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Multiple covert channel indicators detected across DNS and ICMP protocols 18 total tunneling alerts: 6 DNS tunneling events, 12 ICMP tunneling events Suspicious activity concentrated between internal IPs (172.20.10.x) No traditional TCP/UDP attack patterns observed (0 packets in attack stats) Risk Assessment Critical Risks

DNS Tunneling (Severity: High)

6 distinct events with domain lengths 25-32 characters and entropy 3.53-4.00 **Potential data exfiltration** using DNS query encapsulation

ICMP Tunneling (Severity: Critical)

12 events with consistent 128-byte payloads and high entropy (6.43-6.58) **Established command & control channel** likely using ICMP payload manipulation

Lateral Movement Patterns

Internal IPs (172.20.10.9 \leftrightarrow .1, .2 \rightarrow .9) participating in both DNS/ICMP anomalies Threat Observations DNS Tunneling Patterns

Domain Characteristics

Length anomalies: 25-32 characters (normal DNS typically <20 chars) Entropy range 3.53-4.00 indicates possible Base32/Base64 encoding Bidirectional traffic between .9 and .1 (packets 226-227, 236-237) ICMP Tunneling Patterns

Pavload Analysis

Fixed 128-byte payload size across all detections Entropy values (6.43-6.58) matching encrypted/compressed data patterns Consistent .2—3.9 communication path (packet 254 and similar undetailed events) Temporal Patterns

Clusterred timestamps at 07:14, 07:15, and 07:17

Repeating minute-interval patterns suggest automated tunneling Recommendations Immediate Actions

Quarantine suspect IPs:

172.20.10.9 (initiator) 172.20.10.1/.2 (potential compromised nodes)

Implement Protocol Hardening:

Enforce DNS query length restrictions (max 20 characters) Block ICMP payloads >64 bytes network-wide

Enable DNS query type filtering (allow only A/AAAA/MX records) Technical Controls

Deploy Anomaly Detection:

Shannon entropy monitoring for DNS/ICMP (alert threshold >3.5) Baseline normal ICMP payload patterns using historical data

Network Segmentation:

Restrict internal device communication to required ports only Implement micro-segmentation for critical subnets Forensic Requirements

Packet Capture Analysis:

Full inspection of packets 226-237 and 254 Verify DNS TXT record usage and ICMP checksum patterns **Endpoint Investigation**:

Memory dump analysis on .9 device for tunneling tools (dnscat2, icmpsh) Registry/configuration audit on .1/.2 devices Policy Updates

Update IDS/IPS Rules:

``suricata alert dns any any -> any any (msg:"Suspicious DNS Length"; dns.query; len:>24; sid:1000001; rev:1;)

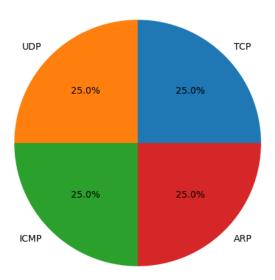
Create analogous ICMP rules for payload size/entropy

User Training:

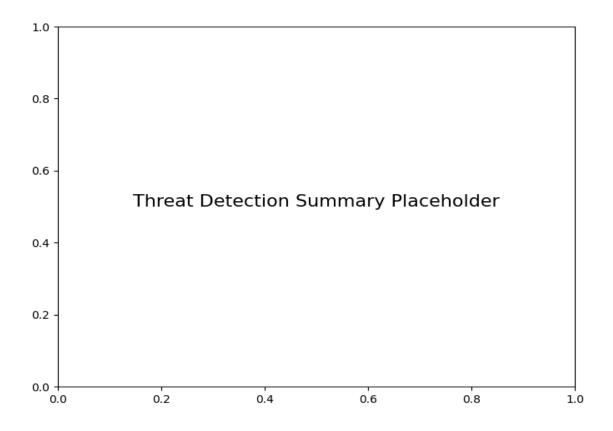
Conduct workshop on covert channel identification Establish reporting protocol for anomalous network behavior

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Threat Detection Summary



Detection Type	Count
Potential DNS tunneling detected (length=26, entropy=3.84)	2
Potential DNS tunneling detected (length=28, entropy=3.53)	2
Potential ICMP tunneling detected (byte length=128, entropy=6.48)	4
Potential ICMP tunneling detected (byte length=128, entropy=6.49)	2
Potential ICMP tunneling detected (byte length=128, entropy=6.58)	2
Potential ICMP tunneling detected (byte length=128, entropy=6.46)	2
Potential ICMP tunneling detected (byte length=128, entropy=6.43)	2
Potential ICMP tunneling detected (byte length=128, entropy=6.53)	2
Potential DNS tunneling detected (length=25, entropy=4.00)	2
Potential DNS tunneling detected (length=32, entropy=3.80)	2