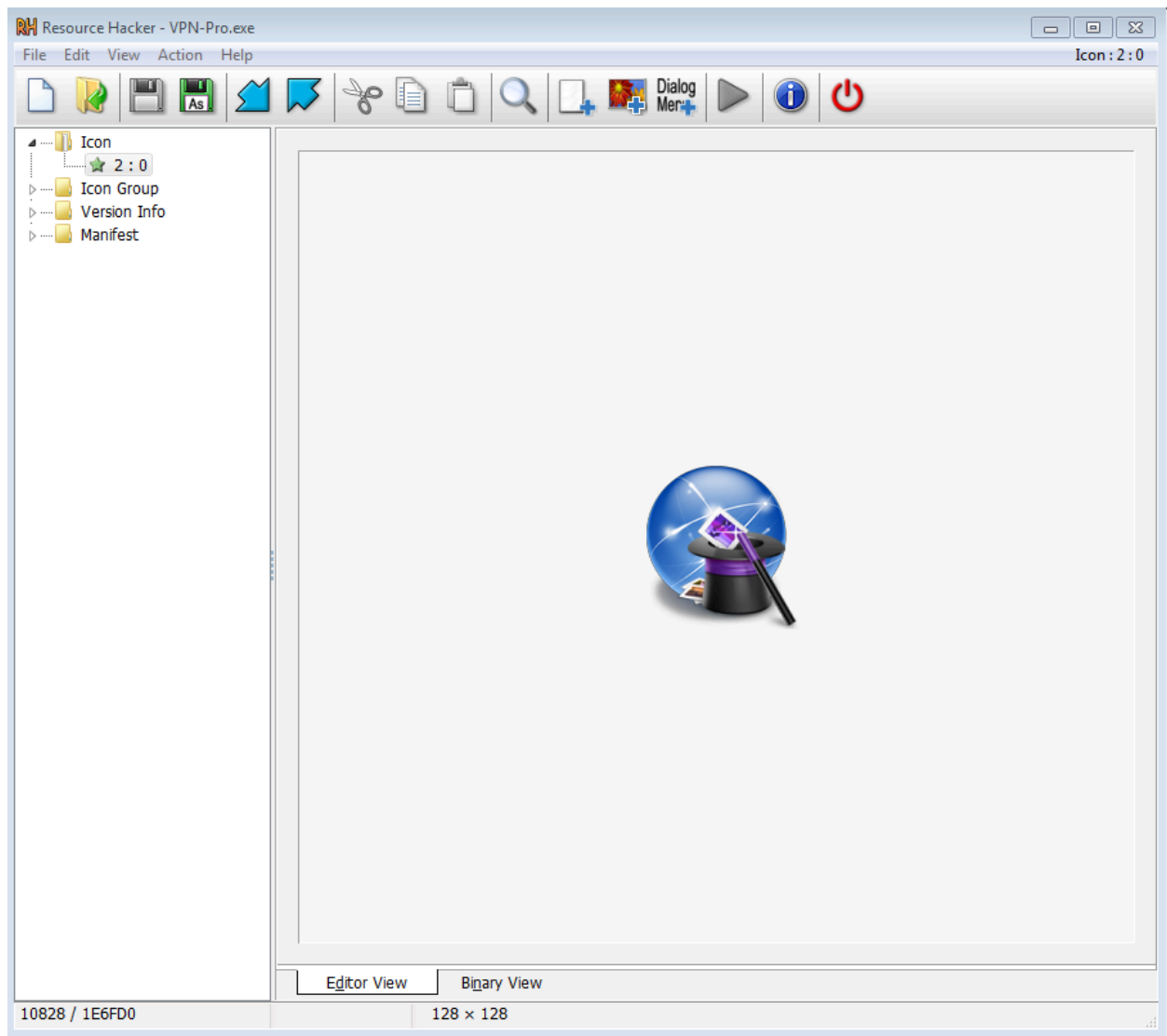
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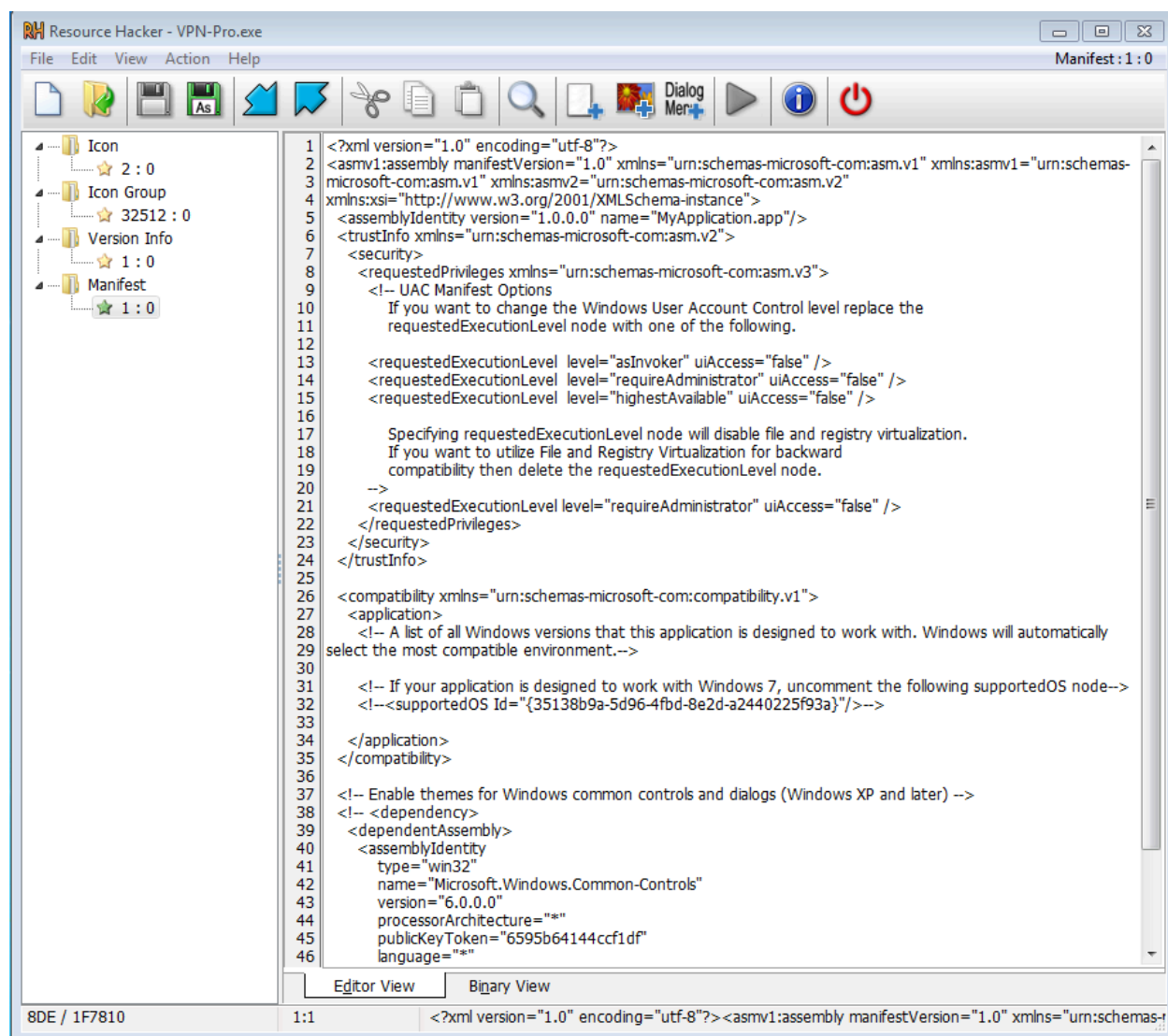
5. Is the file packed/obfuscated?



No the file is not packed.

6. If GUI, analyse its resources





Resource hacker provides us with icons and the manifest file of the executable.

7. What is the file trying to do with suspicious functions?

The file is a potential malware that does file manipulation using functions like CreateFile and DeleteFile repeatedly along with process manipulation using mutexes. No IP address is found, so the possibility of external communication can be ruled out.