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# THREAT ADVISORY

 **ATTACK REPORT**

## DoubleFinger A Sneaky Loader Targets Cryptocurrency

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A1

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TA2023261

# Summary

**First seen:** 2023

**Malware:** DoubleFinger loader and GreetingGhoul stealer

**Attack Region:** Europe, the United States, and Latin America

**Attack:** A sophisticated campaign utilized an advanced multi-stage DoubleFinger loader to deploy the GreetingGhoul malware, which is designed to steal cryptocurrency credentials.

## 🗡️ Attack Regions



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# Attack Details

## #1

An advanced campaign utilizes a multi-stage DoubleFinger loader to deploy GreetingGhoul malware, specially crafted for pilfering cryptocurrency credentials. The campaign primarily targets entities in Europe, the United States, and Latin America. When the victim opens a malicious PIF attachment in an email message, they inadvertently trigger the deployment of DoubleFinger onto their machine, initiating the loader's initial stage.

## #2

The legitimate Java binary is executed to load the second-stage shellcode. The third-stage shellcode employs low-level Windows API calls and maps ntdll.dll into the process memory, bypassing security solution hooks. Moving on to the fourth stage shellcode is relatively straightforward. It detects the presence of the fifth stage within itself and utilizes the Process Doppelgänger technique to execute it.

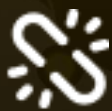
## #3

The fifth stage creates a scheduled task that triggers the execution of the GreetingGhoul stealer. It's worth noting that DoubleFinger is not exclusive to cryptocurrency attacks; it has also been observed dropping Remcos RAT, a popular tool used by financially motivated cybercriminals.

# Recommendations



**Strengthen Security Measures:** Given the advanced nature of the DoubleFinger loader and its ability to bypass security solution hooks, enhancing the existing security measures is crucial. This includes implementing robust endpoint protection systems that can detect and prevent the execution of malicious shellcodes.



**Email Security:** The campaign relies on social engineering tactics to trick victims into opening malicious email attachments. Organizations should conduct regular security awareness about the risks of opening unsolicited email attachments. Emphasize the importance of verifying the authenticity of email senders and practicing caution when interacting with email attachments, especially those in unfamiliar or suspicious formats like PIF files.

# Potential MITRE ATT&CK TTPs

<b><u>TA0001</u></b> Initial Access	<b><u>TA0002</u></b> Execution	<b><u>TA0003</u></b> Persistence	<b><u>TA0004</u></b> Privilege Escalation
<b><u>TA0005</u></b> Defense Evasion	<b><u>TA0006</u></b> Credential Access	<b><u>TA0007</u></b> Discovery	<b><u>TA0009</u></b> Collection
<b><u>TA0011</u></b> Command and Control	<b><u>T1560</u></b> Archive Collected Data	<b><u>T1053</u></b> Scheduled Task/Job	<b><u>T1574.002</u></b> DLL Side-Loading
<b><u>T1129</u></b> Shared Modules	<b><u>T1055</u></b> Process Injection	<b><u>T1027</u></b> Obfuscated Files or Information	<b><u>T1027.005</u></b> Indicator Removal from Tools
<b><u>T1036</u></b> Masquerading	<b><u>T1497</u></b> Virtualization/Sandbox Evasion	<b><u>T1574</u></b> Hijack Execution Flow	<b><u>T1056</u></b> Input Capture
<b><u>T1056.004</u></b> Credential API Hooking	<b><u>T1010</u></b> Application Window Discovery	<b><u>T1018</u></b> Remote System Discovery	<b><u>T1057</u></b> Process Discovery
<b><u>T1082</u></b> System Information Discovery	<b><u>T1518</u></b> Software Discovery	<b><u>T1518.001</u></b> Security Software Discovery	<b><u>T1104</u></b> Multi-Stage Channels
<b><u>T1071</u></b> Application Layer Protocol	<b><u>T1095</u></b> Non-Application Layer Protocol	<b><u>T1105</u></b> Ingress Tool Transfer	<b><u>T1571</u></b> Non-Standard Port
<b><u>T1573</u></b> Encrypted Channel	<b><u>T1566</u></b> Phishing	<b><u>T1566.001</u></b> Spearphishing Attachment	<b><u>T1055.013</u></b> Process Doppelgänger

# ✂ Indicators of Compromise (IOCs)

TYPE	VALUE
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Domain	cryptohedgefund[.]us

## ✂ References

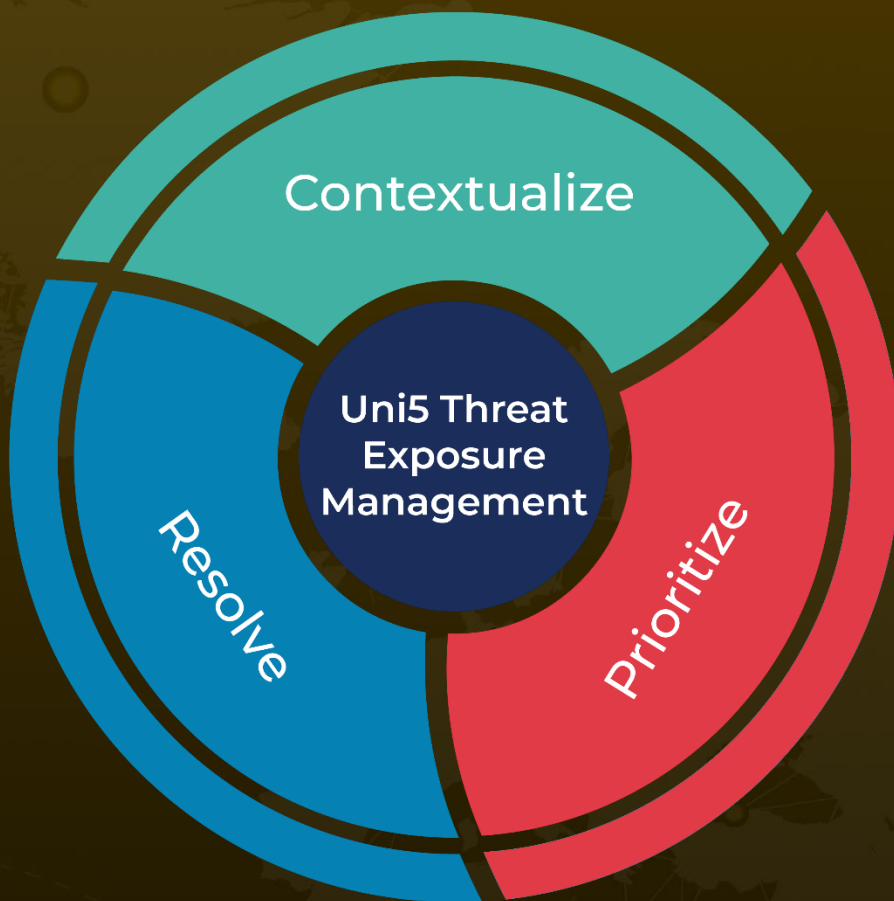
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