Balanced Security for IPv6 CPE

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Changes in -01

- Basically, watered down and English text clean-ups
- It seems that more ISP are doing this open by default except a few ports.
- New X/Box:
 - Uses IPv6 when clear communication between consoles (i.e. no filtering)
 - Else, it falls back to Teredo...

Watering Down

As of 2013, Swisscom has implemented the rule ProtectWeakService as described below. This is meant as an example and must not be followed blindly: each implementer has specific needs and requirements. Furthermore, the example below will not be updated as time passes, whereas threats will evolve.

Added Flexibility

This pre-defined policy should be centrally updated, as threats are changing over time. It could also be a member of **a list of pre-defined security policies** available to an end-customer, for example together with "simple security" from [RFC6092] and a "strict security" policy denying access to all unexpected input packets.

Last Word of Caution

Depending on the extensivity of the filters, certain vulnerabilities could be protected or not. It does not preclude the need for end-devices to have proper hostprotection as most of those devices (smartphones, laptops, etc.) would anyway be exposed to completely unfiltered internet at some point of time. The policy addresses the major concerns related to the loss of stateful filtering imposed by IPV4 NAPT when enabling public globally reachable IPv6 in the home.

Comments from a Reviewer

Title change:

- Balanced Security for IPv6 Residential CPE
- A Security Profile for IPv6 Home Networks CPE

Adding

— "However, the end-user shall be able to change the default setting to the [RFC6092] profile if deemed appropriate."

Remove

- the 'Threats' section
- "To the authors' knowledge, there has not been any incident related to this deployment in Swisscom network"

Next Steps?

- Is this a useful I-D?
- Should we change the title?
- Should we "neutralized" it even further?
- Authors will implement suggested changes
- After, should we re-do WG last call?