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# RATS AND INFOSTEALERS: MISSION SPAIN AND CATALONIA

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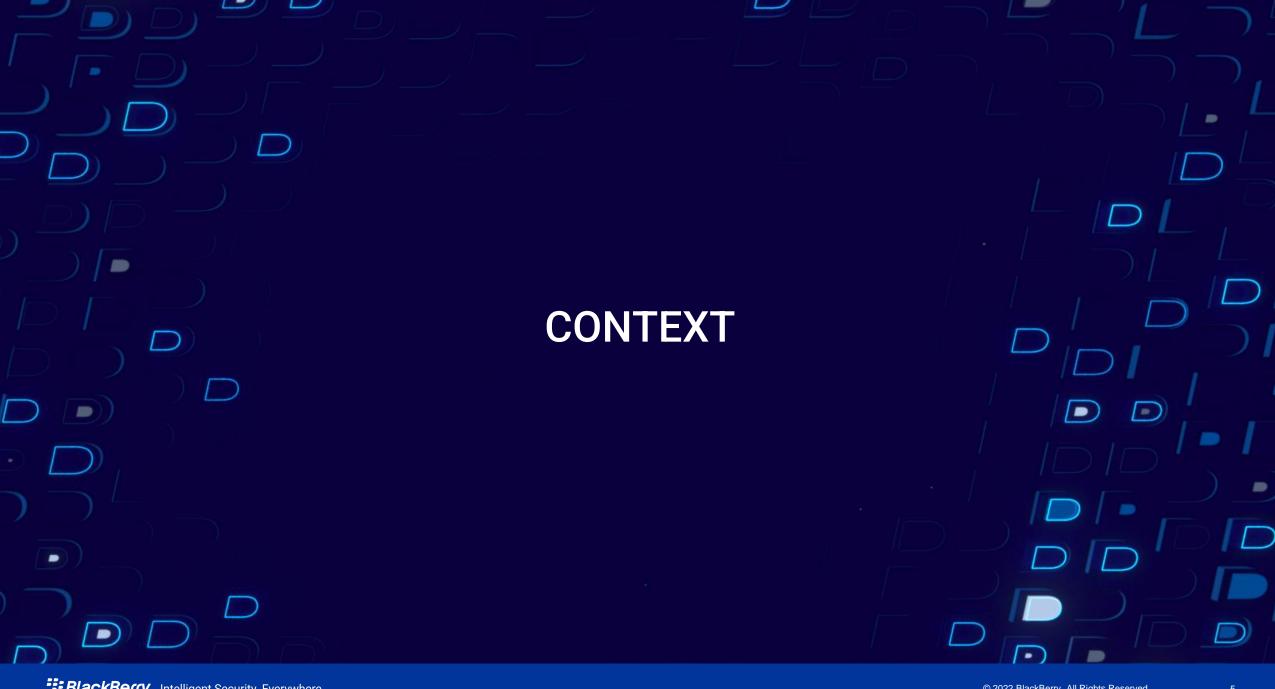


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## **AGENDA**

- Context
- Darkweb
- Campaigns





#### WHAT'S HAPPENING HERE?

- Last months we have heard of attacks carried out against public organizations in Spain.
  - Most of the attacks had ransomware activity related
- Not in the news, multiple private companies are being targeted by different cybercriminals
- As we could see, there is a special interest in companies based in Catalonia (although there are also companies from different places in Spain)

Actualidad, CyberAttacks

**UPDATE:** Hackers threaten to publish data on infectious diseases patients from Barcelona's Hospital Clinic unless they pay €4.2 million

El Ayuntamiento de Alcalá de Hen de ciberataque a sus infraestructu



# Hyundai víctima expuesto datos

MLuz Dominguez

Sin comentarios











#### La Agencia Tributaria sufre un ataqu informático en busca de información

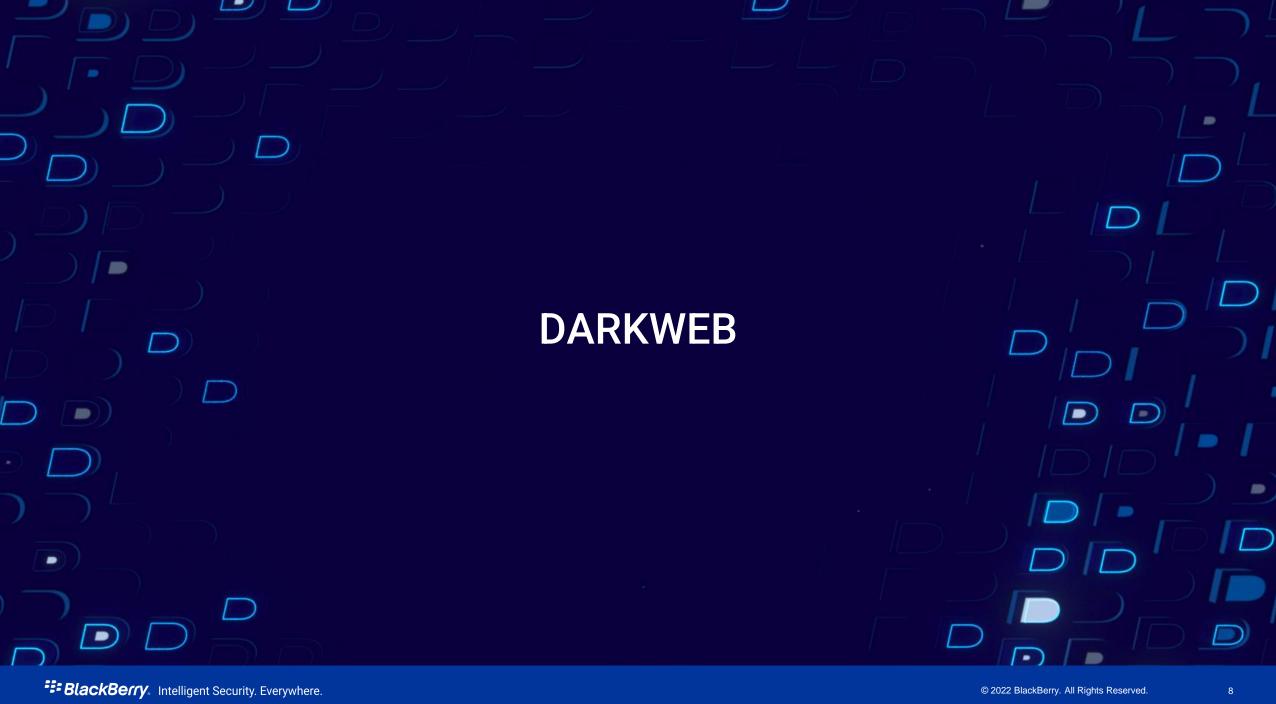
- · La rápida actuación de los expertos habrían frustrado las intenciones de los cib
- Estos son los riesgos de conectarse a un wifi público y cómo evitarlos



#### WHAT'S COMING TO SPAIN?

- Spain general elections (December approx)
- Regional elections (12 including Community of Madrid, May 28<sup>th</sup>)
- UE Council Chairmanships until 2024 (from Jun to Dec)
- Income tax return
- UE-CELAC
- Among others

Geopolitical analysis could be important in these scenarios



## **DIFFERENT ENTITIES**





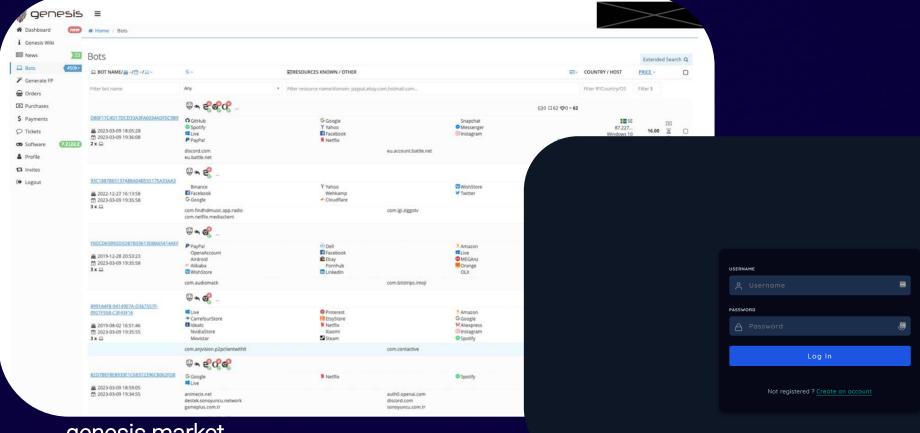


#### MARKET PLATFORMS



- Platforms where you can buy or sell accounts/information leaked
- There also forums giving this information
- Sometimes you need to be referred to access to these forums and markets
- The payment is made with cryptocoins

#### **PLATFORMS**



genesis.market

usms.me

#### **OPERATION COOKIE MONSTER**

# THIS WEBSITE HAS BEEN SEIZED





#### ESTE DOMINIO HA SIDO INTERVENIDO

y se encuentra a disposición de la Autoridad Judicial.



#### THIS DOMAIN NAME HAS BEEN SEIZED

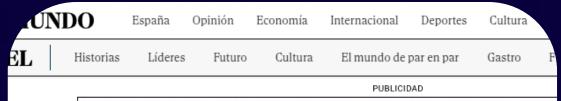
as part of a Spanish National Police operation pursuant to a judicial warrant.

#### **MARKET VENDORS**

- Cybercriminals infecting machines usually with RATs and InfoStealers
- Cybercriminals deploying phishing websites
- Insiders
- Other threat actors



#### **ALCASEC**



MOMENTS



TAKE A BREAK IN THE CITY.

PAPEL

Detenido Alcasec, el 'robin hood' de los 'hackers' españoles, por crear un Google de datos para mafias criminales

Source: El Mundo



**USMS ALERTS** 442 suscriptores 2 de febrero **USMS ALERTS** Disponemos de leads de mas países, enviadnos por privado cuales os interesarían para valorar si se añaden a la web. 5 de febrero **USMS ALERTS** NUEVA DB Se ha añadido la DB 15 INTERNATIONAL MIX. 7 de febrero **USMS ALERTS** NUEVA DB Se ha añadido la DB 16 BANK SHADOW 13 de febrero USMS ALERTS ALERTA 🏲 Se ha deshabilitado el pago por LTC hasta nuevo aviso. 21 de marzo USMS ALERTS NUEVA DB Se ha añadido la DB 17 BANK YOIGO. 474 01:01 4 de abril

Source: sky.com

## MARKET BUYERS



- Cybercriminals
- Government-Sponsored APT Actors
- Hacktivists
- Script kiddies



#### FROM PHISHING TO...

Phishing websites are neither new nor fancy. This old technique still working but the difference nowadays is that there are more darkweb markets to sell the information and use it to compromise organizations.

Why is it still working?



Send emails from compromised account



Identify platforms using the same password



Sell the account in the darkweb or forums



Perform espionage activities in the account

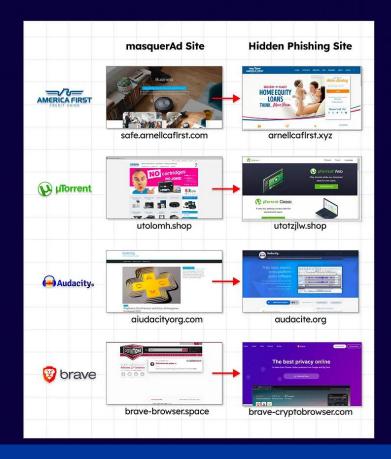
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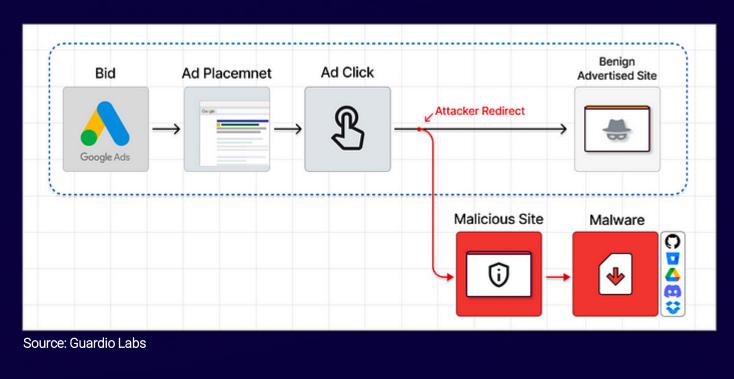


https://blogs.blackberry.com/en/2023/04/massive-spear-phishing-campaign-impersonating-spain-tax-agency

#### RECENT GOOGLE ADS CAMPAIGN

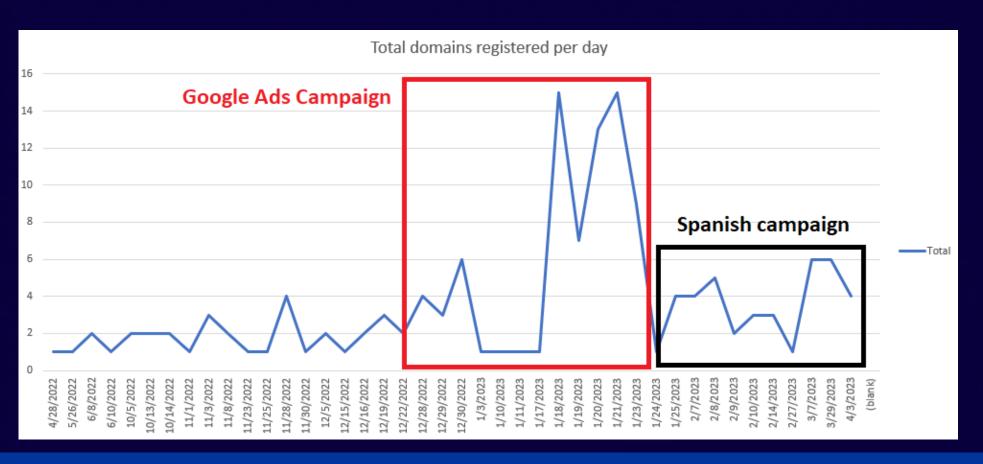
Few moths ago, there was a campaign using Google Ads Platform, which helps to promote the pages indicated by the client and to offer it among the first search results users come across.





#### RECENT GOOGLE ADS CAMPAIGN

We at BlackBerry have observed that, the same infrastructure used for this Google Ads campaing was used to register multiple domains using the same technique of web proxy;

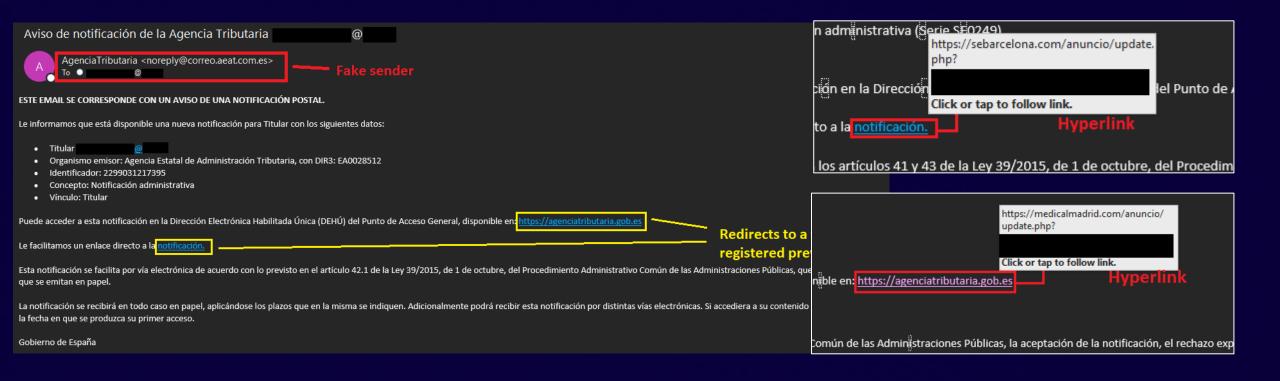


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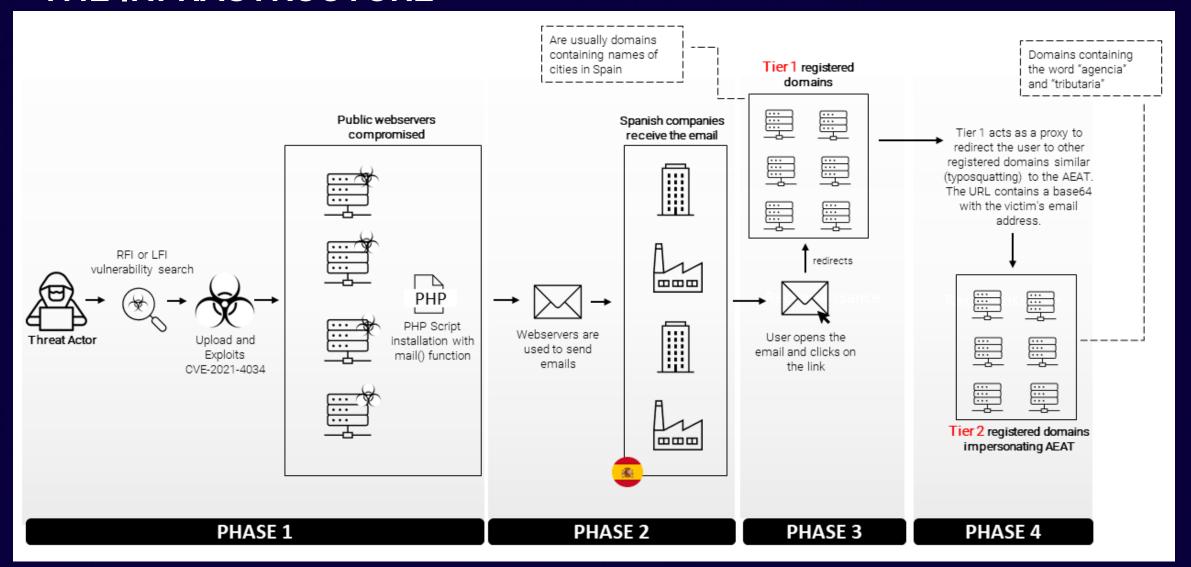
Tier 1 domains
References to
Spanish cities
in the domain
name
Tier 2 domains
References to
AEAT in the
domain name

#### THE EMAIL

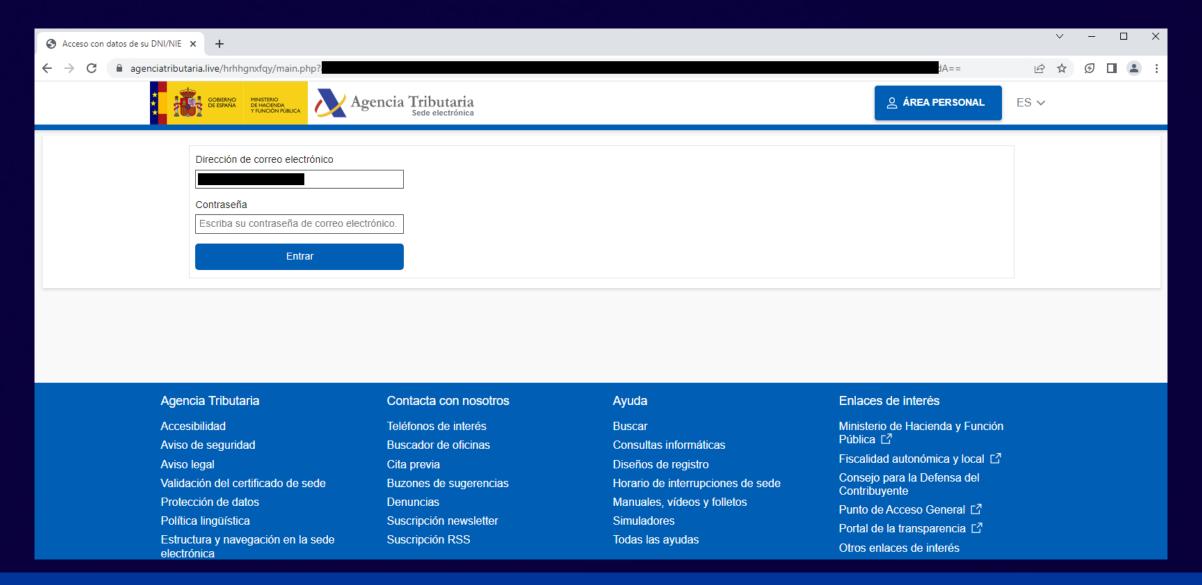
Email spoofing technique to send the emails.



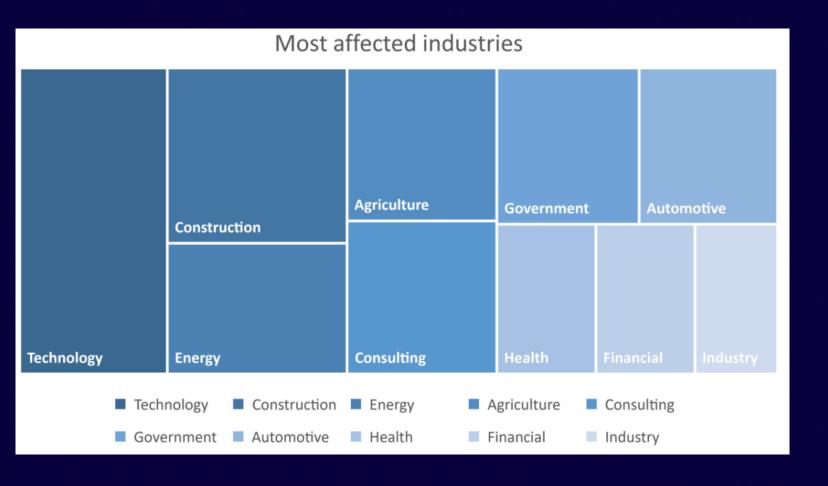
#### THE INFRASTRUCTURE



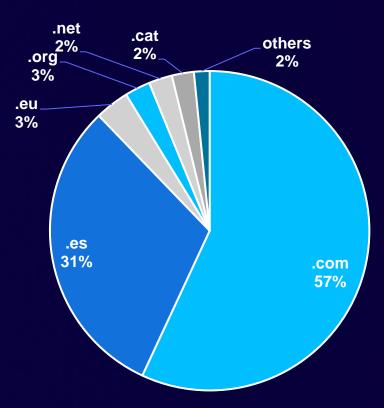
#### THE PHISHING



#### MOST AFFECTED VICTIMS



#### **TLDs victim domains**



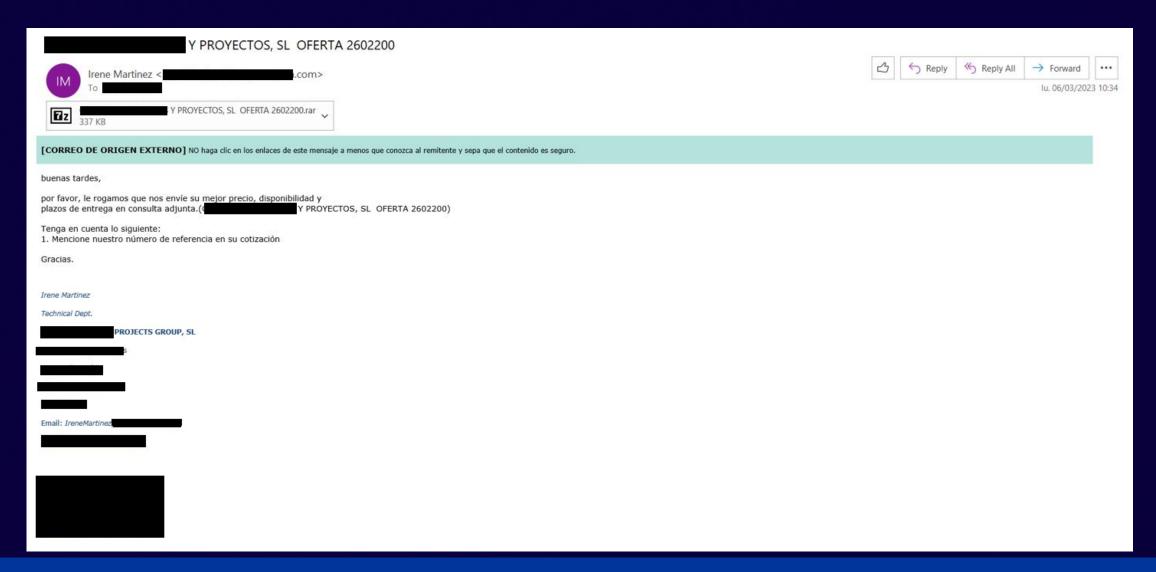
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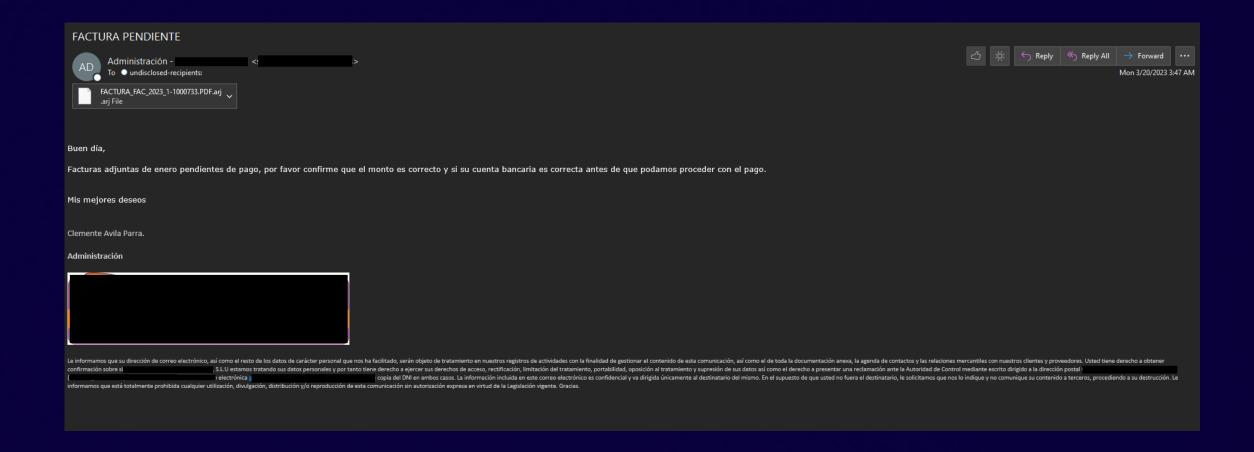




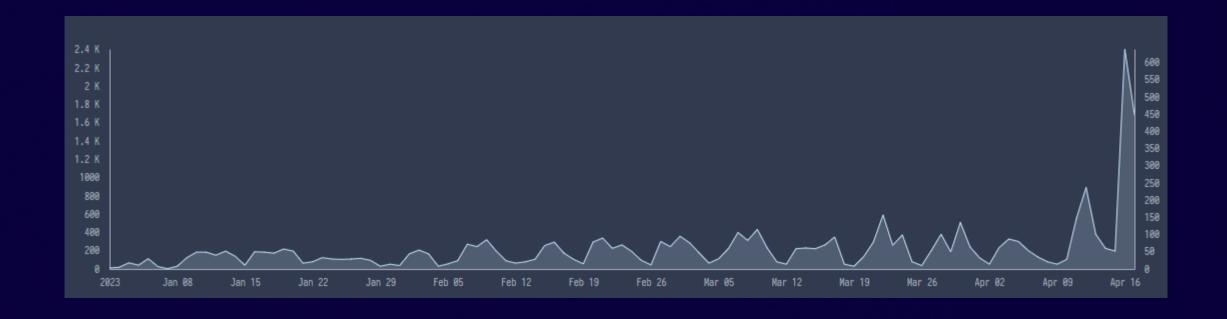
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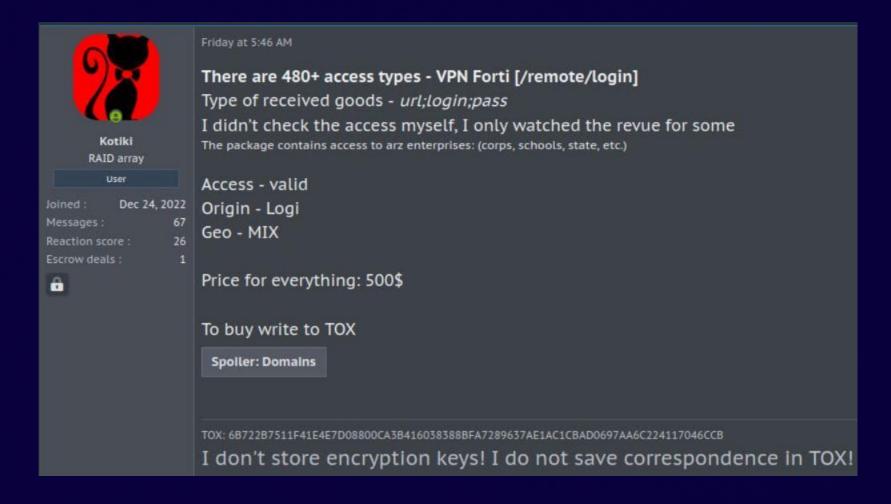
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#### PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION OF AGENT TESLA AND GULOADER



#### AND FINALLY... THE INFORMATION IS THERE





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