

Practical Workflow for Automation and Orchestration of Addressing Cyber Threat: Case Study of Mirai Botnet in Malaysia



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Agenda

- Introduction
- Issues Surrounding Protecting Malaysia Cyber Security
- Important of Threat Intelligent Sharing
- Traditional SOC “And” Threat Intelligent Information Sharing
- Case study Mirai



Cyber Early Warning Services

- ➔ Incident Handling
- ➔ Cyber Early Warning
- ➔ Technical Coordination Centre
- ➔ Malware Research Center



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REFERENCE CENTRE FOR CYBER SECURITY ASSISTANCE

- for all internet users, including home users and organizations

What steps are taken by the

Malaysian Government

to keep cyber threats under control ?



One of the most
important
step is creating :

**National Cyber
Security Policy
(NCSP)**

&

**Establishing
CyberSecurity
Malaysia to
implement NCSP**

Issues Surrounding Cyber Security in Malaysia

Vastly expanding attack surface area
(Mobile, Cloud, Virtualization, IOT etc)

Insufficient reliable data related to cyber threats

No appropriate body or authority that provides reliable data

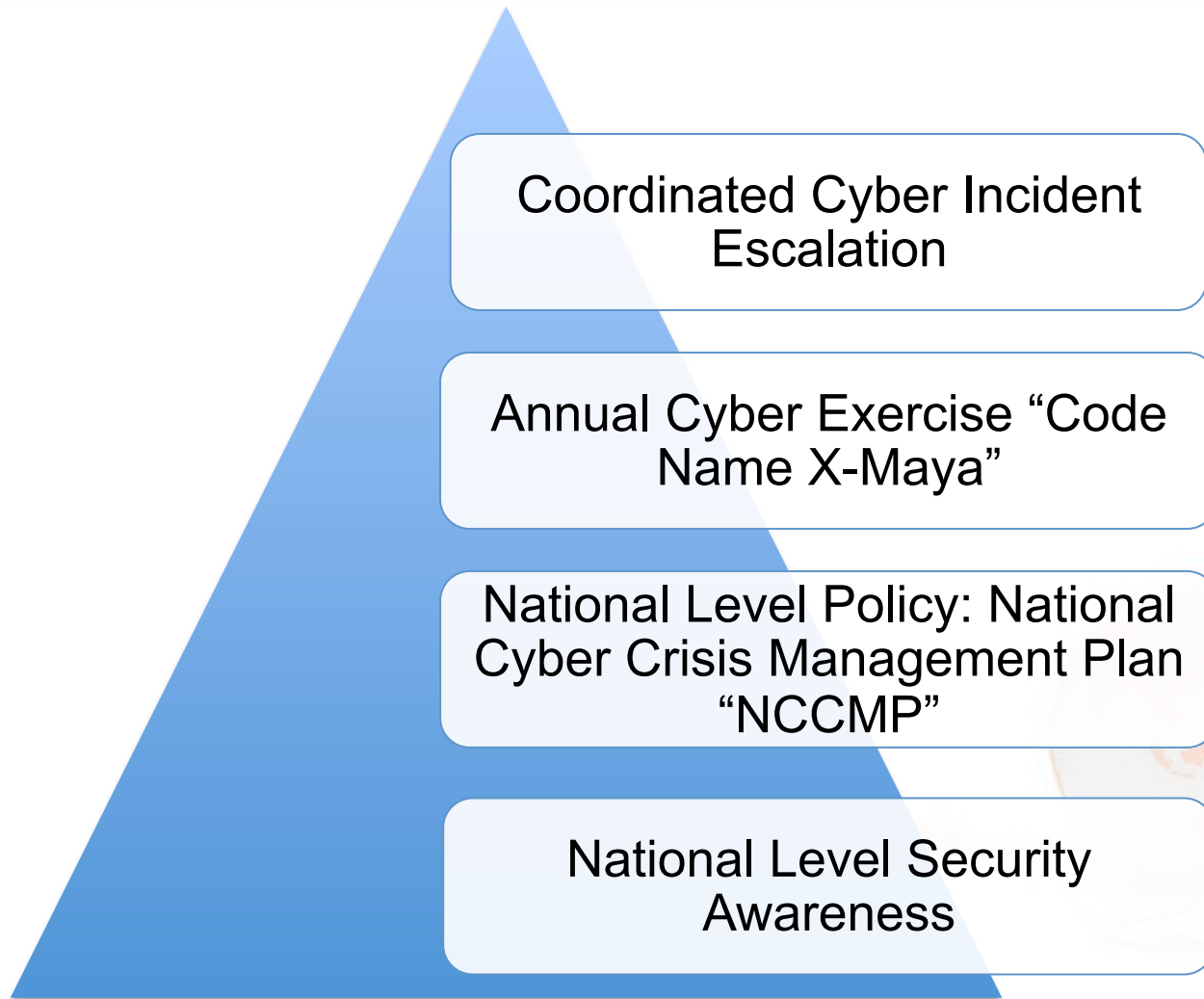
Insufficient technical resources and expertise to expedite threat intelligence analysis and incident response.

CSIRT' s Role in Protecting Critical National Information Infrastructure

- ❑ Information sharing about latest threats and mitigation measures against the threats
- ❑ Early warning of latest outbreaks, provide Alert and Advisory on the latest outbreak which includes detection and mitigations
- ❑ Raise awareness about cybersecurity and critical infrastructure protection issues
- ❑ As a platform to promote mutual collaboration between all sectors in CNII, such as Government, Private, Financial sectors. A good example is a National-level Cyber Exercise.
- ❑ Engaging with various parties such as with Law Enforcement Agencies, ISPs , security experts on mitigations against cyber attacks against CNII.



Current Malaysia Practise for Mitigating Cyber Threats in Malaysia



What is Threat Intel

“Threat Intelligence (TI) is evidence based knowledge, including context, mechanism, indicator, implications, and actionable advise about an existing or emerging menace or hazard to assets That can be used to inform decisions regarding the subject response to that menace or hazard”
- Gartner, 2013

- SANS Institute

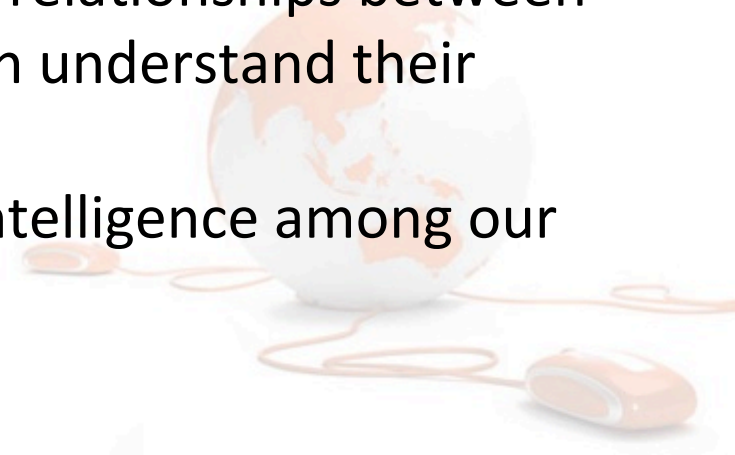
- The set of data collected, assessed and applied regarding security threat, threat actors, exploits, malware, vulnerabilities and compromise indicators”



Importance of Threat Intelligence

To move threat intelligence sharing to the next level of efficiency and effectiveness, improvement is needed in three areas:

- We need to simplify event triage and provide a better environment for security practitioners to investigate high-priority threats.
- We need to do a better job establishing relationships between indicators of compromise so that we can understand their connections to attack campaigns.
- We need a better way to share threat intelligence among our stakeholders and relevant authorities.



Example of Threat Intelligence / Information Sharing Framework

Technical Platform / Framework

- MISP
- OpenIOC
- STIX / TAXII
- Collective Intelligence Framework (CIF)
- Avalanche/Soltra (FS-ISAC)

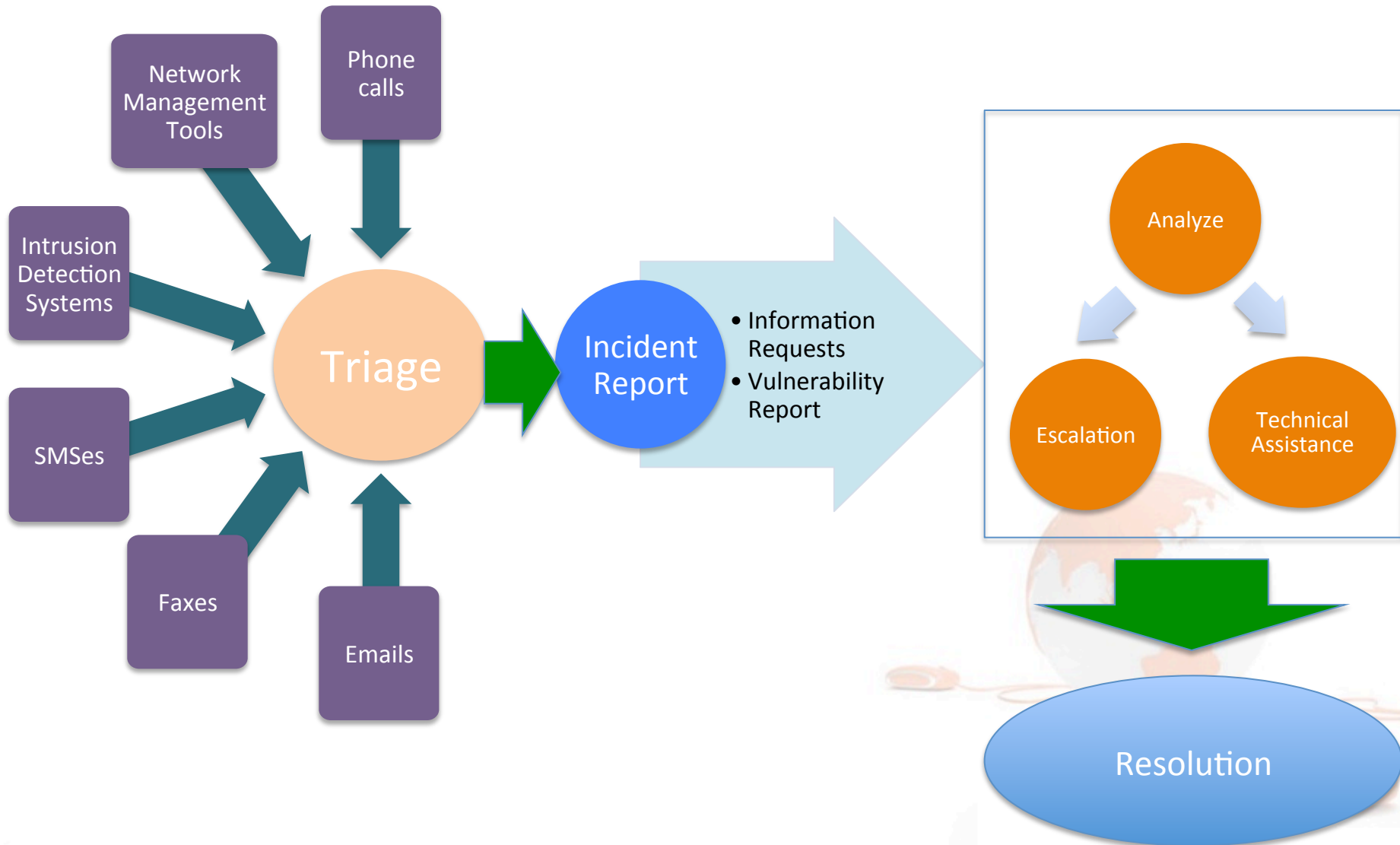
SIEM Communities

- Qradar Threat Exchange
- Splunk feeds

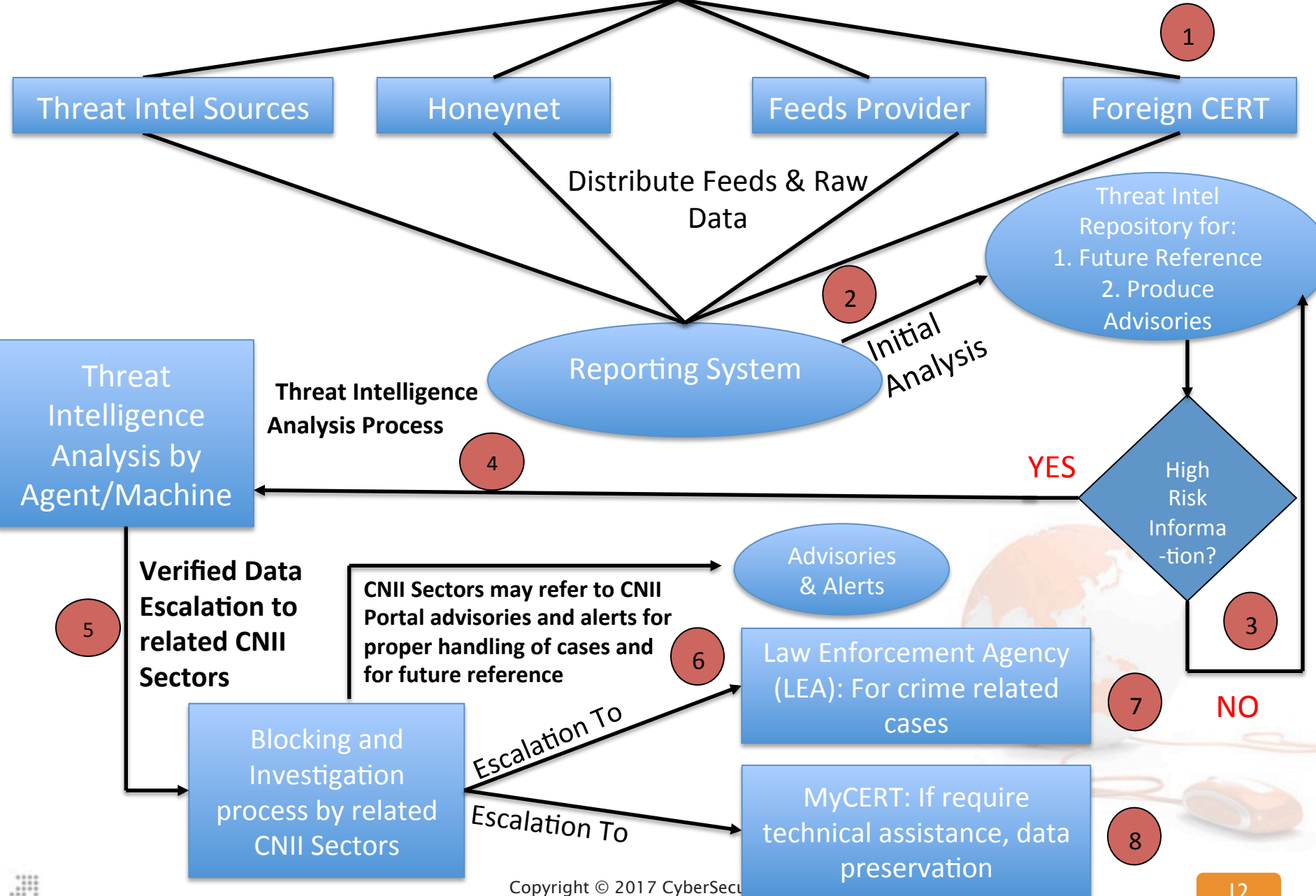
National CSIRTs/CERTs info sharing exchange



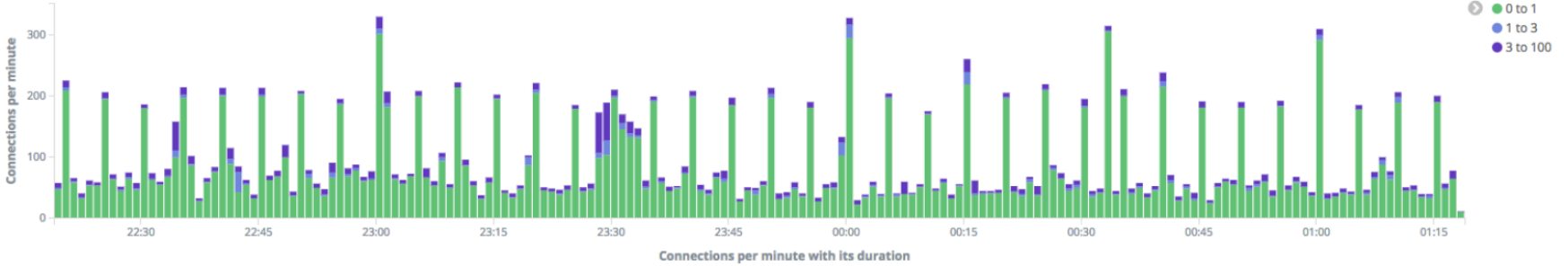
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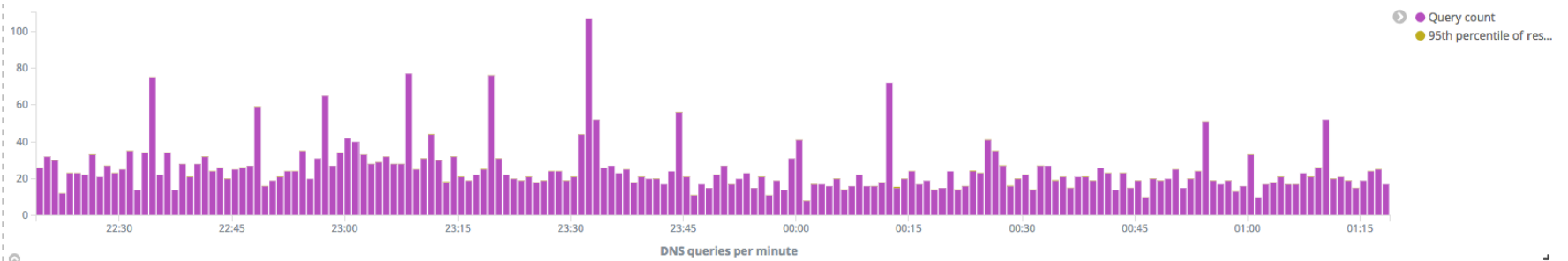
Threat Intelligence Information Sharing Model



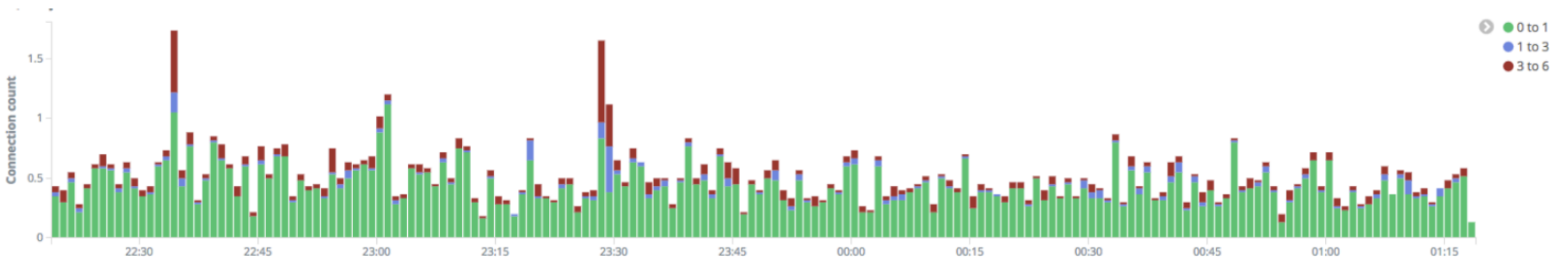
QUALITY-Connections



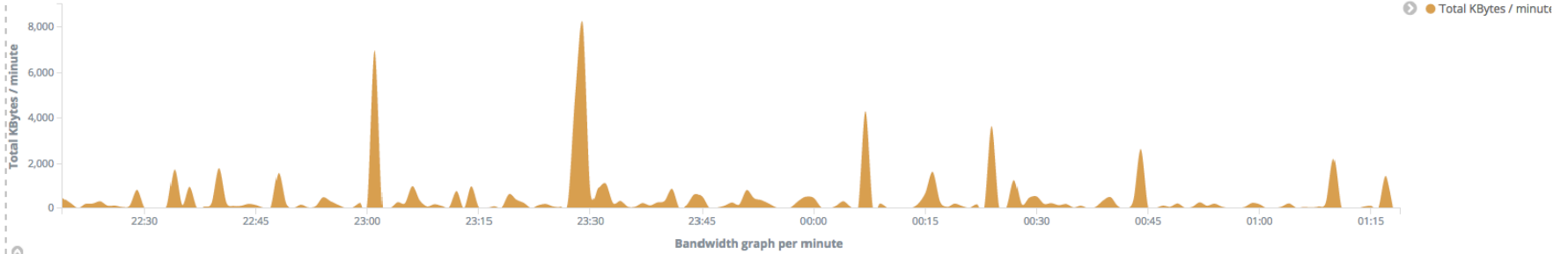
Connections per minute with its duration



DNS queries per minute



Bandwidth graph per minute



Tools Used for Information Sharing

MyLipas

- Semi-automated escalation tool
- For mass IP notification

Honeynet

- Source of threat information

Automated Scripts

- Automating the analysis and processing of the threat information

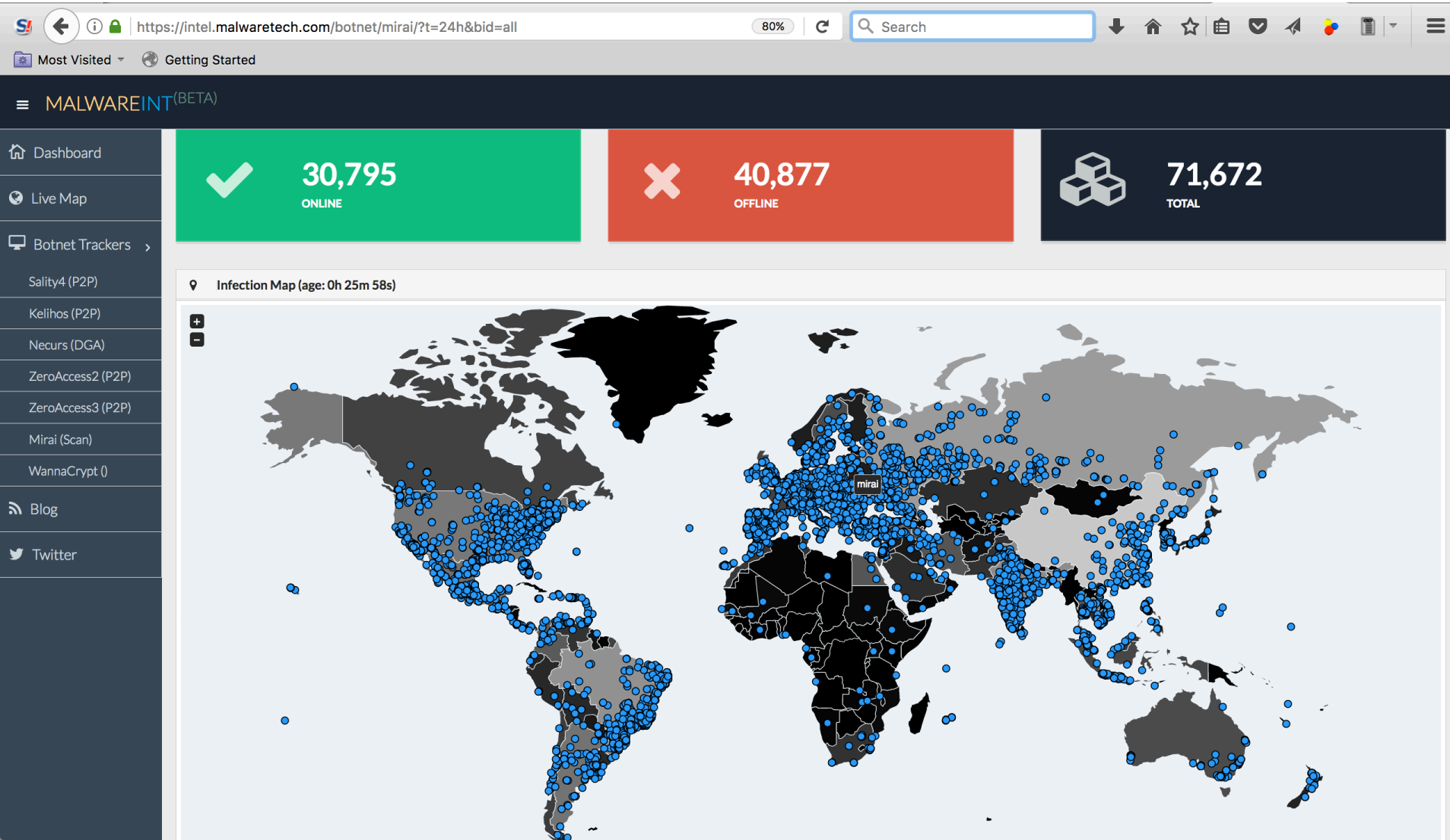
Forensic tools

- Forensic analysis

Case Study - Mirai



Mirai Botnet Infection



<https://intel.malwaretech.com/botnet/mirai/?t=24h&bid=all>

TOTAL RESULTS

20,585

TOP COUNTRIES



Malaysia 20,585

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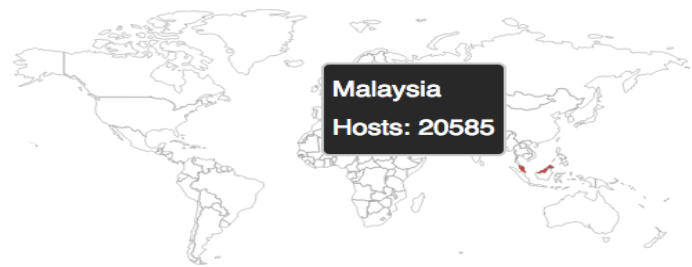
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List of vectors found in source code.

Attack	Description
UDP	UDP flood
VSE	Valve Source Engine query flood
DNS water torture	Recursive DNS query attack
SYN	SYN packet flood
ACK	ACK packet flood
STOMP	ACK flood with STOMP
GRE IP	GRE flood
GRE Ethernet	Ethernet encapsulated inside GRE flood
Plain UDP	UDP flood optimized for speed
HTTP	HTTP layer 7 flood

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root/xc3511          root/vizxv          root/admin
admin/admin         root/888888        root/xmhdipc
root/default       root/juantech      root/123456
root/54321         support/support    root/(none)
admin/password     root/root          root/12345
user/user          admin/(none)       root/pass
admin/admin1234    root/1111          admin/smcadmin
admin/1111         root/666666        root/password
root/1234          root/klv123       Administrator/admin
service/service    supervisor/supervisor
guest/12345        guest/12345        guest/guest
administrator/1234 666666/666666     admin1/password
ubnt/ubnt         root/klv1234      888888/888888
root/hi3518       root/klv1234      root/Zte521
root/zlxx         root/jvbzd        root/anko
root/system       root/7ujMko0vizxv root/7ujMko0admin
root/user         root/ikwb         root/dreambox
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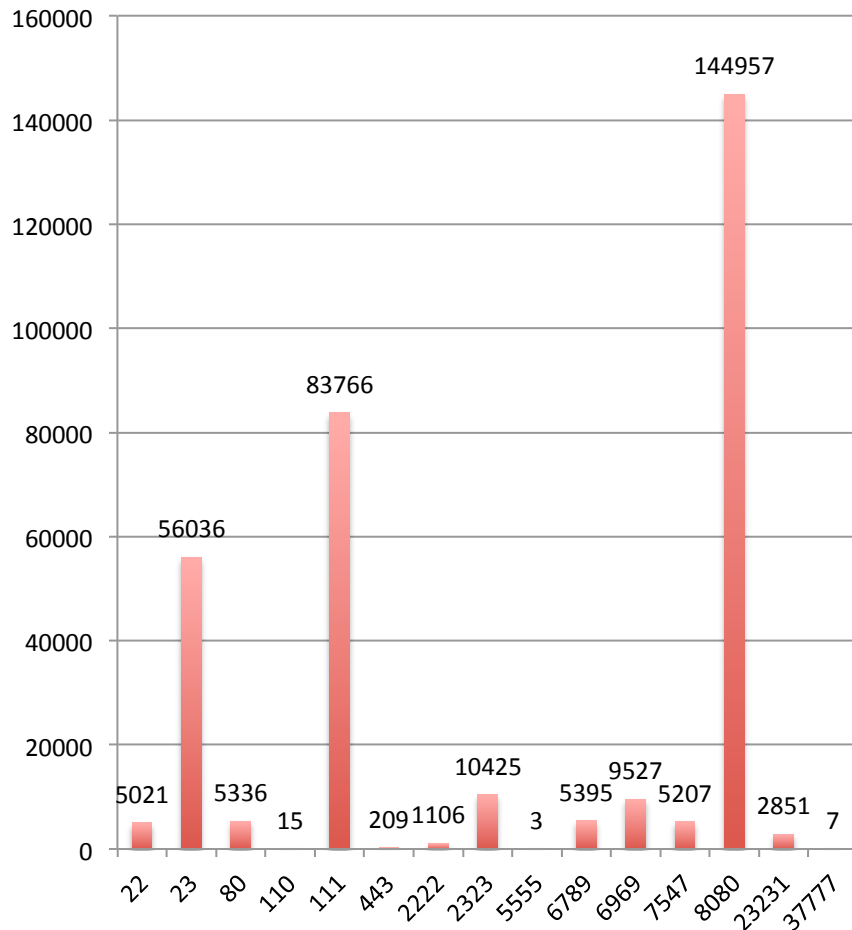
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Mirai's built-in password dictionary.

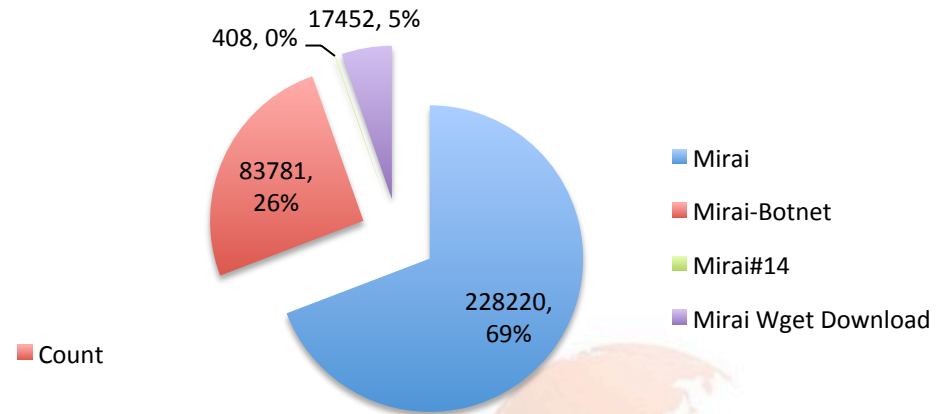
The passwords come from the botnet's source code

Security Feeds Information

Mirai infection CC-Port Scan Detected Jan - April 2017



Infection Type by Variant

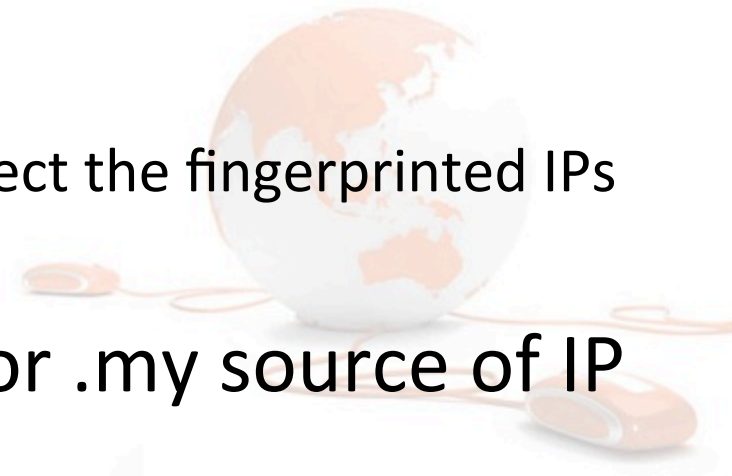


Mirai detection using HoneyPot

MTPot – open source honeypot developed by *Cymmetria Research*.

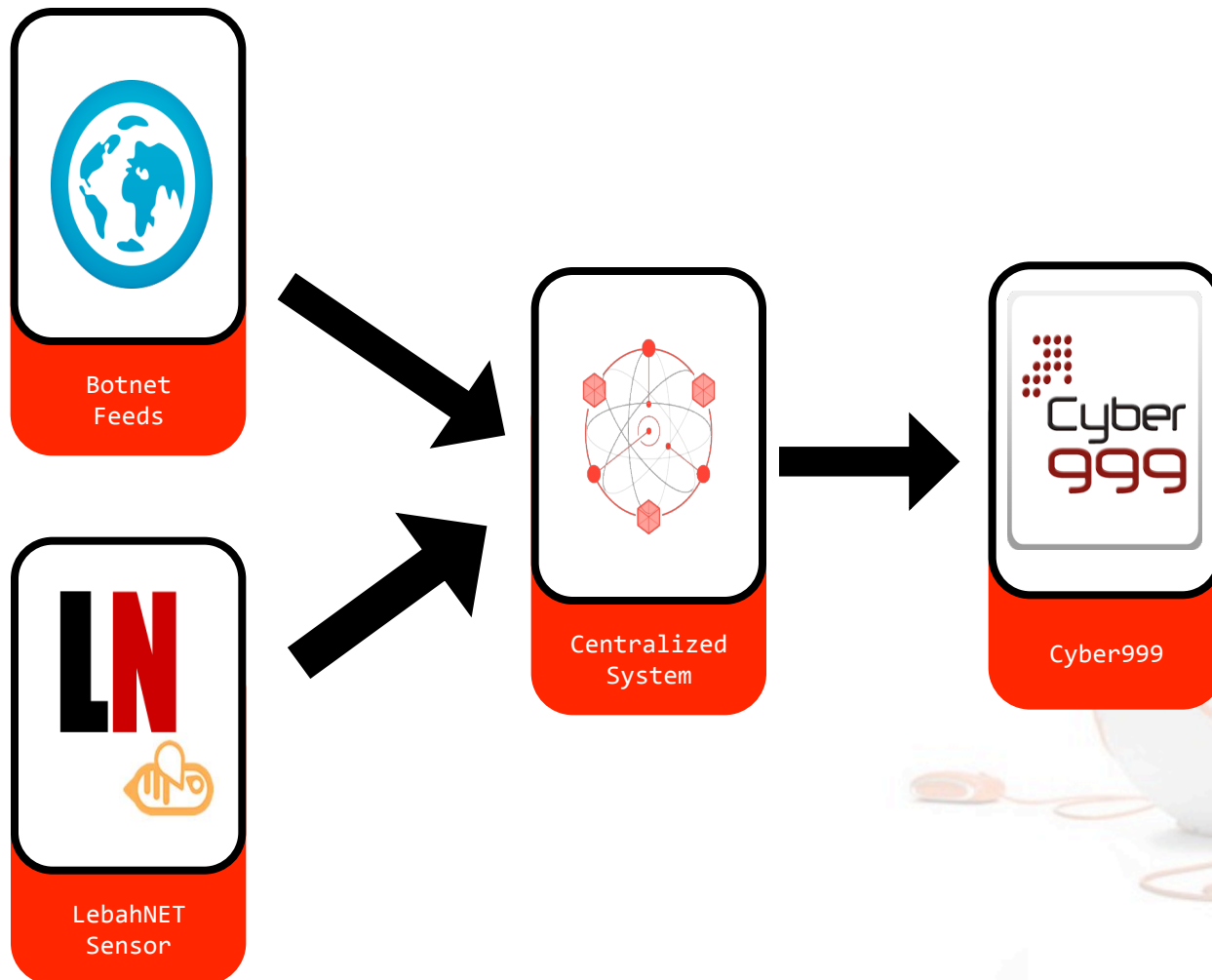
MTPot is written in Python

- the ip and port to which the honeypot shall bind
- a list of commands expected to be sent by the scanners and the responses that MTPot shall give
- the name of the attack (Mirai)
- a session timeout value
- some optional syslog settings to collect the fingerprinted IPs



- Escalation to ISP focus only for .my source of IP that have been infected.

Automated Escalation Process



Automation of escalation

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▼ Article #95 – ([redacted] Botnet Drones daily report on 02-02-2017. Created: 02/03/2017 18:28

Plain Format | Print | Split | Bounce | Forward | - Reply All - | - Reply -

From: Malaysia Computer Emergency Response Team

To: [redacted]

Cc: cyber999@cybersecurity.my

Signed: Good PGP signature. (Malaysia Computer Emergency Response Team (MyCERT) <cyber999@cybersecurity.my> : 82B6ED71 : 57CDC6891B0E08353BBD9F7D010057082B6ED71)

Subject: [redacted] Botnet Drones daily report on 02-02-2017.

Attachment: mirai.4788.txt , 659.1 KBytes

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Hash: SHA1

Dear Abuse Team,
MyCERT received a report from [redacted] report on malware, botnet acti discovery of a list of all the able to capture from the monit connections to HTTP botnets, c infection type, and these will We are contacting you regardin APNIC whois database. If you a can relay this message by forw

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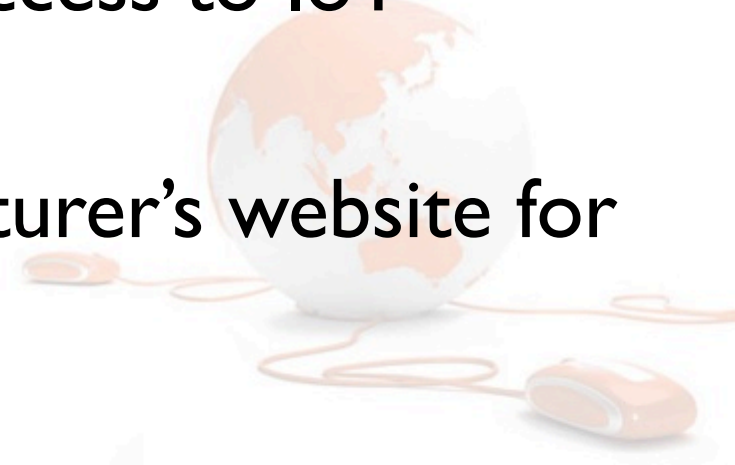
Mitigate the attacked

- Automated incident escalation to ISP
- Recommend ISPs identify compromised IoT devices by filtering traffic TCP23 / TCP 2323 / TCP 7547
 - ISP action : Isolate and notify legitimate owners of the problem and urge to take corrective action.
- Publish advisory to alert Malaysia Internet user



Recommendation to device owners

- Research the capabilities and security features of an IoT device before purchase
- Stop using default/generic passwords.
- Disable Telnet login and use SSH
- Disable or protect remote access to IoT devices when not needed
- Regularly check the manufacturer's website for firmware updates



What is the challenges

Owner of Devices

- Not straightforward to patch/upgrade
- Not every user know how to resolve infected devices

IoT Manufacture

- Profit Vs Security
- Unnecessary services should be disabled by default
- Best practices: password

ISP

- Difficult to correlate information that have been share / escalate by CERT
- Need proper guidelines to informed affected customers.



Summary

- It worked for us in obtaining valid, reliable threat intelligent information from our trusted partners. This will eventually makes identification and rectification works smoothly.
- It worked in identifying the threats, vulnerabilities to systems belonging to the CNII sector
- It strengthens the working collaboration between CSIRTs and CNII sectors and position CSIRT as an entity that plays an important role in safe guarding the cyber space
- CSIRTs partnership has become an integral part at international network to fight against cyber threats.
- To develop a baseline understanding of common threats and capabilities to enable coordinated actions among the CNII sectors in the event of large scale cyber attacks.



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