

GodFather - Massacring the Android Defenses



Imitating the standard android security tool Google Protect, GodFather trojan was first observed in March 2021. Sharing code with the old Anubis credential stealer, GodFather is tricking users into entering their credentials on legitimate looking HTML phishing login pages over apps. Specifically targeting financial sector, GodFather has compromised almost 400 online banking sites, multiple cryptocurrency exchange platforms and wallet apps in regions including United States, Turkey, Spain, Canada, France, Germany and UK.

Distributed via trojanized apps on Google Play Store, GodFather checks system language to inhibit execution if it matches RU, AZ, KZ, UZ, TJ and other languages part of the CIS region. It then checks if it is launched in an emulator before requesting almost 23 permissions which would then be abused. Masquerading as legitimate apps, it doesn't launch unless 'AccessibilityService' permission is granted & hides icon post execution. Post admin level permissions, GodFather performs keylogging, screen-recording, reading SMS & notifications, exfiltrating OTPs/pins/passwords of targeted apps and overlays fake HTML login pages of known apps to steal credentials. As for C2 comms, the address is updated from a telegram channel's description via HTTP request. C2 features include ability to transfer money bypassing the dialer UI & to generate fake notifications from apps installed on the device to redirect the victim to phishing page. Stolen credentials & sensitive data are then exfiltrated in encrypted form. GodFather also comes with the ability to set-up reverse VNC via native libraries along with a persistent WebSocket for remote access.

While GodFather doesn't directly impact corporate organizations, it demonstrates how threat actors are catching up to mobile defences & bypassing android security checks.

What should you do?

- Monitor Indicators of Compromise (IoCs) in your environment to identify anomalies.
- Ensure your Windows environment is patched to the brim and is protected with multi-factor authentication.
- Conduct a comprehensive, full spectrum, threat assessment exercise to uncover blind spots and improvement areas.

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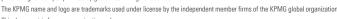


















Indicators of Compromise: IP Addresses

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168.100.9[.]86

Indicators of Compromise: Domains

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