

Date	26/10/2021
Time	3:30pm – 4pm

Meeting Notes

1. This meeting was done over Teams messenger due to commitments on Jason's end. I was asked to provide an update in which I had proven I had kept up with my target of 3 months of research/ ransomware attacks every two weeks, in this case I now have a variety of attacks for Jan 2020- June 2020 as well as the sector for all my current attacks.
 - Whilst Jason was happy with this, he did express concern about the number of total ransomware attacks being small in his eyes (36). I expressed that this was all I was able to find with my chosen keywords and that at this pace it would mean that I would have ~120 total attacks.
 - Whilst this was a good number, I was told by Jason to expand and refine my keywords as I should be finding more attacks in my current time frame, this was something I agreed with and will be doing from now on.
2. I was also told that due to project week would I be able to speed up my research. Whilst personally I felt this was a lot of work to do, I agreed to complete all attacks up to the end of 2020 due to having project week between our next meetings. This is something I am confident in being able to do despite having other deadlines.
3. Finally, whilst not immediate Jason recommended I look at the current attacks I have and begin to discover links between different ransomware groups, and their strains in order to better understand the evolution of certain strains.

Meeting Summary

Overall, the aim of this meeting was to check on my research progress as well as plan for my workload during project week. Whilst there was some criticism, I am happy with my progress and am confident in my ability to complete my new tasks despite other deadlines. Roles and tasks have been defined

Task Completed (Since Last Meeting)

Tasks listed here completed and reviewed as satisfactory

Task Name and Description	Date	Completed?
Reorganise excel spreadsheet, one to record ALL ransomware attacks during my Covid-19 timeframe, one to record all ransomware attacks/relevant to the pandemic/actively aim to disrupt services related to it.	26/10/2021	Yes
Complete new field (sector)	26/10/2021	Yes
Continue to refine keywords and vague outline of my technical report	26/10/2021	Yes

Task(s) to be Completed (For next meeting)

Tasks listed to be completed and reviewer assigned

Task Name and Description	Date
Complete ransomware research up to December 2020 during project week.	11/11/2021
Further refine my keywords and search for some additional resources that help me find more obscure attacks.	11/11/2021

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Tentatively begin discovering links between different ransomware groups/strains and their origins (the evolution of strains etc	11/11/2021
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