

## strongSwan - Bug #1537

### IKEv1: Deleting IKE-SA during QUICK\_MODE when Phase 1 is ESTABLISHED will never delete the IKE-SA

27.06.2016 21:13 - prateek shankar

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<b>Target version:</b>	5.5.1		
<b>Affected version:</b>	5.4.0	<b>Resolution:</b>	Fixed

#### Description

Hi,

I am able to reproduce this issue with IKEv1 between strongswan and a non-strongswan client both being initiators. Below are the detailed steps to reproduce this issue, (Although I could not reproduce the exact same issue between 2 strongswan)

Note: Am using swanctl to operate strongswan here.

1. Initially when strongswan is up and client is down, Strongswan initiates the connection. IKEv1 Phase 1 is in 'connecting' mode. Phase 1 tasks are active and QUICK\_MODE is queued.

```
6fd252fb-815e-41f5-bdd8-940cc0d9ea81: #4, CONNECTING, IKEv1, a80bf9bda13c3322_i* 0000000000000000_r
local '%any' @ 10.15.1.254[500]
remote '%any' @ 51.1.1.1[500]
queued: QUICK_MODE QUICK_MODE
active: ISAKMP_VENDOR ISAKMP_CERT_PRE MAIN_MODE ISAKMP_CERT_POST ISAKMP_NATD
```

2. When client is up with, strongswan loads an IKEv1 connection and tries to initiate QUICK\_MODE. IKEv1 Phase 1 gets established but QUICK\_MODE is queued both in 'active' and 'queued' list.

```
ab88e862-81b8-484c-aaa4-969f719223cd: #4, ESTABLISHED, IKEv1, ed1d94aed05caa9e:a51c076b630526d6
local '50.1.1.1' @ 10.15.1.254[500]
remote '51.1.1.1' @ 51.1.1.1[500]
AES_CBC-192/HMAC_SHA1_96/PRF_HMAC_SHA1/MODP_2048
established 12s ago, rekeying in 79094s
queued: QUICK_MODE
active: QUICK_MODE
```

3. After this point, if I issue a IKE-SA terminate ISAKMP\_DELETE action is queued in 'queued' list.

```
6fd252fb-815e-41f5-bdd8-940cc0d9ea81: #4, ESTABLISHED, IKEv1, a80bf9bda13c3322_i* 5fe68352fb84b8ec_r
local '50.1.1.1' @ 10.15.1.254[500]
remote '51.1.1.1' @ 51.1.1.1[500]
AES_CBC-192/HMAC_SHA1_96/PRF_HMAC_SHA1/MODP_2048
established 73s ago, rekeying in 79469s
queued: QUICK_MODE ISAKMP_DELETE QUICK_MODE
active: QUICK_MODE
```

4. After this point, ISAKMP\_DELETE task never gets executed. Because since QUICK\_MODE tries out 5 retransmissions, gets reset. ISAKMP\_DELETE is erased from both the queues and QUICK\_MODE is queued again. Have pasted charon logs when this happens.

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6fd252fb-815e-41f5-bdd8-940cc0d9ea81: #10, ESTABLISHED, IKEv1, a1fc5d7bb6086405_i* a7c004948a042212_r
local '50.1.1.1' @ 10.15.1.254\[500]
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remote '51.1.1.1' @ 51.1.1.1\{500\  
AES\_CBC-192/HMAC\_SHA1\_96/PRF\_HMAC\_SHA1/MODP\_2048  
established 1s ago, rekeying in 80044s  
queued: QUICK\_MODE QUICK\_MODE  
active: QUICK\_MODE

Jun 27 19:03:21 14[CFG] vici terminate IKE\_SA '6fd252fb-815e-41f5-bdd8-940cc0d9ea81'  
Jun 27 19:03:27 04[IKE] <dbd9e93b-7288-4910-9e3d-dabc763a6f88|13> sending retransmit 4 of request  
message ID 3465307493, seq 4  
Jun 27 19:03:27 04[NET] <dbd9e93b-7288-4910-9e3d-dabc763a6f88|13> sending packet: from 10.15.1.254  
[500] to 50.1.1.1[500] (172 bytes)  
Jun 27 19:03:29 13[IKE] <6fd252fb-815e-41f5-bdd8-940cc0d9ea81|14> sending retransmit 4 of request  
message ID 3741647669, seq 4  
Jun 27 19:03:29 13[NET] <6fd252fb-815e-41f5-bdd8-940cc0d9ea81|14> sending packet: from 10.15.1.254  
[500] to 51.1.1.1[500] (172 bytes)  
Jun 27 19:04:09 11[IKE] <dbd9e93b-7288-4910-9e3d-dabc763a6f88|13> sending retransmit 5 of request  
message ID 3465307493, seq 4  
Jun 27 19:04:09 11[NET] <dbd9e93b-7288-4910-9e3d-dabc763a6f88|13> sending packet: from 10.15.1.254  
[500] to 50.1.1.1[500] (172 bytes)  
Jun 27 19:04:11 04[IKE] <6fd252fb-815e-41f5-bdd8-940cc0d9ea81|14> sending retransmit 5 of request  
message ID 3741647669, seq 4  
Jun 27 19:04:11 04[NET] <6fd252fb-815e-41f5-bdd8-940cc0d9ea81|14> sending packet: from 10.15.1.254  
[500] to 51.1.1.1[500] (172 bytes)  
Jun 27 19:05:24 09[KNL] creating delete job for CHILD\_SA ESP/0xce395042/10.15.1.254  
Jun 27 19:05:24 09[JOB] CHILD\_SA ESP/0xce395042/10.15.1.254 not found for delete  
Jun 27 19:05:24 05[IKE] <dbd9e93b-7288-4910-9e3d-dabc763a6f88|13> giving up after 5 retransmits  
Jun 27 19:05:24 05[IKE] <dbd9e93b-7288-4910-9e3d-dabc763a6f88|13> initiating Main Mode IKE\_SA dbd9  
e93b-7288-4910-9e3d-dabc763a6f88[15] to 50.1.1.1  
Jun 27 19:05:24 05[ENC] <dbd9e93b-7288-4910-9e3d-dabc763a6f88|13> generating ID\_PROT request 0 [ S  
A V V V V ]  
Jun 27 19:05:24 05[NET] <dbd9e93b-7288-4910-9e3d-dabc763a6f88|13> sending packet: from 10.15.1.254  
[500] to 50.1.1.1[500] (160 bytes)  
Jun 27 19:05:24 04[NET] <dbd9e93b-7288-4910-9e3d-dabc763a6f88|15> received packet: from 50.1.1.1[5  
00] to 10.15.1.254[500] (128 bytes)  
Jun 27 19:05:24 04[ENC] <dbd9e93b-7288-4910-9e3d-dabc763a6f88|15> parsed ID\_PROT response 0 [ SA V  
V ]  
Jun 27 19:05:24 04[IKE] <dbd9e93b-7288-4910-9e3d-dabc763a6f88|15> received DPD vendor ID  
Jun 27 19:05:24 04[ENC] <dbd9e93b-7288-4910-9e3d-dabc763a6f88|15> received unknown vendor ID: ba:c  
7:c1:d1:9a:44:d6:af:51:af:a2:e9:60:96:98:4f  
Jun 27 19:05:24 04[ENC] <dbd9e93b-7288-4910-9e3d-dabc763a6f88|15> generating ID\_PROT request 0 [ K  
E No ]  
Jun 27 19:05:24 04[NET] <dbd9e93b-7288-4910-9e3d-dabc763a6f88|15> sending packet: from 10.15.1.254  
[500] to 50.1.1.1[500] (324 bytes)  
Jun 27 19:05:24 08[NET] <dbd9e93b-7288-4910-9e3d-dabc763a6f88|15> received packet: from 50.1.1.1[5  
00] to 10.15.1.254[500] (308 bytes)  
Jun 27 19:05:24 08[ENC] <dbd9e93b-7288-4910-9e3d-dabc763a6f88|15> parsed ID\_PROT response 0 [ KE N  
o ]  
Jun 27 19:05:24 08[ENC] <dbd9e93b-7288-4910-9e3d-dabc763a6f88|15> generating ID\_PROT request 0 [ I  
D HASH ]  
Jun 27 19:05:24 08[NET] <dbd9e93b-7288-4910-9e3d-dabc763a6f88|15> sending packet: from 10.15.1.254  
[500] to 50.1.1.1[500] (76 bytes)  
Jun 27 19:05:24 06[NET] <dbd9e93b-7288-4910-9e3d-dabc763a6f88|15> received packet: from 50.1.1.1[5  
00] to 10.15.1.254[500] (76 bytes)  
Jun 27 19:05:24 06[ENC] <dbd9e93b-7288-4910-9e3d-dabc763a6f88|15> parsed ID\_PROT response 0 [ ID H  
ASH ]  
Jun 27 19:05:24 06[IKE] <dbd9e93b-7288-4910-9e3d-dabc763a6f88|15> IKE\_SA dbd9e93b-7288-4910-9e3d-d  
abc763a6f88[15] established between 10.15.1.254[50.1.1.1]...50.1.1.1[50.1.1.1]  
Jun 27 19:05:24 06[IKE] <dbd9e93b-7288-4910-9e3d-dabc763a6f88|15> scheduling rekeying in 81813s  
Jun 27 19:05:24 06[IKE] <dbd9e93b-7288-4910-9e3d-dabc763a6f88|15> maximum IKE\_SA lifetime 90453s  
Jun 27 19:05:24 06[ENC] <dbd9e93b-7288-4910-9e3d-dabc763a6f88|15> generating QUICK\_MODE request 29  
04747605 [ HASH SA No ID ID ]  
Jun 27 19:05:24 06[NET] <dbd9e93b-7288-4910-9e3d-dabc763a6f88|15> sending packet: from 10.15.1.254  
[500] to 50.1.1.1[500] (172 bytes)  
Jun 27 19:05:27 09[KNL] creating delete job for CHILD\_SA ESP/0xcd07ea41/10.15.1.254  
Jun 27 19:05:27 09[JOB] CHILD\_SA ESP/0xcd07ea41/10.15.1.254 not found for delete  
Jun 27 19:05:27 16[IKE] <6fd252fb-815e-41f5-bdd8-940cc0d9ea81|14> giving up after 5 retransmits  
Jun 27 19:05:27 14[CFG] vici connection 47 unknown

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Jun 27 19:05:27 16[IKE] <6fd252fb-815e-41f5-bdd8-940cc0d9ea81|14> initiating Main Mode IKE_SA 6fd252fb-815e-41f5-bdd8-940cc0d9ea81[16] to 51.1.1.1
Jun 27 19:05:27 16[ENC] <6fd252fb-815e-41f5-bdd8-940cc0d9ea81|14> generating ID_PROT request 0 [ S A V V V V ]
Jun 27 19:05:27 16[NET] <6fd252fb-815e-41f5-bdd8-940cc0d9ea81|14> sending packet: from 10.15.1.254[500] to 51.1.1.1[500] (160 bytes)
Jun 27 19:05:27 07[NET] <6fd252fb-815e-41f5-bdd8-940cc0d9ea81|16> received packet: from 51.1.1.1[500] to 10.15.1.254[500] (128 bytes)
Jun 27 19:05:27 07[ENC] <6fd252fb-815e-41f5-bdd8-940cc0d9ea81|16> parsed ID_PROT response 0 [ S A V V ]
Jun 27 19:05:27 07[IKE] <6fd252fb-815e-41f5-bdd8-940cc0d9ea81|16> received DPD vendor ID
Jun 27 19:05:27 07[ENC] <6fd252fb-815e-41f5-bdd8-940cc0d9ea81|16> received unknown vendor ID: ba:c7:c1:d1:9a:44:d6:af:51:af:a2:e9:60:96:98:4f
Jun 27 19:05:27 07[ENC] <6fd252fb-815e-41f5-bdd8-940cc0d9ea81|16> generating ID_PROT request 0 [ K E N o ]
Jun 27 19:05:27 07[NET] <6fd252fb-815e-41f5-bdd8-940cc0d9ea81|16> sending packet: from 10.15.1.254[500] to 51.1.1.1[500] (324 bytes)
Jun 27 19:05:27 04[NET] <6fd252fb-815e-41f5-bdd8-940cc0d9ea81|16> received packet: from 51.1.1.1[500] to 10.15.1.254[500] (308 bytes)
Jun 27 19:05:27 04[ENC] <6fd252fb-815e-41f5-bdd8-940cc0d9ea81|16> parsed ID_PROT response 0 [ K E N o ]
Jun 27 19:05:27 04[ENC] <6fd252fb-815e-41f5-bdd8-940cc0d9ea81|16> generating ID_PROT request 0 [ I D H A S H ]
Jun 27 19:05:27 04[NET] <6fd252fb-815e-41f5-bdd8-940cc0d9ea81|16> sending packet: from 10.15.1.254[500] to 51.1.1.1[500] (76 bytes)
Jun 27 19:05:27 09[NET] <6fd252fb-815e-41f5-bdd8-940cc0d9ea81|16> received packet: from 51.1.1.1[500] to 10.15.1.254[500] (76 bytes)
Jun 27 19:05:27 09[ENC] <6fd252fb-815e-41f5-bdd8-940cc0d9ea81|16> parsed ID_PROT response 0 [ I D H A S H ]
Jun 27 19:05:27 09[IKE] <6fd252fb-815e-41f5-bdd8-940cc0d9ea81|16> IKE_SA 6fd252fb-815e-41f5-bdd8-940cc0d9ea81[16] established between 10.15.1.254[50.1.1.1]...51.1.1.1[51.1.1.1]
Jun 27 19:05:27 09[IKE] <6fd252fb-815e-41f5-bdd8-940cc0d9ea81|16> scheduling rekeying in 81975s
Jun 27 19:05:27 09[IKE] <6fd252fb-815e-41f5-bdd8-940cc0d9ea81|16> maximum IKE_SA lifetime 90615s
Jun 27 19:05:27 09[ENC] <6fd252fb-815e-41f5-bdd8-940cc0d9ea81|16> generating QUICK_MODE request 1906900257 [ H A S H S A N o I D I D ]
Jun 27 19:05:27 09[NET] <6fd252fb-815e-41f5-bdd8-940cc0d9ea81|16> sending packet: from 10.15.1.254[500] to 51.1.1.1[500] (172 bytes)
Jun 27 19:05:28 04[IKE] <dbd9e93b-7288-4910-9e3d-dabc763a6f88|15> sending retransmit 1 of request message ID 2904747605, seq 4
Jun 27 19:05:28 04[NET] <dbd9e93b-7288-4910-9e3d-dabc763a6f88|15> sending packet: from 10.15.1.254[500] to 50.1.1.1[500] (172 bytes)
Jun 27 19:05:31 14[IKE] <6fd252fb-815e-41f5-bdd8-940cc0d9ea81|16> sending retransmit 1 of request message ID 1906900257, seq 4
Jun 27 19:05:31 14[NET] <6fd252fb-815e-41f5-bdd8-940cc0d9ea81|16> sending packet: from 10.15.1.254[500] to 51.1.1.1[500] (172 bytes)
Jun 27 19:05:35 05[IKE] <dbd9e93b-7288-4910-9e3d-dabc763a6f88|15> sending retransmit 2 of request message ID 2904747605, seq 4
Jun 27 19:05:35 05[NET] <dbd9e93b-7288-4910-9e3d-dabc763a6f88|15> sending packet: from 10.15.1.254[500] to 50.1.1.1[500] (172 bytes)
Jun 27 19:05:38 10[IKE] <6fd252fb-815e-41f5-bdd8-940cc0d9ea81|16> sending retransmit 2 of request message ID 1906900257, seq 4
Jun 27 19:05:38 10[NET] <6fd252fb-815e-41f5-bdd8-940cc0d9ea81|16> sending packet: from 10.15.1.254[500] to 51.1.1.1[500] (172 bytes)
Jun 27 19:05:48 13[IKE] <dbd9e93b-7288-4910-9e3d-dabc763a6f88|15> sending retransmit 3 of request message ID 2904747605, seq 4
Jun 27 19:05:48 13[NET] <dbd9e93b-7288-4910-9e3d-dabc763a6f88|15> sending packet: from 10.15.1.254[500] to 50.1.1.1[500] (172 bytes)
Jun 27 19:05:51 14[IKE] <6fd252fb-815e-41f5-bdd8-940cc0d9ea81|16> sending retransmit 3 of request message ID 1906900257, seq 4
Jun 27 19:05:51 14[NET] <6fd252fb-815e-41f5-bdd8-940cc0d9ea81|16> sending packet: from 10.15.1.254[500] to 51.1.1.1[500] (172 bytes)
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I found 2 issues created and fixed earlier related to this: <https://wiki.strongswan.org/issues/429> and <https://wiki.strongswan.org/issues/1410>

Also, if i try out the patch provided in #1410 with few additions like in this PR <https://github.com/strongswan/strongswan/pull/48> I was able to see this issue fixed.

Wanted to ask is there a reason why the patch wasn't merged to master.

**Related issues:**

Related to Feature #1410: Deleting an IKEv1 IKE\_SA can't take effect immediat...

Closed

15.04.2016

Related to Issue #429: ipsec down is not bringing down a connection!

Closed

**Associated revisions****Revision 60d0f52f - 19.07.2016 11:48 - Tobias Brunner**

ike1: Flush active queue when queueing a delete of the IKE\_SA

By aborting the active task we don't have to wait for potential retransmits if the other peer does not respond to the current task. Since IKEv1 has no sequential message IDs and INFORMATIONALS are no real exchanges this should not be a problem.

Fixes #1537

References #429, #1410

Closes strongswan/strongswan#48

**History****#1 - 28.06.2016 12:29 - Tobias Brunner***- Description updated**- Status changed from New to Feedback**- Assignee set to Tobias Brunner*

2. When client is up with, strongswan loads an IKEv1 connection and tries to initiate QUICK\_MODE. IKEv1 Phase 1 gets established but QUICK\_MODE is queued both in 'active' and 'queued' list.

What's the reason the Quick Mode exchange does not get completed?

3. After this point, if I issue a IKE-SA terminate ISAKMP\_DELETE action is queued in 'queued' list.

Why is there also yet another QUICK\_MODE task in the queue?

4. After this point, ISAKMP\_DELETE task never gets executed.

Yes, that's discussed in [#1410](#).

Wanted to ask is there a reason why the patch wasn't merged to master.

Which patch? The one in [#1410](#) is merged. The one in [#429](#) won't work for IKEv2, so that will never get merged in that form. The one in the PR I don't like due to the version check (and I don't think flushing the queued tasks is really necessary as the ISAKMP\_DELETE task is preferred over others with the patch in [#1410](#)). But as I mentioned in [#1410-3](#) it is probably possible to cancel the active task for IKEv1 before queueing the delete as INFORMATIONAL messages are no exchanges and message IDs are not sequential.

I pushed an IKEv1-specific version of the patch in [#429](#) to the *1537-ikev1-force-delete* branch.

**#2 - 28.06.2016 12:30 - Tobias Brunner***- Related to Feature #1410: Deleting an IKEv1 IKE\_SA can't take effect immediately when there are other tasks in the task queue added***#3 - 28.06.2016 12:30 - Tobias Brunner***- Related to Issue #429: ipsec down is not bringing down a connection! added***#4 - 19.07.2016 02:53 - prateek shankar**

Hi Tobias, The branch *1537-ikev1-force-delete* you gave actually solves this problem. Would you be merging this to the master.?

**#5 - 19.07.2016 11:52 - Tobias Brunner***- Tracker changed from Issue to Bug**- Target version set to 5.5.1**- Resolution set to Fixed*

The branch 1537-ikev1-force-delete you gave actually solves this problem. Would you be merging this to the master.?

I just did.

**#6 - 19.07.2016 11:52 - Tobias Brunner**

- *Status changed from Feedback to Closed*

**#7 - 20.07.2016 03:54 - prateek shankar**

Thanks Tobias,

Also just wanted to ask. Is there a way to check if the latest commit you made has passed all automated test cases.? Or do you merge only after the tests pass.?

**#8 - 20.07.2016 11:18 - Tobias Brunner**

Is there a way to check if the latest commit you made has passed all automated test cases.? Or do you merge only after the tests pass.?

If you are referring to unit tests check the [Travis CI results](#). Running the [integration and regression test scenarios](#) is currently not automated, we run them before releases (also developers releases and release candidates) and sometimes when developing and before merging specific changes. I did not in this particular instance as it's the only commit since [5.5.0](#) and there are no side-effects that would manifest themselves in this environment (deleting the IKE\_SA is pretty much the last thing that happens in the scenarios).