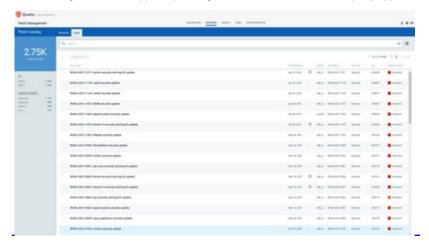# Qualys Extends VMDR to Patch Linux Workloads

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Patch Management streamlines and accelerates vulnerability remediation from a single integrated solution for Linux and Windows devices

FOSTER CITY, Calif., April 21, 2021 /PRNewswire/ -- Qualys, Inc. (NASDAQ: QLYS), a pioneer and leading provider of disruptive cloud-based IT, security and compliance solutions, today announced it is continuing to expand its vision of providing vulnerability detection and response through a single platform, thus reducing the time it takes to fix vulnerabilities, with the inclusion of patch support for Linux systems. With this addition, Qualys Patch Management now supports patching for Linux, Windows and third-party apps from the same console with a common workflow.

As enterprises migrate to the cloud, Linux, a dominant operating system for most cloud platforms and servers, has increasingly become a target as a common way for attackers to gain access into an environment. Thus, quick remediation is critical since unpatched systems are the root cause of many attacks. However, remediating unpatched vulnerabilities brings its own challenges, including manually identifying and correlating the right patches for prioritized vulnerabilities and the need for specific tools to address different operating systems. The lack of automation and consistent tools slows down the patching process and lengthens mean time to remediate increasing risk.

Expanding VMDR (Vulnerability Management, Detection and Response) to support patching of Linux systems allows customers to remediate at scale and easily patch in just one click using the same lightweight Qualys Cloud Agent that performs vulnerability assessment. To further save time and improve efficiencies, the app automatically correlates, maps and deploys Linux patches from a comprehensive catalog.

Available as part of the VMDR solution, Qualys Patch Management is a complete cloud-based solution that helps security and IT professionals streamline and accelerate vulnerability remediation for Linux and Windows operating systems as well as mobile and third-party applications.

Qualys Patch Management for Linux gives users visibility and control of the patch process by:

- Automating correlation of vulnerabilities and patches to improve accuracy and reduce the time traditionally required to research and map vulnerabilities and the patches needed to remediate them.
- Consolidating patch deployments for Linux, Windows and third-party apps eliminating the need to manage patches in siloed vendor-specific consoles.
- Centralized workflows and real-time dashboarding to easily track and manage remediations for both Linux and Windows workflows.

"Adding Linux patching to VMDR builds on Qualys' promise to automate detection and orchestration of the entire vulnerability and patching process so that customers can significantly accelerate time to remediation and enhance their overall security posture," said Sumedh Thakar, interim CEO and chief product officer, Qualys. "In addition to providing a unified view for patching both Linux and Windows operating system, the end-to-end approach to vulnerability management eliminates silos between security and IT teams and speeds up the remediation process."

Availability
Qualys Patch Management for Linux will be available standalone or as part of the Qualys VMDR solution by the end of May. Qualys Patch Management for Linux will initially support Red Hat 6, 7 and will expand to support all major Linux distributions in the near future.

To participate in the beta, visit www.qualys.com/beta-signup/patch-management-linux/, or to learn more, join the Qualys Patch Management for Linux Devices webinar on May 5.

Additional Resources

- Read the Manage Linux Patching blog

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The Qualys Cloud Platform and its integrated Cloud apps deliver businesses critical security intelligence continuously, enabling them to automate the full spectrum of auditing, compliance, and protection for IT systems and web applications across on premises, endpoints, cloud, containers, and mobile environments. Founded in 1999 as one of the first SaaS security companies, Qualys has established strategic partnerships with leading cloud providers like Amazon Web Services, Microsoft Azure and the Google Cloud Platform, and managed service providers and consulting organizations including Accenture, BT, Cognizant Technology Solutions, Deutsche Telekom, DXC Technology, Fujitsu, HCL Technologies, IBM, Infosys, NTT, Optiv, SecureWorks, Tata Communications, Verizon and Wipro. The company is also a founding member of the Cloud Security Alliance. For more information, please visit [www.qualys.com](#).

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