Troubleshoot FTD Registration Issues with Umbrella

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Issue

The Umbrella Network Devices dashboard shows the Cisco Firewall Management Center
(FMC) already integrated and connected. The FMC is also able to pull Umbrella policies to the FMC and deploy the
Firewall Threat Defense
(FTD). However, the FTD is not able to register to Umbrella to redirect DNS traffic.

Environment

- Cisco Secure Firewall Firepower FTD 10.0.0 (Applicable to versions 7.2+)
- Firewall Management Center (FMC) version 10.0.0 (Applicable to versions 7.2+)
- Deployment in Azure Virtual WAN environment (Applicable to hardware models also)
- FMC successfully integrated with Cisco Umbrella
- Umbrella DNS Connector configuration on FTD

Resolution

Troubleshooting and Analysis Steps

1: Verify that the FMC is fully integrated and receiving Umbrella DNS policies and that they are deployed to the FT

- Ensure the certificate is installed and valid.
- Validate that the Umbrella token and public key are with resolvers configured.

- Ensure that the Umbrella policy has been applied to the FTD and the Umbrella registration status shows **200 S**

<#root>

```
 Firepower# show crypto ca trustpoints

Trustpoint Umbrella_Certificate:
    Subject Name:
    CN=DigiCert TLS RSA SHA256 2020 CA1
    O=DigiCert Inc
    C=US
          Serial Number: 0a3508d55c292b017df8ad65c00ff7e4


 Certificate configured.


firepower# show running-config all umbrella-global
umbrella-global


token ABCDEFGHIJKLMNOP12345678909876543 21
 public-key AAAA:BBBB:CCCC:1111:2222:3333:4444:AAAA:BBBB:CCCC:DDDD:1111:2222:3333:4444:5555


 timeout edns 0:02:00
 resolver ipv4 208.67.220.220
 resolver ipv6 2620:119:53::53


firepower# show running-config policy-map type inspect dns
!
policy-map type inspect dns preset_dns_map
 parameters
  message-length maximum client auto
  message-length maximum 512


umbrella tag Umbrella_for_FMC_Policy


  no tcp-inspection


firepower# show service-policy inspect dns
Global policy:
  Service-policy: global_policy
    Class-map: inspection_default
      Inspect: dns preset_dns_map, packet 5982, lock fail 0, drop 1, reset-drop 0, 5-min-pkt-rate 0 pkt
        message-length maximum client auto, drop 0
        message-length maximum 512, drop 0
        dns-guard, count 2975
        protocol-enforcement, drop 0
        nat-rewrite, count 0


        Umbrella registration: tag: Umbrella_for_FMC_Policy, status: 200 SUCCESS, device-id: 010ac189144
        Umbrella resolver mode: fail-close
        Umbrella resolver ipv4: 208.67.220.220 - operational
        Umbrella resolver ipv6: 2620:119:53::53 - operational
        Umbrella: bypass 0, req inject 3007 - sent 3007, res recv 3007 - inject 2975, local-domain-bypas
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    Class-map: class_snmp
```

2: If the Umbrella registration status shows **Unknown**, use debugs and **show**
commands to validate that a DNS server group is configured on the necessary data interfaces for Umbrella redirectio

```
firepower# show run dns
firepower# debug umbrella
firepower# debug dns all
firepower# debug ssl 255
```

Example of failed FTD-
Umbrella registration with debugs on FTD CLI due to "No interfaces enabled" for DNS in FTD Platform Settings:

<#root>

```
firepower# show run dns
DNS server-group DefaultDNS    <== No interfaces enabled
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Registration Req header: application/json
Host: api.opendns.com
Authorization:OpenDNS,api_key="ABCDEFGHIJKLMNOP1234567890987654321",token="ABCDEFGHIJKLMNOP123456789098
payload: {"model":"9AU9A8XD6QH","macAddress":"deadbeef0000","tag":"DNS_Policy","label":"cisco_NGFWv","na
DNS: get global group DefaultDNS handle 267051f
DNS: Resolve request for 'api.opendns.com' group DefaultDNS

DNS: No interfaces enabled

Response is NULL
odns_cluster_send_device_id_update not ready to send device-id update
odns_ha_send_device_id_update not ready to send device-id update

Registration failed. Retrying...
```

3: Updating the necessary configurations for platform settings on the FTD does
not automatically trigger Umbrella registration again. To force a new registration attempt, restart the DNS inspectio

<#root>

```
firepower# show run dns

dns domain-lookup outside
dns domain-lookup inside

DNS server-group DefaultDNS
DNS server-group Umbrella
retries 3
timeout 3
name-server 208.67.220.220
```

```
name-server 208.67.222.222
--
Registration Req header: application/json
Host: api.opendns.com
Authorization:OpenDNS,api_key="ABCDEFGHIJKLMNOP1234567890987654321",token="ABCDEFGHIJKLMNOP123456789098
payload: {"model":"9AU9A8XD6QH","macAddress":"deadbeef0000","tag":"DNS_Policy","label":"cisco_NGFWv","na
Response is NULL
odns_cluster_send_device_id_update not ready to send device-id update
odns_ha_send_device_id_update not ready to send device-id update

Registration failed. Retrying...


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> configure inspection dns disable
> configure inspection dns enable
```

Example of successful FTD-Umbrella registration with debugs on FTD CLI:

<#root>

```
Registration Req header: application/json
Host: api.opendns.com
Authorization:OpenDNS,api_key="09E3D179DF3EC142402CF501361A0BFB",token="1D2ED3B50C59C64C002703447A6B0BF
payload: {"model":"9AU9A8XD6QH","macAddress":"deadbeef0000","tag":"DNS_Policy_Corporate","label":"cisco
DNS: get global group Umbrella handle 4a081ff
DNS: Resolve request for 'api.opendns.com' group Umbrella
dns_cache: Lukup ptr created for thread umbrella_reg,members in lookup_ptr_namelist=1 ,total =1

DNS: Selected interface to send out DNS packet outside

DNS: Message Validated
DNS: Converting Response to DNS Cache Entry

DNS: ** Answer Section **
    AN(0): Name:   api.opendns.com, RR type=1, class=1, ttl=10, datalen=4

DNS: Entry not found in cache, so create one
DNS: namelen 16, txtlen 0
DNS: Reparsing for adding to cache

DNS: hostname is api.opendns.com, RR type=1, class=1, ttl=10, n=4

DNS: Added New Cache Entry
DNS: Added Response to cache

Registration succeeded with deviceID 010a8850c25440ee!

odns_cluster_send_device_id_update not ready to send device-id update
odns_ha_send_device_id_update not ready to send device-id update
Registration process exiting...
```

4: Review FTD DNS inspection, injection, and redirection to Umbrella using similar debugs.

<#root>

Umbrella: DNS REQ map transaction id [0xd77c] to [0x83f0]

Umbrella: modifying REQ [0x83f0] 10.3.0.4 -> 208.67.220.220
Umbrella: adding edns devid: 010a8850c25440ee
Umbrella: modify dst: 208.67.220.220 to 208.67.220.220
dnscrypt_is_ready: CONN inspect 0x0000148f1e216c00, dns_param 0x0000148f1e216c70, flags 2c7, magic_query
Umbrella: inject new REQ [0x83f0] downstream flow handle 9a9b0722
Umbrella: create map_id: [0x83f0] aid_entry: 0x0000148f1e203140

Umbrella: send REQ [0x83f0] 10.3.0.4 -> 208.67.220.220 downstream flow handle 9a9b0722.
snp_fp_dnscrypt: forward flow 10.3.0.4/52952 --> 208.67.220.220/443; inspect 0x0000148f1e213000

dnscrypt_is_ready: CONN inspect 0x0000148f1e213000, dns_param 0x0000148f1e213070, flags 2c7, magic_query
snp_fp_dnscrypt: Received c2s EDNS query pkt from umbrella.
dnscrypt_egress_encrypt: Payload just encrypted.

snp_fp_dnscrypt: Dispatching the packet.
snp_fp_dnscrypt: reverse flow 208.67.220.220/443 --> 192.168.200.245/52952; inspect 0x0000148f1e213000

dnscrypt_is_ready: CONN inspect 0x0000148f1e213000, dns_param 0x0000148f1e213070, flags 2c7, magic_query
snp_fp_dnscrypt: Received u2c in upstream flow; try to decrypt.
dnscrypt_ingress_decrypt: dns udp 0x0000001193282d22 start 0x0000001193282d2a end 0x0000001193282ed7 wp
dnscrypt_ingress_decrypt: new dns_len 397.
dnscrypt_ingress_decrypt: Payload just decrypted; dns_len 173.
dnscrypt_ingress_decrypt: Orig c2s/c2u flow 10.3.0.4/52952 -> 208.67.220.220/443
dnscrypt_ingress_decrypt: Dispatch clear text edns packet
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Umbrella: recv RES [0x83f0] 192.168.200.245 <- 208.67.220.220

Umbrella: umbrella_pull_tranxn: pull flow (0x0000148f0d6baf68) aid_entry 0x0000148f1e203140 (id=33776/0
Umbrella: umbrella_pull_tranxn: pull found flow (0x0000148f0d6baf68)aid_entry (0x0000148f1e203140) id=3
Umbrella: umbrella_pull_tranxn: Deleting flow (0x0000148f0d6baf68) aid_entry 0x0000148f1e203140 (id=337

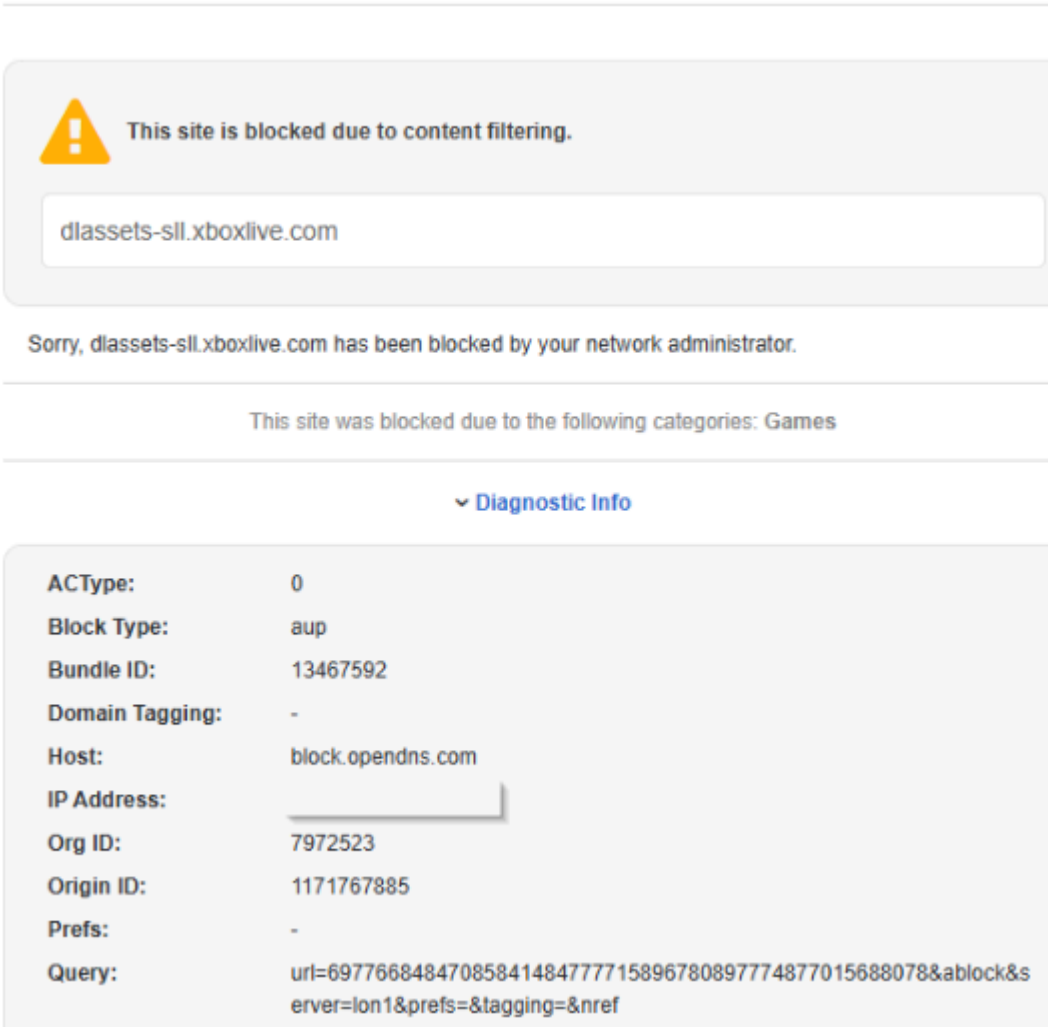
Umbrella: modify src: 208.67.220.220 to 208.67.220.220

dnscrypt_is_ready: CONN inspect 0x0000148f1e213000, dns_param 0x0000148f1e213070, flags 2c7, magic_query
Umbrella: restore src port: 53 to 53
Umbrella: modified RES [0x83f0] 192.168.200.245 <- 208.67.220.220

Umbrella: inject new RES [0x83f0]

snp_dbregex_re_get: Getting regexp table 0x00005594320b9f30 for context 0.
umbrella_dbregex_check: matching domain name settings-win.data.microsoft.com (31) against re table 0x00
umbrella_dbregex_check: matched result 0x0000000000000000; matched len 31 regex id 0.

5: Check Umbrella dashboard Activity logs to verify that the FTD traffic reaches Umbrella and that the Umbrella po
users see a Cisco Umbrella block page indicating denial to specific site categories, based on policy configurations.



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6: Update end-
user DNS configuration to use public DNS servers instead of OpenDNS/Umbrella resolvers directly.

Example DNS server configuration change:

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Primary DNS: 8.8.8.8
Secondary DNS: 8.8.4.4
```

Cause

Client virtual machines were configured to use OpenDNS/Umbrella resolvers directly instead of standard public DN

Prevention and Recommendations

- Ensure endpoints use standard DNS resolvers (internal DNS or public DNS such as Google DNS) when relyin
- Avoid configuring clients to point directly to Umbrella/OpenDNS resolvers when DNS redirection or injection
- Validate DNS flow using Umbrella activity search and policy checker tools after any DNS or routing changes.
- Test DNS resolution behavior in both production and lab environments before deployment.

Related Content

- Configuring the Umbrella DNS Connector for Cisco Secure Firewall Management Center
- Renew Umbrella Root Certificate for Token Based Configuration
- Cisco Technical Support & Downloads