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THREAT ADVISORY

 **ATTACK REPORT**

Korean Word Processor Scam Alert: Orcus RAT Lurking in Cracked Versions

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Admiralty Code

A1

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TA2023035

Summary

First appeared: April 1, 2016

Attack Region: Worldwide

Attack: Orcus RAT is being circulated on file-sharing websites as a cracked version of a popular Korean word processor, such as Microsoft Office Word. Along with an Orcus RAT variant, XMRig CoinMiner is disguising itself as a cracked version of Hangul Word Processor 2022.

Attack Regions



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Attack Details

#1

Orcus RAT, formerly known as Schnorchel, first appeared in April 2016 and allows for remote control of infected systems. Intruders are attempting to deploy a variant of Orcus RAT along with XMRig CoinMiner, disguised as a cracked version of Hangul Word Processor 2022, in an ongoing campaign. The malicious programs were distributed and infected via several file-sharing sites.

#2

When the downloaded compressed file is decompressed, an obfuscated PowerShell command is executed, followed by the actual installer application. Before proceeding with the installation process, the virus collects and communicates basic information, such as the infected system's login and IP address, via the Telegram API.

#3

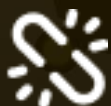
The new version of Orcus RAT has a sophisticated mechanism for evading detection by antivirus software, as well as using PowerShell commands on the task scheduler to install updates regularly. Being cautious is essential to avoiding this hazard, as this malware is actively being spread.

Recommendations



Security Leaders

Phishing simulations and routine education and awareness training and communications rarely account for MFA fatigue and web browser hygiene. Integrate and communicate all lessons learned.



Security Engineers

- **Uni5 Users:** This is an actionable threat advisory in HivePro Uni5. Prioritize and block all indicators attributed to the threat actors and attacks through your Command Center. Test your controls with Uni5's Breach & Attack Simulation.
- **All Engineers:** Refer to and action upon the 'Potential MITRE ATT&CK TTPs' & 'Indicators of Compromise (IoC)' on the following pages.

🌀 Potential MITRE ATT&CK TTPs

TA0001 Initial Access	TA0002 Execution	TA0003 Persistence	TA0004 Privilege Escalation
TA0005 Defense Evasion	TA0007 Discovery	TA0009 Collection	TA0011 Command and Control
T1574 Hijack Execution Flow	T1105 Ingress Tool Transfer	T1204 User Execution	T1059 Command and Scripting Interpreter
T1055 Process Injection	T1102 Web Service	T1113 Screen Capture	T1056 Input Capture

🔗 Indicators of Compromise (IOCs)

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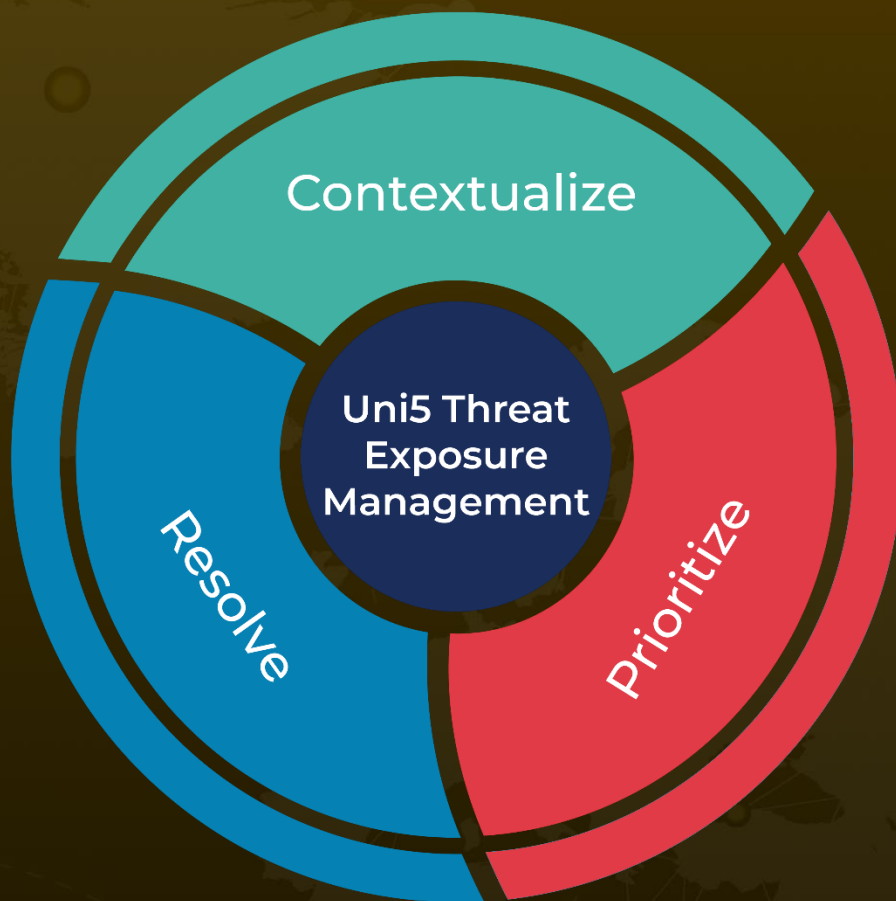
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