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Name: Multiple VMware Workstation and Fusion Zero-Day Vulnerabilities Exploit in the Wild

Threat Classification: Vulnerability

Affected Software / Area:

- VMware Workstation 17.5.1, VMware Fusion 13.5.1

Summary:

Multiple zero-day vulnerabilities have been discovered in VMware Workstation and Fusion software, potentially exposing users to severe security risks. The vulnerabilities, identified as CVE-2024-22267, CVE-2024-22268, and CVE-2024-22269, can allow attackers to execute arbitrary code, trigger buffer overflows, and obtain sensitive information. Exploitation of these vulnerabilities could lead to code execution, denial of service, and information disclosure.

Severity	High
Attack Vector	Buffer Overflow

Recommendations:

- It is recommended that Immediately upgrade to the latest versions of VMware Workstation and Fusion, which contain patches for these vulnerabilities.

- VMware has issued the updated release of VMware Workstation 17.5.2 Pro version link (<https://docs.vmware.com/en/VMware-Workstation-Pro/17.5.2/rn/vmware-workstation-1752-pro-release-notes/index.html#Resolved%20Issues-Security%20Issues>)
- Avoid opening suspicious or unknown virtual machines or files, as they may be crafted to exploit these vulnerabilities.
- Organizations should test their assets for the identified vulnerabilities and apply security patches or mitigation steps immediately.
- Implement robust monitoring solutions to detect any unusual activity or attempts to exploit these vulnerabilities.
- Establish a proactive patch management process to ensure timely deployment of security updates for all software and systems.
- Educate users about the risks associated with zero-day vulnerabilities and the importance of keeping software up-to-date.
- In case of any incident, please report to this office, through PTA CERT Portal and email.

