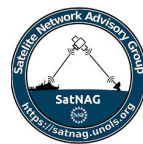


The FortiReckoning

Endeavor Trials + Future Development

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Fortigate 61F Installed in August 2023

- Dove (dived) in with both feet. Fortigate is both the firewall and network core
- HA pair
- DNS relay + DHCP server

Favorable Schedule:

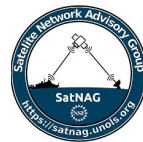
- 14 day inport followed by a few short duration local cruises

Favorable Location:

- Close to Laura, Rachel, Erich
- Beautiful scenic Narragansett RI
 - “The Gem of New England”

Low Risk:

- Relatively simple medium ship network
- Very little *Operational Technology* (OT)



2 Step Process

Phase I -

- Drop-in replacement for Peplink.
Barebones firewall and basic services
- Done in Aug. 2023

Phase II -

- Traffic routed through the HUB
- Management moved to FortiManager, ashore
- Done last week

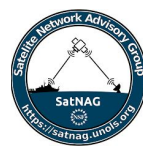
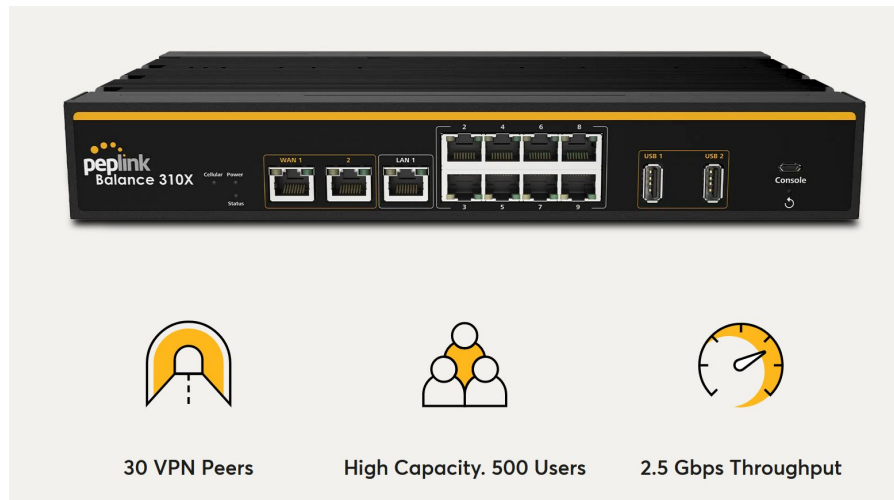


Concerns

Replacing a Peplink Balance 310X HA pair

- Tried and true firewall
- Designed for Maritime
- PepVPN is amazing
- Captive portal was *usable*

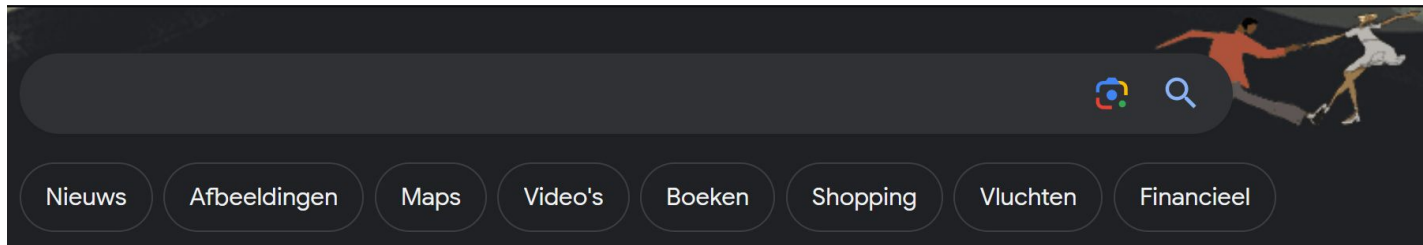
Had high hopes for Sophos XG that never panned out



Concerns

Nagging Issues

- No solid fixed IP for remote access
- Foreign Public IP Addresses
 - Geofencing of services
 - Tailored search results for other countries
- Authentication for URI VPN was hit or miss



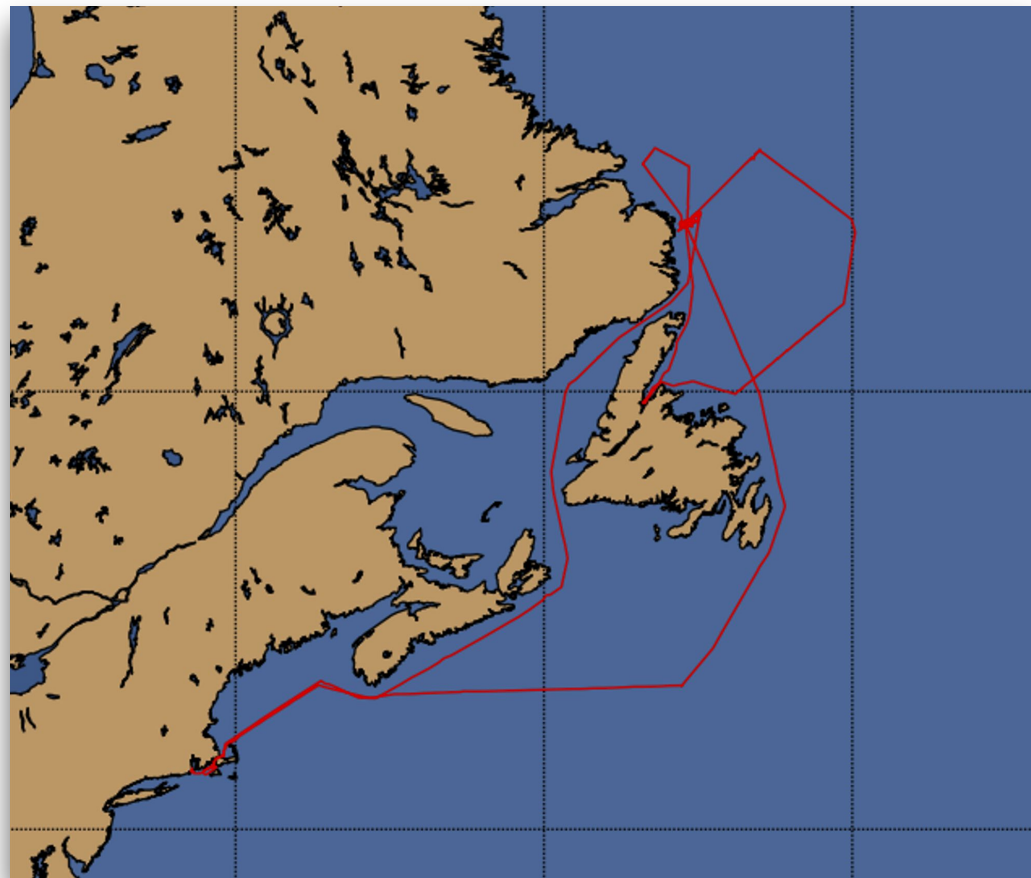
Phase I Results

Very Impressed!

- Fortigate handles WAN balancing *better* than Peplink
- Identification and blocking of problem users is manageable (not great)
- 28 day cruise from Woods Hole to Labrador Sea without a single connectivity issue

The result of two factors

- Adequate bandwidth and dual independent VSATs. Hiseasnet, NSF, & ONR
- Solid firewall, solid network engineering, and lots of homework



Still To-Do for Phase II

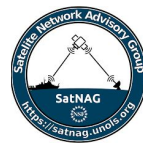
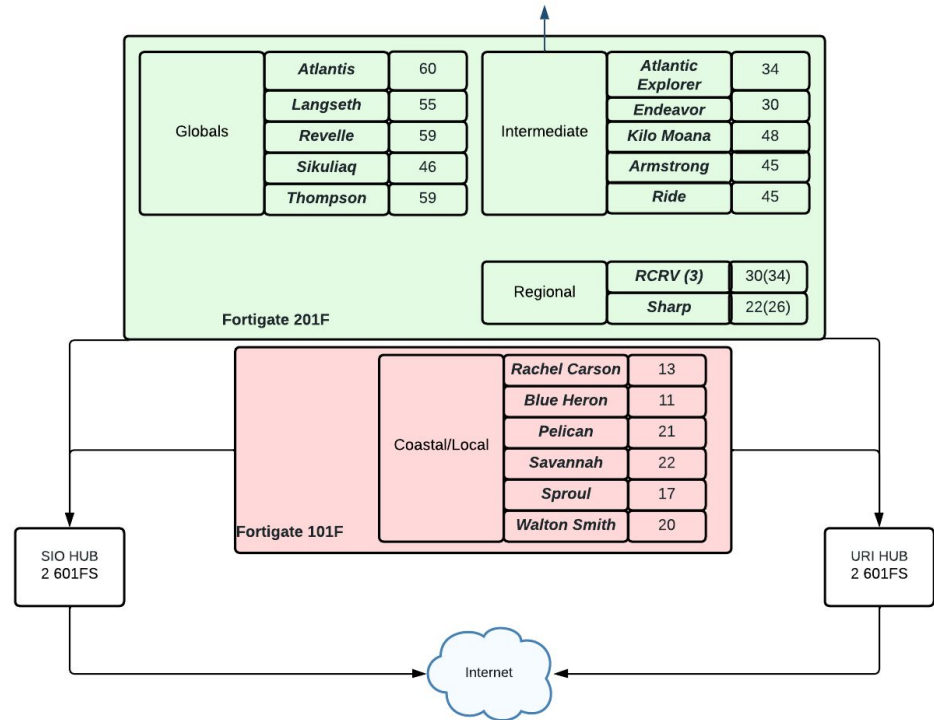
Sea Trials for Hub Architecture

- Nov. 2nd, 5 days after RVTEC
- Our main POC will be out to sea

Get Log Data Flowing to OmniSOC

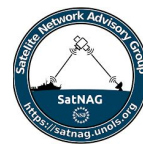
Trials for shore based Fortimanager

- There's going to be some pain but the positives outweigh the negatives



Looking for Early Adopters

- Shore HUBS are on order - hope to be up and running by the end of 2023
- Ship Fortigates have been ordered for the early buy-inners
- Come talk to SatNAG or Hiseasnet people if you are interested in getting involved.



Future Development



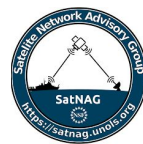
Long-Term Support

This is a complex system and there's a lot of room for growth

There's routine and corrective maintenance that needs to be addressed

Great topic to approach as a fleet

Still a lot of discussion about what support would and should look like



Future Development

FortiOS REST API Tools

Robust user base and libraries

Quickly identify problem users

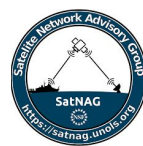
Block and unblock with ease

Custom dashboards and displays for self-monitoring



Allowed methods

HTTP method	Resource URI	Action
GET	/api/v1/ldapusers/	Get all non-admin LDAP users.
GET	/api/v1/ldapusers/{id}/	Get a specific non-admin LDAP user.
POST	/api/v1/ldapusers/{id}/sendoobtoken/	Send an out-of-band token code (email/SMS token) to an LDAP user.
POST	/api/v1/ldapusers/{id}/verifyrecoveryanswer/	Verify the recovery answer for a specific LDAP user. Note: recovery_answer must be included.
PATCH	/api/v1/ldapusers/{id}/	Update specified fields for a specific LDAP user with ID.
DELETE	/api/v1/ldapusers/{id}/	Delete an LDAP user.



Future Development Directory Service

Regarding Common Vulnerabilities:

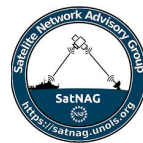
“The use of default administrator accounts and passwords”

Procedural Protective Measures 7.3:

“User accounts should not be passed on from one user to the next using generic usernames”

This is a challenging problem with consideration of all of the edge cases of RV operations

- Permanent crew, visiting scientists, vendors, guests
- IT and OT in the same environment
- Multi-institution machines and users
- On and on and on....very challenging environment



Future Development

Directory Service...the Dream *Holistic User Management*

Pre-Cruise

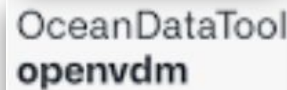
- User onboarding automated as part of the pre-cruise planning

During Cruise

- Reliable user tracking and logging
- SSO access to shipboard services

Post-Cruise

- Controlled access to cruise data
- Long-term communication



Questions?

Thoughts?

Suggestions?

