

Re: Dear Microsoft... Rebooting servers id NOT security..

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"Miha Pihler [MVP]" <mihap-news@atlantis.si> wrote in message
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> *Hi,*

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> *I am not sure where you see the problem? Is the problem that you have to
> reboot the server?*

There are two parts to the problem, a patch which seems to partially load
files, and not others, and leaves the system unstable..

The second is the need to reboot just to make the first part work...

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> *If this is the case, you can deploy clusters where you reboot one server
> while the other takes the load and takes care of any user requests. Then
> you patch and reboot the other node.*

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> *Personally I don't have any problem with rebooting server once a month
> (this is how often Microsoft will in general release patches).*

<< My only concern is critical patches...

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> *My practice is to automatically install and reboot client computers, but
> to only download patches on server. After the update has been evaluated
> that it will not cause any problem it is installed on servers...*

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> *There are also quite a few tools that will allow you to remotely deploy
> and control installation of patches on server. One tool that comes to mind
> is Microsoft SMS (Microsoft System Management Server) or WSUS (Windows
> Server Update Services) that will soon be released.*

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> *When was last time you updated your active network equipment (routers,
> switches etc)? E.g. CISCO, IBM, Juniper, Symantec, 3COM, etc... all have
> same problem that is described in MS05-19 for Microsoft.*

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Not so, have not rebooted my CISCO router for about three years, symantec VPN 2 plus years, firewall six months...

>It is a critical bug that could allow DoS against your network. Let me know
>how it went with rebooting routers and switches.

> http://news.com.com/2102-1002_3-5669392.html?tag=st.util.print

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> "Duse" <dude@soft.com> wrote in message

> news:Oyxg33XXFHA.2684@TK2MSFTNGP09.phx.gbl...

>> The recent rend for critical patches for win 2003 to require rebooting

>> the server is USELESS!!!

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>> Win 2003 is a SEVER, it cannot be continually rebooted and offer any

>> Server level to its users.

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>> Additionally the fact that only a partial installation occurs (which

>> leaves the server in a unstable state) is also USELESS...

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>> FYI: server are NOT workstations and do not have people sitting at them

>> to monitor and react to your auto updates and installs..

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>> Is this truly what you think improving security is....

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>> Unhappy..

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