

Grandoreiro Trojan – Unveiling the Banking Sector's Nemesis

Grandoreiro, a sophisticated banking trojan, was first observed in 2016, primarily operating as a Malware-as-a-Service (MaaS). Its latest variant boasts significant updates, including enhanced string decryption and Domain Generation Algorithm (DGAs). This trojan targets over 1,500 global banking applications and websites across 60 countries, enabling attackers to perform banking fraud in countries spanning regions such as Central and South America, Africa, Europe, and the Indo-Pacific.

The attack commences with phishing emails impersonating official entities, urging recipients to click malicious links. These links redirected the users to a large ZIP archive, disguised in an image of a PDF icon, containing the Grandoreiro loader executable. The custom loader is deliberately enlarged to over 100 MB to evade automatic antimalware scans, presenting a CAPTCHA pop-up for manual execution. It utilizes AES string encryption to obfuscate detection while collecting essential system data to assess sandboxing and establish communication with the C2 server. Upon successful communication, the loader retrieves and decrypts the final payload, the Grandoreiro banking trojan, which establishes persistence on the victim's system by creating registry entries and configuration files. The trojan employs a sophisticated DGA to dynamically calculate its C2 server's domain based on the current date, to evade takedown efforts. Once installed, the trojan supports a range of commands for remote control, including mouse manipulation, and browser behavior influence. It also can harvests Outlook emails for spam propagation, covering its tracks by deleting sent messages and using DGA seeds for harvesting.

Grandoreiro's enhancements in string decryption and DGA calculation algorithms have enhanced its evasion capabilities, highlighting the need for robust defense mechanisms against evolving threats.

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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77.246.96[.]204	167.114.137[.]244
62.84.100[.]225	

Indicators of Compromise: Domains	
rufnag[.]com	<pre>pjohconstruccionescpaz[.]com</pre>

Indicators of Compromise: Hashes
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