

North Korean Hackers Attacking MacOS Using Weaponized Documents

Date: 30th November 2023 | Severity: High

Summary

Hackers often use weaponized documents to exploit vulnerabilities in software, which enables the execution of malicious code, Hackers Attacking MacOS.

Attack Vectors

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North Korean threat actors focused on macOS in 2023 with two major campaigns, and here below, we have mentioned those major campaigns: -

1. **RustBucket:** Rust Bucket employed 'Swift Loader,' disguising itself as a PDF Viewer, to deliver a Rust-written second-stage malware.
2. **KandyKorn:** Kandy Korn campaign, Python scripts targeted blockchain engineers, delivering a C++ backdoor RAT named 'Kandy Korn' after hijacking the Discord app on hosts.

Indicator of Compromise

INDICATOR TYPE	INDICATORS
File Hash	<p>d28830d87fc71091f003818ef08ff0b723b3f358 43f987c15ae67b1183c4c442dc3b784faf2df090 26ec4630b4d1116e131c8e2002e9a3ec7494a5cf 46ac6dc34fc164525e6f7886c8ed5a79654f3fd3 62267b88fa6393bc1f1eeb778e4da6b564b7011e 8d5d214c490eae8f61325839fcc17277e514301e 8f6c52d7e82fbfdead3d66ad8c52b372cc9e8b18 9f97edbc1454ef66d6095f979502d17067215a9d ac336c5082c2606ab8c3fb023949dfc0db2064d5 c45f514a252632cb3851fe45bed34b175370d594 ce3705baf097cd95f8f696f330372dd00996d29a e244ff1d8e66558a443610200476f98f653b8519 e68bfa72a4b4289a4cc688e81f9282b1f78ebc1f e77270ac0ea05496dd5a2fbccba3e24eb9b863d9 79337ccda23c67f8cfd9f43a6d3cf05fd01d1588 a1a8a855f64a6b530f5116a3785a693d78ec09c0 e275deb68cdf336cb4175819a09dbaf0e1b68f6 09ade0cb777f4a4e0682309a4bc1d0f7d4d7a036 5c93052713f317431bf232a2894658a3a4ebfad9 884cebf1ad0e65f4da60c04bc31f62f796f90d79 be903ded39cbc8332cefd9ebbe7a66d95e9d6522 060a5d189ccf3fc32a758f1e218f814f6ce81744 3c887ece654ea46b1778d3c7a8a6a7c7c7cfa61c c806c7006950dea6c20d3d2800fe46d9350266b6</p>
Domain	<p>http [://docs-send. Online/get Balance/usdt/Ethereum. https[://drive.google[.]com/file/d1KW5nQ8MZccug6Mp4QtKyWLT3HIZzHNIL2 http [://on-global[.]xyz/Of56cYsfVV8/OJITWH2WfX/Jy5S7hSx0K/fP7saoiPBc/A%3D%3D http [://tp-globa[.]xyz/OdhLca1mLUp/lZ5rZPxWsh/7yZKYQI43S/fP7savDX6c/bfC http [://swissborg[.]blog/zxcv/bnm</p>
IPs	<p>23.254.226[.]90 104.168.214[.]151 142.11.209[.]144 192.119.64[.]43</p>

Recommendation

Submit the File Hash to the Antivirus team to update their database with the file hashes.

Submit the IPs to Network team to block in the firewall.

Block the Domain in the Proxy.

Make regular backups of important and critical files.

Avoid browsing the unsafe websites, clicking on suspicious links, or opening unknown email attachments.

Update and Patch operating system, applications, and security software's up to date with latest patches.

NOTE: The recommended settings/controls should be implemented after due shall be tested on Pre-Prod or test environment before implementing. diligence and impact analysis.

Reference Links

<https://gbhackers.com/korean-macos-weaponized-documents/>