

Casbaneiro Malware - An Emerging Banking Trojan



Casbaneiro malware (aka Metamorfo, Ponteiro) is a multi-stage banking trojan that was first seen in 2018. It is financially motivated and targets financial websites to steal credentials. The threat actors behind it have remained active over the past five years and have made changes to their attack chain, techniques, and C2 infrastructure. Recently, they have been observed using a UAC bypass technique to achieve high integrity level execution. The malware has infected numerous countries globally, including Panama, Spain, Virgin Islands, India, and United States.

Initial access is achieved via a spear-phishing email embedded with an HTML file that redirects the target to download a RAR file containing CMD scripts and binaries. Post execution, it sets off the events to deploy the malware along with scripts to fingerprint the host, gather system metadata, and leverage living-off-the-land (LoL) techniques for evasive actions. It also downloads 'Horabot' malware to spread the mail infection within the organization to evade email security solutions & it utilizes a UAC bypass technique to execute code discreetly, exploiting the legitimate executable 'fodhelper.exe' to avoid UAC prompts. Further, a fake folder is used to side-load DLLs with Microsoft signed binaries in 'C:\Windows\system32' with 'fodhelper.exe', which facilitates UAC bypass and evades antivirus detection. After bypassing UAC, the trojan binary is executed, which steals financial website credentials through keylogging and form grabbing. The malware then gains admin privileges and exfiltrates sensitive data for further attacks/profit. Finally, it connects to the C2 server, enabling communication and data exchange.

Organizations should educate their employees about phishing and malware attacks to prevent them from clicking on malicious links. They must use security solutions that can detect & block phishing emails.

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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216.238.82[.]27	45.79.48[.]129
45.32.90[.]70	45.79.52[.]41
139.177.193[.]74	45.79.52[.]25
139.177.194[.]76	172.105.105[.]85
172.105.98[.]184	45.33.53[.]179
185.230.141[.]242	

Indicators of Compromise: Domains	
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<pre>factdigital[.]shop</pre>	a93ks.hopto[.]org
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Indicators of Compromise: Hashes
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