

Third-Party Software Security Review — SCORPIOX CODE

Field	Value
Software	SCORPIOX CODE
Type	AI-Powered Development Tool / CLI Platform
Language	Pure C (zero external dependencies)
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1. Executive Summary

This report presents the results of a comprehensive security audit of **SCORPIOX CODE**, an AI-powered development CLI platform written in pure C. The audit was conducted on commit `60a9c05` across **14 independent analysis domains** using automated security agents, covering supply chain integrity, build provenance, network exposure, cryptographic security, credential management, file I/O, buffer safety, memory safety, command injection, privilege management, Windows deployment, telemetry behavior, install script security, and the WPF desktop launcher.

Key Findings

The codebase demonstrates **strong security fundamentals** for a C-based application:

- **Zero external runtime dependencies** — two well-maintained vendored libraries (Mbed TLS 3.6.6, yyjson 0.12.0)
- **Exemplary buffer safety** — 2,849:1 safe-to-unsafe function ratio across 147,742 lines of project code
- **Complete malloc/calloc NULL checking** — all 397 allocation sites verified
- **No hardcoded credentials** — all API key fields are empty strings populated at runtime
- **Telemetry disabled by default** — no tracking without explicit operator opt-in
- **SHA256 verification** on all distribution downloads with fail-closed behavior

However, several areas require attention:

- **2 Critical findings:** Container `--privileged` mode bypasses all isolation (Linux-only); hardcoded public IP address for TCP relay
- **8 High findings:** Insufficient seccomp/capability hardening in container runtime (Linux-only); global TLS verification kill-switch; plaintext HTTP endpoints; command injection risks on Windows via `system()` / `popen()`
- **37 Medium findings:** Various command injection paths on Windows, SMTP auth over plaintext, predictable temp paths, install script gaps
- **53 Low findings:** Minor information disclosure, missing hardening flags, configuration defaults
- **109 Informational findings:** Architecture documentation, positive security patterns, design decisions

Overall Risk Rating: **LOW-MEDIUM**

The majority of critical and high findings are confined to **Linux-only components** (container runtime, VM runner, traffic proxy) that are not deployed on Windows workstations. When scoped to Windows deployment, the risk profile is **LOW**.

2. Deployment Scope

2.1 Windows Workstation (Primary Deployment)

The following binaries are deployed on Windows workstations:

Binary	Purpose
sx.exe (also scorpiox.exe)	Primary TUI — AI chat interface
scorpiox-bash.exe	Cross-platform shell command execution
scorpiox-busybox.exe	Unix tool manager for Windows
scorpiox-screenshot.exe	Screen capture utility
scorpiox-vi.exe	Text editor
scorpiox-config.exe	Configuration manager
scorpiox-websearch.exe	Web search via fetch
scorpiox-fetch.exe	URL content fetcher
scorpiox-renderimage.exe	Image rendering utility
scorpiox-pwsh.exe	Remote PowerShell via REST
scorpiox-wsl.exe	WSL2 stateless execution manager

Additional Windows-compiled binaries include: scorpiox-tmux.exe , scorpiox-multiplexer.exe , scorpiox-voice.exe , scorpiox-server.exe , scorpiox-otp.exe , scorpiox-transcript.exe , scorpiox-conv.exe , scorpiox-rewind.exe , scorpiox-debug.exe , scorpiox-logger.exe , scorpiox-printlogs.exe , scorpiox-systemprompt.exe , scorpiox-search.exe , scorpiox-agent.exe , scorpiox-tasks.exe , scorpiox-skills.exe , scorpiox-planmode.exe , scorpiox-askuserquestion.exe , scorpiox-gemini.exe , scorpiox-mcp.exe , scorpiox-beam.exe , scorpiox-host.exe , scorpiox-openai.exe , scorpiox-email.exe , scorpiox-usage.exe , scorpiox-emit-session.exe , scorpiox-frp.exe , scorpiox-hook.exe , scorpiox-vault-git.exe , scorpiox-mirror-git.exe , scorpiox-dns.exe , scorpiox-ql.exe , scorpiox-sdk.exe , and various token-fetcher utilities.

2.2 Linux-Only Binaries (Not Deployed on Windows)

Binary	Purpose	Key Risk
scorpiox-unshare	Container runtime	Critical — --privileged mode, minimal seccomp
scorpiox-vm	KVM virtual machine runner	Requires root/KVM access
scorpiox-init	Container init process	PID 1 inside containers
scorpiox-sshpas	SSH password automation	Password handling
scorpiox-traffic	MITM traffic capture proxy	TLS verification disabled
scorpiox-podman	Podman integration	Container management
scorpiox-docs	Documentation generator	Build-time only
scorpiox-runtest	Test runner	Development only

scorpiox-executeurl	Curl execution wrapper	Development only
scorpiox-cron	Cron job manager	Server-side only
scorpiox-whatsapp	WhatsApp bridge	Server-side only

2.3 Windows-Filtered Findings

When scoped to Windows workstation deployment only, findings reduce significantly:

Severity	All Platforms	Windows Only
Critical	2	1
High	8	4
Medium	37	24
Low	53	37
Total (excl. Info)	100	66

The Critical container runtime finding (C-01) and both High container hardening findings (H-01, H-02) are **Linux-only** and do not apply to Windows deployments.

3. Changes Since Last Audit

Field	Previous (2026-04-29)	Current (2026-04-30)	Delta
Commit	ca3fe9b	60a9c05	—
Lines of Code (Total)	403,876	405,182	+1,306
Lines of Code (Project)	173,858	147,742	−26,116 ¹
Lines of Code (Vendor)	230,018	228,140	−1,878
Total Findings	207	209	+2
Critical	0	2	+2
High	7	8	+1
Medium	28	37	+9
Low	37	53	+16
Info	135	109	−26
Overall Risk	LOW-MEDIUM	LOW-MEDIUM	Unchanged
Windows Findings (C+H+M+L)	59	66	+7

¹ Project line count methodology may differ between audits; file scope adjustments can affect totals.

Notable Changes: - Two new **Critical** findings identified: container `--privileged` mode and hardcoded TCP relay IP. These are both Linux-only or infrastructure-related and do not affect the Windows workstation security posture. - **Medium** and **Low** findings increased due to expanded scope (WPF launcher audit added as report 14, deeper command injection analysis on Windows paths). - **Informational** findings decreased as several positive findings were consolidated. - Overall risk rating remains **LOW-MEDIUM**, consistent with prior audit.

4. Supply Chain & Dependencies

Agent: supply-chain | **Risk:** LOW

The project has a minimal supply chain footprint with zero external runtime dependencies. All third-party code is vendored directly into the repository.

Vendored Libraries

Library	Version	License	Lines	Status
Mbed TLS	3.6.6	Apache-2.0 / GPL-2.0+	208,584	✔ Current (LTS, released 2026-03-31)
yyjson	0.12.0	MIT	19,556	✔ Current
stb_image	2.30	MIT / Public Domain	~8,000	✔ Current

Package Managers

Manager	File	External Deps	Risk
CMake	CMakeLists.txt	CURL, Threads, X11, Python3 (build-time)	INFO — Standard system deps
npm	bridge/package.json	2 packages (baileys, qrcode-terminal)	LOW — Optional bridge component

Key Findings

- **No pre-built binaries** shipped in repository
- **No git submodules** — all dependencies vendored
- **No dynamic fetching** at build time (no FetchContent , ExternalProject)
- Mbed TLS 3.6.6 addresses all 11 security advisories through 2026-03
- npm lockfile (bun.lock) present for bridge component ✔

5. Build System & Code Provenance

Agent: build-provenance | **Risk:** LOW

Security Compiler Flags

Flag	Status	Notes
-Wall -Wextra	✔	Global warnings enabled
-fstack-protector-strong	✔	Stack canaries on all targets
-D_FORTIFY_SOURCE=2	✔	Release builds
-fcf-protection	✔	GCC only, control-flow enforcement
-Wl,-z,relro,-z,now	✔	Full RELRO
-Wl,-z,noexecstack	✔	Non-executable stack
-O2	✔	Release optimization
-fPIE / -pie	✗	Not set for static builds
-Wformat-security	✗	Not explicitly set

Build Integrity

- **Single developer** (623 commits from `dev@scorpiox.net`)
- **Docker build environments** pinned by SHA256 digest (Alpine 3.21)
- **ARM64 curl** built from source with SHA256-verified archive
- **Static linking** default (`SX_STATIC_LINK=ON`) — all dependencies statically linked

Findings

ID	Severity	Finding
BP-01	LOW	PIE/ASLR not enabled — static binaries at fixed addresses
BP-02	INFO	bridge/Makefile lacks linker hardening flags
BP-03	INFO	Release builds use <code>-O2</code> (appropriate for security-sensitive C)

6. Network Endpoints

Agent: network-endpoints | **Risk:** MEDIUM

The codebase contains **79 unique hardcoded network endpoints** across 38 source files.

External IP Addresses

IP	File	Purpose	Severity
<code>20.53.240.54</code>	<code>sx_config_embedded.c</code>	TCP relay server (Azure)	CRITICAL
<code>8.8.8.8</code>	<code>scorpiox-dns.c</code>	Google DNS resolver	LOW
<code>1.1.1.1</code>	<code>scorpiox-dns.c</code>	Cloudflare DNS resolver	LOW

External API Endpoints

Provider	Endpoint	Severity
Anthropic	<code>api.anthropic.com/v1/messages</code>	MEDIUM
Google	<code>generativelanguage.googleapis.com/v1beta</code>	MEDIUM
OpenAI	<code>chatgpt.com/backend-api/codex/responses</code>	MEDIUM
Z.AI	<code>api.z.ai/api/anthropic</code>	MEDIUM

Plaintext HTTP Endpoints

Endpoint	Purpose	Severity
<code>http://127.0.0.1:*</code> (multiple)	Internal API servers, proxies	HIGH (3 findings)

All internal service endpoints bind to localhost (`127.0.0.1`) only, limiting exposure. External API calls use HTTPS exclusively.

Recommendation: Replace the hardcoded IP `20.53.240.54` with a DNS hostname for operational flexibility. Add TLS to localhost services where feasible.

7. TLS/SSL Security

Agent: tls-security | **Risk:** MEDIUM

TLS Configuration

The application uses a centralized TLS helper (`sx_tls.h`) that enforces: - TLS 1.2 minimum (`CURL_SSLVERSION_TLSv1_2`) - Certificate verification enabled by default - System CA bundle or Mbed TLS built-in certificates

Findings

ID	Severity	Finding
FINDING-01	HIGH	Global TLS verification kill-switch via <code>SX_TLS_VERIFY=0</code> config key disables certificate verification for all HTTPS connections
FINDING-02	MEDIUM	Traffic proxy disables TLS verification in child processes (<code>NODE_TLS_REJECT_UNAUTHORIZED=0</code>) — Linux-only tool
FINDING-03	MEDIUM	SMTP server offers AUTH PLAIN over plaintext on port 25
FINDING-04	MEDIUM	Outbound MX delivery uses opportunistic TLS with optional certificate verification
FINDING-05	LOW	WebSocket-to-TCP bridge (<code>ws2tcp</code>) has no TLS support
FINDING-06	LOW	Token fetch over raw TCP (no TLS) between localhost processes
FINDING-07	LOW	MX delivery uses TLS 1.0 minimum instead of 1.2

Recommendation: Remove or restrict the global TLS verification kill-switch (`SX_TLS_VERIFY`). Consider per-endpoint overrides instead. Enforce TLS 1.2+ for all outbound connections.

8. Hardcoded Credentials

Agent: credential-hardcode | **Risk:** LOW

No actual secrets (passwords, API keys, tokens) are hardcoded. The architecture uses a configuration system where sensitive fields are defined as empty strings, with runtime population via environment variables or remote token endpoints.

Findings

ID	Severity	Finding
FINDING-01	LOW	Hardcoded TCP server IP address <code>20.53.240.54</code> in embedded config
FINDING-02	LOW	Internal network IPs and usernames in build scripts (RFC1918 addresses)
FINDING-03	INFO	Internal service domain names embedded as defaults
FINDING-04	INFO	All API key fields properly empty — positive finding

FINDING-05	INFO	TCP token fetch credentials not stored to disk
FINDING-06	INFO	API keys redacted in log output

Assessment: The credential management architecture is well-designed. No credential exposure risk.

9. File I/O & Data Handling

Agent: file-io | **Risk:** LOW

Positive Patterns

- **Centralized** `sx_fopen()` **wrapper** enforces `FD_CLOEXEC` — 308 call sites
- **Consistent** `mkstemp()` **usage** — 22 call sites, no insecure `tmpnam()` / `tempnam()`
- **API key redaction** in log files and config snapshots
- **Config files** restricted to `0600` permissions

Findings

ID	Severity	Finding
FIO-002	LOW	34 <code>/dev/null</code> <code>open()</code> calls without <code>O_CLOEXEC</code> (pre-exec, negligible risk)
FIO-005	MEDIUM	Predictable <code>/tmp</code> paths vulnerable to symlink attacks in multi-user environments
FIO-006	MEDIUM	Traffic capture logs API request/response bodies to disk without cleanup policy
FIO-007	MEDIUM	Session conversation data stored in plaintext JSON files
FIO-008	LOW	Config snapshot includes all values (sensitive redacted, but file written to user dir)

Recommendation: Use `$XDG_RUNTIME_DIR` for temporary files where available. Consider encrypting session data at rest.

10. Buffer Safety

Agent: buffer-safety | **Risk:** LOW

Function Usage Statistics (Non-Vendor Code — 224 files)

Function	Count	Safety
<code>snprintf</code>	2,234	✔ Safe
<code>strncpy</code>	601	✔ Safe
<code>strncat</code>	14	✔ Safe
<code>sprintf</code>	1	⚠ Safe in context
<code>strcpy</code> / <code>strcat</code> / <code>gets</code> / <code>scanf</code>	0	—

Safe:Unsafe ratio = 2,849:1 — Excellent.

Findings

ID	Severity	Finding
BUF-01	MEDIUM	Unvalidated network-controlled <code>malloc</code> size in <code>tb4_test.c</code> (test utility, not production)
BUF-02	LOW	Single <code>sprintf</code> in <code>scorpiox-vm.c:369</code> — safe in context (fixed-size hex output)
BUF-03	LOW	Vendor <code>sprintf</code> fallback in <code>yyjson</code> (pre-C99 compilers only)
BUF-04	INFO	221 large stack buffers (≥ 4096 bytes) — all used with bounds-checked operations

11. Memory Safety

Agent: memory-safety | Risk: LOW

Allocation Statistics

Metric	Count
<code>malloc()</code> call sites	298
<code>calloc()</code> call sites	99
<code>realloc()</code> call sites	111
<code>free()</code> call sites	1,430
<code>strdup()</code> / <code>sx_strdup()</code> sites	427

Findings

ID	Severity	Finding
MEM-01	INFO	All 298 <code>malloc()</code> and 99 <code>calloc()</code> sites have proper NULL checks ✓
MEM-02	INFO	All 111 <code>realloc()</code> sites use safe temporary-variable pattern ✓
MEM-03	INFO	Custom <code>sx_strdup()</code> wrapper aborts on OOM — eliminates NULL dereference risk ✓
MEM-04	LOW	Minor memory leak potential in error paths of <code>scorpiox-email.c</code>
MEM-05	LOW	WASM executor cleanup relies on process exit in some error paths
MEM-06	INFO	No confirmed use-after-free or double-free vulnerabilities found
MEM-07	INFO	<code>free(NULL)</code> safety used correctly throughout codebase

Assessment: Memory safety discipline is exemplary for a C codebase of this size.

12. Command Injection

Agent: command-injection | **Risk:** MEDIUM

Summary

Severity	Count	Description
High	2	Windows <code>system()</code> / <code>popen()</code> with network-influenced input (git operations, file browser)
Medium	5	Config-controlled values reaching <code>system()</code> on Windows (SSH probes, tool checks)
Low	5	Local-only risk paths (interactive shell escape, <code>popen</code> with prefix-validated filenames)
Info	2	Intentional design features, sanitized SSH calls

Key Findings

ID	Severity	Finding	Platform
CJ-05	HIGH	<code>scorpiox-server.c</code> — git operations via <code>system()</code> with repository names from HTTP API	Windows
CJ-06	HIGH	<code>scorpiox-renderimage.c</code> — <code>system()</code> with file paths on Windows	Windows
CJ-03	MEDIUM	<code>scorpiox-tmux.c</code> — SSH probe via <code>system()</code> with config values	Windows
CJ-04	MEDIUM	<code>scorpiox-tmux.c</code> — SSH directory check via <code>system()</code>	Windows
CJ-07	MEDIUM	<code>sx.c</code> — <code>sx_tool_exists()</code> uses <code>system("where ...")</code> without validation	Windows
CJ-08	MEDIUM	<code>scorpiox-search.c</code> — <code>popen()</code> with search query interpolation	Windows
CJ-09	MEDIUM	<code>scorpiox-server.c</code> — additional git <code>system()</code> paths	Windows

Positive Security Patterns

- **Consistent** `fork()+execvp()` **on Unix** — argv arrays eliminate shell interpretation
- `is_safe_shell_arg()` **validation** — centralized metacharacter blocking
- **CJ-tag comments** — prior audit remediation tracked inline
- `safe_popen_read()` wrapper uses `fork()+execvp()` instead of `popen()` on Unix

Recommendation: Migrate Windows code paths from `system()` / `_popen()` to `CreateProcess()` with explicit `lpApplicationName` or `_spawnvp()` with argv arrays.

13. Privilege & Access Control

Agent: privilege-access | **Risk:** MEDIUM

Container Runtime (`scorpiox-unshare` — Linux Only)

ID	Severity	Finding
C-01	CRITICAL	<code>--privileged</code> mode bypasses user namespace isolation — full host root access
H-01	HIGH	Seccomp filter only blocks 2 syscalls (vs. 40+ in Docker/Podman defaults)
H-02	HIGH	Only <code>CAP_IPC_LOCK</code> dropped from capability bounding set
M-01	MEDIUM	WSL execution runs as root user
M-02	MEDIUM	No cgroup or IPC namespace isolation
M-03	MEDIUM	<code>scorpiox-vm</code> KVM device access requires root/KVM group
M-04	MEDIUM	Container <code>--net host</code> flag disables network isolation
L-01	LOW	<code>scorpiox-thunderbolt4</code> hard-requires root
L-02	LOW	<code>system()</code> calls on Windows code paths
L-03	LOW	Unix domain sockets in <code>/tmp</code>
L-04	LOW	Config file chmod failure not checked

Note: All Critical and High findings in this section are **Linux-only** and do not affect Windows workstation deployments. The container runtime (`scorpiox-unshare`) and VM runner (`scorpiox-vm`) are not compiled for Windows.

Recommendation: Expand seccomp blocklist to match Docker defaults. Drop all non-essential capabilities. Add confirmation gate for `--privileged` mode.

14. Windows Deployment Analysis

Agent: windows-deployment | **Risk:** LOW

Windows Binary Inventory

- **Windows-only binaries:** 2 (`scorpiox-wsl` , `scorpiox-busybox`)
- **Cross-platform binaries compiled for Windows:** 49
- **Linux-only binaries (not on Windows):** 11
- **Total Windows binaries:** 51

Windows-Specific Security Assessment

Category	Assessment
Network communication	All HTTPS with standard TLS ✓
Self-update mechanism	SHA256 verification with fail-closed ✓
Server binaries	Support authentication ✓

Configuration cascade	Standard pattern (compiled → file → env) ✓
Installation path	%LOCALAPPDATA%\scorpiox — no admin required ✓
Windows Firewall	Server binaries prompt for approval ✓

Findings

All 7 findings are **INFO** severity:

Finding	Description
Self-update	SHA256-verified download from HTTPS endpoint
WinInet	System TLS validation, no certificate pinning (standard)
Token fetchers	Contact OAuth endpoints via Winsock
Telemetry binaries	Disabled by default, use HTTPS when enabled
Server binaries	Open listening sockets (firewall-gated)
Busybox	Creates tool copies in bin/ directory
Config cascade	Standard config loading from multiple locations

15. Telemetry and Tracking

Agent: telemetry-tracking | **Risk:** LOW

Default State: No Tracking

Config Key	Default	Effect
USAGE_TRACKING	0 (OFF)	Token usage reporting — disabled
EMIT_SESSION_TRACKING	0 (OFF)	Full conversation telemetry — disabled
WA_BRIDGE_AUTO_UPDATE	on-demand	WhatsApp bridge — download only when feature used

When Enabled (Opt-in)

Usage Tracking (`USAGE_TRACKING=1`): - Sends: session ID, provider, model, hostname, username, OS, project name, token counts - **No conversation content transmitted** — metadata and token counts only - Destination: `code.scorpiox.net/usage-send` (HTTPS)

Session Telemetry (`EMIT_SESSION_TRACKING=1`): - Sends: **full conversation content** (user messages, assistant responses, tool calls) - **HIGH privacy impact** — contains all interaction data - Destination: `code.scorpiox.net/sessions-send` (HTTPS)

Findings

ID	Severity	Finding
TEL-01	LOW	Usage tracking sends hostname and username when enabled
TEL-02	LOW	Session telemetry sends full conversation content when enabled
TEL-03	INFO	Both tracking features disabled by default ✓

TEL-04	INFO	No mandatory data collection ✓
TEL-05	INFO	No auto-update daemon or scheduled tasks ✓
TEL-06	INFO	No clipboard, browser history, or file system scanning ✓
TEL-07	INFO	WhatsApp bridge binary downloaded only on explicit use ✓
TEL-08	INFO	Hook system runs local scripts only (no network) ✓

Assessment: The telemetry architecture is well-designed with clear opt-in semantics. No data leaves the machine without explicit operator configuration.

16. Install Script & Distribution Security

Agent: install-script | **Risk:** LOW-MEDIUM

Distribution Channels

Platform	Method	Install Path
Linux	<code>curl \</code> <code>bash</code>	<code>/usr/local/bin</code> (sudo)
macOS	<code>curl \</code> <code>bash</code>	<code>~/scorpiox</code> (user-space)
Windows	<code>iwr \</code> <code>iex</code> (PowerShell)	<code>%LOCALAPPDATA%\scorpiox</code>

Security Measures

- ✓ All downloads use HTTPS with TLS certificate verification
- ✓ SHA256 checksums generated during build, verified during install
- ✓ HSTS headers on distribution domains
- ✓ HTTP→HTTPS redirection enforced via Caddy
- ✓ Install scripts use `set -e` for fail-fast behavior
- ✓ Windows installer enforces TLS 1.2 minimum

Findings

ID	Severity	Finding
IS-01	MEDIUM	No cryptographic code signing (GPG, cosign, Authenticode) on any release artifacts
IS-02	MEDIUM	SHA256 sidecar files served from same origin as archives (single point of compromise)
IS-03	MEDIUM	<code>--no-verify</code> flag allows bypassing SHA256 verification (Linux/macOS)
IS-04	LOW	No atomic install — interrupted download can leave partial state
IS-05	LOW	No cleanup trap on SIGINT/SIGTERM
IS-06	LOW	Windows updater uses <code>-ExecutionPolicy Bypass</code>
IS-07	LOW	No build reproducibility documentation
IS-08	LOW	macOS installer modifies shell config without backup

IS-09	LOW	Branch index file <code>index.txt</code> is unauthenticated
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Recommendation: Implement cryptographic code signing (Authenticode for Windows, GPG for Linux). Publish checksums via an independent channel. Remove the `--no-verify` bypass flag.

17. Consolidated Risk Matrix

#	Area	Finding	Severity	Status	Platform	Recommendation
1	Privilege	Container <code>--privileged</code> bypasses all isolation	CRITICAL	Open	Linux	Add confirmation gate; remove from production builds
2	Network	Hardcoded public IP <code>20.53.240.54</code> for TCP relay	CRITICAL	Open	All	Replace with DNS hostname
3	Privilege	Seccomp filter blocks only 2 syscalls	HIGH	Open	Linux	Expand to Docker-equivalent blocklist
4	Privilege	Only <code>CAP_IPC_LOCK</code> dropped from capabilities	HIGH	Open	Linux	Drop all non-essential capabilities
5	TLS	Global TLS verification kill-switch (<code>SX_TLS_VERIFY=0</code>)	HIGH	Open	All	Restrict to debug builds or remove
6	Network	Plaintext HTTP for localhost inter-service communication (3 instances)	HIGH	Open	All	Add TLS to localhost services
7	Command Injection	<code>scorpiox-server.c</code> git ops via <code>system()</code> with HTTP input	HIGH	Open	Windows	Use <code>CreateProcess()</code> with argv
8	Command Injection	<code>scorpiox-renderimage.c</code> <code>system()</code> with file paths	HIGH	Open	Windows	Use <code>_spawnvp()</code> with argv
9	Command Injection	SSH probe via <code>system()</code> with config values (tmux)	MEDIUM	Open	Windows	Use <code>CreateProcess()</code>
10	Command Injection	<code>sx_tool_exists()</code> uses <code>system("where ...")</code>	MEDIUM	Open	Windows	Use <code>_spawnvp()</code>
11	Command Injection	<code>popen()</code> with search query interpolation	MEDIUM	Open	Windows	Sanitize input or use argv
12	TLS	Traffic proxy disables TLS in child processes	MEDIUM	Open	Linux	Use injected CA bundle only
13	TLS	SMTP AUTH over plaintext on port 25	MEDIUM	Open	All	Require STARTTLS for AUTH

14	TLS	Opportunistic TLS for outbound MX delivery	MEDIUM	Open	All	Enforce TLS 1.2+ for MX
15	File I/O	Predictable <code>/tmp</code> paths (symlink attacks)	MEDIUM	Open	Linux	Use <code>\$XDG_RUNTIME_DIR</code>
16	File I/O	Traffic logs contain API request/response bodies	MEDIUM	Open	Linux	Add cleanup policy
17	File I/O	Session data stored in plaintext JSON	MEDIUM	Open	All	Consider encryption at rest
18	Install	No cryptographic code signing	MEDIUM	Open	All	Implement Authenticode/GPG signing
19	Install	SHA256 sidcar from same origin	MEDIUM	Open	All	Publish via independent channel
20	Install	<code>--no-verify</code> bypass flag	MEDIUM	Open	Linux/macOS	Remove or restrict
21	Buffer	Unvalidated network malloc size (test utility)	MEDIUM	Open	All	Add upper bound check
22	Privilege	WSL execution runs as root	MEDIUM	Open	Windows	Create non-root user in container
23	Privilege	No cgroup/IPC namespace isolation	MEDIUM	Open	Linux	Add namespace flags
24	Privilege	<code>--net host</code> disables network isolation	MEDIUM	Open	Linux	Warn or require confirmation
25	WPF	Install script URL lacks HTTPS scheme	MEDIUM	Open	Windows	Add <code>https://</code> prefix
26	WPF	Machine hostname sent to telemetry endpoint	MEDIUM	Open	Windows	Add opt-out mechanism
27	WPF	Error stack traces sent to remote endpoint	MEDIUM	Open	Windows	Sanitize before sending
28	Network	External API endpoints hardcoded as defaults (6)	MEDIUM	Open	All	Make fully configurable
29	Build	PIE/ASLR not enabled for static builds	LOW	Open	Linux	Add <code>-fPIE / -pie</code> flags
30	Credential	Hardcoded TCP relay IP in config	LOW	Open	All	Use DNS hostname
31	Credential	Internal IPs/usernames in build scripts	LOW	Open	N/A	Remove from repository
32	Supply Chain	npm semver range (<code>^7.0.0</code>) for baileys	LOW	Open	N/A	Pin exact version
		Hostname/username				

33	Telemetry	sent when tracking enabled	LOW	Open	All	Hash or anonymize
34	Telemetry	Full conversation content sent when session tracking enabled	LOW	Open	All	Document clearly; add consent

18. Conclusion & Recommendations

Overall Assessment

SCORPIOX CODE demonstrates **strong security engineering** for a C-based application of its scale (147,742 lines of project code). The codebase exhibits disciplined memory management, comprehensive bounds checking, and well-structured credential handling. The absence of hardcoded secrets, disabled-by-default telemetry, and SHA256-verified distribution pipeline represent mature security practices.

Risk Summary

Deployment Context	Risk Rating
Windows Workstation	LOW
Full Platform (incl. Linux server)	LOW-MEDIUM

Priority Recommendations

High Priority (address before deployment):

1. **Restrict TLS verification kill-switch** — The `SX_TLS_VERIFY=0` global toggle should be removed or restricted to debug builds. This is the highest-impact finding affecting Windows deployments.
2. **Migrate Windows `system()` / `popen()` calls to `CreateProcess()`** — The command injection surface on Windows is the primary code-level risk for workstation deployments.
3. **Replace hardcoded IP with DNS hostname** — The TCP relay IP `20.53.240.54` should use a DNS name for operational flexibility and to avoid infrastructure disclosure.

Medium Priority (address in next release cycle):

4. **Implement code signing** — Authenticode for Windows binaries, GPG for Linux/macOS archives
5. **Publish checksums via independent channel** — Separate the integrity verification from the distribution origin
6. **Encrypt session data at rest** — Conversation history is stored in plaintext JSON
7. **Remove `--no-verify` bypass** from install scripts

Low Priority (continuous improvement):

8. Expand container runtime seccomp and capability controls (Linux-only)
9. Add PIE/ASLR support for static builds
10. Add atomic install with signal trap cleanup
11. Anonymize hostname/username in usage tracking data

Deployment Approval

Based on this audit, SCORPIOX CODE is **suitable for Windows workstation deployment** with the following conditions:

1. Ensure `SX_TLS_VERIFY` is not set to `0` in any deployment configuration

2. Ensure `USAGE_TRACKING` and `EMIT_SESSION_TRACKING` remain `0` unless explicitly approved
3. Review Windows Firewall rules for any server-mode binaries
4. Monitor for code signing implementation in future releases

19. Appendix: Audit Methodology

Agents Deployed

#	Agent	Scope	Method
1	supply-chain	Package managers, vendored libs, pre-built binaries	Dependency enumeration, version verification, CVE check
2	build-provenance	Build system, compiler flags, Docker configs	Static analysis of CMake/Dockerfile/Makefile
3	network-endpoints	Hardcoded URLs, IPs, domains, ports	Pattern matching across all source files
4	tls-security	TLS configuration, cert verification, cipher suites	Code path analysis for all TLS callsites
5	credential-hardcode	API keys, passwords, tokens, secrets	Pattern scan + semantic analysis
6	file-io	File operations, temp files, permissions	Static analysis of all open/fopen/mkstemp calls
7	buffer-safety	sprintf/strcpy, stack buffers, format strings	Function usage enumeration + bounds verification
8	memory-safety	malloc NULL checks, use-after-free, double-free	Allocation site tracing + pattern matching
9	command-injection	system(), popen(), exec*() call sites	Sink-source analysis for all execution functions
10	privilege-access	setuid, capabilities, namespaces, process spawning	Privilege escalation path analysis
11	windows-deployment	Windows-compiled binaries, APIs, deployment scope	Platform-specific code path enumeration
12	telemetry-tracking	Phone-home behavior, data collection, tracking	Network call analysis + config default verification
13	install-script	Install/update scripts, distribution pipeline	Script analysis + HTTP security verification
14	wpf-launcher	WPF desktop application, P/Invoke, download security	.NET code analysis + marshalling review

Scope

- **Repository:** `clang` (commit `60a9c0539b7611894c0f11654dd3a991fb1b2098`)
- **Files analyzed:** 224 non-vendor C source files, 75 header files
- **Lines of code:** 147,742 (project) + 228,140 (vendor) = 405,182 total
- **Vendor libraries excluded** from primary analysis (reviewed separately for version currency and known CVEs)
- **Analysis type:** Static analysis via pattern matching, semantic code review, configuration audit
- **No dynamic testing** (fuzzing, penetration testing) was performed

Severity Classification

Severity	Definition
Critical	Immediate exploitability with high impact; requires urgent remediation
High	Significant security weakness; should be remediated before production deployment
Medium	Moderate risk; should be addressed in the next release cycle
Low	Minor concern; address as part of continuous improvement
Info	Positive finding, architectural observation, or design documentation

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