

THREAT ADVISORY

What will be the consequence of this disputed vulnerability in 7-ZIP?

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Threat Level

RED

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The zero-day vulnerability in 7-Zip software, tracked as CVE-2022-29072 is marked as disputed by the National Vulnerability Database(NVD), and sparked discussions over its consequences. This started when a researcher published a proof-of-concept (POC) for this vulnerability and stated that it allowed remote privilege escalation. However, other well-known researchers, such as those from Google's Project Zero, have indicated that this security flaw would allow execution of arbitrary code via 7-Zip while opening a file with the.7z extension.

The impact of this vulnerability remains uncertain and due to non availability of patch and a proof-of-concept been widely available, Hive pro Threat research team recommends to temporarily resolve this issue by deleting the Help file. The following are the steps to do this:

1. Open the 7-Zip installation directory or folder on the system
2. Locate the file 7-Zip.chm; this is the help file
3. Right-click on the file and select the Delete context menu option, to remove it from the system.

Potential MITRE ATT&CK TTPs are:

TA0042: Resource Development

T1588: Obtain Capabilities

T1588.005: Obtain Capabilities: Exploits

T1588.006: Obtain Capabilities: Vulnerabilities

TA0001: Initial Access

T1190: Exploit Public-Facing Application

Vulnerability Details

CVE ID	Affected Products	Affected CPE	Vulnerability Name	CWE ID
CVE-2022-29072	7-Zip versions 2.00 to 21.07	cpe:2.3:a:7-zip_org:7-zip:*:*:*:*:*:*	A vulnerability in 7-zip on Windows OS	CWE-122

References

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