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KARP IS-IS security gap analysis

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Quick Recap:

This draft summarizes

- the current state of cryptographic key usage in IS-IS protocol
- several previous efforts to analyze IS-IS security
 - base IS-IS specification [RFC1195]
 - [RFC5304], [RFC5310] etc..



Analysis per RFC 6518 (KARP Design guide) & ietf-karp-threats-reqs

- Current State of key usage
- Threat analysis
- Per KARP Design Guide: Requirements for PH-1 (manual keying)
- Per KARP Design Guide: Requirements for PH-2 (Auto Keying)

Specific Questions from KARP (IETF-82)

#1

- On LSP remaining lifetime not covered by AUTH and impact of zero remaining life time (also specified in RFC 6039)
 - No threat as implementations are supposed to accept purges
 - only LSP header and AUTH TLV
 - Full LSP packet not accepted

Specific Questions from KARP (IETF-82)

#2

- Threat with CSNP (Complete Sequence number packet) itself
 - Attacks related to DoS, by replaying old CSNPs in broadcast networks
 - Processing burden on receiver
 - May cause PSNPs in the network
- Replayed LSP packet with close to Max SEQ no
 - Can cause shutdown for MaxAge+ZeroAgeLifetime (ISO default value: 20+ min) to make old LSPs to age out
 - But a node may never generate Max SEQ for an adversary to capture the same and replay (compromised keys are out of scope)



Next Steps

- further feedback and comments
- and request WG adoption



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Questions & Comments?

Thank You!