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Microsoft Update: New Critical Patch to Protect Against Download.Ject Vulnerability

ADVISORY OVERVIEW

July 02, 2004 – Qualys™ Vulnerability R&D Lab has released new vulnerability signatures in the QualysGuard® Service to protect organizations against the new Microsoft® vulnerability that was announced earlier today. Customers can immediately audit their networks for this and other new vulnerabilities by accessing their QualysGuard subscription.

VULNERABILITY DETAILS

Microsoft released a critical patch today which forces configuration changes in Windows XP, Windows 2000, and Windows Server 2003, to address recent malicious attacks against Internet Explorer know as Download.Ject. This vulnerability gained public attention last week when it was exploited to facilitate the spread of the Scob Trojan through numerous popular websites.

This patch is the first in a series of Internet Explorer security updates that Microsoft plans for the next several months. More information can be found on Microsoft's website:

<http://www.microsoft.com/presspass/press/2004/jul04/07-02configchange.asp>

HOW TO PROTECT YOUR NETWORK

Audits for the new Microsoft Critical Security vulnerability are already available in the QualysGuard vulnerability management platform. A default scan using authentication will detect these issues and is the recommended detection method. In addition QualysGuard users can perform a selective scan for these specific vulnerabilities using the following checks:

- **"Microsoft Internet Explorer Critical Patch KB870669 Missing"**
 - Qualys ID: 90131
 - Windows login required
 - Additionally, enable the "Windows Host Name" signature with

Qualys ID 82044 if you want to report on vulnerable hosts by Windows (NetBIOS) machine name.

TECHNICAL SUPPORT

For more information, customers may contact Qualys Technical Support directly at support@qualys.com or by telephone toll free at:
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ABOUT QUALYSGUARD

QualysGuard is an on-demand security audit service delivered over the web that enables organizations to effectively manage their vulnerabilities and maintain control over their network security with centralized reports, verified remedies, and full remediation workflow capabilities with trouble tickets. QualysGuard provides comprehensive reports on vulnerabilities including severity levels, time to fix estimates and impact on business, plus trend analysis on security issues. By continuously and proactively monitoring all network access points, QualysGuard dramatically reduces security managers' time researching, scanning and fixing network exposures and enables companies to eliminate network vulnerabilities before they can be exploited.

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