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Task: Create a Load balancer and attach it to two instances through terraform.

Prerequisites:

1. Installation of AWS Cli on server using below commands.

```
curl "https://awscli.amazonaws.com/awscli-exe-linux-x86_64.zip" -o  
"awscliv2.zip"  
unzip awscliv2.zip  
sudo ./aws/install
```
2. Installation of Terraform on server using below commands.

```
wget -O- https://apt.releases.hashicorp.com/gpg | sudo gpg --dearmor -o  
/usr/share/keyrings/hashicorp-archive-keyring.gpg  
echo "deb [signed-by=/usr/share/keyrings/hashicorp-archive-keyring.gpg]  
https://apt.releases.hashicorp.com $(lsb_release -cs) main" | sudo tee  
/etc/apt/sources.list.d/hashicorp.list  
sudo apt update && sudo apt install terraform
```
3. Configure credentials using aws configure.
 - **AWS Access Key ID:** This is your AWS access key. You can generate one in your AWS Management Console under **IAM > Users > Security credentials**.
 - **AWS Secret Access Key:** This is the secret key associated with your access key. Keep it private and secure.
 - **Default region name:** Specify the AWS region where you want to create and manage resources. For example, us-east-1, eu-west-1, etc.
 - **Default output format:** Choose the output format (optional). Common formats are: json (default), text, table

Example:

```
$ aws configure  
AWS Access Key ID [None]: XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX  
AWS Secret Access Key [None]: XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX  
region name [None]: us-east-1  
output format [None]: json
```

Step 1: Define Provider

Start by defining the AWS provider. The provider is the plugin that allows Terraform to interact with AWS.

Code:

```
provider "aws" {  
    region = "us-east-1" # Specify your preferred region  
}
```

Step 2: Define Terraform block

In Terraform, the terraform block is used to configure settings related to Terraform itself. These settings can include backend configurations, required providers, and version constraints.

Code:

```
terraform {  
    required_providers {  
        aws = {  
            source = "hashicorp/aws"  
            version = "5.69.0"  
        }  
    }  
}
```

Step 3: Create Security Groups

We need security groups for both the EC2 instances and the load balancer to allow incoming and outgoing traffic.

Code:

```
# Security Group for EC2  
resource "aws_security_group" "instance_sg" {  
    name      = "instance-sg"  
    description = "Allow traffic to EC2 instances"  
    ingress {
```

```
    from_port = 80
    to_port   = 80
    protocol  = "tcp"
    cidr_blocks = ["0.0.0.0/0"]
}
egress {
    from_port = 0
    to_port   = 0
    protocol  = "-1"
    cidr_blocks = ["0.0.0.0/0"]
}
}

#Security Group for Load Balancer
resource "aws_security_group" "lb_sg" {
    name      = "lb-sg"
    description = "Allow inbound traffic to Load Balancer"

    ingress {
        from_port = 80
        to_port   = 80
        protocol  = "tcp"
        cidr_blocks = ["0.0.0.0/0"]
    }
    ingress {
        from_port = 22
        to_port   = 22
        protocol  = "tcp"
    }
}
```

```
cidr_blocks = ["0.0.0.0/0"]
}
```

```
egress {
  from_port = 0
  to_port   = 0
  protocol  = "-1"
  cidr_blocks = ["0.0.0.0/0"]
}
}
```

Step 4: Create Two Instances

To create two instances, we will use the `aws_instance` resource in Terraform.

Code:

```
resource "aws_instance" "app" {
  count      = 2 # Create two instances
  ami       = "ami-0c55b159cbfafa1f0"
  instance_type = "t2.micro"
  security_groups = [aws_security_groups.instance_sg.name]
  tags = {
    Name = "AppInstance-${count.index + 1}"
  }
}
```

Step 5: Create the Target Group

A target group keeps track of the registered instances and their health status.

Code:

```
resource "aws_lb_target_group" "app_tg" {
  name = "app-target-group"
```

```
port    = 80
protocol = "HTTP"
vpc_id  = "vpc-abc12345" # Replace with your VPC ID
}
```

Step 6: Attach Instances to Target Group

We will register the instances created in Step 2 with the target group.

Code:

```
resource "aws_lb_target_group_attachment" "app_tg_attachment" {
  count          = 2
  target_group_arn = aws_lb_target_group.app_tg.arn
  target_id      = aws_instance.app[count.index].id
  port          = 80
}
```

Step 4: Create the Load Balancer

Define the load balancer that will distribute traffic across the EC2 instances.

Code:

```
resource "aws_lb" "app_lb" {
  name          = "app-load-balancer"
  internal      = false
  load_balancer_type = "application"
  security_groups = [aws_security_group.lb_sg.id]
  subnets      = ["subnet-abc12345", "subnet-def67890"] # Use your subnets
}
```

Step 7: Create Load Balancer Listener

The listener defines how the load balancer routes incoming traffic to the target group.

Code:

```
resource "aws_lb_listener" "app_lb_listener" {
```

```
load_balancer_arn = aws_lb.app_lb.arn
port              = 80
protocol          = "HTTP"

default_action {
  type          = "forward"
  target_group_arn = aws_lb_target_group.app_tg.arn
}
}
```

Step 8: Output the Load Balancer DNS

To easily access the load balancer after deployment, we can output the DNS name.

Code:

```
output "load_balancer_dns" {
  value = aws_lb.app_lb.dns_name
}
```

Step 9: Apply the Terraform Configuration using following commands.

terraform init – To initialize terraform

terraform validate - To validate the code

terraform plan - To plan the changes

terraform apply - To apply the Configuration:

Outputs:

Security Groups:

<input type="checkbox"/>	Name	Security group ID	Security group name	VPC ID	Description
<input type="checkbox"/>	VirginiaDefault	sg-0b42de6ebdc35e5c3	default	vpc-08182b20eadd55ae6	default VPC security group
<input type="checkbox"/>	ec2sg	sg-0d201c960f61f0d22	allow-web	vpc-08182b20eadd55ae6	Allow traffic to EC2 instan
<input type="checkbox"/>	-	sg-01b96abea0b1efb87	VirginiaHTTPsg	vpc-08182b20eadd55ae6	Allow HTTP Port
<input type="checkbox"/>	lbgsg	sg-08b89036972a0c772	allow-lb	vpc-08182b20eadd55ae6	Allow traffic to Load Balan

Instances:

Instances (3) Info								
Last updated less than a minute ago								
Find Instance by attribute or tag (case-sensitive)								
All states								
Instance state = running								
Clear filters								
<input type="checkbox"/>	Name	Instance ID	Instance state	Instance type	Status check	Alarm status	Availability Zone	Public IPv4 DNS
<input type="checkbox"/>	EC2-2	i-09911f60c5b3c6c87	Running	t2.micro	2/2 checks passec	View alarms +	us-east-1b	ec2-18-207-98-213
<input type="checkbox"/>	ServerHost	i-035cdade34988ecc1	Running	t2.micro	2/2 checks passec	View alarms +	us-east-1a	ec2-54-81-240-88.c
<input type="checkbox"/>	EC2-1	i-0735a78f92fa20268	Running	t2.micro	2/2 checks passec	View alarms +	us-east-1a	ec2-3-87-46-173.co

Target Groups:

EC2 > Target groups								
Target groups (1) Info								
Filter target groups								
<input type="checkbox"/>	Name	ARN	Port	Protocol	Target type	Load balancer	VPC ID	
<input type="checkbox"/>	task-tg	arn:aws:elasticloadbalanci...	80	HTTP	Instance	task-alb	vpc-08182b20eadd55ae6	

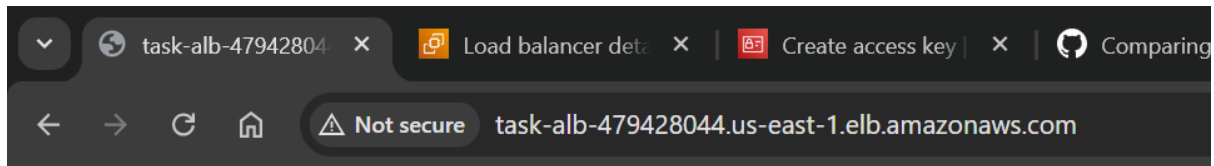
Load Balncer:

EC2 > Load balancers							
Load balancers (1)							
Elastic Load Balancing scales your load balancer capacity automatically in response to changes in incoming traffic.							
Filter load balancers							
<input type="checkbox"/>	Name	DNS name	State	VPC ID	Availability Zones	Type	
<input type="checkbox"/>	task-alb	task-alb-479428044.us-ea...	Active	vpc-08182b20eadd55ae6	2 Availability Zones	application	

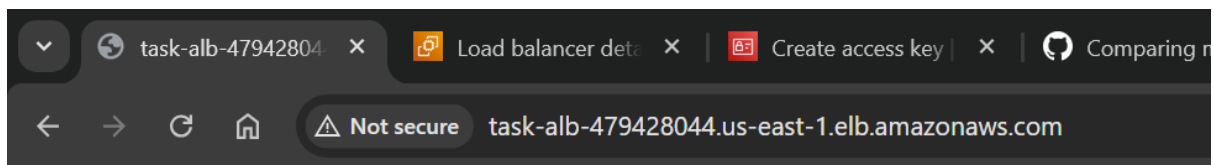
Terraform Output:

```
Apply complete! Resources: 9 added, 0 changed, 0 destroyed.  
Outputs:  
load_balancer_dns = "task-alb-479428044.us-east-1.elb.amazonaws.com"
```

Server pages:



Welcome to WEBSERVER-1



Welcome to WEBSERVER-2