

“WannaCry” Ransomware – Infecting Computer’s

1. Executive Summary

Security researchers found a ransomware called “WannaCry” or “Wanna Decryptor” is a type of ransomware which spreads from machine to machine silently and remains invisible to users until it unveils itself, Which then warns users that all their files have been encrypted with a key known only to the attacker and that they will be locked out until they pay to an anonymous party using the cryptocurrency Bitcoin.

2. Introduction

Wana Decrypt0r triggered security alerts for ETERNALBLUE, an alleged NSA exploit. ETERNALBLUE works by exploiting a vulnerability in the SMBv1 protocol to get a foothold on vulnerable machines connected online. Microsoft patched the flaw in **MS17-010**, released in March, but that doesn't mean all Windows PC owners have applied the security update.

3. Infection Vector and Analysis

Researchers found that WannaCry attack is based on an attack developed by the NSA, codenamed ETERNALBLUE. Once a computer is infected, the ransomware typically contacts a central server for the information it needs to activate, and then begins encrypting files on the infected computer with that information. Once all the files are encrypted, it posts a message asking for payment to decrypt the files – and threatens to destroy the information if it doesn't get paid.

Spreading channel:

Like all ransomware the WannaCry also spreads through Word documents, PDFs and other files normally sent via email.

The malware is delivered as a Trojan through a loaded hyperlink that can be accidentally opened by a victim through an email, advert on a webpage or a Dropbox link. Once it has been activated, the program spreads through the computer and locks all the files with the same encryption used for instant messages.

Once the files have been encrypted it deletes the originals and delivers a ransom note in the form of a readme file, and this malware modifies files in the **/Windows and /windows/system32** directories and enumerates other users on the network to infect. Both of these actions require administrative privileges.



Figure 1: Wanna Cry Warning Window

Ooops, your important files are encrypted.

If you see this text, but don't see the "Wana Decrypt0r" window, then your antivirus removed the decrypt software or you deleted it from your computer.

If you need your files you have to run the decrypt software.

Please find an application file named "@WanaDecryptor@.exe" in any folder or restore from the antivirus quarantine.

Run and follow the instructions!

Figure 2: Wanna Cry Warning Window

4. Indicator of Compromise (IoCs)

IOC's are mentioned below:

TYPE	INDICATOR
FileHash-SHA256	09a46b3e1be080745a6d8d88d6b5bd351b1c7586ae0dc94d0c238ee36421cafa
	11d0f63c06263f50b972287b4bbd1abe0089bc993f73d75768b6b41e3d6f6d49
	149601e15002f78866ab73033eb8577f11bd489a4cea87b10c52a70fdf78d9ff
	16493ecc4c4bc5746acbe96bd8af001f733114070d694db76ea7b5a0de7ad0ab
	190d9c3e071a38cb26211bfff6c4bb88bd74c6bf99db9bb1f084c6a7e1df4e
	24d004a104d4d54034dbcffc2a4b19a11f39008a575aa614ea04703480b1022c
	2584e1521065e45ec3c17767c065429038fc6291c091097ea8b22c8a502c41dd
	4186675cb6706f9d51167fb0f14cd3f8fcfb0065093f62b10a15f7d9a6c8d982
	593bbcc8f34047da9960b8456094c0eaf69caaf16f1626b813484207df8bd8af
	5ad4efd90dcde01d26cc6f32f7ce3ce0b4d4951d4b94a19aa097341aff2acaec
	6bf1839a7e72a92a2bb18fbedf1873e4892b00ea4b122e48ae80fac5048db1a7
	7c465ea7bccf4f94147add808f24629644be11c0ba4823f16e8c19e0090f0ff
	9fb39f162c1e1eb55fbf38e670d5e329d84542d3dfcdc341a99f5d07c4b50977
	b3c39aeb14425f137b5bd0fd7654f1d6a45c0e8518ef7e209ad63d8dc6d0bac7
	b47e281bfbeeb0758f8c625bed5c5a0d27ee8e0065ceeadd76b0010d226206f0
	b66db13d17ae8bcacf586180e3dcd1e2e0a084b6bc987ac829bfff18c3be7f8b4
	c365ddaa345cfcaff3d629505572a484cff5221933d68e4a52130b8bb7badaf9
	d8a9879a99ac7b12e63e6bcae7f965fbf1b63d892a8649ab1d6b08ce711f7127
	e14f1a655d54254d06d51cd23a2fa57b6ffdf371cf6b828ee483b1b1d6d21079
	e8450dd6f908b23c9cbd6011fe3d940b24c0420a208d6924e2d920f92c894a96
ed01ebfbc9eb5bbea545af4d01bf5f1071661840480439c6e5babe8e080e41aa	
f01644082db3fa50ba9f4773f11f062ab785c9db02a3a3cfe022cc69763f631d	

	f8812f1deb8001f3b7672b6fc85640ecb123bc2304b563728e6235ccbe782d85 9b60c622546dc45cca64df935b71c26dcf4886d6fa811944dbc4e23db9335640 2ca2d550e603d74dedda03156023135b38da3630cb014e3d00b1263358c5f00d 4a468603fdb7a2eb5770705898cf9ef37aade532a7964642ecd705a74794b79 7a828afd2abf153d840938090d498072b7e507c7021e4cdd8c6baf727cafc545 a897345b68191fd36f8cefb52e6a77acb2367432abb648b9ae0a9d708406de5b b43b234012b8233b3df6adb7c0a3b2b13cc2354dd6de27e092873bf58af2693c b9c5d4339809e0ad9a00d4d3dd26fdf44a32819a54abf846bb9b560d81391c25 c73633e55a1d66af88a3dc2d46e7d47e0a47ce0bab0930a70b97b003adafc9af f5cbff5c100866dd744dccb68ee65e711f86c257dfcc41790a8f63759220881e
FileHash-MD5	666c806b76568adb5a6c3d34c434820e d41d8cd98f00b204e9800998ecf8427e a8d30fd8ffd02886818a89ebdd8e7502 05a00c320754934782ec5dec1d5c0476 26b205ffe4adaadbb442442cae653bdd 29365f675b69ffa0ec17ad00649ce026 46d140a0eb13582852b5f778bb20cf0e 4fef5e34143e646dbf9907c4374276f5
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IPv4	146.0.32.144 188.166.23.127 193.23.244.244 2.3.69.209 50.7.161.218 74.125.104.145
	http://146.0.32.144:9001

URL	http://188.166.23.127:443
	http://193.23.244.244:443
	http://2.3.69.209:9001
	http://50.7.161.218:9001
Mutex	Global\MsWinZonesCacheCounterMutexA0
	MsWinZonesCacheCounterMutexA
	RasPbFile
domain	gx7ekbenv2riucmf.onion
	sqjolphimrr7jqw6.onion
	xxlvbrloxvriy2c5.onion
	cwwnhwhlz52maq7.onion
	76jdd2ir2embyv47.onion
	57g7spgrzlojinas.onion
hostname	r12.sn-h0j7sn7s.gvt1.com
	www.iuqerfsodp9ifjaposdfjhgosurijfaewrwergwea.com
FileHash-SHA1	e889544aff85ffaf8b0d0da705105dee7c97fe26
	87420a2791d18dad3f18be436045280a4cc16fc4
	51e4307093f8ca8854359c0ac882ddca427a813c
	45356a9dd616ed7161a3b9192e2f318d0ab5ad10
	6faeaf98d0eaf6671d74bc8e468bdbc8ed1e0597
	bd44d0ab543bf814d93b719c24e90d8dd7111234
FilePath	C:\WINDOWS\system32\msg
	C:\Windows\mssecsvc.exe
	C:\WINDOWS\tasksche.exe
CVE	CVE-2017-0144

5. Mitigation

These are following mitigation to avoid these kind of attacks,

1. **Backup Regularly:** To always have a tight grip on all your important files and documents, keep a good backup routine in place that makes their copies to an external storage device that is not always connected to your PC.
2. **Keep your Antivirus software up-to-date:** Virus definitions have already been updated to protect against this latest threat.
3. Update latest patches of windows. (**MS17-010** is a patch for **ETERNALBLUE** vulnerability.)
4. **Keep your system Up-to-date:** First of all, if you are using supported, but older versions of Windows operating system, keep your system up to date, or simply upgrade your system to Windows 10.
5. **Using Unsupported Windows OS?** If you are using unsupported versions of Windows, including Windows XP, Vista, Server 2003 or 2008, apply below emergency patch released by Microsoft
<http://www.catalog.update.microsoft.com/Search.aspx?q=KB4012598>

6. **Enable Firewall:** Enable firewall, and if it is already there, modify your firewall configurations to block access to SMB ports over the network or the Internet. The protocol operates on TCP ports 137, 139, and 445, and over UDP ports 137 and 138.
7. **Beware of Phishing:** Always be suspicious of uninvited documents sent an email and never click on links inside those documents unless verifying the source.
8. **Disable SMB:** Follow steps given below as described by Microsoft to disable Server Message Block (SMB).
<https://support.microsoft.com/en-in/help/2696547/how-to-enable-and-disable-smbv1,-smbv2,-and-smbv3-in-windows-vista,-windows-server-2008,-windows-7,-windows-server-2008-r2,-windows-8,-and-windows-server-2012>.

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