Security Alert Relating to TLS 1.2 and Microsoft O365

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This information applies to Polycom products and changes with Microsoft’s O365 support for TLS 1.0 and 1.1 and for customers who wish to update to TLS 1.2. Polycom is continuing to investigate the impact to our product lines to determine which products may be affected by this change.

Any information in this Alert is subject to change as our investigation progresses.

Please Note: This is a living document, and Polycom will update this advisory regularly as the investigation progresses and new information becomes available. The newest version of this document will always reside at the following URL:

http://support.polycom.com/PolycomService/support/us/support/documentation/security_center.html

Change Summary

Microsoft O365 Will Stop Support for TLS 1.0 and 1.1 in October of 2018

From Microsoft:

“As of October 31, 2018, Office 365 will no longer support TLS 1.0 and 1.1. This means that Microsoft will not fix new issues that are found in clients, devices, or services that connect to Office 365 by using TLS 1.0 and 1.1.

Note This doesn’t mean Office 365 will block TLS 1.0 and 1.1 connections. There is no official date for disabling or removing TLS 1.0 and 1.1 in the TLS service for customer connections. The eventual deprecation date will be determined by customer telemetry and is not yet known. After a decision is made, there will be an announcement six months in advance unless we become aware of a known compromise, in which case we may have to act in less than six months to protect customers who use the services.”

Once Office 365 deprecates support for these protocols, all communications to and from Office 365 servers will need to use TLS 1.2. See the list of Polycom products in the Impact and Risk section below that will no longer connect or be supported.

Devices will not register to any Skype for Business server if TLS is updated to TLS 1.2

If upgrading to TLS 1.2 using Skype for Business Servers (on-premises), additional devices listed below will no longer be able to register to Skype for Business or be supported. Compliance requirements such
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as Payment Card Industry Date Security Standard (PCI-DSS) will require that customers implement a more secure encryption protocol – TLS 1.1 or higher (TLS v1.2 is strongly encouraged) by June 30th 2018 in order to meet the PCI Data Security Standard (PCI DSS) for safeguarding payment data.

Impact and Risk

Polycom is investigating and will continue to investigate all products and product lines to determine if there will be an impact. At this time, it is known that the following products will be impacted by this change in support:

- Polycom CX500 phone
- Polycom CX600 phone
- Polycom CX700 phone
- Polycom CX3000 conference phone
- Polycom CX8000 Skype Room System

Mitigations

If using these products, continue to use them with Skype for Business Server 2015 (on-premises) without updating to TLS 1.2

Microsoft Links: Deprecating support for TLS 1.0 and 1.1


Polycom Links:

Other Links:

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Contact

Any customer using an affected system who is concerned about this change within their deployment should contact Polycom Technical Support – either call 1-800-POLYCOM or visit:

http://support.polycom.com/PolycomService/support/us/support/documentation/security_center.html

For the latest information, you may also find value in the security guidance and security news located at:

http://www.polycom.com/security

Note

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