Security Incident Report

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| **Section 1: Identify the network protocol involved in the incident** |
| The DNS and HTTP protocols were used to establish the connection between the user and the website. The user's machine sent a DNS resolution request to the DNS server to obtain the website's IP address. The DNS server replied with the correct IP address. Then, the user's machine sends an HTTP connection request to the website's server to initiate the connection. |
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| **Section 2: Document the incident** |
| A disgruntled baker executed a brute force attack to gain access to the web host of the yummyrecipesforme.com website. After obtaining the login credentials, the attacker could access the admin panel and modify the website’s source code. They embedded a JavaScript function that prompted visitors to download and run a file. After running the downloaded file, the customers were redirected to a fake website version where the seller’s recipes were now free.  Several customers reported that the company's website prompted them to download a file to update their browsers. The customers complained that the website's address changed after running the file, and their personal computers began running more slowly. The website owner could not log in to the admin panel and contacted the hosting provider. The cybersecurity team confirmed the website was compromised, and a brute force attack impacted the web server. |

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| **Section 3: Recommend one remediation for brute force attacks** |
| Use strong and unique passwords: The admin password was still set to the default password, which allowed the attacker to guess it easily. Using strong and unique passwords can prevent such attacks. |