QGIS Application - Bug report #19670 McAfee reporting "ransomware - HTA file creation" - False positive?

2018-08-22 07:16 PM - Kaz Shimamura

Status: Closed Priority: Normal

Assignee:

Category: Build/Install

Affected QGIS version: 3.2.2 Regression?: No
Operating System: Windows 10 Easy fix?: No
Pull Request or Patch shapplied: Resolution: invalid
Crashes QGIS or corrupts data: Copied to github as #: 27495

Description

Hello,

At work my McAfee Endpoint Security has reported the following when I tried to install QGIS 3.2.2:

QGIS-OSGEO4W-3.2.2-1-SETUP-X86_64.EXE, which tried to access C:\PROGRAM FILES\QGIS 3.2\APPS\RBATCHFILES\FIND-MIKTEX.HTA, violating the rule "Ransomware - HTA file creation", and was blocked.

I'm wondering if this is a false positive or if it needs closer inspection? McAfee rated the severity as "critical" and has blocked "FIND-MIKTEX.HTA".

all the best,

Kaz

History

#1 - 2018-08-23 08:52 AM - Alessandro Pasotti

Can you check if the md5sum of your downloaded package matches?

https://download.osgeo.org/qgis/windows/QGIS-OSGeo4W-3.2.2-1-Setup-x86_64.exe.md5sum

#2 - 2018-08-23 09:22 AM - Jürgen Fischer

- Resolution set to invalid
- Status changed from Open to Closed

False positive. Find-MicTex.HTA contains:

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<!-- (c) 2013 GKX Associates Inc. -->
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<!-- License: GPL 2.0 -->

<head>

<STYLE TYPE="text/css">

.highlight {background:#ff00ff}

.text {color:#ff00ff}

.both {color:white;background:black}

</STYLE>

<title>find-miktex</title>

</head>

<body onLoad="window.resizeTo(650,250);">

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```
<h1>Find MiKTeX</h1>
<script type="text/jscript">
fso = new ActiveXObject("Scripting.FileSystemObject");
mik = new ActiveXObject("MiKTeX.Session");
i = 0;
while (true) {
    try {
         rt = mik.GetRootDirectory(i);
         if (fso.FileExists(rt + "\\miktex\\bin\\latex.exe")) {
              document.write(rt + "\miktex\bin<br/>);
         }
         i++;
    } catch(e) {break};
}
</script>
</body>
</html>
```

#3 - 2018-08-23 12:09 PM - Jürgen Fischer

The hta was removed from rbatchfiles in OSGeo4W.

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