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Subject: Vulnerability fixes in Tor 0.4.9.7

From diffing 0.4.9.6 and 0.4.9.7 [0]:
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+Changes in version 0.4.9.7 - 2026-05-06

+ This is a security release fixing several major bugfixes that were reported  
+ in the past weeks. Huge thanks to everyone that reported these issues! We  
+ strongly recommend upgrading as soon as possible.

+ o Major bugfixes (cell handling):

+ - Fix out-of-bounds read (OOB) when END, TRUNCATE and TRUNCATED cell  
+ have no reason in their payload. TROVE-2026-011. Found by Found by  
+ Brian Carpenter (geeknik). Fixes bug 41254; bugfix  
+ on 0.1.1.1-alpha.

+ o Major bugfixes (conflux):

+ - Do not attempt or accept BEGIN\_DIR via conflux legs. TROVE-2026-  
+ 008. Credit to Anas Cherni from Calif.io in collaboration with  
+ Claude and Anthropic Research. Fixes bug 41243; bugfix  
+ on 0.4.8.1-alpha.

+ o Major bugfixes (conflux, relay):

+ - Adjust conflux out-of-order queue accounting when clearing a  
+ queue. TROVE-2026-010. Found by aptupdate. Fixes bug 41251; bugfix  
+ on 0.4.8.1-alpha.

+ o Major bugfixes (pathbias):

+ - Fix a client-side crash caused by double-close of a circuit while  
+ under circuit queue memory pressure. TROVE-2026-009. Found by  
+ cypherpunks. Fixes bug 41237; bugfix on 0.3.3.6-rc.

+ o Major bugfixes (relay):

+ - Fix null pointer dereference when receiving a CERT cell out of  
+ order. TROVE-2026-006. Found by Fwame. Fixes bug 41240; bugfix  
+ on 0.2.4.4-alpha.

+ o Major bugfixes (relay, onion service):

+ - Fix off-by-one out-of-bounds read if a malformed BEGIN cell is  
+ received. TROVE-2026-007. Found by Flanagan. Fixes bug 41245;  
+ bugfix on 0.2.4.7-alpha.

+ o Minor features (fallbackdir):

+ - Regenerate fallback directories generated on May 06, 2026.

+ o Minor features (geoip data):

+ - Update the geoip files to match the IPFire Location Database, as  
+ retrieved on 2026/05/06.

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The referenced bugs are private, so no more details are available  
yet. There were several recent other security releases too for Tor.

[0] <https://gitlab.torproject.org/tpo/core/tor/-/blob/tor-0.4.9.7/ReleaseNotes#L5>

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