IPSEC over L2tp between Debian as server and Mikrotik as client

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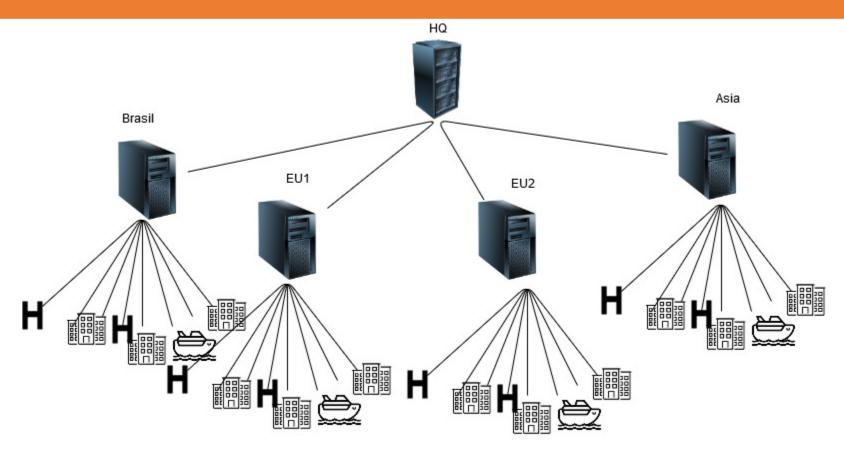
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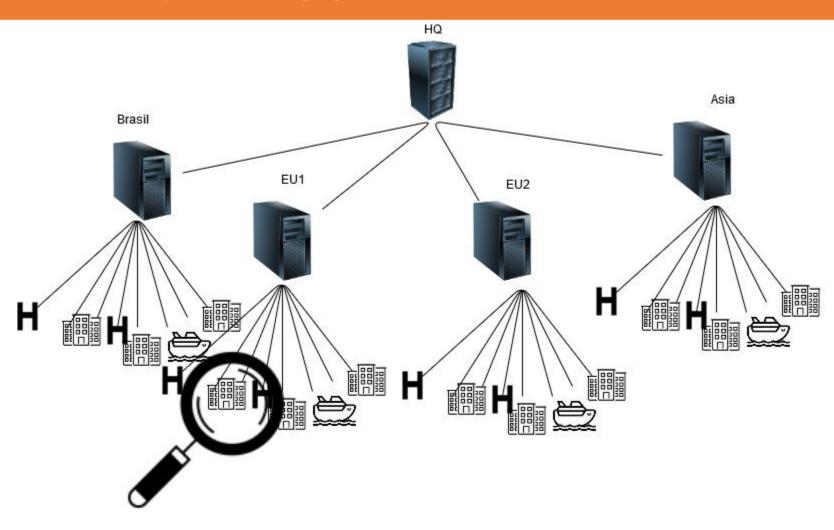
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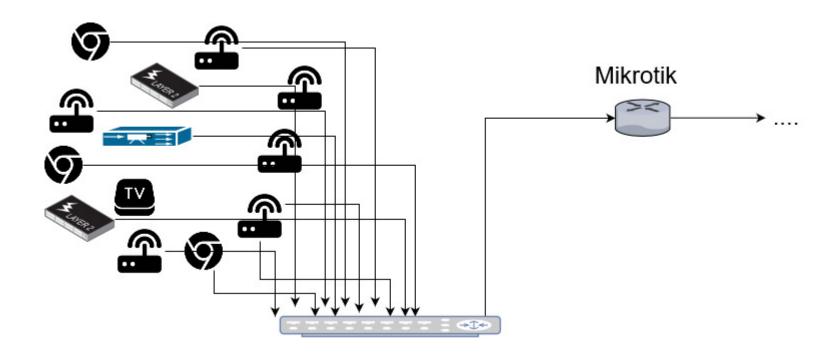
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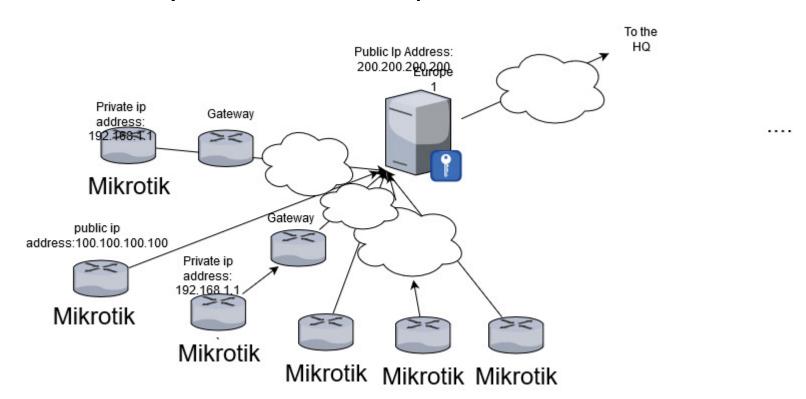


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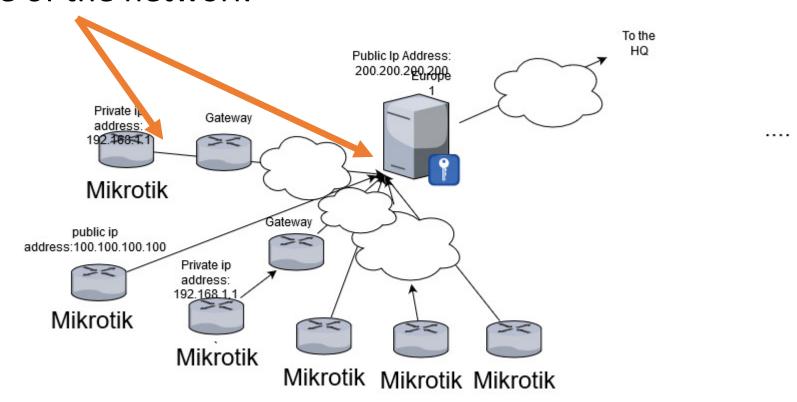
Limitations

- Each customer has its own IP assigning policy.
- Some of Mikrotik may not have even public IP address



Solution

 Layer 2 Tunneling Protocol (L2TP) can be used to connect both site of the network

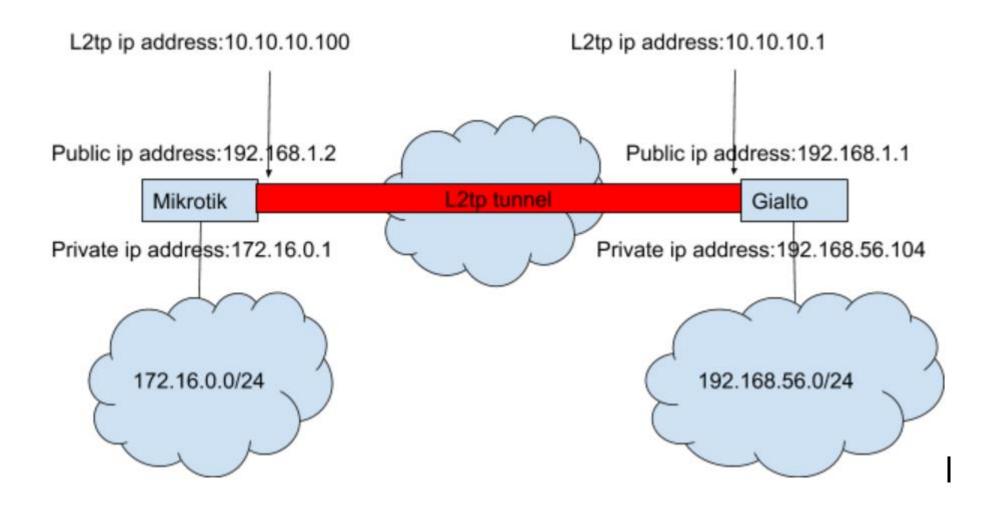


Solution

• L2TP Concerns:

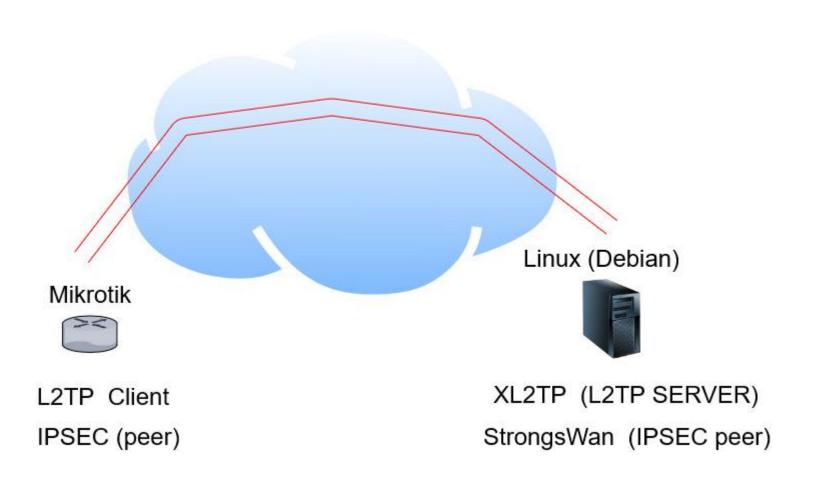
- L2TP is a client server tunnel
 - Regarding to the topology, for establishing L2TP tunnel, we should run L2TP server on the Linux (Debian) and L2TP client on our Mikrotik
- L2TP does not provide any encryption or confidentiality by itself.
 - IPSEC can solve the problem

Solution



Configurations

Services on both sides



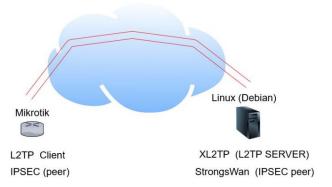
Server Configuration (XL2TP)

Installation: sudo apt-get install xl2tpd

Change the configuration file /etc/xl2tpd/xl2tpd.conf as follows:

[global]
ipsec saref = no
debug tunnel = no
debug avp = no
debug network = no
debug state = no
access control = no
rand source = dev
port = 1701
auth file = /etc/ppp/chap-secrets

[Ins default]
ip range = 10.10.10.10.10.10.10.150
local ip = 10.10.10.1
require authentication = yes
name = l2tp
pass peer = yes
ppp debug = no
length bit = yes
refuse pap = yes
refuse chap = yes
pppoptfile = /etc/ppp/options.xl2tpd



Server Configuration (XL2TP)

Adding Users and secret for L2TP clients

You have to edit /etc/ppp/chap-secrets file like the following:

```
# Secrets for authentication using CHAP
# client server secret IP addresses
ali * 123 10.10.10.100
```

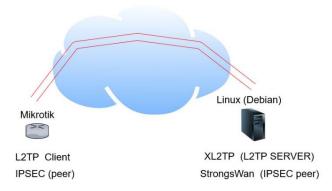
Above file shows this credential:

username: ali Password: 123

Ip address:10.10.10.100

Run the below command to start XL2TP:

XL2TP or XL2TP –D (to start it in debug mode)

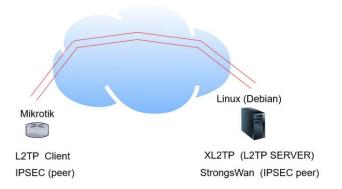


Server Configuration (IPSEC)

Installation: sudo apt-get install strongswan

Edit the file /etc/ipsec.conf:

```
config setup
conn vpnserver
    type=tunnel
    authby=secret
    rekey=no
    keyingtries=3
    left=10.10.10.1
    leftsubnet=192.168.56.0/24
    rightsubnet=172.16.0.0/24
    leftid=10.10.10.1
    right=10.10.10.100
    auto=add
    esp=aes128-sha1-modp1536
    aggressive = no
    ike=aes128-sha1-modp1536
    ikelifetime = 3h
```



Server Configuration (IPSEC)

IPSec Password:

Add the following line to this file /etc/ipsec.secrets:

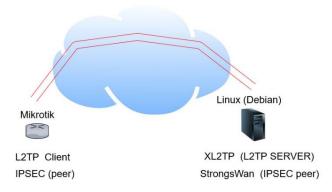
%any %any : PSK "123"

Run this command to start ipsec:

ipsec start

To check if everything is going well, check the status by:

ipsec statusall



Some Extra work

This Linux command shows the policies and states of IPsec tunnel.

```
ip xfrm state
ip xfrm policy
```

Firewall configuration:

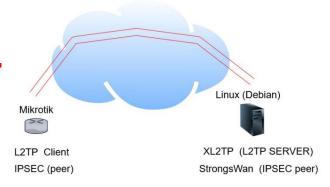
You need to accept packet from your **12tp** clients. (L2tp is port 1701)

You can see if you receive something in L2tp interface

```
tcpdump -i eth0 'port 1701' tcpdump -i ppp0
```

How to deny all I2tp without IPSEC encryption from Mikrotik client?

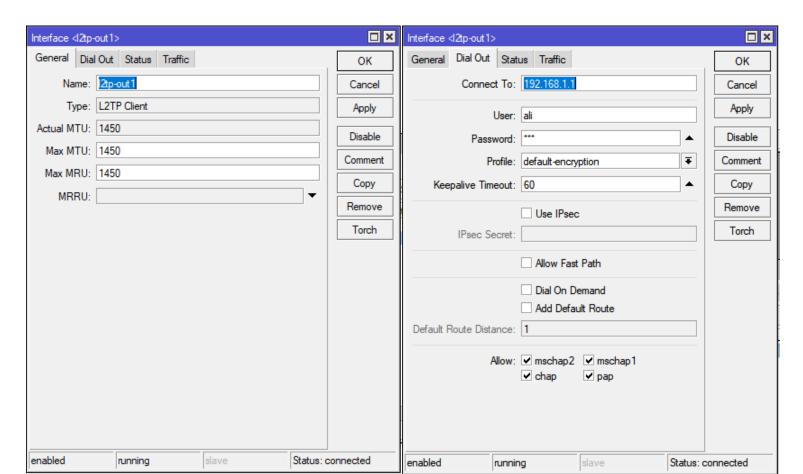
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iptables -A INPUT -p udp --dport 1701 -m policy --dir in --pol ipsec -j ACCEPT iptables -A INPUT -p udp --dport 1701 -j DROP
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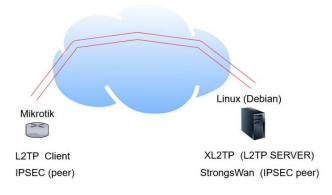


Mikrotik Configuration (L2TP)

Add a l2tpclient in ppp section with the following configuration:

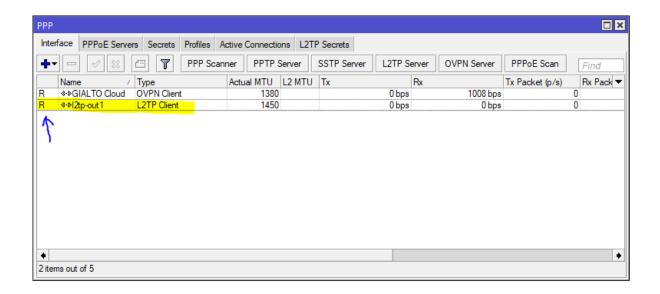
(Don't forget that user and password should be the same as those in /etc/ppp/chap-secrets)

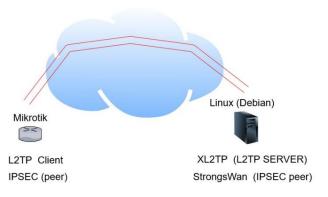




Mikrotik Configuration (L2TP)

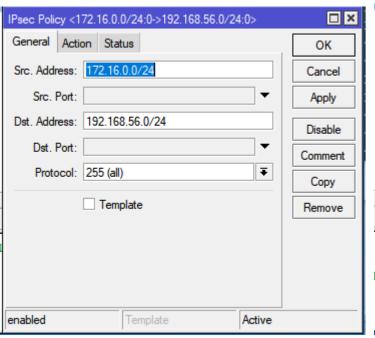
Check if the connection is established or not (you should see R in front of the connection in ppp - > interface section)

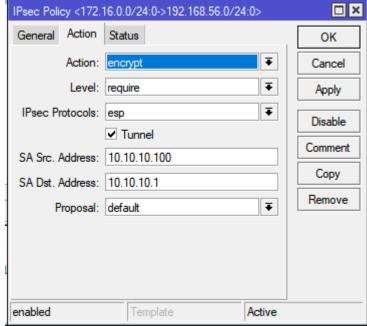


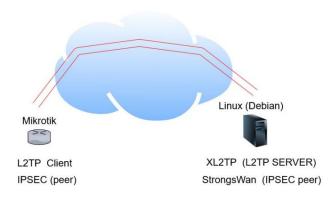


Now, define a new IPSEC manually and set the following configurations:

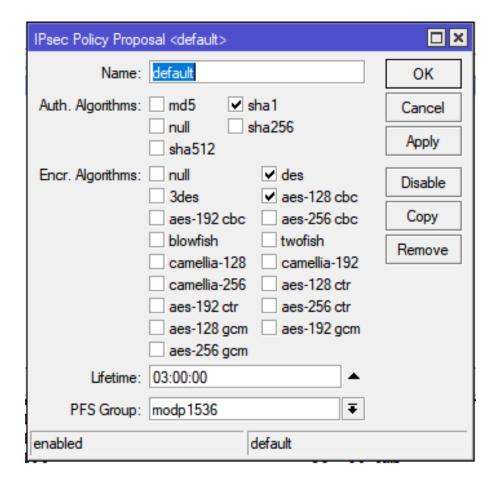
IPSEC => Policy => Add



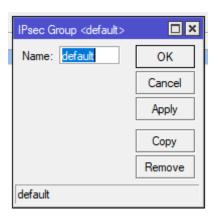


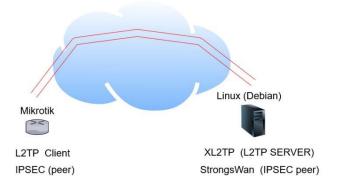


Then in the proposal tab, choose the following:

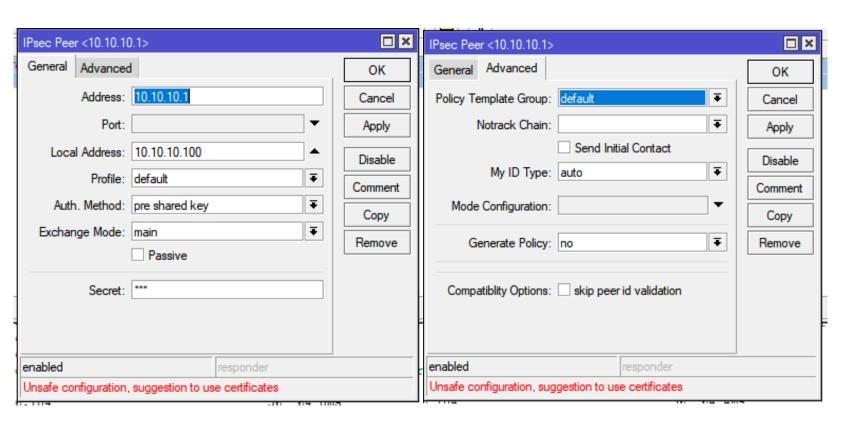


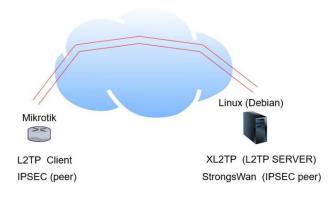
Leave IPSEC group unchanged as:



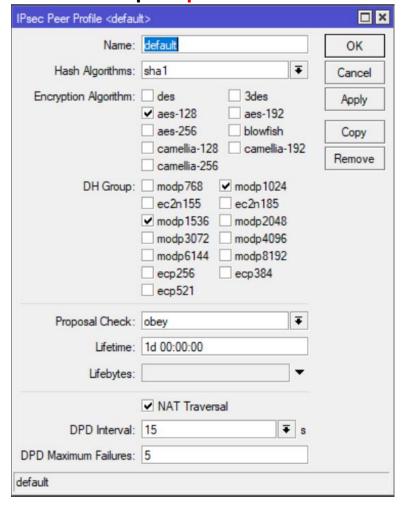


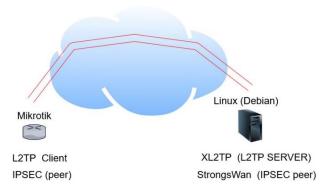
Then add a peer (IPSEC=> peer) like this:



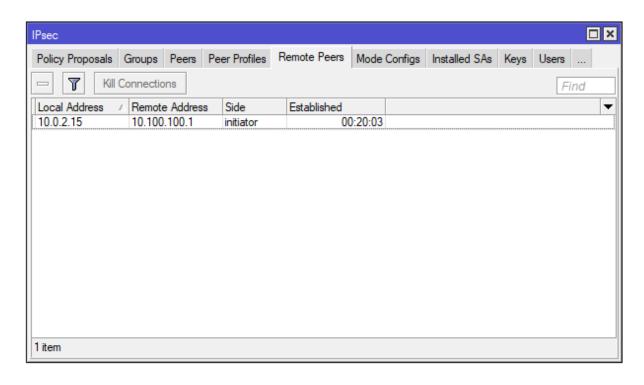


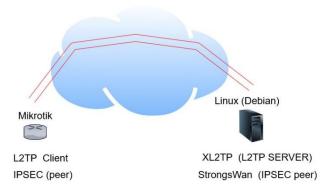
Define peer profile as below:



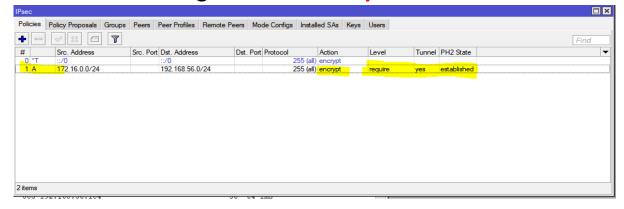


If IPSEC tunnel is established, you should see the following in IP->IPSEC_Remote Peers

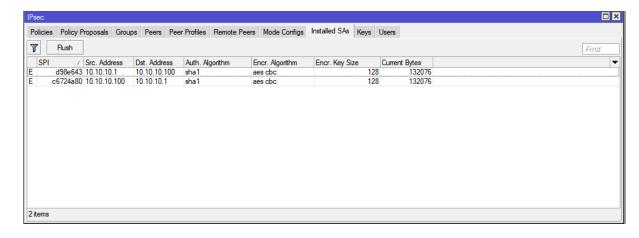


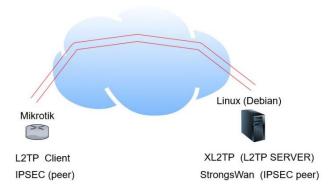


And the following in IPSEC=>Policy:



Also you should see in IPSEC=>INSTALLED SAs:





Questions?

End...