EXHIBIT 48

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Dropper (malware)

A **dropper**^{[1][2]} is a kind of <u>Trojan</u> that has been designed to "install" some sort of <u>malware</u> (<u>virus</u>, <u>backdoor</u>, etc.) to a target system. The malware code can be contained within the dropper (single-stage) in such a way as to avoid detection by <u>virus scanners</u> or the dropper may <u>download</u> the malware to the target machine once activated (two stage).

Examples

- Trojan:Win32/Meredrop
- Troj/Destover-C (https://www.sophos.com/en-us/threat-center/threat-analyses/viruses-and-spyware/Troj~Destover-C/detailed-analysis.aspx), used in the infamous Sony Pictures hack.

See also

Drive-by download

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