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SECURITY ALERT: HONEYPOT BRUTE FORCE EVENTS

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SUMMARY

NSCIRT herewith notifies all stakeholders of a sharp increase in the number of hosts identified, as performing brute force attacks using different networks of honeypots. Honeypots are usually passive resources placed on a network to listen for incoming connections. Included are attacks brute forcing credentials to obtain access using various protocols such as FTP, RDP, Telnet, SSH etc.

MITIGATIONS

In order to mitigate the brute force attacks, the identified hosts needs to:

a)   If applicable, update the firmware of the device; and/or

b)   Install the latest Antivirus/ malware remover tools to scan and quarantine the infection.

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