

Defeating mTANs for profit

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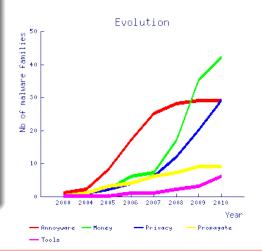
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Zitmo? ... what the fuss?!



- Zeus In The MObile
- Malware for Symbian phones (OS > 9.0)
- Intercepts mTANs = one-time passwords sent by SMS
- Targetting Spanish online banks
- Propagated on PC by Zeus botnet

 first case of use by organized criminals



Zeus (aka Zbot): background

- It's a crimeware kit, sold in the underground market
- Designed to steal banking information
- There are several Zeus botnets, not only one

What's new for Zitmo's propagation?

- Not 'much', because fully configurable
- Uses a different RC4 key to decrypt the configuration file
- Targets Spanish banks, injects Javascript into those URLs

Zitmo in a nutshell





Similarities with SMS Monitor

- SMS Monitor: "The main purpose of this application is parental controls and security audit."
- Two papers in Russian Xakep magazine, with code: re-used by Zeus gang?





Zitmo compared with	Exact match of code	Exact match of strings
	same assembly	case-sensitive match
SMS Monitor Lite	60%	89%
SMS Monitor	59%	90%
SymbOS/-	13%	2%
Trapsms.A!tr.spy		
SymbOS/-	16%	30%
Fwdsms.D!tr.spy		

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Read SMS

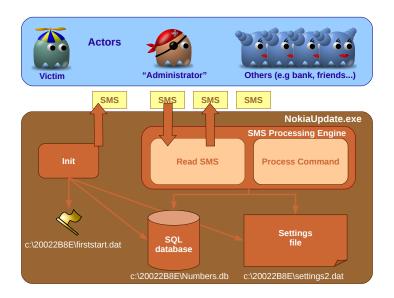
Actions: release, forward, drop

Commands

Techniques: spoof admin, hidden window

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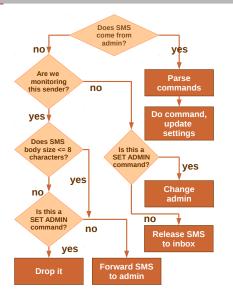


Silently intercept all SMS

Assembly code taken from Zitmo

```
; Open socket RSocket::Open(RSocketServ &,uint,uint,uint)
      _ZN7RSocket4OpenER11RSocketServjjj
BL
STR
       RO, [R11, #errcode]; store the return code
LDR R3, [R11, #errcode]
CMP R3, #0 ; if return code != KErrNone
BNE loc_7C90DAF8 ; jump to this location if error
SUB RO, R11, #0x54
BL _ZN8TSmsAddrC1Ev ; TSmsAddr::TSmsAddr(void)
SUB RO, R11, #0x54
MOV
       R1, #4 ; ESmsAddrMatchText
; set socket family (SetSmsAddrFamily) to ESmsAddrMatchText
NL
    _ZN8TSmsAddr16SetSmsAddrFamilyE14TSmsAddrFamily
       RO, R11, #0x54
SUB
      R3, R11, #0x24
      R1, R3 ; text to match: _L8("")
MOV
BL
       _ZN8TSmsAddr12SetTextMatchERK6TDesC8
```

Processing incoming SMS (listen - new stuff here;)



Actions

- Drop SMS: nobody will ever see this SMS.
- Forward SMS: the SMS is sent to the administrator. Not displayed on the victim's phone.
- Release SMS: the SMS is displayed in the victim's inbox.
- **Commands**: modifies the trojan's behaviour.

Releasing SMS - those not to spy (listen - new stuff here)

Switch to phone's inbox

```
LDR.
        RO, [R3,#0x34]
MOV
        R1, 0x1002 ; KMsvGlobalInboxIndexEntryIdValue
BL
        _ZN8CBaseMtm19SwitchCurrentEntryLEl
```

Copy generic information (subject, date) to TMsvEntry object. Mark the change (CommitL)

```
BL
        _ZN5TTime8HomeTimeEv ; TTime::HomeTime(void)
SUB
        R3, R11, #0x74
        RO, R3, #0x48
ADD
LDR
       R1, [R11, #var_1C]
BL
        NokiaUpdate_copyTextIfNotNull
 CMsvEntry::ChangeL(TMsvEntry const&)
BL
        _ZN9CMsvEntry7ChangeLERK9TMsvEntry
```

Releasing SMS (cont'd)

- Copy message-type specific data (=headers and body) in CMsvStore object.
- Set as ESmsDeliver = displayed as coming from sender (not to)
- Commit.

```
; CSmsHeader::NewL(CSmsPDU::TSmsPDUType,CEditableText &)
MOV
        RO, #0; ESmsDeliver
LDR
   R1, [R11, #var_80]
BL
       _ZN10CSmsHeader4NewLEN7CSmsPDU11TSmsPDUType...
LDR
        RO, [R11, #cmsvstore]
        _ZN9CMsvStore7CommitLEv ; CMsvStore::CommitL(void)
BL
```

NB. If listed in the phone's address book, display contact name ("Axelle") and not phone number ("+336...")

Forward SMS to administrator (spy) - (not 'new', but still listen;))

```
Append Fr: to SMS body
; Copy original body in TDes16
LDR R3, [R11, #var_18]
                                 Append sender's phone
ADD RO, R3, #0xC0
                                 number
LDR R1, [R11, #incomingsmstext]
                                 LDR R3, [R11, #var_18]
BL _ZN6TDes164CopyERK7TDesC16
                                 ADD RO, R3, #0xC0
; Create TPtrC (pointer) to "Fr:"
                                 ; phone number in #0x6C
SUB RO, R11, #0x84
                                 SUB R3, R11, #0x6C;
LDR R1, =aFr ; " Fr:"
                                 MOV R1, R3
BL _ZN7TPtrC16C1EPKt
                                 BL _ZN6TDes166AppendERK
; Append " Fr: " to body
SUB R2, R11, #0x84
LDR R3, [R11, #var_18]
ADD RO, R3, #0xC0
                                     box.
```

Create SMS in the Drafts

MOV

R1, R2

BL _ZN6TDes166AppendERK7TDesC16

Dropping an SMS

- Do nothing :) ... or nearly:
- Mark SMS PDU as successfully processed (or message) re-appears at next boot)

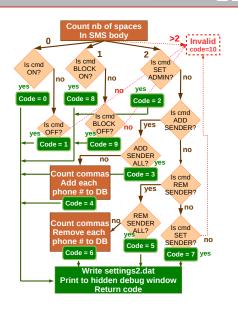
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RSocket::Ioctl(uint,TRequestStatus &,TDes8 *,uint)
MOV
       R1, #0x304 ; KIoctlReadMessageSucceeded
MOV
       R3, R12
       _ZN7RSocket5IoctlEjR14TRequestStatusP5TDes8j
BL
```

Zitmo Commands (listen - new stuff here!)

- ON / OFF
- SET ADMIN xx
- ADD SENDER xx, xx / ALL
- REM SENDER xx, xx / ALL
- SET SENDER xx
- BLOCK ON / BLOCK OFF

If ALL numbers (except admin) are monitored, SQL tables are not used.

BLOCK ON blocks incoming calls (not used)



Zitmo settings file (listen - new stuff here!)

- byte 0: state of the trojan: 0 if it is off, 1 if it is on (enabled).
- byte 1: monitoring case: 0 to monitor phone numbers specified in the table, and 1 to monitor any numbers (ADD SENDER ALL case).
- byte 2: blocking state: 0 if calls must not be blocked and 1 if they must be blocked (BLOCK ON/OFF)
- byte 3-n: externalized 16-bit Unicode string object (TDesC16) for the administrator's phone number.

```
settings2.dat: disabled trojan (OFF), monitor all mode (ADD
SENDER ALL), receive incoming calls (BLOCK OFF), admin
is +44778148xxxx
```

```
00 01 02 03 04 05 06 07 08 09 0a 0b 0c 0d 0e 0f
00000000 00 01 00 34 2b 34 34 37 37 38 31 34 38 x x
00000010 x
```

Spoof administrator (listen - new stuff here!)

Protocol flaw: *anybody* can claim to be the administrator!

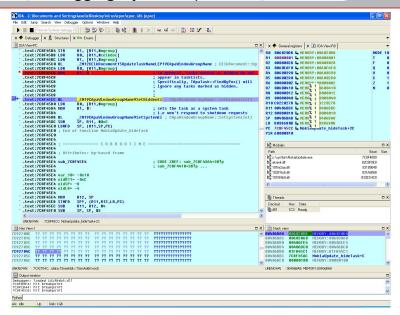
How 0wn the adm1n :D

Install Zitmo on lab phone 1
Bonus: make sure it can't send SMS
(offline, Faraday cage...)

- 1. Method 1. Send SET ADMIN command by SMS with phone number of lab phone 2.
- Method 2. Craft a settings2.dat file with admin phone number = lab phone 2



Remote debugging Symbian phones



Zitmo's Hidden Debug Window (listen - new stuff here!)



Un-hide text editor window

CApaWindowGroupName::SetHidden(

EFalse)

Modify ETrue=1 to EFalse=0.

Bring window in front position

 $RWindow TreeNode:: SetOrdinal Position (\\ \textit{ECoeWinPriorityAlwaysAtFront} \)$

Modify

ECoeWinPriorityNeverAtFrom=-1000 or ECoeWinPriorityNormal=0 to ECoeWinPriorityAlwaysAtFront=+1000 =0x3e8

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Defeating two-factor authentication on demand

Thank You!

Zitmo is difficult to spot

- Weak symptoms: alleged certificate packaged as a Symbian package (.sis, .sisx) not .p12 or .pfx, unknown application listed in the phone's Application Manager
- Express Signed abused, but difficult to do really better.

Existing solutions

- Behaviour analysis: Liang Xie and Xinwen Zhang and Jean-Pierre Seifert and Sencun Zhu. pBMDS: A Behavior-based Malware Detection System for Cellphone Devices. In WiSec'10, March 2010.
- SMS sending profiles: Guanhua Yan, Stephan Eidenbenz, and Emanuele Galli. Sms-watchdog: Profiling social behaviors of sms users for anomaly detection. In RAID, volume 5758 of Lecture Notes in Computer Science, 2009.
- Rules combining security capabilities: William Enck, Machigar Ongtang, and Patrick McDaniel.
 On Lightweight Mobile Phone Application Certification. In CCS'09, November 2009.

Defeating two-factor authentication on demand



Zeus could defeat two-factor authentication before!

True (with a keylogger for example)!

But now, they can do it when they want.

No need to wait for the victim to actually login his/her bank.

Possible solution

We need a (secure) hardware device with:

- a keypad
- impossible to install new applications
- communicate result to bank (e.g signed authentication challenge, valid for a given time frame)

Winner (to be improved): a smartcard reader?

Thank You!



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