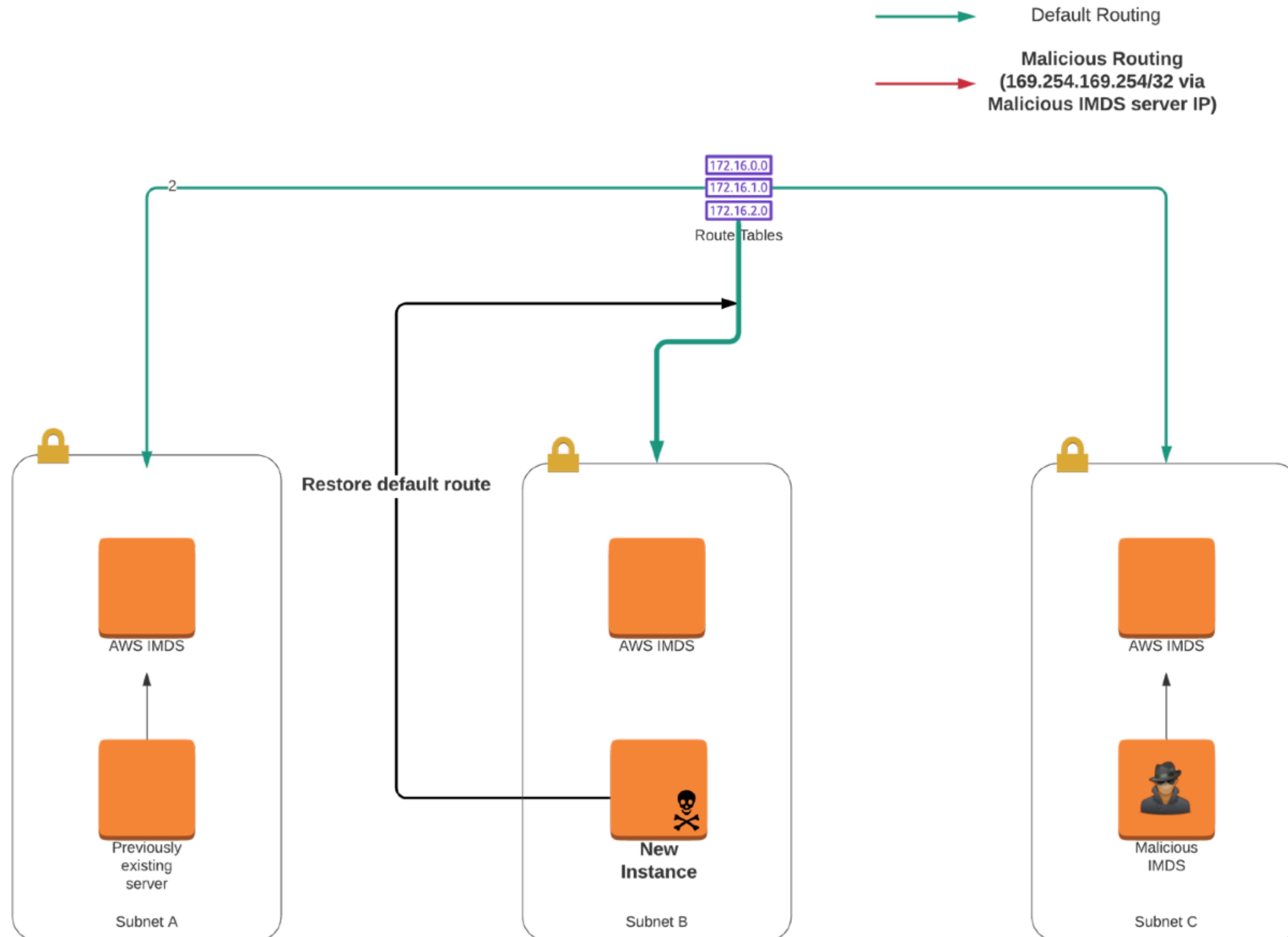


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Notes

The now compromised new instance does the following.

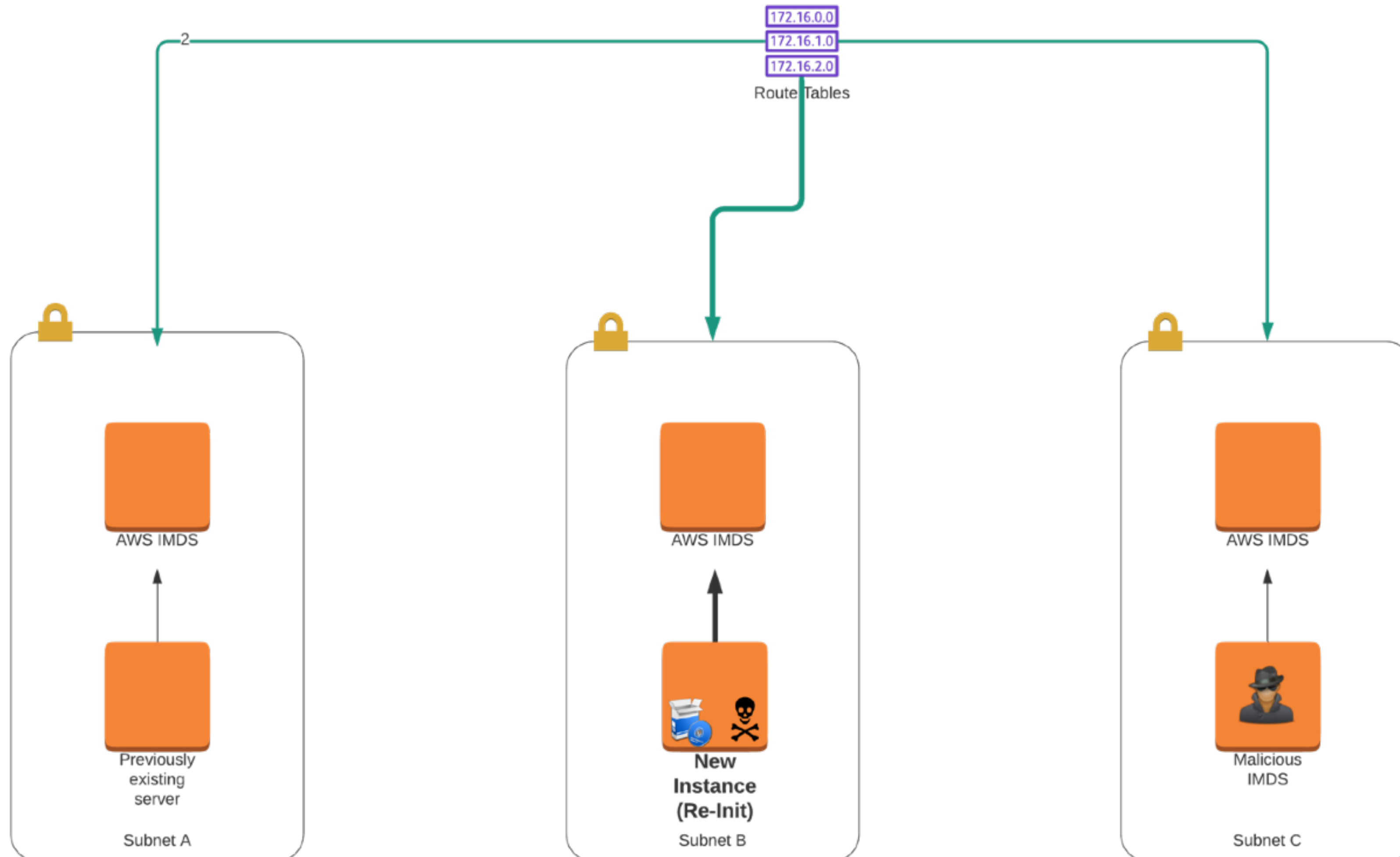
1. Restore default route
2. Clear cloud-init data
3. Reboot

Hardcoded credentials served via the user data from the malicious IMDS server can be used to restore the default route.

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Default Routing



Notes

On reboot the new rooted instance will rebootstrap with the default user data and work as expected from the end user's view.