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Sample Number: PMAT-FINAL

Malware Analysis Report

Sample Information

Sample Name: Ransomware.wannahusky.exe

MD5 Hash: 0287b38f8240a025b30c0a231ea403fc

SHA1 Hash: 691ac1b4b7b494f7b56eff0b48ba3e31a14e0d7d

Fuzzy Hash: 12288:dusXq0SdXCqSIAIZm/OSJsqrHrLOBHzI5WTvz:Qiq0S

dXCqSIAIZm/tJsqrLCBHzI5WTb

Imphash: a97ffe6ec502dacc4c154f9dc2b58725

Executive Summary

This Nim compiled binary performs a very small set of actions. The sample is ransomware, however, it only targets one file for encryption. The file cosmo.jpeg must be located on the Desktop for all actions to occur. If this file is present, the ransomware will execute properly. The Desktop wallpaper will be replaced with the ransom message, the file cosmo.jpeg will be encrypted, and the *tree* command will be executed. If the target file is not found, the only action taken is the *tree* command. No network activity was found.

Technical Analysis

This sample appears to be compiled using Nim. This can be confirmed by looking at the symbols within the binary (Figure 1).



Figure 1 - Symbol names indicating binary was compiled in Nim. The most telling is the presence of NimMain.

On first detonation, a command prompt window was seen running a command (Figure 2) and the Desktop wallpaper was changed to a ransom message (Figure 3). The ransom message appears to specifically mention a picture of cosmo being targeted for ransom. This will be confirmed through additional analysis later.

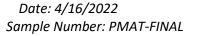




Figure 2 - Command Prompt and modified Desktop wallpaper.





that picture of cosmo on your desktop is now encrypted!

to save him, you must send 100 Huskycoin to https://huskyhacks.dev hurry! you have 24 hours before we delete cosmo

Figure 3 - Ransom message set as the wallpaper to inform the user of their infection.

Utilizing the Procmon utility from the SysInternals Suite, a historical process tree was generated to understand the number of additional processes spawned by the sample (Figure 4).

🖃 🌃 Ransomware, wannahusky, exe (3628
Conhost.exe (4508)
🖃 💹 powershell.exe (2872)
🖃 🏿 сsc.exe (4984)
cvtres.exe (4448)
tree.com (3484)

Figure 4 - Historical process tree generated from Procmon logs.

Through sandbox analysis, the basic steps of the ransomware sample were identified. Advanced analysis techniques were utilized to see the additional details of the operations. First, the sample saves a PNG file to the Desktop called WANNAHUSKY.png (Figure 5). This PNG file is located within the sample's binary at offset 0x412100 (Figure 6). The sample will then write a Powershell script named ps1.ps1 to the Desktop (Figure 7). This Powershell script is stored at offset 0x411ea0 within the sample's binary (Figure 8). The executable will then proceed to perform the encryption step. The only file it targets is "cosmo.jpeg" which was created by the analyst on the Desktop before detonation (Figure 9).

```
7:52:0... Ransomware.w... 3628 CreateFile C:\Users\IEUser\Desktop\WANNAHUSKY.png
7:52:0... Ransomware.w... 3628 WriteFile C:\Users\IEUser\Desktop\WANNAHUSKY.png
7:52:0... Ransomware.w... 3628 CloseFile C:\Users\IEUser\Desktop\WANNAHUSKY.png
7:52:0... Ransomware.w... 3628 CloseFile C:\Users\IEUser\Desktop\WANNAHUSKY.png
```

Figure 5 - Sample saving WANNAHUSKY.png to the Desktop.

Figure 6 - PNG file header found within sample binary at offset 0x412100.

7:52:0... • Ransomware.w... 3628 • CreateFile C:\Users\IEUser\Desktop\ps1.ps1
7:52:0... • Ransomware.w... 3628 • WriteFile C:\Users\IEUser\Desktop\ps1.ps1
7:52:0... • Ransomware.w... 3628 • CloseFile C:\Users\IEUser\Desktop\ps1.ps1

Figure 7 - Sample saving ps1.ps1 to the Desktop.

```
00411ea0 30 02 00 00 30 02 00 40-24 63 6f 64 65 20 3d 20-40 27 0a 75 73 69 6e 67-20 53 79 73 74 65 6d 2e 0...0.@$code = @'.using System.
00411ec0 52 75 6e 74 69 6d 65 2e-49 6e 74 65 72 6f 70 53-65 72 76 69 63 65 73 3b-0a 0a 6e 61 6d 65 73 70 Runtime.InteropServices;..namesp
public class
30411f00 20 57 61 6c 6c 70 61 70-65 72 7b 0a 0a 20 20 20-20 20 20 5b 44 6c 6c 49-6d 70 6f 72 74 28 22 75
                                                                                                                                         Wallpaper{..
                                                                                                                                        ser32.dll", CharSet=CharSet.Auto
)]. static extern int Syst
00411f20 73 65 72 33 32 2e 64 6c-6c 22 2c 20 43 68 61 72-53 65 74 3d 43 68 61 72-53 65 74 2e 41 75 74 6f
                                                                                                                                        )]. static extern int SystemParametersInfo (int uAction ,
30411f40 29 5d 0a 20 20 20 20 20 20-20 73 74 61 74 69 63 20-20 65 78 74 65 72 6e 20-69 6e 74 20 53 79 73 74
00411f60 65 6d 50 61 72 61 6d 65-74 65 72 73 49 6e 66 6f-20 28 69 6e 74 20 75 41-63 74 69 6f 6e 20 2c 20
                                                                                                                                        int uParam , string lpvParam , i
nt fuWinIni) ;.. public sta
tic void SetWallpaper(string the
00411f80 69 6e 74 20 75 50 61 72-61 6d 20 2c 20 73 74 72-69 6e 67 20 6c 70 76 50-61 72 61 6d 20 2c 20 69 00411fa0 6e 74 20 66 75 57 69 6e-49 6e 69 29 20 3b 0a 0a-20 20 20 20 20 20 70 75-62 6c 69 63 20 73 74 61
00411fc0 74 69 63 20 76 6f 69 64-20 53 65 74 57 61 6c 6c-70 61 70 65 72 28 73 74-72 69 6e 67 20 74 68 65
                                                                                                                                         Path){. SystemF
Info(20,0,thePath,3);.
00411fe0 50 61 74 68 29 7b 0a 20-20 20 20 20 20 20 20 20 -53 79 73 74 65 6d 50 61-72 61 6d 65 74 65 72 73
                                                                                                                                                           SystemParameters
00412000 49 6e 66 6f 28 32 30 2c-30 2c 74 68 65 50 61 74-68 2c 33 29 3b 0a 20 20-20 20 20 20 7d 0a 20 20
00412020 20 20 7d 0a 7d 0a 27 40-0a 61 64 64 2d 74 79 70-65 20 24 63 6f 64 65 0a-0a 24 63 75 72 72 44 69
                                                                                                                                          }.}.'@.add-type $code..$currDi
30412040 72 20 3d 20 47 65 74 2d-4c 6f 63 61 74 69 6f 6e-0a 24 77 61 6c 6c 70 61-70 65 72 20 3d 20 22 2e
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                                                                                                                                         \WANNAHUSKY.PNG".$fullpath = Joi
                                                                                                                                        n-Path -path $currDir -ChildPath
$wallpaper..[Win32.Wallpaper]::
SetWallpaper($fullpath)....
 04120c0 53 65 74 57 61 6c 6c 70-61 70 65 72 28 24 66 75-6c 6c 70 61 74 68 29 0a-00 00 00
```

Figure 8 - Powershell script stored within sample binary at offset 0x411ea0.

7:52:0 📧 Ransomware.w 3628 🦙 Create	eFile C:\Users\IEUser\Desktop\cosmo.ipeg	SUCCESS	Desired Access: Generic Reac
7:52:0 📧 Ransomware.w 3628 🐂 Query	yStandardlC:\Users\IEUser\Desktop\cosmo.jpeg	SUCCESS	AllocationSize: 1,757,184, End
7:52:0 📧 Ransomware.w 3628 🐂 Read	File C:\Users\IEUser\Desktop\cosmo.jpeg	SUCCESS	Offset: 0, Length: 1,753,088, F
7:52:0 📧 Ransomware.w 3628 🐂 Read	File C:\Users\IEUser\Desktop\cosmo.jpeq	SUCCESS	Offset: 1,753,088, Length: 1,50
7:52:0 📧 Ransomware.w 3628 🐂 Read	File C:\Users\IEUser\Desktop\cosmo.jpeg	END OF FILE	Offset: 1,754,626, Length: 4,05
7:52:0 📧 Ransomware.w 3628 🏣 Close	File C:\Users\IEUser\Desktop\cosmo.jpeg	SUCCESS	
7:52:0 📧 Ransomware.w 3628 🐂 Create	eFile C:\Users\IEUser\Desktop\cosmo.WANNAHUSKY	SUCCESS	Desired Access: Generic Write
7:52:0 📧 Ransomware.w 3628 🏣 Writel	File C:\Users\IEUser\Desktop\cosmo.WANNAHUSKY	SUCCESS	Offset: 0, Length: 4,096, Priorit
7:52:0 📧 Ransomware.w 3628 🥽 Writel	File C:\Users\IEUser\Desktop\cosmo.WANNAHUSKY	SUCCESS	Offset: 4,096, Length: 4,096, F
7:52:0 📧 Ransomware.w 3628 🏣 Writel	File C:\Users\IEUser\Desktop\cosmo.WANNAHUSKY	SUCCESS	Offset: 8,192, Length: 4,096
7:52:0 📧 Ransomware.w 3628 🥽 Writel	File C:\Users\IEUser\Desktop\cosmo.WANNAHUSKY	SUCCESS	Offset: 12,288, Length: 4,096
7:52:0 👅 Ransomware.w 3628 🐂 Writel	File C:\Users\IEUser\Desktop\cosmo.\WANNAHUSKY	SUCCESS	Offset: 16,384, Length: 4,096,
7:52:0 📧 Ransomware.w 3628 🥽 Writel	File C:\Users\IEUser\Desktop\cosmo.WANNAHUSKY	SUCCESS	Offset: 20,480, Length: 4,096
7:52:0 📧 Ransomware.w 3628 🥽 Writel	File C:\Users\IEUser\Desktop\cosmo.WANNAHUSKY	SUCCESS	Offset: 24,576, Length: 4,096
7:52:0 📧 Ransomware.w 3628 🐂 Writel	File C:\Users\IEUser\Desktop\cosmo.WANNAHUSKY	SUCCESS	Offset: 28,672, Length: 4,096
7:52:0 📧 Ransomware.w 3628 🥽 Writel	File C:\Users\IEUser\Desktop\cosmo.WANNAHUSKY	SUCCESS	Offset: 32,768, Length: 4,096,
7:52:0 📧 Ransomware.w 3628 🐂 Writel	File C:\Users\IEUser\Desktop\cosmo.WANNAHUSKY	SUCCESS	Offset: 36,864, Length: 4,096
7:52:0 📧 Ransomware.w 3628 🥽 Writel	File C:\Users\IEUser\Desktop\cosmo.WANNAHUSKY	SUCCESS	Offset: 40,960, Length: 4,096
7:52:0 📧 Ransomware.w 3628 🧱 Write	File C:\Users\IEUser\Desktop\cosmo.WANNAHUSKY	SUCCESS	Offset: 45,056, Length: 4,096
7:52:0 👅 Ransomware.w 3628 🏣 Writel	File C:\Users\IEUser\Desktop\cosmo:WANNAHUSKY	SUCCESS	Offset: 49,152, Length: 4,096
7:52:0 📧 Ransomware.w 3628 🧱 Write	File C:\Users\IEUser\Desktop\cosmo.WANNAHUSKY	SUCCESS	Offset: 53,248, Length: 4,096
7:52:0 👅 Ransomware.w 3628 🐂 Writel	File C:\Users\IEUser\Desktop\cosmo:WANNAHUSKY	SUCCESS	Offset: 57,344, Length: 4,096
7:52:0 📧 Ransomware.w 3628 🧱 Write	File C:\Users\IEUser\Desktop\cosmo.WANNAHUSKY	SUCCESS	Offset: 61,440, Length: 4,096
7:52:0 👅 Ransomware.w 3628 🐂 Writel	File C:\Users\IEUser\Desktop\cosmo:WANNAHUSKY	SUCCESS	Offset: 65,536, Length: 4,096,
7:52:0 📧 Ransomware.w 3628 🧺 Writel	File C:\Users\IEUser\Desktop\cosmo.WANNAHUSKY	SUCCESS	Offset: 69,632, Length: 4,096
7:52:0 👅 Ransomware.w 3628 🐂 Writel	File C:\Users\IEUser\Desktop\cosmo:WANNAHUSKY	SUCCESS	Offset: 73,728, Length: 4,096
7:52:0 📧 Ransomware.w 3628 🐂 Writel	File C:\Users\IEUser\Desktop\cosmo.WANNAHUSKY	SUCCESS	Offset: 77,824, Length: 4,096
7:52:0 📧 Ransomware.w 3628 🦙 Writel	File C:\Users\IEUser\Desktop\cosmo.WANNAHUSKY	SUCCESS	Offset: 81,920, Length: 4,096
7:52:0 📧 Ransomware.w 3628 🦐 Writel	File C:\Users\IEUser\Desktop\cosmo.WANNAHUSKY	SUCCESS	Offset: 86,016, Length: 4,096
7:52:0 📧 Ransomware.w 3628 🏣 Writel	File C:\Users\IEUser\Desktop\cosmo.WANNAHUSKY	SUCCESS	Offset: 90,112, Length: 4,096
7:52:0 📧 Ransomware.w 3628 🥽 Writel	File C:\Users\IEUser\Desktop\cosmo.WANNAHUSKY	SUCCESS	Offset: 94,208, Length: 4,096
7:52:0 📧 Ransomware.w 3628 🏣 Writel	File C:\Users\IEUser\Desktop\cosmo.WANNAHUSKY	SUCCESS	Offset: 98,304, Length: 4,096
7:52:0 📧 Ransomware.w 3628 🦐 Writel	File C:\Users\IEUser\Desktop\cosmo.WANNAHUSKY	SUCCESS	Offset: 102,400, Length: 4,096

Figure 9 - Sample reading cosmo.jpeg test file and writing the encrypted bytes to cosmo.WANNAHUSKY on the Desktop.

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It can be confirmed that cosmo.jpeg is the only file targeted by this binary by performing static code analysis. Within the strings, the only filename mentioned is cosmo.jpeg and the encrypted version name of cosmo.WANNAHUSKY (Figure 10). The cross references of these strings show the use of them inside a function wherein the encryption function is executed. When looking at this function, the variable containing these strings are appended to another variable that stores the full path of the user's home directory (Figure 11) creating a full file path string. The appended string is then utilized for read/write operations using CreateFileA, ReadFile, and WriteFile API calls in which the memory buffer of ReadFile will be passed into the encryption function.

Figure 10 - Strings in sample specifically targeting cosmo.jpeg.

```
uint32 t ebx 1 = eax 1
int32_t eax_2 = homeDirectoryPath
int32 t ecx = 0x12
if (eax 2 != 0)
    ecx = *eax 2 + 0x12
void* eax 3
eax_3, ecx = @rawNewString@4(ecx)
appendString(ecx, homeDirectoryPath)
appendString.part.0(eax 3, &cosmo.jpeg)
int32_t eax_5 = homeDirectoryPath
int32 t ecx 2 = 0x1f
if (eax 5 != 0)
    ecx 2 = *eax 5 + 0x1f
void* eax 6
eax 6, ecx 2 = @rawNewString@4(ecx 2)
 appendString(ecx 2, homeDirectoryPath)
 appendString.part.0(eax_6, &cosmo.WANNAHUSKY)
int32 t* eax 7 = @readFile 4PGnM9bWmsH0Nu7dnr3XzgA@4(eax 3)
```

Figure 11 - Decompiled function where the sample is appending the user's HOME directory with the /Desktop/cosmo.jpeg string to specifically read the file in preparation for encryption.

An additional confirmation of the cosmo.jpeg file being the only target is that if this file is not present, the sample outputs an error in a console window (Figure 12). When this error is present, the sample's only action is the execution of the tree command.

Administrator: C:\Users\IEUser\Desktop\Ransomware.wannahusky.exe
cannot open: C:\Users\IEUser\Desktop\cosmo.jpeg

Figure 12 - Sample will output an error into console if no cosmo.jpeg exists on the Desktop.

There is also the issue of the encryption process itself and the way it encrypts files. The bytes of cosmo.jpeg is stored in a memory buffer using the ReadFile API call. This buffer is then put through the encryption process. However, the original cosmo.jpeg file is deleted using DeleteFileW instead of being overwritten (Figure 13). The encrypted bytes are stored in a new

file called cosmo.WANNAHUSKY. This allows the original file to be recovered from the NTFS file system via traditional data recovery techniques.

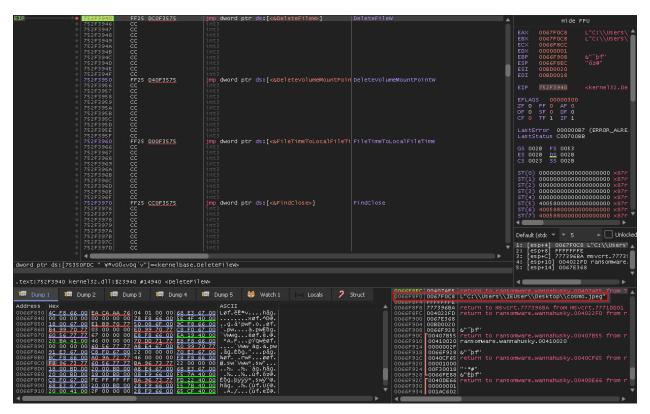


Figure 13 - The original cosmo.jpeg being deleted via DeleteFileW instead of being overwritten.

After the encryption routine is finished, the sample spawns a new cmd.exe process which executes the dropped Powershell script (Figure 14). After execution, the script is deleted from disk using DeleteFileW (Figures 15 and 16).



Figure 14 - Sample spawning a new cmd.exe process that calls powershell in order to execute the dropped ps1.ps1 script.

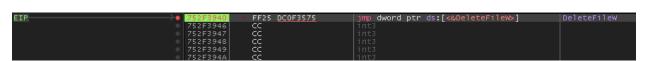
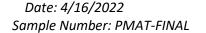


Figure 15 - DeleteFileW API call used to remove Powershell script from disk.



```
0066FE4C 00407AF5 | return to ransomware.wannahusky.00407AF5 | from ???
0066FE54 00000000 | 0066FE58 | 00000000 | 0066FE58 | 00000000 | 0066FE58 | 00000000 | 00404F88 | return to ransomware.wannahusky.00404F88 | from ransomware.wannahusky.00404F3A | 0066FE60 | 0067B4A8 | 00000032 | 0066FE68 | 0066FE88 | &"Èþf"
```

Figure 16 - Argument on the stack of the file to be deleted. Shows the ps1.ps1 file being targeted for deletion.

By setting a breakpoint on DeleteFileW, the script was able to be viewed by the analyst before it was deleted by the sample (Figure 17). This script is responsible for setting the ransom message PNG file as the Desktop wallpaper.

```
using System.Runtime.InteropServices;
4
      namespace Win32{
5
6
          public class Wallpaper{
7
            [DllImport("user32.dll", CharSet=CharSet.Auto)]
8
9
           static extern int SystemParametersInfo (int uAction , int uParam , string lpvParam , int fuWinIni) ;
           public static void SetWallpaper(string thePath)(
              SystemParametersInfo(20,0,thePath,3);
13
14
15
16
17
      add-type $code
18
19
      ScurrDir = Get-Location
      Swallpaper = ".\WANNAHUSKY.PNG"
20
      $fullpath = Join-Path -path $currDir -ChildPath $wallpaper
21
22
23
      [Win32.Wallpaper]::SetWallpaper($fullpath)
24
```

Figure 17 - The contents of the Powershell script written to the Desktop.

The final action that the sample takes is the spawning of a new cmd.exe process using CreateProcessA which executes the tree command on logical disk C:\ (Figures 18, 19, and 20).

```
7:52:1... Ransomware.w... 3628 Process Create C:\Windows\Sys\V0\V64\cmd.exe

SUCCESS PID: 768, Command line: C:\Windows\system32\cmd.exe /c tree C:\
```

Figure 18 - Sample spawning a new cmd.exe process that calls the tree command with the C:\ drive as the argument.

Figure 19 - CreateProcessA call used to spawn a new cmd.exe process.

Figure 20 – The stack containing the command argument to be included to CreateProcessA when spawning the new cmd.exe process.

Finally, once the tree command is finished, the sample calls ExitProcess to terminate.



Figure 21 - ExitProcess called after all operations are finished.

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MITRE ATT&CK Techniques

Here a list of all MITRE ATT&CK classifications of the malware sample will be included.

ATT&CK ID	Tactic Name	Description of use
T1059.001	Command and	Sample saves and
	Scripting	executes a
	Interpreter:	Powershell script.
	Powershell	
T1059.003	Command and	Sample executes
	Scripting	commands via
	Interpreter: Windows	cmd.exe.
	Command Shell	
T1486	Data Encrypted for	Sample encrypts data
	Impact	on target systems.

YARA Signature

```
rule WANNAHUSKY
{
    meta:
        author = "KrknSec"
        info = "WANNAHUSKY Ransomware"

    strings:
        $s1 = "_NimMain." ascii
        $s2 = "@mwannahusky.nim.c_asgnRef0" ascii
        $s3 = "@Desktop\\ps1.ps1" ascii
        $s4 = "@Desktop\\WANNAHUSKY.png" ascii
        $s5 = "@Desktop\\target\\cosmo.WANNAHUSKY" ascii
        $s6 = "@Desktop\\cosmo.jpeg" ascii

        condition:
        all of them
}
```

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Extractor Script

```
import pefile
import binascii
def getRdataSection(file):
   pe file = pefile.PE(file)
   for section in pe_file.sections:
       if b".rdata" in section.Name:
           return section.get_data()
def main():
   # Get path of executiable
   sample = input("Enter path of executable: ")
   # Find the .rdata section
   rdata_section = getRdataSection(sample)
   # Extract the embedded PNG file
   pngFile = rdata_section[4360:]
   fullData = pngFile[0:36839]
   f = open("ransomNote.png", "wb")
   f.write(pngFile)
   f.close()
   # Extract the Ransom target
   target = rdata_section[37071:]
   targetData = target[0:49]
   print("\n[+] Targeted file is: \n" + str(targetData) + "\n")
   # Extract the Powershell Script
   pshell = rdata_section[3753:]
   pshellData = pshell[0:559]
   f = open("extractedPowershell.txt", "wb")
   f.write(pshellData)
   f.close()
main()
```

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Indicators of Compromise

- WANNAHUSKY.png
 - o MD5: 28b6be9ee7d9fc481b51f077a077191e
 - o SHA1: 2897ee9611876a8be3111ca9738e2c0942c5b71e
 - o Location: %USERPROFILE%\Desktop\
- Ps1.ps1
 - o MD5: 7c1bbff5820495dd9f7a294777a49d33
 - o SHA1: 23436dcbe4a79b5a6a4930909f0b6a7bff2434b1
 - o Location: %USERPROFILE%\Desktop\
 - o **Deleted after execution**
- .WANNAHUSKY file extension