

# Watering Hole 1

Category: Networking

## Question

We have received intelligence that suggests that the Democratic People's Republic of KIRingul (DPRK), also known as North KIRingul, is preparing for another nuclear missile launch test. They haven't exactly had the best track record to date, with several tests failing to hit their target. We're afraid that they will hit one of our allies or one of our bases in the area.

Review the PCAP of traffic captured from that region. We know that the North KIRingul Central News Agency is one of their most highly trafficked external web sites. It might serve as a great source of information and possibly a watering hole to gain access into the DPRK network.

What is the URL for the North KIRingul Central News Agency's website?

Link: [dprk\\_traffic\\_intercept\\_4739c1ad2bfbc611dca897d728fc1eb9.zip](#)

Need a hint?

Methodology -0 pts

| dns  |             |               |               |          |        |   |  |
|------|-------------|---------------|---------------|----------|--------|---|--|
| No.  | Time        | Source        | Destination   | Protocol | Length | Info  |  |
| 194  | 49.483270   | 172.16.133.6  | 8.8.8.8       | DNS      | 85     | Standard query 0x8df0 PTR 45.66.120.96.in-addr.arpa                         |  |
| 877  | 224.5976... | 8.8.8.8       | 172.16.133.6  | DNS      | 85     | Standard query response 0x8df0 Server failure PTR 45.66.120.96.in-addr.arpa |  |
| 878  | 224.8540... | 172.16.133.6  | 8.8.4.4       | DNS      | 85     | Standard query 0x8df0 PTR 45.66.120.96.in-addr.arpa                         |  |
| 1614 | 413.3366... | 192.168.51.66 | 192.168.51.1  | DNS      | 73     | Standard query 0x3621 A www.nkcna.ctf                                       |  |
| 1615 | 413.3367... | 192.168.51.66 | 192.168.51.1  | DNS      | 73     | Standard query 0xde65 AAAA www.nkcna.ctf                                    |  |
| 1616 | 413.3384... | 192.168.51.1  | 192.168.51.66 | DNS      | 89     | Standard query response 0x3621 A www.nkcna.ctf A 172.25.45.92               |  |
| 1617 | 413.3385... | 192.168.51.1  | 192.168.51.66 | DNS      | 73     | Standard query response 0xde65 AAAA www.nkcna.ctf                           |  |
| 1642 | 413.4190... | 192.168.51.66 | 192.168.51.1  | DNS      | 73     | Standard query 0x427f A www.nkcna.ctf                                       |  |
| 1643 | 413.4190... | 192.168.51.66 | 192.168.51.1  | DNS      | 73     | Standard query 0x86b0 AAAA www.nkcna.ctf                                    |  |
| 1644 | 413.4195... | 192.168.51.1  | 192.168.51.66 | DNS      | 89     | Standard query response 0x427f A www.nkcna.ctf A 172.25.45.92               |  |
| 1645 | 413.4205... | 192.168.51.1  | 192.168.51.66 | DNS      | 73     | Standard query response 0x86b0 AAAA www.nkcna.ctf                           |  |
| 1670 | 413.5223... | 192.168.51.66 | 192.168.51.1  | DNS      | 73     | Standard query 0xee49 A www.nkcna.ctf                                       |  |

Flag: [www.nkcna.ctf](#)

## Question

What is the IP address for the North Kiringul Central News Agency (NKCNA) website?

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Flag: 172.25.45.92

## Question

We need to identify the DPRK source IP range. We know that the DPRK heavily filters Internet traffic and all requests must pass through their "Glorious Proxy" server.

What is the IP of the proxy server?

Look at the top conversations by packet.

 Wireshark · Endpoints · dprk\_traffic\_intercept.pcapng

| Ethernet · 101 |         | IPv4 · 494 |            | IPv6 · 7 |            | TCP · 2138 |         | UDP · 845 |           |      |  |
|----------------|---------|------------|------------|----------|------------|------------|---------|-----------|-----------|------|--|
| Address        | Packets | Bytes      | Tx Packets | Tx Bytes | Rx Packets | Rx Bytes   | Country | City      | AS Number | AS O |  |
| 192.168.51.66  | 19,100  | 10 M       | 9,877      | 885 k    | 9,223      | 9350 k     | —       | —         | —         | —    |  |
| 172.25.45.92   | 16,500  | 10 M       | 7,934      | 9228 k   | 8,566      | 788 k      | —       | —         | —         | —    |  |
| 172.16.139.250 | 3,775   | 722 k      | 13         | 1327     | 3,762      | 721 k      | —       | —         | —         | —    |  |
| 192.168.51.1   | 2,440   | 188 k      | 1,220      | 98 k     | 1,220      | 89 k       | —       | —         | —         | —    |  |
| 172.16.133.57  | 1,144   | 520 k      | 663        | 383 k    | 481        | 136 k      | —       | —         | —         | —    |  |
| 172.16.133.41  | 1,125   | 912 k      | 440        | 96 k     | 685        | 815 k      | —       | —         | —         | —    |  |

Flag: 192.168.51.66

## Question

How many unique times has **192.168.51.66** browsed to the NKCNA homepage at <http://www.nkcna.ctf/> ?

The image shows a Wireshark packet capture window titled "dprk\_traffic\_intercept.pcapng". The filter bar at the top shows the filter: `((ip.src==192.168.51.66) && (http.host == "www.nkcna.ctf")) && (http.request.uri == "/")`. The packet list pane shows 213 packets, all of which are HTTP GET requests from 192.168.51.66 to 172.25.45.92 (www.nkcna.ctf). The packet details pane for packet 1621 shows the following structure:

- Frame 1621: 281 bytes on wire (2248 bits), 281 bytes captured (2248 bits) on interface eth0, id 0
- Ethernet II, Src: VMware\_bdi00:6d (00:50:56:bd:00:6d), Dst: VMware\_8f:7d:49 (00:50:56:8f:7d:49)
- Internet Protocol Version 4, Src: 192.168.51.66, Dst: 172.25.45.92
- Transmission Control Protocol, Src Port: 40039, Dst Port: 80, Seq: 1, Ack: 1, Len: 215
- Hypertext Transfer Protocol
  - GET / HTTP/1.1\r\n
  - [Expert Info (Chat/Sequence): GET / HTTP/1.1\r\n]
  - Request Method: GET
  - Request URI: /
  - Request Version: HTTP/1.1
  - Accept-Encoding: identity\r\n
  - Host: www.nkcna.ctf\r\n

The packet bytes pane shows the raw data of the request, including the GET method, host, and user agent (Mozilla/5.0 (Macintosh; Intel Mac OS X 10\_11\_2) AppleWebKit/601).

We need the src ip, http.host and the request to homepage only

Flag: 213

## Question

Let's look for more unencrypted traffic coming from **192.168.51.66**. This could be a great way to gain more information about the DPRK network.

Aside from HTTP and DNS, what other unencrypted protocol is found in the PCAP?

| Protocol  | Percent Packets | Packets | Percent Bytes | Bytes    | Bits/s | End Packets | End Bytes | End Bits/s |
|---|-----------------|---------|---------------|----------|--------|-------------|-----------|------------|
| ▼ Ethernet  | 95.5            | 32567   | 2.9           | 455938   | 948    | 0           | 0         | 0          |
| ▼ Internet Protocol Version 6   | 0.0             | 11      | 0.0           | 440      | 0      | 0           | 0         | 0          |
| ▼ User Datagram Protocol  | 0.0             | 11      | 0.0           | 88       | 0      | 0           | 0         | 0          |
| DHCPv6  | 0.0             | 11      | 0.0           | 1077     | 2      | 11          | 1077      | 2          |
| ▼ Internet Protocol Version 4   | 95.5            | 32556   | 4.2           | 651120   | 1354   | 0           | 0         | 0          |
| ▼ User Datagram Protocol  | 16.1            | 5487    | 0.3           | 43896    | 91     | 9           | 72        | 0          |
| Syslog message  | 0.0             | 6       | 0.0           | 1899     | 3      | 6           | 1899      | 3          |
| Simple Service Discovery Protocol                                     | 0.0             | 13      | 0.0           | 1729     | 3      | 13          | 1729      | 3          |
| Simple Network Management Protocol                                    | 0.1             | 48      | 0.0           | 3846     | 8      | 48          | 3846      | 8          |
| Session Initiation Protocol   | 0.0             | 4       | 0.0           | 2704     | 5      | 4           | 2704      | 5          |
| NetBIOS Name Service  | 0.0             | 10      | 0.0           | 500      | 1      | 10          | 500       | 1          |
| ▼ NetBIOS Datagram Service  | 0.0             | 1       | 0.0           | 201      | 0      | 0           | 0         | 0          |
| ▼ SMB (Server Message Block Protocol)                                 | 0.0             | 1       | 0.0           | 119      | 0      | 0           | 0         | 0          |
| ▼ SMB MailSlot Protocol   | 0.0             | 1       | 0.0           | 25       | 0      | 0           | 0         | 0          |
| Microsoft Windows Browser Protocol                                    | 0.0             | 1       | 0.0           | 33       | 0      | 1           | 33        | 0          |
| InMon sFlow   | 0.1             | 18      | 0.2           | 23424    | 48     | 18          | 23424     | 48         |
| Dynamic Host Configuration Protocol                                   | 0.0             | 4       | 0.0           | 1200     | 2      | 4           | 1200      | 2          |
| Dropbox LAN sync Discovery Protocol                                   | 0.0             | 5       | 0.0           | 615      | 1      | 5           | 615       | 1          |
| Domain Name System  | 7.6             | 2600    | 0.6           | 95948    | 199    | 2600        | 95948     | 199        |
| Data  | 7.5             | 2568    | 3.4           | 531021   | 1104   | 2568        | 531021    | 1104       |
| ▼ Common Image Generator Interface                                    | 0.0             | 1       | 0.0           | 125      | 0      | 0           | 0         | 0          |
| Malformed Packet  | 0.0             | 1       | 0.0           | 0        | 0      | 1           | 0         | 0          |
| Aruba Discovery Protocol  | 0.6             | 200     | 0.0           | 0        | 0      | 200         | 0         | 0          |
| ▼ Transmission Control Protocol                                       | 78.6            | 26811   | 78.1          | 12128710 | 25 k   | 23129       | 10619897  | 22 k       |
| Virtual Network Computing   | 1.0             | 349     | 1.3           | 198396   | 412    | 349         | 198396    | 412        |
| Transport Layer Security  | 5.5             | 1866    | 13.1          | 2042004  | 4247   | 1804        | 1879220   | 3909       |
| SSH Protocol  | 0.1             | 26      | 0.0           | 1864     | 3      | 26          | 1864      | 3          |
| Real Time Messaging Protocol  | 0.0             | 1       | 0.0           | 132      | 0      | 1           | 132       | 0          |
| Malformed Packet  | 0.0             | 1       | 0.0           | 0        | 0      | 1           | 0         | 0          |
| ▼ Hypertext Transfer Protocol   | 3.8             | 1308    | 10.1          | 1572362  | 3270   | 1075        | 338545    | 704        |
| Portable Network Graphics   | 0.1             | 34      | 0.7           | 112922   | 234    | 34          | 129281    | 268        |
| Media Type  | 0.1             | 37      | 1.0           | 149826   | 311    | 37          | 54007     | 112        |
| Line-based text data  | 0.3             | 90      | 12.0          | 1868309  | 3886   | 90          | 474776    | 987        |
| JPEG File Interchange Format  | 0.1             | 25      | 3.2           | 499380   | 1038   | 25          | 506186    | 1053       |
| eXtensible Markup Language  | 0.0             | 4       | 0.0           | 2472     | 5      | 4           | 3002      | 6          |
| CompuServe GIF  | 0.1             | 43      | 0.1           | 19302    | 40     | 43          | 20149     | 41         |
| ▼ Distributed Computing Environment / Remote Procedure Call (DCE/RPC) | 0.0             | 5       | 0.0           | 699      | 1      | 3           | 587       | 1          |
| DCOM OXID Resolver  | 0.0             | 2       | 0.0           | 64       | 0      | 2           | 64        | 0          |
| Data  | 0.6             | 188     | 0.1           | 11778    | 24     | 188         | 11778     | 24         |
| Internet Control Message Protocol                                     | 0.8             | 258     | 0.1           | 11948    | 24     | 258         | 11948     | 24         |

Flag: ftp

## Question

What is the password of the user that logs in to the FTP server?

Wireshark packet capture showing an FTP session. The packet list displays the following entries:

| No.   | Time        | Source        | Destination   | Protocol | Length | Host | Info  |
|-------|-------------|---------------|---------------|----------|--------|------|---|
| 26443 | 2274.689... | 172.25.45.92  | 192.168.51.66 | FTP      | 102    |      | Response: 220 Welcome to blah FTP service.                  |
| 26454 | 2276.750... | 192.168.51.66 | 172.25.45.92  | FTP      | 79     |      | Request: USER koli  |
| 26456 | 2276.751... | 172.25.45.92  | 192.168.51.66 | FTP      | 102    |      | Response: 331 Please specify the password.                  |
| 26468 | 2279.531... | 192.168.51.66 | 172.25.45.92  | FTP      | 81     |      | Request: PASS daebak  |
| 26471 | 2279.629... | 172.25.45.92  | 192.168.51.66 | FTP      | 91     |      | Response: 230 Login successful.                             |
| 26473 | 2279.629... | 192.168.51.66 | 172.25.45.92  | FTP      | 74     |      | Request: SYST   |
| 26475 | 2279.630... | 172.25.45.92  | 192.168.51.66 | FTP      | 87     |      | Response: 215 UNIX Type: L8                                 |
| 26492 | 2283.535... | 192.168.51.66 | 172.25.45.92  | FTP      | 97     |      | Request: PORT 192,168,196,140,204,67                        |
| 26493 | 2283.536... | 172.25.45.92  | 192.168.51.66 | FTP      | 119    |      | Response: 200 PORT command successful. Consider using PASV. |
| 26495 | 2283.537... | 192.168.51.66 | 172.25.45.92  | FTP      | 74     |      | Request: LIST   |
| 26499 | 2283.540... | 172.25.45.92  | 192.168.51.66 | FTP      | 107    |      | Response: 150 Here comes the directory listing.             |
| 26505 | 2283.542... | 172.25.45.92  | 192.168.51.66 | FTP      | 92     |      | Response: 226 Directory send OK.                            |
| 26584 | 2303.166... | 192.168.51.66 | 172.25.45.92  | FTP      | 76     |      | Request: TYPE I   |
| 26585 | 2303.166... | 172.25.45.92  | 192.168.51.66 | FTP      | 90     |      | Response: 200 Switching to binary mode                      |

Frame 26468: 81 bytes on wire (648 bits), 81 bytes captured (648 bits) on interface any, id 6

- > Linux cooked capture
- > Internet Protocol Version 4, Src: 192.168.51.66, Dst: 172.25.45.92
- > Transmission Control Protocol, Src Port: 50254, Dst Port: 21, Seq: 12, Ack: 69, Len: 13
- > File Transfer Protocol (FTP)
  - [current working directory: ]

Packet bytes (hex and ASCII):

```
0000  00 04 00 01 00 06 00 0c 29 05 1d 76 00 00 08 00  ..... )..v....
0010  45 10 00 41 a1 5f 40 00 40 06 b1 56 c0 a8 33 42  E..A..@..@..V...3B
0020  ac 19 2d 5c c4 4e 00 15 51 db c9 ed e1 ed 05 14  ...\.N.. Q.....
0030  80 18 01 c9 56 44 00 00 01 01 08 0a 00 7e 6d 78  ...VD.. .....mx
0040  00 0e e2 2f 50 41 53 53 20 64 61 65 62 61 6b 0d  .../PASS daebak..
0050  0a
```

Flag: daebak

## Question

Login to the FTP server using the credentials you found in the PCAP.

What is the MD5 hash of the `WordPress_Security.pdf` file on the server?

**Pro Tip:** reviewing and sharing this file with your team may help you on other challenges

Connect to the VPN

Connect to the FTP server

Download the file.

```
kali@kali:~$ ftp 172.25.45.92
Connected to 172.25.45.92.
220 Welcome to blah FTP service.
Name (172.25.45.92:kali): koli
331 Please specify the password.
Password:
230 Login successful.
Remote system type is UNIX.
Using binary mode to transfer files.
ftp> ls
200 PORT command successful. Consider using PASV.
150 Here comes the directory listing.
-rw-r--r-- 1 0 1001 109525 Feb 28 2017 Bulletin of the Atomic Scientists-2009-Norris-62-9.pdf
-rw-r--r-- 1 0 1001 74048 Feb 28 2017 ICBM.pdf
-rw-r--r-- 1 0 1001 1010681 Feb 28 2017 RL33640.pdf
drwxr-xr-x 3 0 1001 4096 Mar 01 2017 WordPress
-rw-r--r-- 1 0 1001 244356 Feb 28 2017 rl30427.pdf
226 Directory send OK.
ftp> cd WordPress
250 Directory successfully changed.
ftp> ls
200 PORT command successful. Consider using PASV.
150 Here comes the directory listing.
-rw-r--r-- 1 0 1001 392435 Feb 28 2017 WordPress_Security.pdf
drwxr-xr-x 2 0 1001 4096 Feb 28 2017 plugins
226 Directory send OK.
ftp> get WordPress_Security.pdf
local: WordPress_Security.pdf remote: WordPress_Security.pdf
200 PORT command successful. Consider using PASV.
150 Opening BINARY mode data connection for WordPress_Security.pdf (392435 bytes).
226 Transfer complete.
392435 bytes received in 0.05 secs (7.4144 MB/s)
ftp> █
```

Md5sum the file

```
kali@kali:~$ ls
Desktop Documents Downloads Music Pictures Public Templates thinclient_drives Videos WordPress_Security.pdf
kali@kali:~$ md5sum WordPress_Security.pdf
873f9e060518b04c85ae59f0fbbabbc9 WordPress_Security.pdf
kali@kali:~$ █
```