# **Cloud Security Framework**



AWS Transit Gateway
Direct Attach Firewalls
Deployment Guide

This document will detail how to install the AWS Transit Gateway Intgration demo. The security framework will use Panhandler as the deployment tool. The following prerequisites are required to be installed on your local computer prior to the installation of the Cloud Security Framework.

## **Prerequisites:**

#### Docker:

Docker will need to be installed to run Panhandler. Here are some links to help with the install:

#### For Mac:

https://docs.docker.com/docker-for-mac/install/

#### For Windows:

https://docs.docker.com/docker-for-windows/install/

#### Panhandler:

Once Docker is installed and running, you will need to pull the panhandler container image from docker hub and build a Panhandler container. From a Mac terminal window or a PC powershell window run the following commands:

docker pull paloaltonetworks/panhandler

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Last login: Tue May 28 10:20:09 on ttys004
SJCMACX05MHV2V:~ jfranklin$ docker pull paloaltonetworks/panhandler
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After panhandler image is downloaded from Docker Hub, start Panhandler using the following commands:

#### Mac command:

docker run -t -p 8888:80 -v \$HOME:/root/ paloaltonetworks/panhandler &

#### Windows command:

docker run -t -p 8888:80 -v /c/Users/%USERNAME%:/root/ paloaltonetworks/panhandler

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|SJCMACX05MHV2V:~ jfranklin$ | docker run -t -p 8888:80 -v $HOME:/root/ paloaltonetworks/panhandler & [1] 81145 | SJCMACX05MHV2V:~ jfranklin$ Adding package panhandler to celery Adding package panhandler to celery Adding app config for app: panhandler
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At this point you should have a container running on your machine with Panhandler. To access Panhandler, open a browser and navigate to the following URL:

## http://localhost:8888

You should see the following login page.

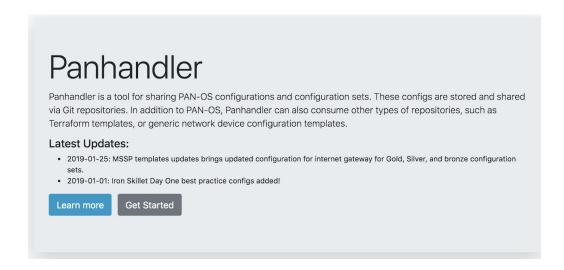


Default login username and password are:

Username: paloalto

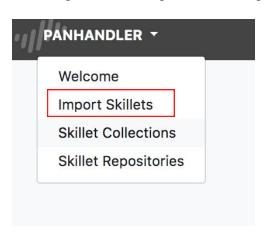
Password: panhandler

Once you are logged in, you will get a welcome screen

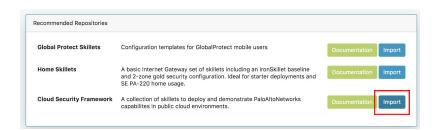


## **Deployment:**

In the upper left hand corner, you will see the Panhandler drop down. Click on the drop down and navigate to the "Import Skillets" option.



To import the Cloud Security Framework, you can select the import button from the screen below.



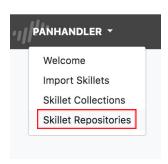
Or you can manually add the GitHub Repository for the Security framework. Once the Repository Name and Git Repository URL are added, select submit:

GitHub URL: <a href="https://github.com/wwce/skillet-aws-tgw-cft-demo">https://github.com/wwce/skillet-aws-tgw-cft-demo</a>

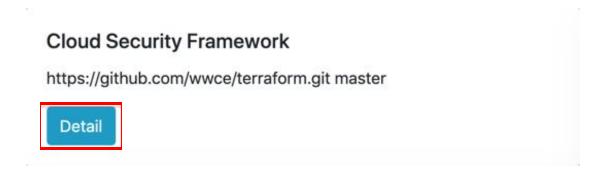


## **Updates**

Repositories are periodically updated to include bug fixes or additional functionality. After the initial import, periodically updating the skillets to the latest version is recommended. From the upper left hand corner Panhandler drop down list, select "Skillet Repositories"



Select Detail under "Cloud Security Framework":



#### Select Update to Latest:



#### Latest Updates

#	Message	Author	Date
1	Fix label in step 3	jharris10	2019-06-30 09:19:58+01:00
2	Fix label in step 3	jharris10	2019-06-30 09:16:42+01:00
3	Merge remote-tracking branch 'origin/master' # Conflicts: # check-direct-routes.py # start-stop-fw.py	jharris10	2019-06-30 09:13:00+01:00

Commit History for branch: master

# **Transit Gateway Introduction**

#### **Transit Gateway**

The AWS Transit Gateway (TGW) service, enables an organization to easily scale connectivity across thousands of VPCs, AWS accounts and on-premises networks. It simplifies connectivity of multiple VPCs with the ability to connect to a single gateway rather than peering between each of the VPCs. The TGW acts as a hub to control traffic routed between spoke VPCs. In order to fully understand how the TGW works it is important to understand these key concepts:

- Transit Gateway—TGW is a hub which consists of attachments and route tables. The TGW supports VPC attachments as either VPC or VPN attachments.
- Transit Gateway Attachments—TGW supports two types of attachments VPC and VPN. VPN
  attachment support dynamic routing and ECMP. VPC attachments only support static routing
  without ECMP support. You can attach a VPC with both VPC and VPN attachment types
  concurrently. With the VPC attachment type, TGW deploys a network interface per availability
  zone within the VPC. VPN attachments are IPSec VPN tunnels to CGWs in the VPC.
- Transit Gateway Route Tables—TGW route tables behave like route domains. Segmentation of the network can be achieved by creating multiple route tables and associating VPCs and VPNs to them. In the TGW reference architecture, we group spoke VPCs to one route table and our security VPCs to another. Within a VPC we use local route tables to route to the TGW. Once in the TGW we use TGW route tables to route to a VPC or VPN attachment.

- Association—A TGW attachment is associated with one TGW route table.
- Route propagation—You can configure static routes within the TGW route table, or you can use
  the VPC or VPN connection to propagate routes into the TGW routing table. With a VPN
  connection routes are propagated with BGP and ECMP is supported. With VPC attachment you
  can't achieve ECMP today.
- Routing limitation—Static routes within a VPC or a TGW route table only allow a single route of the same value pointing to a single next hop. This means you can't configure two default routes 0.0.0.0/0 for example in the same route table to separate next hops. Even though the TGW route tables can support 10,000 routes there is still a BGP prefix limitation of 100.

#### **Deployment Options**

There are a two primary deployment options for providing a secure architecture for TGW.

In both options we have multiple spoke VPCs connected via a VPC attachment method, what differs is how we attach the firewalls..

**Option 1 Multiple Security VPCs with VPC Attachment** 

In this option our three security VPCs (FW-In, FW-Out and FW-E-W) are connected to the TGW with a VPC attachment. With the VPC only attachment method for the FW-Out and FW-E-W security VPCs, you are limited to static routing, no ECMP support and the need to reprogram the static routes during an outage to an alternative firewall network interface. This can be done manually or automated through use of AWS CloudWatch, AWS Lambda and an AWS CloudFormation template script for detection and failover of the firewalls, The advantage of VPC attachment is a simple design with no VPN tunnels but the disadvantage is the lack of ECMP and the ability to provide firewall failover with reprogramming the routes either manually or dynamically.

#### **Option 2 Multiple Security VPCs with VPC-VPN Attachment**

This approach is recommended over the first option due to the fact that we are able to support ECMP and dynamic failover using dynamic routing. In this option our FW-In VPC uses a VPC attachment type and the FW-Out and FW-E-W are connected via VPN and VPC attachment.

# **Deployment**

Once the repository has been added/updated, you are now ready to deploy the demo framework. From the upper left hand corner Panhandler drop down list, select "Skillet Collections"



You will see the screen below. Select the AWS Transit Gateway Demo

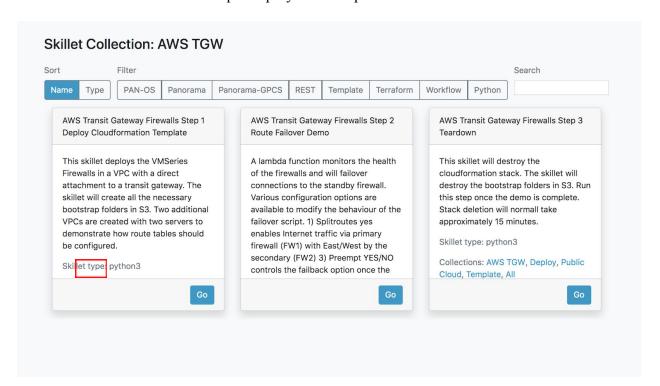
This will take you to the template deployment screen. You will see four options.

The primary purpose of the skillet is to make it easy to create a demo environment that can be used to discuss how the firewalls are inserted into a transit gateway topology. A secondary purpose is to demonstrate how we provide high availability with direct attached firewalls.

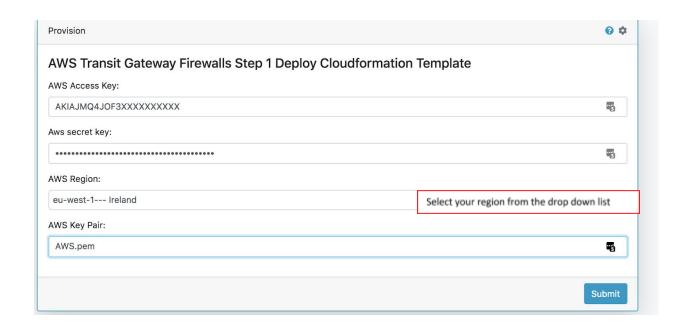
- Step 1: This skillet deploys the VMSeries Firewalls in a VPC with a direct attachment to a transit gateway. The skillet will create all the necessary bootstrap folders in S3.Two additional VPCs are created with two servers to demonstrate how route tables should be configured
- Step 2: The user is able to start and stop firewalls and modify the behaviour of the lambda function providing HA failover by modifying the lambda functions environment variables.
- Step 3: Teardown- Once the demo is complete and you are done with the infrastructure, this step will destroy the demo environment.

### Launch Step 1: (Build of the Infrastructure)

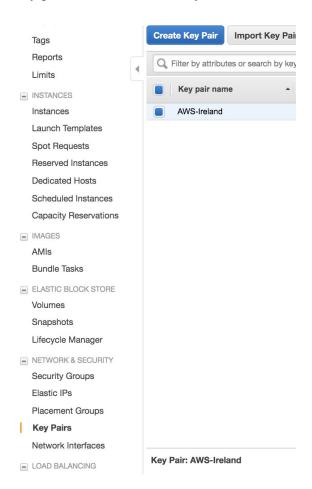
Click on the Go button on the step 1 deployment template.



You should see the following screen:



*Important Note:* If you do not have an SSH key pair already you must first generate the key pair and download it to your local machine



Once the above information is added, select the submit button to begin the installation. The first time the demo build is run, Panhandler will validate the correct version of libraries and tools are loaded into the environment. This will only run the first time you deploy the demo.:

Once the environment verification is completed, (blue continue button will indicate the process is complete) you will see the following:

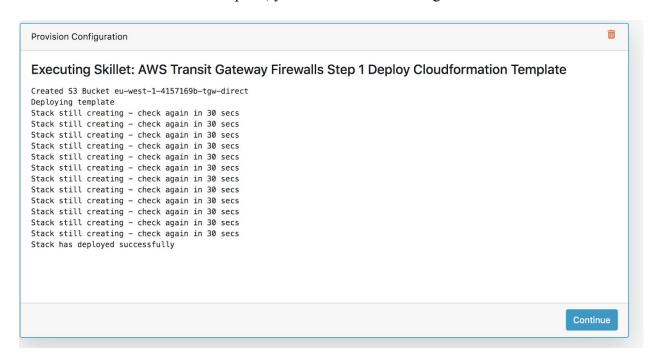
Select the Continue button from the screen above and it will immediately start the build of the AWS Transit Gateway Demo, as shown below.



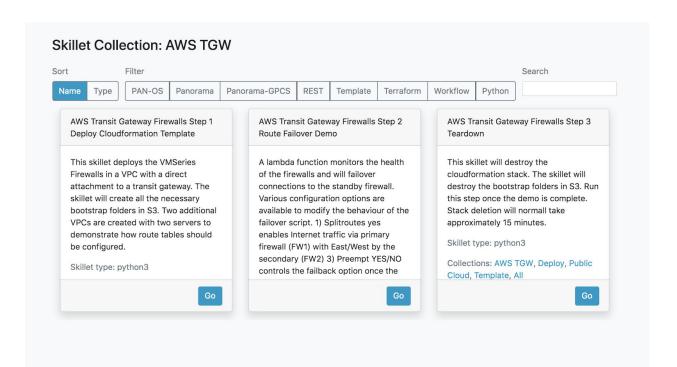
The build of the architecture will take approximately 10 minutes.

Once the deployment completes you will need to wait an additional 5 minutes while the firewalls initialise and the route tables are updated.

Once the Framework build is complete, you will see the following:

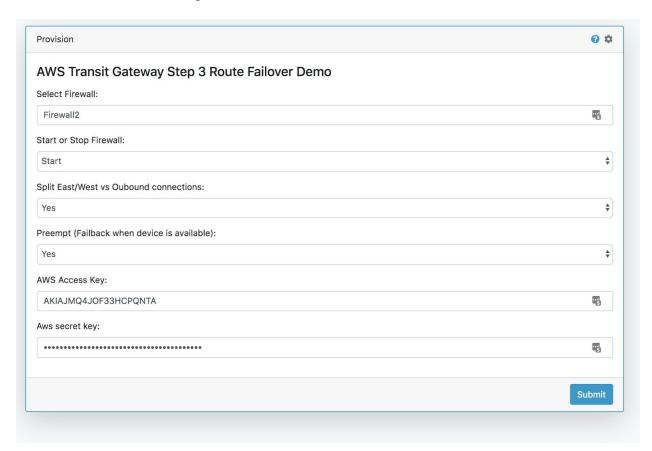


Select Continue from the screen above to take you back to the main AWS Transit Gateway Demo page.

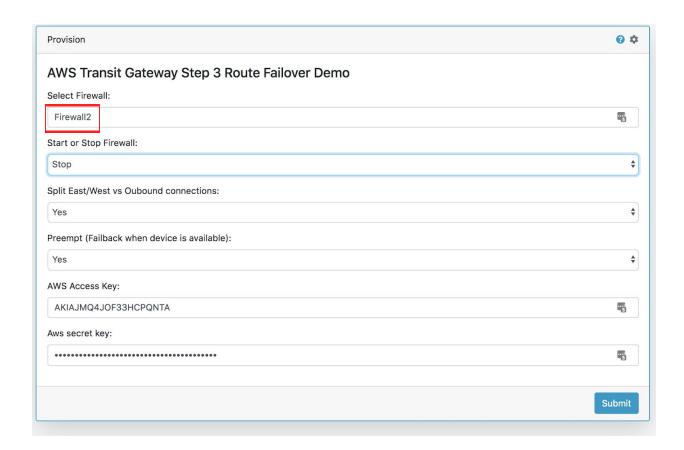


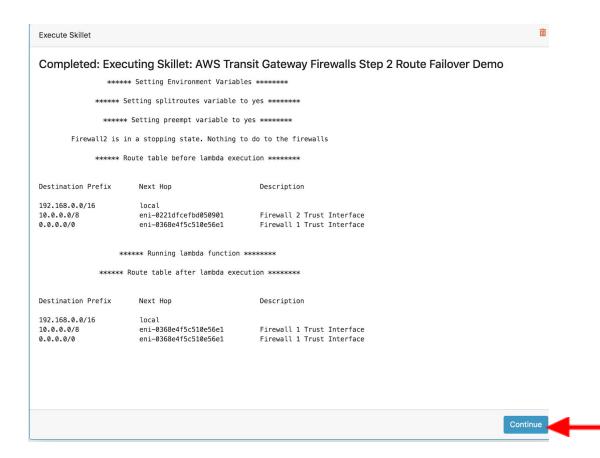
## Launch Step 2:

Click on the Go button on the step 3 deployment template. This will attempt to modify environment variable that modify the behaviour of the HA function and start /stop the firewalls. You should see the following screen:

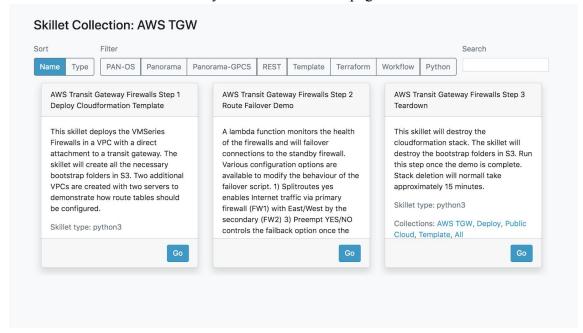


Select one of the firewalls to stop: In this case Firewall 2





#### Select Continue and it will take you back to the main page.



## Launch Step 3:

Click on the Go button on the step 3 deployment template. This will clean up the environment, destroying everything thus far created. You should see the following screen:



Select Submit. Note that this process will take several minutes to complete. The process is complete when you get the "Continue" button at the bottom of the page.

# Executing Skillet: AWS Transit Gateway Firewalls Step 4 Teardown

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Deleting Stack panw-d07979d3tgw-direct
Stack still deleting
Stack has been deleted
Deleted Stack panw-d07979d3tgw-direct
Deleting S3 Bucket eu-west-1-d07979d3-tgw-direct
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