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Exploitation of Control Web Panel CVE-2022-44877

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On January 3, 2023, security researcher Numan Türle published

a proof-of-concept exploit for CVE-2022-44877, an unauthenticated remote code execution vulnerability in Control Web Panel (CWP, formerly known as CentOS Web Panel) that had been fixed in an October 2022 release of CWP. The vulnerability arises from a condition that allows attackers to run bash commands when double quotes are used to log incorrect entries to the system. Successful exploitation allows remote attackers to execute arbitrary operating system commands via shell metacharacters in the login parameter (login/index.php).

On January 6, 2023, security nonprofit Shadowserver reported exploitation in the wild. As of January 19, 2023, security firm GreyNoise has also seen several IP addresses exploiting CVE-2022-44877 .

Control Web Panel is a popular free interface for managing web servers; Shadowserver's dashboard for CWP identifies tens of thousands of instances on the internet. There doesn't appear to be a detailed vendor advisory for CVE-2022-44887, but available information indicates Control Web Panel 7 (CWP 7) versions before 0.9.8.1147

are vulnerable

CWP users should upgrade

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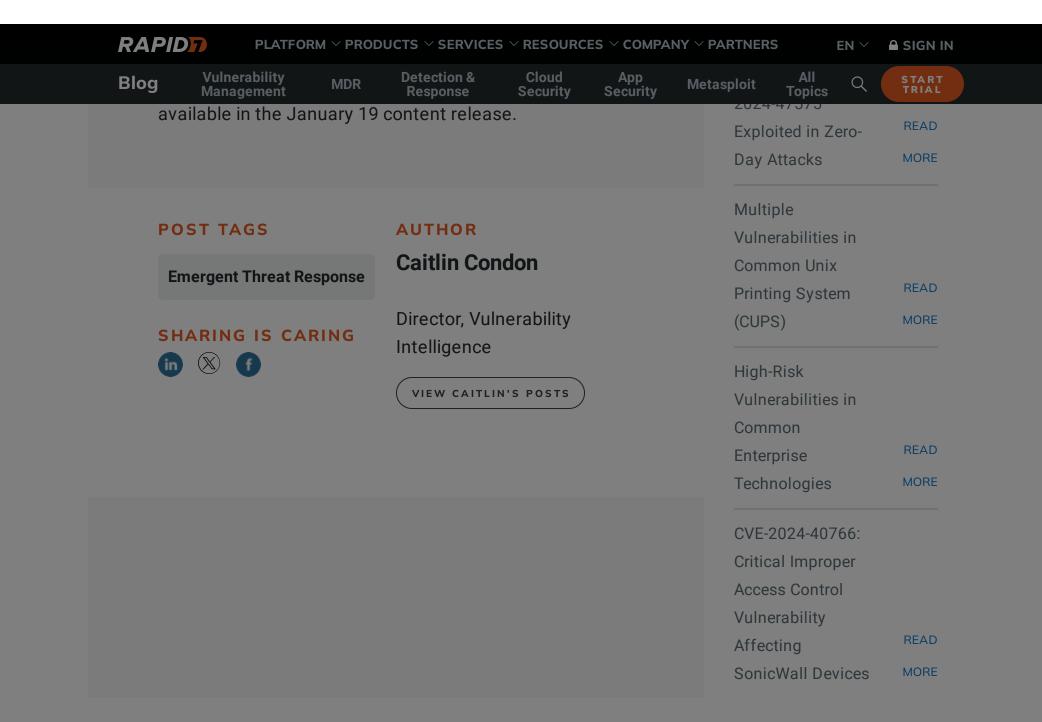
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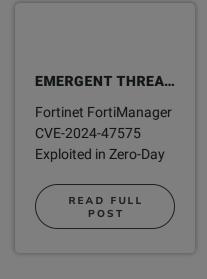
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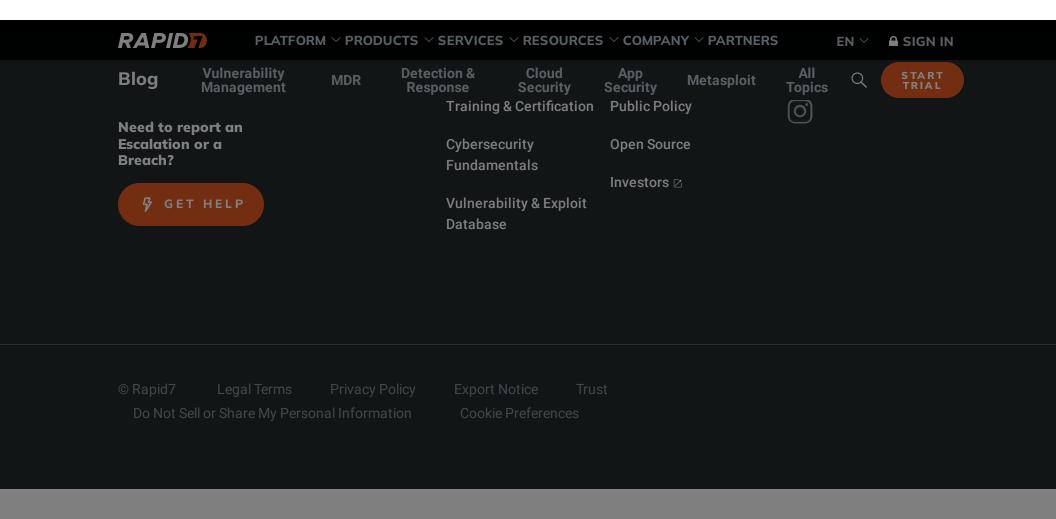
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