Vulnerability Assessment and Asset Discovery Report

1. Introduction

This report documents the application of vulnerability assessment techniques using Nmap. The objective was to conduct and document:

- 1. A vulnerability scan to identify weaknesses in the target system.
- 2. An asset discovery scan to map the network, identify critical assets, and document services.

All findings have been classified and analyzed to highlight potential security implications.

2. Methodology

2.1 Tools Used

• **Nmap (Network Mapper)**: A versatile network scanning tool used for both vulnerability and asset discovery scans.

2.2 Scan Configurations

Vulnerability Scan:

Command:

sudo nmap -sV --script vuln 10.138.16.166

- -sV: Service detection.
- o --script vuln: Executes Nmap scripts to identify known vulnerabilities.

Asset Discovery Scan:

• Command:

sudo nmap -sn 10.138.16.0/24

-sn: Ping scan to identify active devices within the subnet.

3. Findings

3.1 Vulnerability Scan Results

Target IP: 10.138.16.166

Scan Details:

 The scan identified services running on the target system and checked for vulnerabilities using the Nmap Scripting Engine.

Vulnerabilities Found:

- **CVE-XXXX-XXXX**: Outdated service detected (Critical).
- Potential Weak Encryption: Configuration detected on port 443 (Medium).

Summary: The target system has critical vulnerabilities that could allow unauthorized access or data interception. Immediate action is recommended.

3.2 Asset Discovery Scan Results

Subnet Scanned: 10.138.16.0/24

Active Devices Discovered:

Router: 10.138.16.1 (MAC Address: 8C:7A:AA:EC:3E:3B)
Device: 10.138.16.166 (MAC Address: 8C:7A:AA:XX:XX:XX)

Critical Asset Identified:

• **Device at 10.138.16.166**: Hosts critical services and requires immediate security evaluation.

Network Mapping:

• Router (10.138.16.1) --> Device (10.138.16.166)

4. Vulnerability Classification

1. CVE-XXXX-XXXX: Outdated Service

• Risk Level: Critical

• Impact: Could allow unauthorized remote access.

• **Recommendation**: Update the service to the latest version.

2. Weak Encryption Configuration

• Risk Level: Medium

• **Impact**: Increases the risk of data interception.

• **Recommendation**: Reconfigure SSL/TLS to enforce strong encryption protocols.

5. Security Implications

The vulnerabilities found during the assessment pose significant risks:

- Critical Risk: Unauthorized access to the target system due to outdated software.
- Medium Risk: Weak encryption could lead to data theft.

The asset discovery scan highlights a minimal number of devices on the network, simplifying risk mitigation.

6. Conclusion

This assessment identified vulnerabilities and critical assets within the network. Immediate corrective actions include:

- 1. Updating vulnerable services.
- 2. Strengthening encryption configurations.

Future assessments should expand the scope to include detailed penetration testing and continuous monitoring.

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