

# openssl decrypted private key

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have a question regrading private keys,

I have openssl 1024 bit x509 private key with a passphrase. I decrypted the private key with the following command,

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openssl rsa -in mykey.private -out mykey.privd (it asked me for a password and then generated mykey.privd
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now my question is that if a users has just the mykey.privd file, can he know my password? it is reasonable to assume that he won't be able to crack that easily?