As the word means, "Pure Signal", in its simplest terms, aims to transmit without interference and to transmit the interference data after it has been made simple and analysable. Whether you use PowerSDR products, listen to standard radio transmissions, or analyze traffic flowing through the network, you want the data to be as clear as possible.

Developed by Team-Cymru, "Pure Signal Recon", formerly AUGURY, seems to have taken its basic philosophy from the above brief description.



#### AUGURY HAS BEEN REPLACED BY PURE SIGNAL™ RECON

Please note that Team Cymru Augury has been replaced by Team Cymru Pure Signal™ Recon.

It is believed that one of the law enforcement agencies affiliated with the US military, some of which are within the Navy, NCIS (**Naval Criminal Investigative Service**), purchased and used this product. Today, NCIS operates in approximately 191 locations, in more than 41 countries. NCIS has used data streams many times in the past years.

This became known when an anonymous whistleblower contacted Senator Ron Wyden. Whistleblower said that with this "tool", which was sold to military institutions, almost all internet activities, browser traces and network traffic of American citizens can be accessed without permission. Within this scope, it has also revealed the sale of data warehouses from some unnamed institutions that host the users' data to more than one American official institution. One of these official institutions is the Defense Intelligence Agency. The Senator also noted that several times the DoD-Pentagon (United States Department of Defense) has blocked efforts to investigate and clarify the government's purchase of internet browsing records of users.

CUI (**Controlled Unclassified Information**) acts as a shield against leaking information for institutions such as DoD.

Although there are blockings and information masking, under the CUI (**Controlled Unclassified Information**) restrictions, the senator also stated that he managed to get answers to some of his parliamentary questions thanks to open sources such as public contract information. According to some of these published online-public contract files, it has been revealed that many institutions affiliated to DoD, data belonging to citizens have been purchased many times from data mining companies. The most striking examples are: The Defense Counterintelligence and Security Agency spent more than \$2 million purchasing access to netflow data, and the Defense Intelligence Agency purchased Domain Name System data.

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The Senator also underlined that although he applied for the reassignment of information to the DoD with these documents, he was again rejected. Considering this dominant situation of the internet structure and the money addiction of the free-market economy, it is inevitable to experience such situations.

Meanwhile, the importance of the whistleblower takes the stage. The aforementioned whistleblower has previously objected to data sales to many institutions. This whistleblower stated that NCIS has repeatedly purchased network streams, including communication log data, from data broker Team Cymru. In the signed contracts, the product name "Augury" is mentioned. Its current name is "Pure Signal" and it has many variations such as Pure Signal Orbit.

Based on evidence based on public procurement records, it has been learned that this product acquires and stacks petabytes of data and has the capacity to record close to 100 billion pieces of data per day. This tool uses a common database with many third party companies.

In addition, the product ensures that the route map of the end-point providing a data flow can also be drawn by mapping the proxies and VPNs. Access to mail protocols data (IMAP/POP/SMTP) in application layers can also be provided. Pure Signal can also monitor open port maps, network flows, PDNs, X.509 certificates and many other network signatures. With the ant route disclosure logic, it can clearly reveal network maps of an IP providing the traffic and other endpoints connected to that IP.

Below is a list of data obtained by this intercontinental tool:

- DNS history (forward and reverse)
- Operating system fingerprinting
- IRC keyword analysis
- NMAP scans
- Pastebin archived data
- Banners on networked devices
- Beaconing activity
- Cookie usage
- UserAgent data
- Extracted file information
- IMAP/POP/SMTP
- RDP/FTP
- URLs accessed
- x509 Certs

It appears that the first sample commercial submission is related to this address **coleen.johnson@navy.mil** (Coleen Johnson 2156973388). Product Service Code is also **7A21** - IT AND TELECOM - BUSINESS APPLICATION SOFTWARE. This also indicates a high-level purchase authorization.

It is useful to note the following fact about the aforementioned X.509 certificates:

The most common use case of X.509-based PKI is Transport Layer Security (TLS)/Secure Socket Layer (SSL), which is the basis of the HTTPS protocol, which enables secure web browsing. This is a globally accepted International Telecommunications Union standard. It is at the core of many networks infrastructure security, P2P secure communication, and encrypted communication of application layer protocols. The X.509 certificate is a safeguard against malicious network impersonators. The majority uses SHA256.

The product marketing catalog reads:

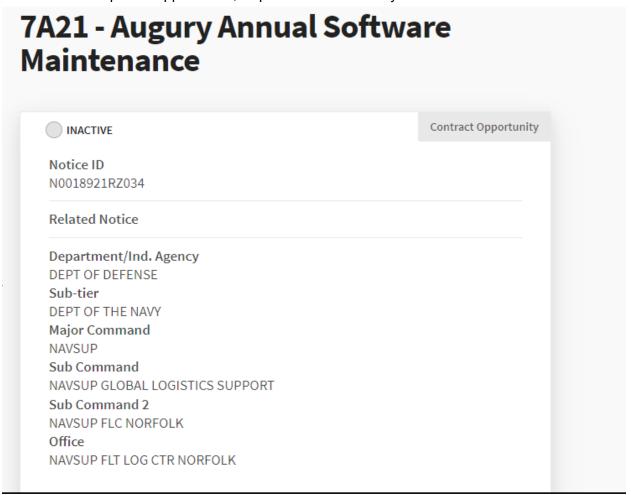
"Our Commercial tool Pure Signal™ RECON (known by our legacy clients and partners as Augury) has, as one of its 50+ data types, x.509 certificates as a search option."

Team Cymru has declared that it has millions of data on these certificates. It stated in one of its advertisements that they examine between 2 million and 8 million pieces of data on average every day. They do this with the certificate information they collect from everywhere in this data store. This multiple data acquisition situation is possible through relationships with many private institutions and organizations and many layers of ISPs.

It is underlined that this tool also records data from approximately 550 points spread around the world. According to the official registration number **N0018921RZ034**, these data collection

centers are spread over many continents. The network data includes collection points in Europe, the Middle East, North/South America, Africa and Asia.

There are two separate applications, September and January 2021:



- <a href="https://sam.gov/opp/81b3e986cef44c0cb805f121b0761353/view?keywords=&sort=-modi-fiedDate&index=opp&is\_active=true&page=34">https://sam.gov/opp/81b3e986cef44c0cb805f121b0761353/view?keywords=&sort=-modi-fiedDate&index=opp&is\_active=true&page=34</a>

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The product is indeed very similar to Palantir's Gotham Project.

Within the scope of this research, it was also revealed that the government contractor, Argonne Ridge Group, is actually a mirror of Team Cymru and have the same corporate address and employee profiles. This institution, known for its closeness to governments, has contracts with the U.S. Cyber Command, the Army, the Federal Bureau of Investigation and the U.S. Secret Service. Most of the agreements use this company title. It has also been confirmed by open-public contracting that the meta-records(metadata) of the Internet have been sold to many US-based military and civilian intelligence agencies many times under the cover of Argonne Ridge Group.

Argonne Ridge Group has received more than \$25 billion in grants, according to a report that was published by DOD, 2015.

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#### PALANTIR TECHNOLOGIES INC was also on the same list.

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PALMER FEDERAL CONSTRUCTORS INC.

PARADIGM ENGINEERS AND CONSTRUCTORS

Team Cymru's partner in Finland is a company called Arctic Security. Collaboration with this company has been carried out in many investigations of malicious internet activity that took place during the pandemic. Pure Signal was used in Europe for these network analyzes.

Team Cymru collaborates with the European Commission: https://www.enisa.europa.eu/topics/csirts-in-europe/files/team-cumru/

One of the tragic-comic facts is that some of Team Cymru's former employees worked within the TOR Project. Also, CEO of Team Cymru, Rabbi Rob Thomas also sits on the board. He has also taken important roles in technology companies such as Cisco and AT&T Teleholdings and was the CEO of WW2 Armor. The education period also attracts a lot of attention.

2012 - Jewish Spiritual Leaders Institute (Religious Studies)

1989 - **US Navy/US Marine Corps Field Medical Service School** (Combat Medical Technician)

1988 - US Navy Naval Hospital Corps School

No wonder he was in close contact with military units.

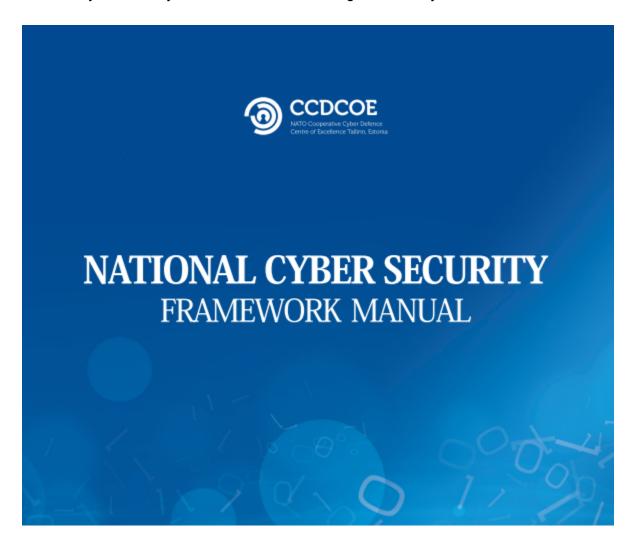
Team Cymru also mentions and boasts of its "network mapping" capabilities in many of its commercial presentations to private companies. In some presentations, it is understood that it is

also injured from fragment analysis of L4. Flow monitors in their products are integrated into the desired interface. This applies to both entry and exit points of the interface and can also interact with the route table.

It is striking that Team Cymru's telemetry data is used in the method disclosures of the spyware company Candiru, which targets many journalists with the Chrome/zero-day vulnerability. Pure Signal Recon was also used in this investigation.

In one of the advertising studies, we come across an interesting marketing sentence: "Pure Signal Recon unlocks over three months of global Internet telemetry, revealing unmatched levels of critical data about billions of connected nodes, networks, servers and clients, regardless if they are victim, target or threat actor. This data is updated in near real time."

The company also collaborated with the United State Space Force, which was established in the past years, as part of the Hack-A-Sat event. The close relationship of the company with many government entities cannot be ignored. The company has also been featured in the NATO National Cyber Security Framework Manual catalog series many times.



In Team Cymru's showcase, the trigger is stored on Amazon cloud servers. For example: *Ec2-52-22-205-159.compute-1.amazonaws.com (PTR*)

The standard subdomain **track**.\*\*\*, which follows many site link tabs and stabilization, is also used in these company products:

#### track.cymru.com

The important subdomains of Team Cymru's analysis tools, in which these databases are used, are listed below:

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## $\textbf{[38.229.33.5]} \rightarrow$

jabba.cymru.com

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augury-qa.cymru.com

Below are the product access panel entries:

https://augury5.cymru.com/login https://orbit.cymru.com/login

orbit.cymru.com still redirects to augury5.cymru.com.

The company conducts chat meetings via Zoom. The source was revealed by examining: <a href="https://chat.cymru.com">https://chat.cymru.com</a>

It's good to remember this: Most of the institutions and organizations mentioned above have come across similar cases in the past years.

Research and investigations will continue.