

strongSwan - Bug #771

strongswan ike phase 2 exchange with ikev1 involving AH algorithm does not work when communicating with non-strongswan ike daemon

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Category:	libcharon		
Target version:	5.2.2		
Affected version:	5.1.1	Resolution:	Fixed

Description

I had problem when setting ah to either sha1 and md5 when communicating to a non-strongswan ike daemon. It appears that ah algorithm passed in ike phase2 exchange is off. For example, when I did ah=sha1 I see the value 3 on the other end when it suppose to be 2. According to IKE attributes definition, the mapping is MD5=1, SHA=2, Tiger=3, SHA2-256=4, etc.. After looking at strongswan source code for clue, I believe the bug is in proposal_substructure.c in which it gets/sets the attributes as transform id instead of integrity algorithm. set_from_proposal_v1 should have done the get_ikev1_transid_from_alg only for transform_substructure_create_type call, not the following add_transform_attribute call in the following section code.

```
enumerator = proposal->create_enumerator(proposal, INTEGRITY_ALGORITHM);
    if (enumerator->enumerate(enumerator, &alg, &key_size)
{
alg = get_ikev1_transid_from_alg(proto, INTEGRITY_ALGORITHM, alg);
    if (alg)
{
        if (!transform)
        {
            transform = transform_substructure_create_type(
                PLV1_TRANSFORM_SUBSTRUCTURE, number, alg);
        }
        transform->add_transform_attribute(transform,
            transform_attribute_create_value(PLV1_TRANSFORM_ATTRIBUTE,
                TATTR_PH2_AUTH_ALGORITHM, alg));
    }
}
```

Furthermore, add_to_proposal_v1 should not call get_alg_from_ikev1_transid for TATTR_PH2_AUTH_ALGORITHM when the correct value is set.

History

#1 - 24.11.2014 17:39 - Tobias Brunner

- Category set to libcharon
- Status changed from New to Feedback
- Assignee set to Tobias Brunner
- Target version set to 5.2.2

Thanks for the report and your analysis.

There are two sets of identifiers, the [AH Transform Identifiers](#) and the [Authentication Algorithms](#). The latter are sent in the *Authentication Algorithm* attributes contained in the AH transforms (and also the ESP transforms if authentication is used). The two sets of identifiers only partially match (starting with 5).

I pushed a fix to the *ikev1-ah-proposal* branch of our repository ([2c6fe299f8](#)). Let me know if that works for you.

#2 - 11.12.2014 13:56 - Tobias Brunner

- Status changed from Feedback to Closed
- Resolution set to Fixed

Merged to master with [728f529c42](#).