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Exam Questions NGFW-Engineer

Palo Alto Networks Next-Generation Firewall Engineer

NEW QUESTION 1
When configuring a Zone Protection profile, in which section (protection type) would an NGFW engineer configure options to protect against activities such as spoofed IP addresses and split handshake session establishment attempts?

A. Flood Protection
B. Protocol Protection
C. Packet-Based Attack Protection
D. Reconnaissance Protection

Answer: B

Explanation:
In the context of a Zone Protection profile, Protocol Protection is the section used to configure protections against activities such as spoofed IP addresses and split handshake session establishment attempts. These types of attacks typically involve manipulating protocol behaviors, such as IP address spoofing or session hijacking, and are mitigated by the Protocol Protection settings.

NEW QUESTION 2
An NGFW engineer is configuring multiple Panorama-managed firewalls to start sending all logs to Strata Logging Service. The Strata Logging Service instance has been provisioned, the required device certificates have been installed, and Panorama and the firewalls have been successfully onboarded to Strata Logging Service.
Which configuration task must be performed to start sending the logs to Strata Logging Service and continue forwarding them to the Panorama log collectors as well?

A. Modify all active Log Forwarding profiles to select the ??Cloud Logging?? option in each profile match list in the appropriate device groups.
B. Enable the ??Panorama/Cloud Logging?? option in the Logging and Reporting Settings section under Device --> Setup --> Management in the appropriate templates.
C. Select the ??Enable Duplicate Logging?? option in the Cloud Logging section under Device--> Setup --> Management in the appropriate templates.
D. Select the ??Enable Cloud Logging?? option in the Cloud Logging section under Device --> Setup --> Management in the appropriate templates.

Answer: D

Explanation:
To begin sending logs to Strata Logging Service while continuing to forward them to Panorama log collectors, the necessary configuration is to enable Cloud Logging. This option is configured in the Cloud Logging section under Device Setup Management in the appropriate templates. Once enabled, this ensures that logs are directed both to the Strata Logging Service (cloud) and to the Panorama log collectors.

NEW QUESTION 3
Which statement describes the role of Terraform in deploying Palo Alto Networks NGFWs?

A. It acts as a logging service for NGFW performance metrics.
B. It orchestrates real-time traffic inspection for network segments.
C. It provides Infrastructure-as-Code (IaC) to automate NGFW deployment.
D. It manages threat intelligence data synchronization with NGFWs.

Answer: C

Explanation:
Terraform is an Infrastructure-as-Code (IaC) tool that automates the provisioning and management of infrastructure resources, including Palo Alto Networks Next-Generation Firewalls (NGFWs). By using Terraform configuration files, administrators can define and deploy NGFW instances across cloud environments (such as AWS, Azure, and GCP) efficiently and consistently.
Terraform enables:
Automated firewall deployment in cloud environments.
Configuration of security policies and networking settings in a declarative manner. Scalability and repeatability, reducing manual intervention in firewall provisioning.

NEW QUESTION 4
According to dynamic updates best practices, what is the recommended threshold value for content updates in a mission- critical network?

A. 8 hours
B. 16 hours
C. 32 hours
D. 48 hours

Answer: A

Explanation:
For a mission-critical network, it is recommended to configure the content update threshold to 8 hours. This ensures that the network is protected with the latest threat intelligence, updates to signatures, and other critical content, minimizing the exposure to newly discovered vulnerabilities and threats.
Regular content updates are crucial in mission-critical environments to ensure the firewall is up-to-date with the latest protections. 8 hours is considered an optimal balance between timely updates and network performance.

NEW QUESTION 5
Which PAN-OS method of mapping users to IP addresses is the most reliable?

A. Port mapping
B. GlobalProtect
C. Syslog

D. Server monitoring

Answer: D

Explanation:
Server monitoring is the most reliable method for mapping users to IP addresses in PAN- OS. This method allows the firewall to monitor specific servers, such as Microsoft Active Directory (AD) or LDAP servers, to dynamically retrieve and update user-to-IP mappings. It provides a more accurate and up-to-date mapping of users to their associated IP addresses, as it directly queries user databases in real time.

NEW QUESTION 6
By default, which type of traffic is configured by service route configuration to use the management interface?

A. Security zone
B. IPSec tunnel
C. Virtual system (VSYS)
D. Autonomous Digital Experience Manager (ADEM)

Answer: D

Explanation:
By default, the Autonomous Digital Experience Manager (ADEM) traffic is configured to use the management interface in a Palo Alto Networks firewall. The management interface is typically used for management-related traffic, such as monitoring and logging, and it is configured to handle ADEM-related traffic for the optimal performance of digital experience monitoring features.
This default configuration helps ensure that ADEM traffic does not interfere with regular traffic that may traverse other interfaces, such as traffic from security zones or IPSec tunnels.

NEW QUESTION 7
Which configuration step is required when implementing a new self-signed root certificate authority (CA) certificate for SSL decryption on a Palo Alto Networks firewall?

A. Import the new subordinate CA certificate into the trust stores of all client devices.
B. Set the subordinate CA certificate as the default routing certificate for all network traffic.
C. Configure the subordinate CA to issue certificates with indefinite validity periods.
D. Disable all existing SSL decryption rules until the new certificate is fully propagated.

Answer: A

Explanation:
When implementing a new self-signed root certificate authority (CA) for SSL decryption on a Palo Alto Networks firewall, the subordinate CA certificate (which is generated by the firewall) must be imported into the trust stores of all client devices. This ensures that client devices trust the firewall as a valid certificate authority, enabling the firewall to decrypt and re-encrypt SSL traffic.
Importing the subordinate CA certificate into the client devices' trust stores is necessary for those devices to trust the new self-signed root CA and properly handle SSL decryption traffic.

NEW QUESTION 8
Which statement applies to Log Collector Groups?

A. Log redundancy is available only if each Log Collector has the same amount of total disk storage.
B. Enabling redundancy increases the log processing traffic in a Collector Group by 50%.
C. In any single Collector Group, all the Log Collectors must run on the same Panorama model.
D. The maximum number of Log Collectors in a Log Collector Group is 18 plus two hot spares.

Answer: D

Explanation:
The maximum number of Log Collectors that can be added to a Log Collector Group is 18 plus 2 hot spares, ensuring redundancy and availability in case of failure. This allows for a total of up to 20 Log Collectors in a group, providing sufficient scalability and reliability for log collection.

NEW QUESTION 9
Which interface types should be used to configure link monitoring for a high availability (HA) deployment on a Palo Alto Networks NGFW?

A. HA, Virtual Wire, and Layer 2
B. Tap, Virtual Wire, and Layer 3
C. Virtual Wire, Layer 2, and Layer 3
D. HA, Layer 2. and Layer 3

Answer: C

Explanation:
When configuring link monitoring for high availability (HA) on a Palo Alto Networks NGFW, the following interface types are supported:
Virtual Wire: Used when you have a transparent mode firewall deployment, where the firewall operates at Layer 2 to monitor traffic between two network segments.
Layer 2: Also used in transparent mode, where the firewall operates as a Layer 2 device and can be configured for link monitoring.
Layer 3: Used in routed mode, where the firewall is involved in routing traffic and can also be configured to monitor links.

NEW QUESTION 10
After an engineer configures an IPSec tunnel with a Cisco ASA, the Palo Alto Networks firewall generates system messages reporting the tunnel is failing to

establish.
Which of the following actions will resolve this issue?

A. Ensure that an active static or dynamic route exists for the VPN peer with next hop as the tunnel interface.
B. Configure the Proxy IDs to match the Cisco ASA configuration.
C. Check that IPSec is enabled in the management profile on the external interface.
D. Validate the tunnel interface VLAN against the peer??s configuration.

Answer: B

Explanation:
The Proxy IDs (or Traffic Selectors) define the local and remote subnets that are allowed to communicate over the IPSec tunnel. If the Proxy IDs on the Palo Alto Networks firewall do not match the configuration on the Cisco ASA, the tunnel will fail to establish because the firewalls won't agree on which traffic to encrypt. Ensuring that the Proxy IDs match between the Palo Alto Networks firewall and the Cisco ASA will resolve the issue.

NEW QUESTION 10
An engineer at a managed services provider is updating an application that allows its customers to request firewall changes to also manage SD-WAN. The application will be able to make any approved changes directly to devices via API.
What is a requirement for the application to create SD-WAN interfaces?

A. REST API??s ??sdwanInterfaceprofiles?? parameter on a Panorama device
B. REST API??s ??sdwanInterfaces?? parameter on a firewall device
C. XML API??s ??sdwanprofiles/interfaces?? parameter on a Panorama device
D. XML API??s ??InterfaceProfiles/sdwan?? parameter on a firewall device

Answer: B

Explanation:
To create SD-WAN interfaces through an API, the correct approach is to use the REST API's "sdwanInterfaces" parameter on a firewall device. This parameter allows you to configure SD-WAN interfaces directly on the firewall devices via API, ensuring that the required interfaces are set up and managed for SD-WAN functionality.

NEW QUESTION 11
For which two purposes is an IP address configured on a tunnel interface? (Choose two.)

A. Use of dynamic routing protocols
B. Tunnel monitoring
C. Use of peer IP
D. Redistribution of User-ID

Answer: AB

Explanation:
Use of dynamic routing protocols: An IP address is needed on the tunnel interface to participate in dynamic routing protocols (like OSPF, BGP, etc.) over the tunnel. This allows the firewall to advertise routes and receive updates over the tunnel.
Tunnel monitoring: The IP address on the tunnel interface can also be used for monitoring the tunnel's status. Tunnel monitoring (such as IPSec tunnel monitoring) requires an IP address on the tunnel interface to check the health and availability of the tunnel.

NEW QUESTION 13
Palo Alto Networks NGFWs use SSL/TLS profiles to secure which two types of connections? (Choose two.)

A. NAT tables
B. User Authentication
C. GlobalProtect Gateways
D. GlobalProtect Portal

Answer: CD

Explanation:
Palo Alto Networks Next-Generation Firewalls (NGFWs) use SSL/TLS profiles to secure connections for services such as GlobalProtect Gateways and GlobalProtect Portals. These profiles are used to manage the SSL/TLS encryption and decryption for secure communication between the firewall and clients (such as VPN clients for GlobalProtect). This helps ensure the confidentiality and integrity of the data during transmission.

NEW QUESTION 15
An engineer is implementing a new rollout of SAML for administrator authentication across a company??s Palo Alto Networks NGFWs. User authentication on company firewalls is currently performed with RADIUS, which will remain available for six months, until it is decommissioned. The company wants both authentication types to be running in parallel during the transition to SAML.
Which two actions meet the criteria? (Choose two.)

A. Create a testing and rollback plan for the transition from Radius to SAML, as the two authentication profiles cannot be run in tandem.
B. Create an authentication sequence that includes both the ??RADIUS?? Server Profile and ??SAML Identity Provider?? Server Profile to run the two services in tandem.
C. Create and apply an authentication profile with the ??SAML Identity Provider?? Server Profile.
D. Create and add the ??SAML Identity Provider?? Server Profile to the authentication profile for the ??RADIUS?? Server Profile.

Answer: BD

Explanation:

To enable both RADIUS and SAML authentication to run in parallel during the transition period, you need to configure an authentication sequence and an authentication profile that includes both authentication methods.
By creating an authentication sequence that includes both RADIUS and SAML server profiles, the firewall will attempt authentication with RADIUS first and, if that fails, will fall back to SAML. This enables both authentication types to function simultaneously during the transition period.
You can also configure an authentication profile that includes both the RADIUS Server Profile and the SAML Identity Provider server profile. This setup allows the firewall to use both RADIUS and SAML for authentication requests, and it will check both authentication methods in parallel.

NEW QUESTION 20
A multinational organization wants to use the Cloud Identity Engine (CIE) to aggregate identity data from multiple sources (on premises AD, Azure AD, Okta) while enforcing strict data isolation for different regional business units. Each region??s firewalls, managed via Panorama, must only receive the user and group information relevant to that region. The organization aims to minimize administrative overhead while meeting data sovereignty requirements.
Which approach achieves this segmentation of identity data?

A. Create one CIE tenant, aggregate all identity data into a single view, and redistribute the full dataset to all firewall
B. Rely on per-firewall Security policies to restrict access to out-of- scope user and group information.
C. Establish separate CIE tenants for each business unit, integrating each tenant with the relevant identity source
D. Redistribute user and group data from each tenant only to the region??s firewalls, maintaining a strict one-to-one mapping of tenant to business unit.
E. Disable redistribution of identity data entirel
F. Instead, configure each regional firewall to pull user and group details directly from its local identity providers (IdPs).
G. Deploy a single CIE tenant that collects all identity data, then configure segments within the tenant to filter and redistribute only the relevant user/group sets to each regionalfirewall group.

Answer: B

Explanation:
To meet the requirement of data isolation for different regional business units while minimizing administrative overhead, the best approach is to establish separate Cloud Identity Engine (CIE) tenants for each business unit. Each tenant would be integrated with the relevant identity sources (such as on-premises AD, Azure AD, and Okta) for that specific region. This ensures that the identity data for each region is kept isolated and only relevant user and group data is distributed to the respective regional firewalls.
By maintaining a strict one-to-one mapping between CIE tenants and business units, the organization ensures that each region??s firewall only receives the user and group data relevant to that region, thus meeting data sovereignty requirements and minimizing administrative complexity.

NEW QUESTION 21
Without performing a context switch, which set of operations can be performed that will affect the operation of a connected firewall on the Panorama GUI?

A. Restarting the local firewall, running a packet capture, accessing the firewall CLI
B. Modification of local security rules, modification of a Layer 3 interface, modification of the firewall device hostname
C. Modification of pre-security rules, modification of a virtual router, modification of an IKE Gateway Network Profile
D. Modification of post NAT rules, creation of new views on the local firewall ACC tab, creation of local custom reports

Answer: B

Explanation:
In Panorama, without performing a context switch, the administrator can perform local configuration tasks directly on the connected firewall. The following operations can be done:
Modification of local security rules: Security rules can be modified directly on the connected firewall from the Panorama GUI.
Modification of a Layer 3 interface: Changes to the Layer 3 interfaces on the connected firewall can be done from Panorama, without needing to switch to the firewall's local interface.
Modification of the firewall device hostname: The firewall's hostname can be changed via Panorama.

NEW QUESTION 22
What are the phases of the Palo Alto Networks AI Runtime Security: Network Intercept solution?

A. Scanning, Isolation, Whitelisting, Logging
B. Discovery, Deployment, Detection, Prevention
C. Policy Generation, Discovery, Enforcement, Logging
D. Profiling, Policy Generation, Enforcement, Reporting

Answer: B

Explanation:
The phases of the Palo Alto Networks AI Runtime Security: Network Intercept solution are designed to help identify and protect against potential threats in real time by using AI to detect and prevent malicious activities within the network.
Discovery: Identifying applications, services, and behaviors within the network to understand baseline activity.
Deployment: Implementing the solution into the network and integrating with existing security measures.
Detection: Monitoring traffic and activities to identify abnormal or malicious behavior. Prevention: Taking action to stop threats once detected, such as blocking malicious traffic or stopping exploit attempts.

NEW QUESTION 23
Which CLI command is used to configure the management interface as a DHCP client?

A. set network dhcp interface management
B. set network dhcp type management-interface
C. set deviceconfig system type dhcp-client
D. set deviceconfig management type dhcp-client

Answer: D

Explanation:

To configure the management interface as a DHCP client on a Palo Alto Networks NGFW, the correct CLI command is set deviceconfig management type dhcp-client.
This command configures the management interface to obtain an IP address dynamically using DHCP.

NEW QUESTION 24
Which forwarding methods can be used on the Objects tab when configuring the Log Forwarding profile?

A. Panorama, syslog, email
B. Syslog, HTTP, NetFlow
C. Panorama, ADEM, syslog
D. SNMP, HTTP, RADIUS

Answer: A

Explanation:
When configuring the Log Forwarding profile on a Palo Alto Networks firewall, the forwarding methods available include:
Panorama: For forwarding logs to a Panorama management system. Syslog: For forwarding logs to a syslog server.
Email: For sending logs via email.

NEW QUESTION 29
In a Palo Alto Networks environment, GlobalProtect has been enabled using certificate- based authentication for both users and devices. To ensure proper validation of certificates, one or more certificate profiles are configured.
What function do certificate profiles serve in this context?

A. They store private keys for users and devices, effectively allowing the firewall to issue orreissue certificates if the primary Certificate Authority (CA) becomes unavailable, providing a built-in fallback CA to maintain continuous certificate issuance and authentication.
B. They define trust anchors (root / intermediate Certificate Authorities (CAs)), specify revocation checks (CRL/OCSP), and map certificate attributes (e.g., CN) for user or device authentication.
C. They allow the firewall to bypass certificate validation entirely, focusing only on username / password-based authentication.
D. They provide a one-click mechanism to distribute certificates to all endpoints without relying on external enrollment methods.

Answer: B

Explanation:
In the context of GlobalProtect with certificate-based authentication, certificate profiles are used to ensure proper validation of the certificates. They perform the following functions: Define trust anchors, which are the root and intermediate Certificate Authorities (CAs) that the firewall trusts to authenticate certificates.
Specify revocation checks, such as CRL (Certificate Revocation List) and OCSP (Online Certificate Status Protocol), to ensure that the certificates being used have not been revoked.
Map certificate attributes, such as the Common Name (CN), which helps in authenticating users and devices based on their certificates.

NEW QUESTION 33
Which two actions in the IKE Gateways will allow implementation of post-quantum cryptography when building VPNs between multiple Palo Alto Networks NGFWs? (Choose two.)

A. Select IKE v2, enable the Advanced Options • PQ PPK, then set a 64+ character string for the post-quantum pre shared key.
B. Ensure Authentication is set to ??certificate,?? then import a post-quantum derived certificate.
C. Select IKE v2 Preferred, enable the Advanced Options • PQ KEM, then add one or more ??Rounds.??
D. Select IKE v2, enable the Advanced Options • PQ KEM, then create an IKE Crypto Profile with Advanced Options adding one or more ??Rounds.??

Answer: CD

Explanation:
To implement post-quantum cryptography (PQC) in VPNs between Palo Alto Networks NGFWs, you would enable the PQ KEM (Post-Quantum Key Encapsulation Mechanism) in the IKE gateway configuration. This enables the firewall to use quantum-resistant encryption for key exchange, which is an essential part of securing communications against the potential future threats posed by quantum computing.
By selecting IKE v2 Preferred and enabling the PQ KEM option under Advanced Options, you can add specific Rounds for the post-quantum cryptography process, which will help in implementing quantum-resistant key exchange methods.
This option similarly selects IKE v2 and enables PQ KEM while also creating a dedicated IKE Crypto Profile with the necessary Rounds configured for post-quantum cryptography.

NEW QUESTION 35
Which set of options is available for detailed logs when building a custom report on a Palo Alto Networks NGFW?

A. Traffic, User-ID, URL
B. Traffic, threat, data filtering, User-ID
C. GlobalProtect, traffic, application statistics
D. Threat, GlobalProtect, application statistics, WildFire submissions

Answer: B

Explanation:
When building a custom report on a Palo Alto Networks NGFW, you can select detailed logs that provide specific insights into various aspects of firewall activity.
The available options for detailed logs typically include:
Traffic logs: These provide information on the network traffic passing through the firewall. Threat logs: These logs capture data related to identified security threats, such as malware or intrusion attempts.
Data filtering logs: These logs capture events related to data filtering policies, such as preventing the transfer of sensitive data.
User-ID logs: These logs associate user identities with the traffic and activities observed on the firewall, enabling user-based policy enforcement.

NEW QUESTION 37
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