

# **Android Security Report**

For Internal Purpose

Prepared For: com.foo.bar

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# **Report Summary**

Appknox conducted a security assessment of the mobile application for the Android platform. This report contains all the findings during the automated auditing process. It also contains the process of discovering those vulnerabilities in the first place, and ways to remediate those issues.

## **Application Details**

Application Name com.foo.bar Application Namespace com.foo.bar

Version 1.0

Audit Date 2017-03-03 09:17:31.568149+00:00

Application SHA1 Hash d5341a898eb1d1e90a316d49e8f6b4f33ad08cf0

Application MD5 Hash 97d83c689f2cb0118e1901054165e8fe

### **Audit Summary**

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Priority Level Number of failed test cases High Risk Medium Risk Low Risk

## **Appknox Security Rating**

Appknox Security Rating: Unsecured

# Do not release apps that are debuggable

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### Risk Rating: High

#### Risk Assessment

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AllowAllHostnameVerifier is instantiated in org.apache.http.conn.ssl.SSLCo

### **Noncompliant Code Example**

This non-compliant code example shows an app that has the android: debuggable attribute set to true being accessed to reveal sensitive data.

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Clearly, with the android: debuggable attribute set to true, sensitive date related to the app can be revealed to any user.

# **Compliant Solution**

Ensure that the android: debuggable attribute is set to false before the app is released:

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android:debuggable="false"
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Note that some development environments (including Eclipse/ADT and Ant) automatically set android: debuggable to true for incremental or debugging builds but set it to false for release builds.

# **Business Implication**

Application can be debugged and reverse engineers can debug and manipulate the Runtime logic of the application.

**Related Vulnerabilities** 

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