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## QUESTION 1

### HOTSPOT

The developers recently deployed new code to three web servers. A daily automated external device scan report shows server vulnerabilities that are failing items according to PCI DSS.

If the vulnerability is not valid, the analyst must take the proper steps to get the scan clean.

If the vulnerability is valid, the analyst must remediate the finding.

After reviewing the information provided in the network diagram, select the STEP 2 tab to complete the simulation by selecting the correct Validation Result and Remediation Action for each server listed using the drop-down options.

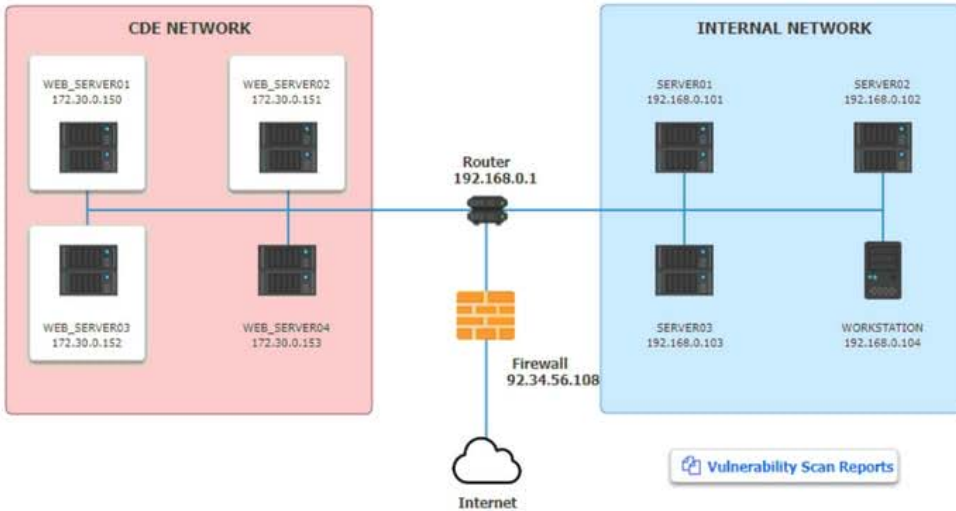
### INSTRUCTIONS

STEP 1: Review the information provided in the network diagram.

STEP 2: Given the scenario, determine which remediation action is required to address the vulnerability.

If at any time you would like to bring back the initial state of the simulation, please click the Reset All button.

Step 1



### WEB\_SERVER01 LOGS

While logged in to the web portal (172.30.0.150) from the workstation (192.168.0.104), perform an account password change. This process requires you to reenter the original password and enter a new password twice.

```

192.168.0.104 172.30.0.151 TLSv1 733 Application Data
172.30.0.151 192.168.0.104 TLSv1 1107 Application Data
192.168.0.104 172.30.0.151 TCP 66 44088 > https [ACK] Seq=1510 Ack=12723 Win=42368
192.168.0.104 172.30.0.150 HTTP 608 GET /verifpwd.learn?URL=AV5FSPSHV2Ereal&SSL=83n28x
172.30.0.151 192.168.0.104 TCP 66 http > 60928 [ACK] Seq=622 Ack=847 Win=5154 Len=..
    
```

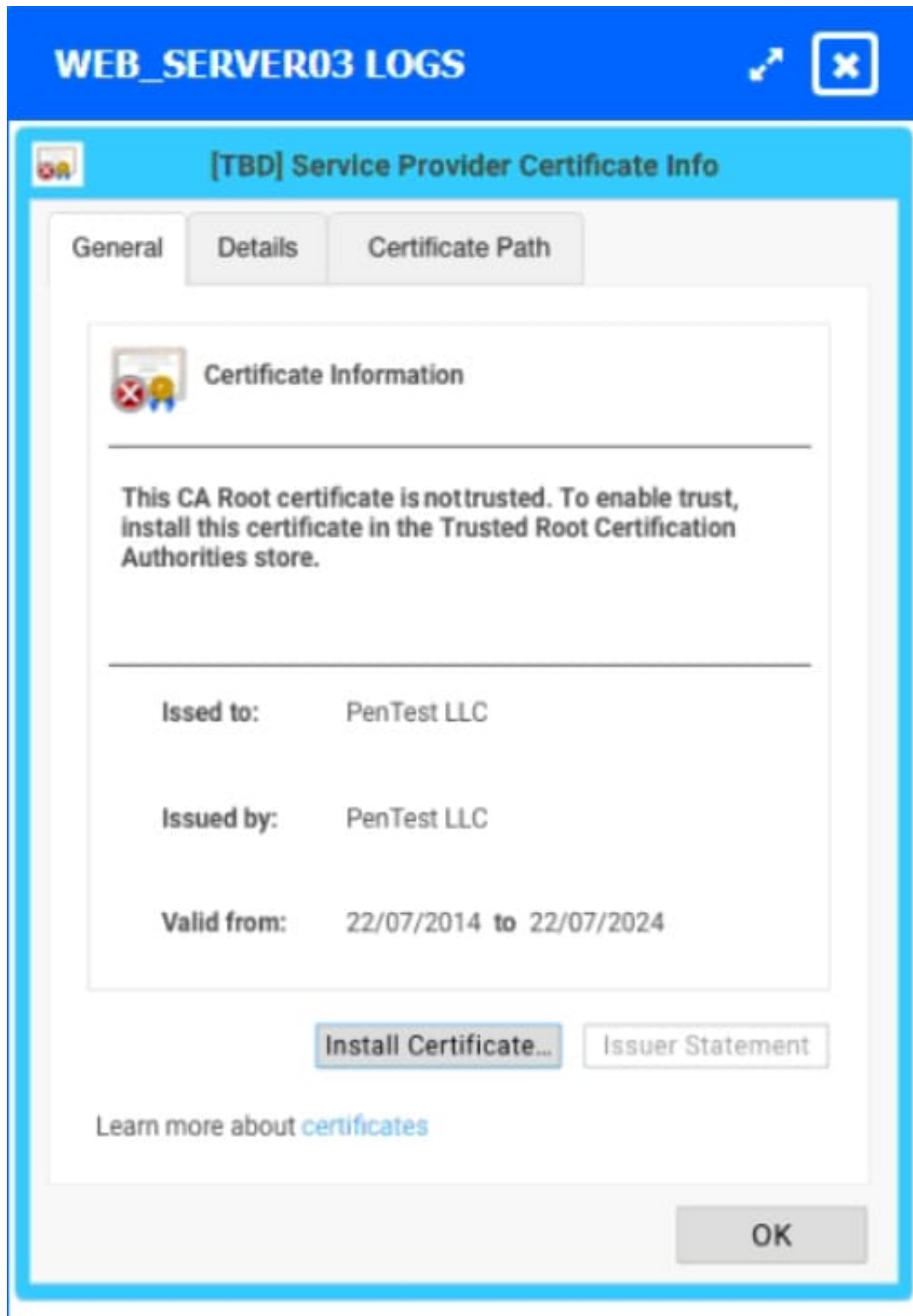
Frame 4021: 114 bytes on wire (912 bits), 114 bytes captured (912 bits) on interface 0  
 Ethernet II, Src: Vmware 00:03:22 (00:50:56:00:03:22), Dst: PaloAlto\_39:1c:30 (00:1b:17:39:1c:30)  
 Internet Protocol Version 4, Src: 192.168.0.104 (192.168.0.104), Dst: 172.30.0.150 (172.30.0.150)  
 [2 Reassembled TCP Segments (1496 bytes): #4820(1448), #4821(48)]  
 Hypertext Transfer Protocol  
 GET /verifpwd.learn?URL=AV5FSPSHV2Ereal&SSL=83n28x  
 Host: XXXXX  
 User-Agent: Mozilla/5.0 (x11; Linux x86\_64; rv:18.0) Gecko/20100101 Firefox/18.0  
 Iceweasel/18.0.1  
 Accept: text/html,application/xhtml+xml,application/xml;q=0.9,\*/\*;q=0  
 Accept-Language: en-US,en;q=0.5  
 Accept-Encoding: gzip, deflate  
 Referer: http://XXXXX/Shared/Portal/CustomProfiles/A\_Profile.real  
 [truncated] Cookie: ASPSESSIONIDQABRBT BC=HEJCAHEDJPK08CEP; ZZZ; ECUSERPROPS=  
 Connection: keep alive  
 Content-Type: application/x-www-form-urlencoded  
 Content-Length: 121

[Full request URI: http://XXX/Shared/Portal/CustomProfiles/PostProfile.real?47=25378158]  
 Line-based text data: application/x-www-form-urlencoded  
 EMAIL=someone@cloud.org m&PASSold=PassWord1 m&PASSnew1=PassWord2 m&PASSnewv=PassWord2

### WEB\_SERVER02 LOGS

#### Cookies

| Name  | Value                           | Domain          | Expires / Max Age             | Http | Secure |
|-------|---------------------------------|-----------------|-------------------------------|------|--------|
| _utma | 250288278.1028202552.1383963... | yourcompany.com | Thu, 05 Nov 2015 23:21:28 GMT | X    |        |
| _utmb | 250288278.2.10.1383693377       | yourcompany.com | Tue, 05 Nov 2013 23:51:28 GMT | X    |        |
| _utmc | 250288278                       | yourcompany.com | Session                       | X    |        |
| _utmz | 250288278.1383693377.1.1.utmcs  | yourcompany.com | Thu, 08 May 2014 11:21:28 GMT | X    |        |



Hot Area:

Correct Answer:

| Validate Result  | Remediation Action |   |                |                |               |               |  |              |   |                        |                             |                            |                     |                                     |                                    |              |                                      |                               |
|--|--------------------|---|----------------|----------------|---------------|---------------|--|--------------|---|------------------------|-----------------------------|----------------------------|---------------------|-------------------------------------|------------------------------------|--------------|--------------------------------------|-------------------------------|
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| WEB_SERVER01   | ▼                  |   |                |                |               |               |  |              |   |                        |                             |                            |                     |                                     |                                    |              |                                      |                               |
| False Positive   |                    |   |                |                |               |               |  |              |   |                        |                             |                            |                     |                                     |                                    |              |                                      |                               |
| False Negative   |                    |   |                |                |               |               |  |              |   |                        |                             |                            |                     |                                     |                                    |              |                                      |                               |
| True Negative  |                    |   |                |                |               |               |  |              |   |                        |                             |                            |                     |                                     |                                    |              |                                      |                               |
| True Positive  |                    |   |                |                |               |               |  |              |   |                        |                             |                            |                     |                                     |                                    |              |                                      |                               |
| WEB_SERVER01   | ▼                  |   |                |                |               |               |  |              |   |                        |                             |                            |                     |                                     |                                    |              |                                      |                               |
| Encrypt Entire Session   |                    |   |                |                |               |               |  |              |   |                        |                             |                            |                     |                                     |                                    |              |                                      |                               |
| Encrypt All Session Cookies  |                    |   |                |                |               |               |  |              |   |                        |                             |                            |                     |                                     |                                    |              |                                      |                               |
| Implement Input Validation   |                    |   |                |                |               |               |  |              |   |                        |                             |                            |                     |                                     |                                    |              |                                      |                               |
| Submit as Non-Issue  |                    |   |                |                |               |               |  |              |   |                        |                             |                            |                     |                                     |                                    |              |                                      |                               |
| Employ Unique Token in Hidden Field  |                    |   |                |                |               |               |  |              |   |                        |                             |                            |                     |                                     |                                    |              |                                      |                               |
| Avoid Using Redirects and Forwards   |                    |   |                |                |               |               |  |              |   |                        |                             |                            |                     |                                     |                                    |              |                                      |                               |
| Disable HTTP   |                    |   |                |                |               |               |  |              |   |                        |                             |                            |                     |                                     |                                    |              |                                      |                               |
| Request Certificate from a Public CA   |                    |   |                |                |               |               |  |              |   |                        |                             |                            |                     |                                     |                                    |              |                                      |                               |
| Renew the Current Certificate  |                    |   |                |                |               |               |  |              |   |                        |                             |                            |                     |                                     |                                    |              |                                      |                               |
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| WEB_SERVER02   | ▼                  |   |                |                |               |               |  |              |   |                        |                             |                            |                     |                                     |                                    |              |                                      |                               |
| False Positive   |                    |   |                |                |               |               |  |              |   |                        |                             |                            |                     |                                     |                                    |              |                                      |                               |
| False Negative   |                    |   |                |                |               |               |  |              |   |                        |                             |                            |                     |                                     |                                    |              |                                      |                               |
| True Negative  |                    |   |                |                |               |               |  |              |   |                        |                             |                            |                     |                                     |                                    |              |                                      |                               |
| True Positive  |                    |   |                |                |               |               |  |              |   |                        |                             |                            |                     |                                     |                                    |              |                                      |                               |
| WEB_SERVER02   | ▼                  |   |                |                |               |               |  |              |   |                        |                             |                            |                     |                                     |                                    |              |                                      |                               |
| Encrypt Entire Session   |                    |   |                |                |               |               |  |              |   |                        |                             |                            |                     |                                     |                                    |              |                                      |                               |
| Encrypt All Session Cookies  |                    |   |                |                |               |               |  |              |   |                        |                             |                            |                     |                                     |                                    |              |                                      |                               |
| Implement Input Validation   |                    |   |                |                |               |               |  |              |   |                        |                             |                            |                     |                                     |                                    |              |                                      |                               |
| Submit as Non-Issue  |                    |   |                |                |               |               |  |              |   |                        |                             |                            |                     |                                     |                                    |              |                                      |                               |
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| Avoid Using Redirects and Forwards   |                    |   |                |                |               |               |  |              |   |                        |                             |                            |                     |                                     |                                    |              |                                      |                               |
| Disable HTTP   |                    |   |                |                |               |               |  |              |   |                        |                             |                            |                     |                                     |                                    |              |                                      |                               |
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| WEB_SERVER03   | ▼                  |   |                |                |               |               |  |              |   |                        |                             |                            |                     |                                     |                                    |              |                                      |                               |
| False Positive   |                    |   |                |                |               |               |  |              |   |                        |                             |                            |                     |                                     |                                    |              |                                      |                               |
| False Negative   |                    |   |                |                |               |               |  |              |   |                        |                             |                            |                     |                                     |                                    |              |                                      |                               |
| True Negative  |                    |   |                |                |               |               |  |              |   |                        |                             |                            |                     |                                     |                                    |              |                                      |                               |
| True Positive  |                    |   |                |                |               |               |  |              |   |                        |                             |                            |                     |                                     |                                    |              |                                      |                               |
| WEB_SERVER03   | ▼                  |   |                |                |               |               |  |              |   |                        |                             |                            |                     |                                     |                                    |              |                                      |                               |
| Encrypt Entire Session   |                    |   |                |                |               |               |  |              |   |                        |                             |                            |                     |                                     |                                    |              |                                      |                               |
| Encrypt All Session Cookies  |                    |   |                |                |               |               |  |              |   |                        |                             |                            |                     |                                     |                                    |              |                                      |                               |
| Implement Input Validation   |                    |   |                |                |               |               |  |              |   |                        |                             |                            |                     |                                     |                                    |              |                                      |                               |
| Submit as Non-Issue  |                    |   |                |                |               |               |  |              |   |                        |                             |                            |                     |                                     |                                    |              |                                      |                               |
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| Renew the Current Certificate  |                    |   |                |                |               |               |  |              |   |                        |                             |                            |                     |                                     |                                    |              |                                      |                               |

## Validate Result

## Remediation Action

|                |
|----------------|
| WEB_SERVER01   |
| False Positive |
| False Negative |
| True Negative  |
| True Positive  |

|                                      |
|--------------------------------------|
| WEB_SERVER01                         |
| Encrypt Entire Session               |
| Encrypt All Session Cookies          |
| Implement Input Validation           |
| Submit as Non-Issue                  |
| Employ Unique Token in Hidden Field  |
| Avoid Using Redirects and Forwards   |
| Disable HTTP                         |
| Request Certificate from a Public CA |
| Renew the Current Certificate        |

|                |
|----------------|
| WEB_SERVER02   |
| False Positive |
| False Negative |
| True Negative  |
| True Positive  |

|                                      |
|--------------------------------------|
| WEB_SERVER02                         |
| Encrypt Entire Session               |
| Encrypt All Session Cookies          |
| Implement Input Validation           |
| Submit as Non-Issue                  |
| Employ Unique Token in Hidden Field  |
| Avoid Using Redirects and Forwards   |
| Disable HTTP                         |
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|                |
|----------------|
| WEB_SERVER03   |
| False Positive |
| False Negative |
| True Negative  |
| True Positive  |

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|--------------------------------------|
| WEB_SERVER03                         |
| Encrypt Entire Session               |
| Encrypt All Session Cookies          |
| Implement Input Validation           |
| Submit as Non-Issue                  |
| Employ Unique Token in Hidden Field  |
| Avoid Using Redirects and Forwards   |
| Disable HTTP                         |
| Request Certificate from a Public CA |
| Renew the Current Certificate        |

**QUESTION 2**

A security analyst is writing a shell script to identify IP addresses from the same country. Which of the following functions would help the analyst achieve the objective?

- A. `function w() { info=$(pi " ") }`
- B. `function x() { info=$(geoipl" ) }`
- C. `function y() { info=$(dig -x $1 | grep PTR | tail -n 1 ) andand " }`
- D. `function z() { info=$(tracer"" ) }`

Correct Answer: B

The function that would help the analyst identify IP addresses from the same country is:

```
function x() { info=$(geoipllookup "$") }
```

This function takes an IP address as an argument and uses the `geoipllookup` command to get the geographic location information associated with the IP address, such as the country name, country code, region, city, or latitude and longitude.

The function then prints the IP address and the geographic location information, which can help identify any IP addresses that belong to the same country.

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**QUESTION 3**

A security analyst is analyzing the following output from the Spider tab of OWASP ZAP after a vulnerability scan was completed: Which of the following options can the analyst conclude based on the provided output?

```
METHOD  URI                               FLAG
GET       http://comptia.com                Seed
GET       http://comptia.com/robots.txt     Seed
GET       http://comptia.com/sitemap.xml   Seed
GET       http://localhost                  Out of
                                         scope
```

- A. The scanning vendor used robots to make the scanning job faster
- B. The scanning job was successfully completed, and no vulnerabilities were detected
- C. The scanning job did not successfully complete due to an out of scope error
- D. The scanner executed a crawl process to discover pages to be assessed

Correct Answer: D

The output shows the result of using ZAP after a vulnerability scan was completed. The Spider tab allows users to crawl web applications and discover pages and resources that can be assessed for vulnerabilities. The output shows that the

scanner

discovered various pages under different directories, such as /admin/, /blog/, /contact/, etc., as well as some parameters and forms that can be used for testing inputs and outputs. CompTIA Cybersecurity Analyst (CySA+) Certification Exam

Objectives (CS0-002), page 9;

<https://www.zaproxy.org/docs/desktop/start/features/spider/>

#### QUESTION 4

A vulnerability management team is unable to patch all vulnerabilities found during their weekly scans. Using the third-party scoring system described below, the team patches the most urgent vulnerabilities:

| Metric   | Description                     |
|----------|---------------------------------|
| Cobain   | Exploitable by malware          |
| Grohl    | Externally facing               |
| Novo     | Exploit PoC available           |
| Smear    | Older than 2 years              |
| Channing | Vulnerability research activity |

Additionally, the vulnerability management team feels that the metrics Smear and Channing are less important than the others, so these will be lower in priority. Which of the following vulnerabilities should be patched first, given the above third-party scoring system?

A. InLoud: Cobain: Yes Grohl: No Novo: Yes Smear: Yes Channing: No

B. TSpirt: Cobain: Yes Grohl: Yes Novo: Yes Smear: No Channing: No

C. ENameless: Cobain: Yes Grohl: No

Novo: Yes

Smear: No

Channing: No

D. PBleach: Cobain: Yes Grohl: No Novo: No Smear: No Channing: Yes

Correct Answer: B

The vulnerability that should be patched first, given the above third-party scoring system, is:



TSpirit: Cobain: Yes Grohl: Yes Novo: Yes Smear: No Channing: No This vulnerability has three out of five metrics marked as Yes, which indicates a high severity level. The metrics Cobain, Grohl, and Novo are more important than Smear

and Channing, according to the vulnerability management team. Therefore, this vulnerability poses a greater risk than the other vulnerabilities and should be patched first.

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## QUESTION 5

An analyst receives threat intelligence regarding potential attacks from an actor with seemingly unlimited time and resources. Which of the following best describes the threat actor attributed to the malicious activity?

- A. Insider threat
- B. Ransomware group
- C. Nation-state
- D. Organized crime

Correct Answer: C

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