



RELEASE NOTES

# **SERVERware 4.6**

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# sipPROT

sipPROT in SERVERware 4.6 comes with a complete makeover, including various enhancements, a faster in-memory database and an updated user interface aimed at boosting the overall functionality and user experience of sipPROT.

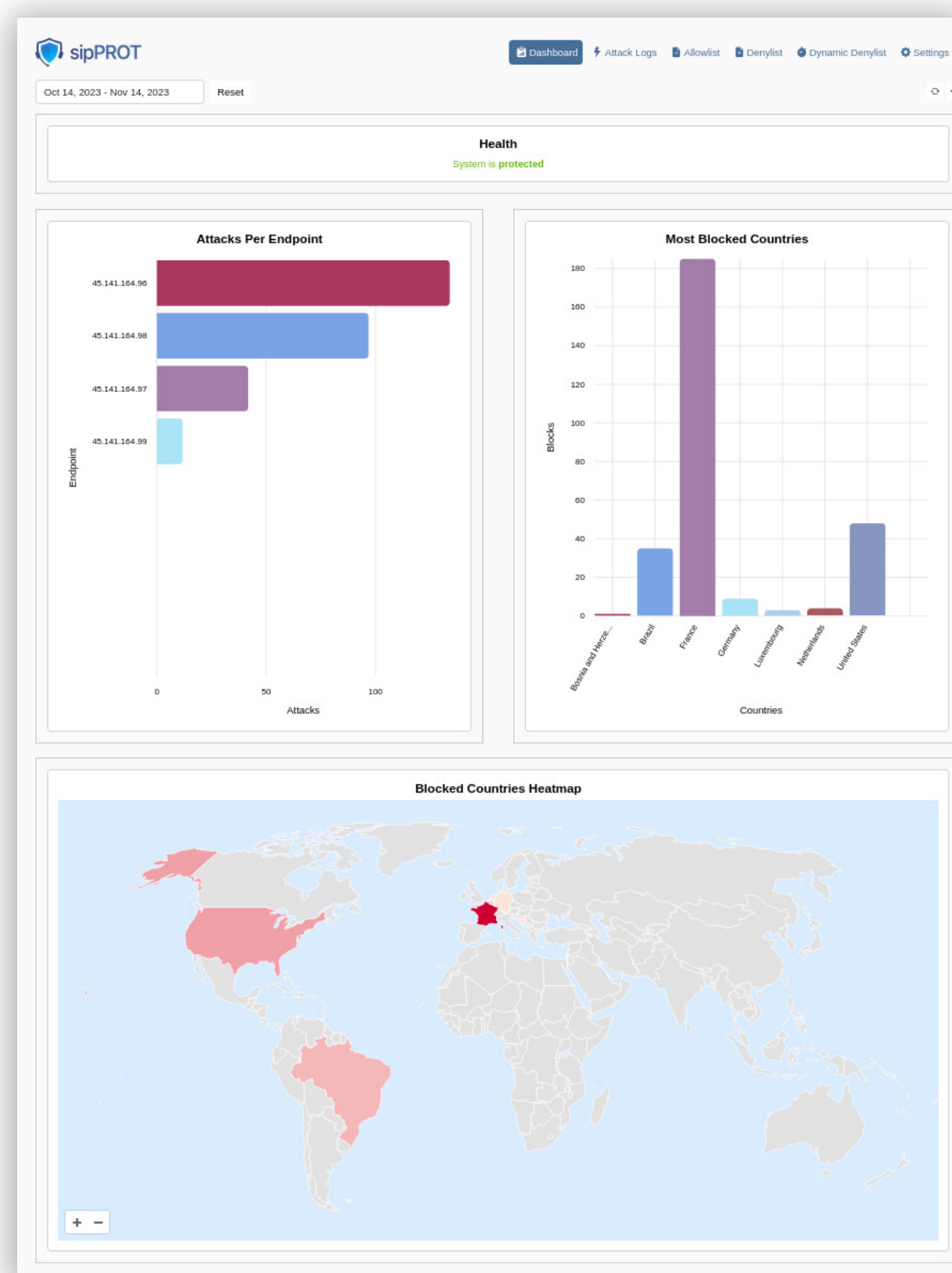
## sipPROT Dashboard

The sipPROT Dashboard was added to provide a clear overview of blocked attacks, Geo-IP data and overall health status of the firewall.

The attacks per endpoint chart shows the number of attacks for each VPS on the system, or rather, their IPs that were under attack. Hovering on each bar will display the number of attacks which helps administrators see which VPS is most susceptible to them.

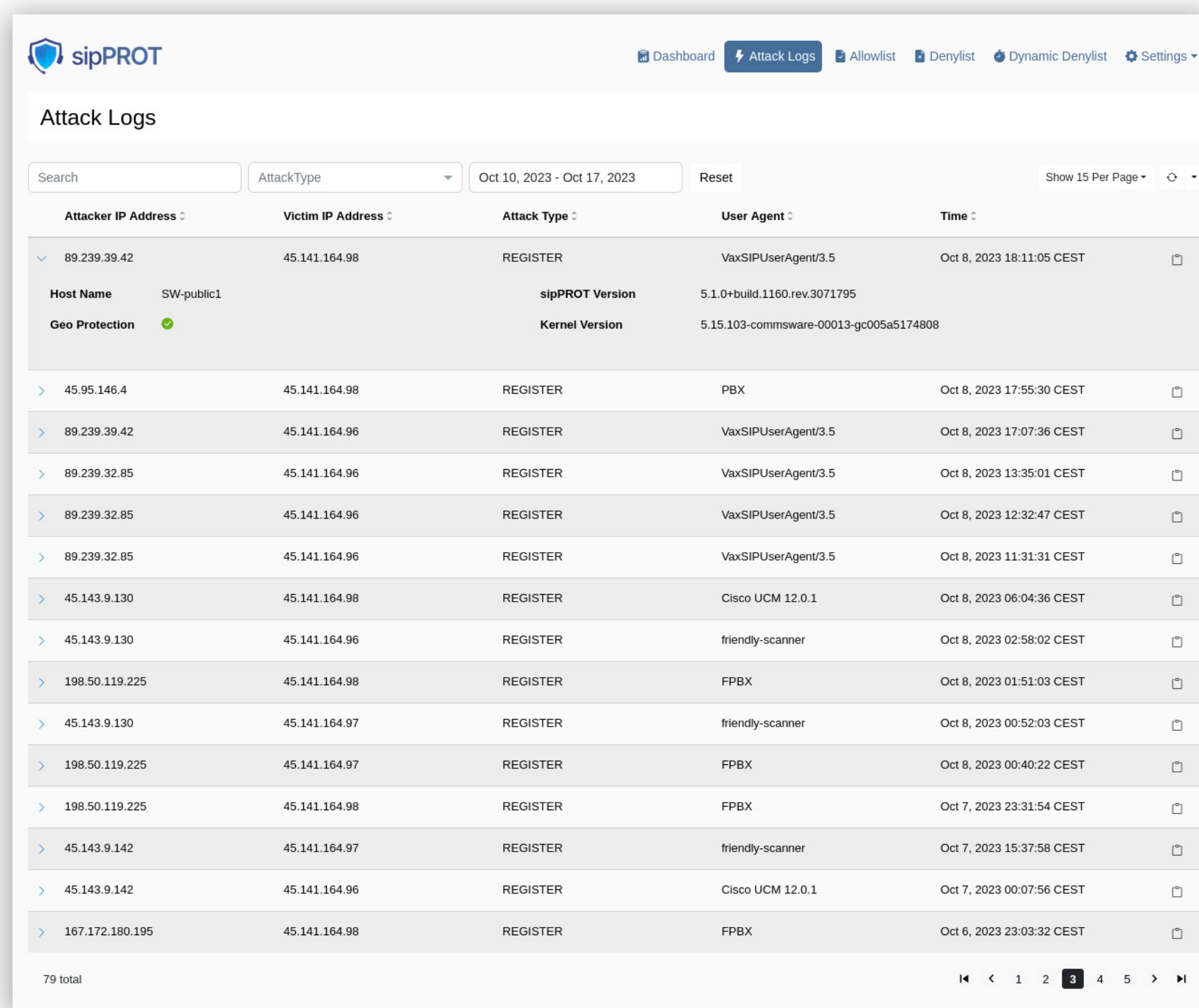
The Most Blocked Countries chart shows the number of IPs that were blocked from each country so that administrators can use the data to adjust geo-ip protection policies accordingly.

The Blocked Countries Heatmap visually illustrates the countries with the highest number of blocked IP addresses with the intensity of the color indicating the severity of IP address blocks. The darker the color, the greater the number of blocked IPs.



# Attack Logs

sipPROT's Attack Logs will display logs of all SIP attacks on the system with the intention to provide a better insight into the security of the entire system and allow administrators to apply additional measures if necessary.



Attacker IP Address	Victim IP Address	Attack Type	User Agent	Time
89.239.39.42	45.141.164.98	REGISTER	VaxSIPUserAgent/3.5	Oct 8, 2023 18:11:05 CEST
<b>Host Name</b> SW-public1 <b>Geo Protection</b> <span style="color: green;">✔</span> <b>sipPROT Version</b> 5.1.0+build.1160.rev.3071795 <b>Kernel Version</b> 5.15.103-commsware-00013-gc005a5174808				
45.95.146.4	45.141.164.98	REGISTER	PBX	Oct 8, 2023 17:55:30 CEST
89.239.39.42	45.141.164.96	REGISTER	VaxSIPUserAgent/3.5	Oct 8, 2023 17:07:36 CEST
89.239.32.85	45.141.164.96	REGISTER	VaxSIPUserAgent/3.5	Oct 8, 2023 13:35:01 CEST
89.239.32.85	45.141.164.96	REGISTER	VaxSIPUserAgent/3.5	Oct 8, 2023 12:32:47 CEST
89.239.32.85	45.141.164.96	REGISTER	VaxSIPUserAgent/3.5	Oct 8, 2023 11:31:31 CEST
45.143.9.130	45.141.164.98	REGISTER	Cisco UCM 12.0.1	Oct 8, 2023 06:04:36 CEST
45.143.9.130	45.141.164.96	REGISTER	friendly-scanner	Oct 8, 2023 02:58:02 CEST
198.50.119.225	45.141.164.98	REGISTER	FPBX	Oct 8, 2023 01:51:03 CEST
45.143.9.130	45.141.164.97	REGISTER	friendly-scanner	Oct 8, 2023 00:52:03 CEST
198.50.119.225	45.141.164.97	REGISTER	FPBX	Oct 8, 2023 00:40:22 CEST
198.50.119.225	45.141.164.98	REGISTER	FPBX	Oct 7, 2023 23:31:54 CEST
45.143.9.142	45.141.164.97	REGISTER	friendly-scanner	Oct 7, 2023 15:37:58 CEST
45.143.9.142	45.141.164.96	REGISTER	Cisco UCM 12.0.1	Oct 7, 2023 00:07:56 CEST
167.172.180.195	45.141.164.98	REGISTER	FPBX	Oct 6, 2023 23:03:32 CEST

The logs will show the attacker's and the victim's IP addresses, the attack type, the user agent and the date and time of the attack. By clicking on the symbol in front of each log, administrators can find more information, namely on which host the attack was detected, whether Geo-IP protection is available on that host and the host's sipPROT and kernel versions.

The logs can be filtered either by utilizing the search bar or by choosing the attack type to be presented from the drop down menu next to the bar.

sipPROT's attack logs will differentiate between two types of attack, REGISTER and OPTIONS.

Attack Logs

Search: [ ] Attack Type: [ ] Nov 8, 2023 - Nov 21, 2023 [ ] Reset [ ] 15 Per Page [ ]

Attacker IP Address	Attack Type	User Agent	Time
74.208.230.22	OPTIONS	<b>friendly-scanner</b>	Nov 18, 2023 21:14:32 CET
74.208.230.22	OPTIONS	<b>friendly-scanner</b>	Nov 18, 2023 21:14:32 CET
74.208.230.22	OPTIONS	<b>friendly-scanner</b>	Nov 18, 2023 15:47:50 CET
74.208.230.22	OPTIONS	<b>friendly-scanner</b>	Nov 18, 2023 15:47:50 CET
74.208.230.22	OPTIONS	<b>friendly-scanner</b>	Nov 18, 2023 15:47:50 CET
85.239.236.254	OPTIONS	<b>friendly-scanner</b>	Nov 18, 2023 15:34:03 CET
85.239.236.254	OPTIONS	<b>friendly-scanner</b>	Nov 18, 2023 15:34:03 CET
212.129.52.45	REGISTER	<b>pplsip</b>	Nov 15, 2023 13:10:20 CET
212.129.55.10	REGISTER	<b>pplsip</b>	Nov 15, 2023 13:10:17 CET
212.129.52.45	REGISTER	<b>pplsip</b>	Nov 15, 2023 13:09:51 CET
212.129.55.10	REGISTER	<b>pplsip</b>	Nov 15, 2023 13:09:46 CET
212.129.52.45	REGISTER	<b>pplsip</b>	Nov 15, 2023 11:52:15 CET
212.129.55.10	REGISTER	<b>pplsip</b>	Nov 15, 2023 11:52:01 CET
104.225.219.109	OPTIONS	<b>friendly-scanner</b>	Nov 14, 2023 16:10:10 CET
212.129.52.45	REGISTER	<b>pplsip</b>	Nov 14, 2023 16:03:14 CET

Known user agents will be singled out in bold letters on the logs. Logs are kept for three months.

## IP Addresses Lists - Improved Dynamic Denylist

The dynamic denylist functionality has been further enhanced so that when an address is dynamically blocked on one host, that information is shared among all hosts within the cluster.

Addresses that end up permanently blocked through the dynamic denylist functionality (by exceeding the block threshold) will appear in the denylist.

The dynamic denylist has been further enhanced so it shows the user agent device of the blocked address. If it's a known user agent device, it will appear in bold letters.

Manage Dynamic Denylist

Search: [ ] Country: [ ] Reset [ ] Show 15 Per Page [ ]

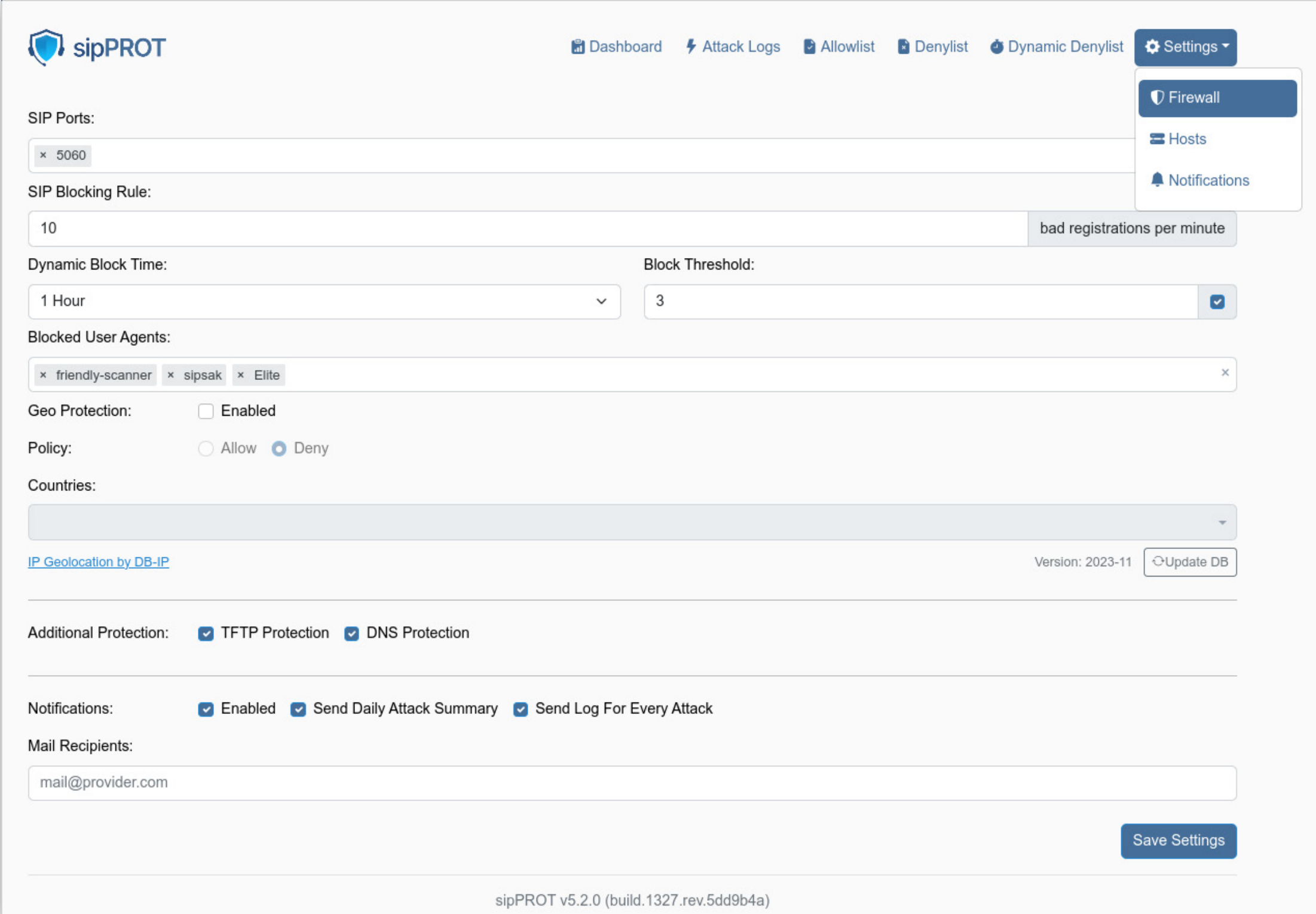
IP Address	Country	Attack Type	User Agent	Unblock In	Actions
45.143.9.131	United States	REGISTER	Cisco	57m 27s	[X]
45.155.91.237	Poland	OPTIONS	<b>friendly-scanner</b>	2m 54s	[X]

0 selected / 2 total

# Settings

General sipPROT settings can be found under Settings → Firewall.

The Host menu provides sipPROT with information for each host in the cluster. Administrators will be able to monitor the health of sipPROT and the Geo-IP service on each host. They will be able to exclude a host from sipPROT with a single click.



The screenshot shows the sipPROT web interface. At the top left is the sipPROT logo. The navigation bar includes Dashboard, Attack Logs, Allowlist, Denylist, Dynamic Denylist, and Settings. The Settings dropdown menu is open, showing Firewall, Hosts, and Notifications. The Firewall settings page is displayed, featuring the following sections:

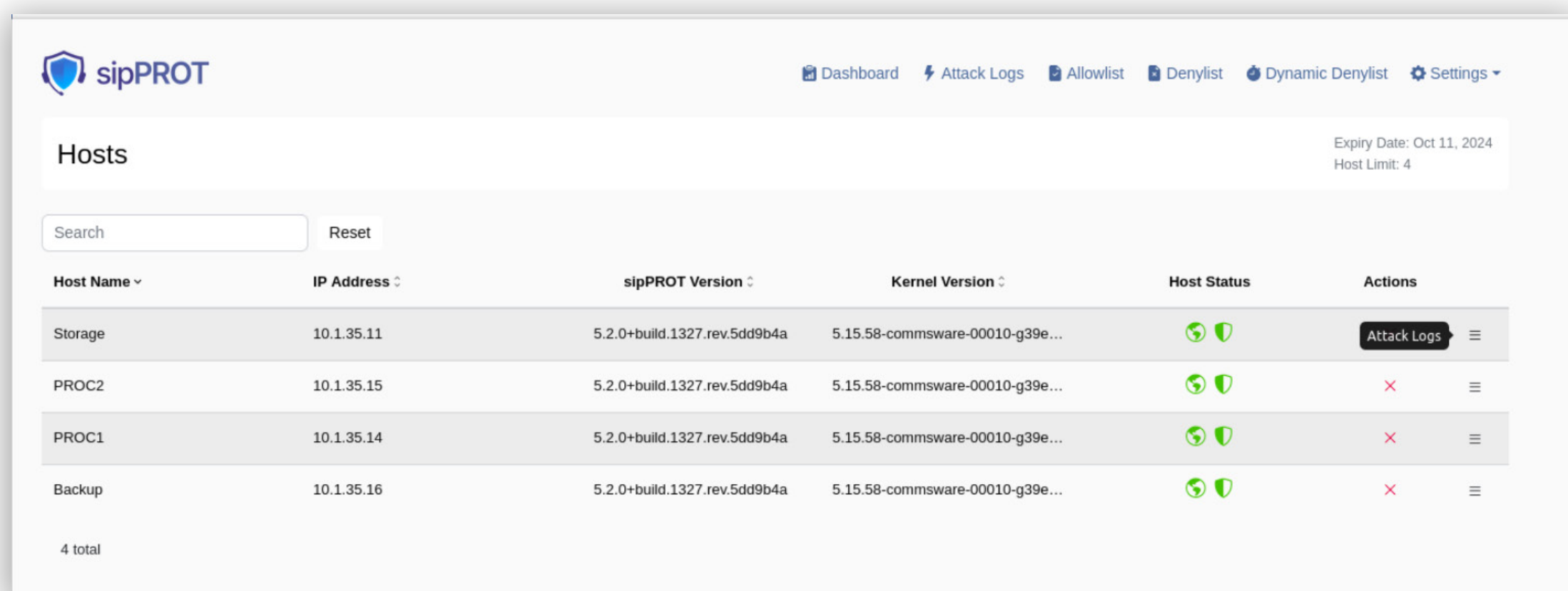
- SIP Ports:** A text input field containing "5060".
- SIP Blocking Rule:** A text input field containing "10" and a label "bad registrations per minute".
- Dynamic Block Time:** A dropdown menu set to "1 Hour".
- Block Threshold:** A text input field containing "3" with a checkmark icon.
- Blocked User Agents:** A list of tags: "friendly-scanner", "sipsak", and "Elite".
- Geo Protection:** A checkbox labeled "Enabled" which is unchecked.
- Policy:** Radio buttons for "Allow" and "Deny", with "Deny" selected.
- Countries:** A dropdown menu.
- IP Geolocation by DB-IP:** A link and a "Version: 2023-11" label with an "Update DB" button.
- Additional Protection:** Checkboxes for "TFTP Protection" and "DNS Protection", both checked.
- Notifications:** Checkboxes for "Enabled", "Send Daily Attack Summary", and "Send Log For Every Attack", all checked.
- Mail Recipients:** A text input field containing "mail@provider.com".

A "Save Settings" button is located at the bottom right. The footer text reads "sipPROT v5.2.0 (build.1327.rev.5dd9b4a)".

# Hosts

sipPROT's Hosts page will provide general information on which hosts in the cluster sipPROT is running, the IP addresses, sipPROT and kernel versions of each host as well as whether geo protection is active on those hosts.

The Host page additionally holds license information, like the expiry date of sipPROT and the number of hosts allowed in the license.



The screenshot shows the sipPROT interface for the Hosts page. At the top, there is a navigation bar with links for Dashboard, Attack Logs, Allowlist, Denylist, Dynamic Denylist, and Settings. Below the navigation bar, the page title "Hosts" is displayed, along with license information: "Expiry Date: Oct 11, 2024" and "Host Limit: 4". A search bar and a "Reset" button are located below the title. The main content is a table with the following columns: Host Name, IP Address, sipPROT Version, Kernel Version, Host Status, and Actions. The table lists four hosts: Storage, PROC2, PROC1, and Backup. The "Host Status" column shows green checkmarks for all hosts, indicating they are active. The "Actions" column contains an "Attack Logs" button for the Storage host and a red "X" icon for the other three hosts. A "4 total" summary is shown at the bottom of the table.

Host Name	IP Address	sipPROT Version	Kernel Version	Host Status	Actions
Storage	10.1.35.11	5.2.0+build.1327.rev.5dd9b4a	5.15.58-commware-00010-g39e...	Active	Attack Logs
PROC2	10.1.35.15	5.2.0+build.1327.rev.5dd9b4a	5.15.58-commware-00010-g39e...	Active	Inactive
PROC1	10.1.35.14	5.2.0+build.1327.rev.5dd9b4a	5.15.58-commware-00010-g39e...	Active	Inactive
Backup	10.1.35.16	5.2.0+build.1327.rev.5dd9b4a	5.15.58-commware-00010-g39e...	Active	Inactive

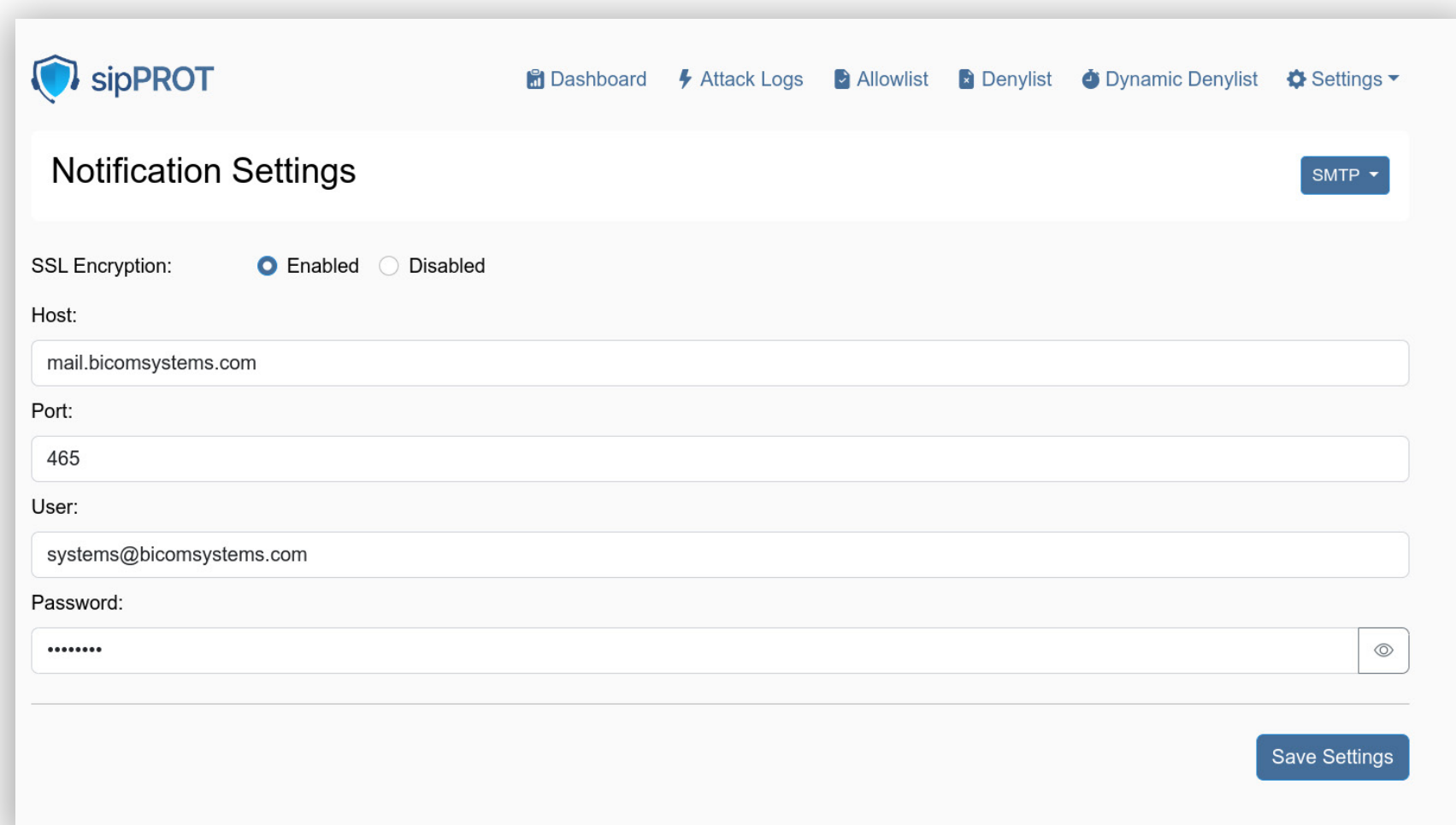
4 total

The Actions button will allow administrators to remove hosts from the list in case sipPROT is not active on those hosts. Internal services will constantly check the availability of hosts, and will mark a host inactive if there is no response within fifteen seconds.

The button on the far right will redirect to attack logs.

# Notifications

sipPROT administrators will be able to configure SMTP settings for notifications sent out by sipPROT.

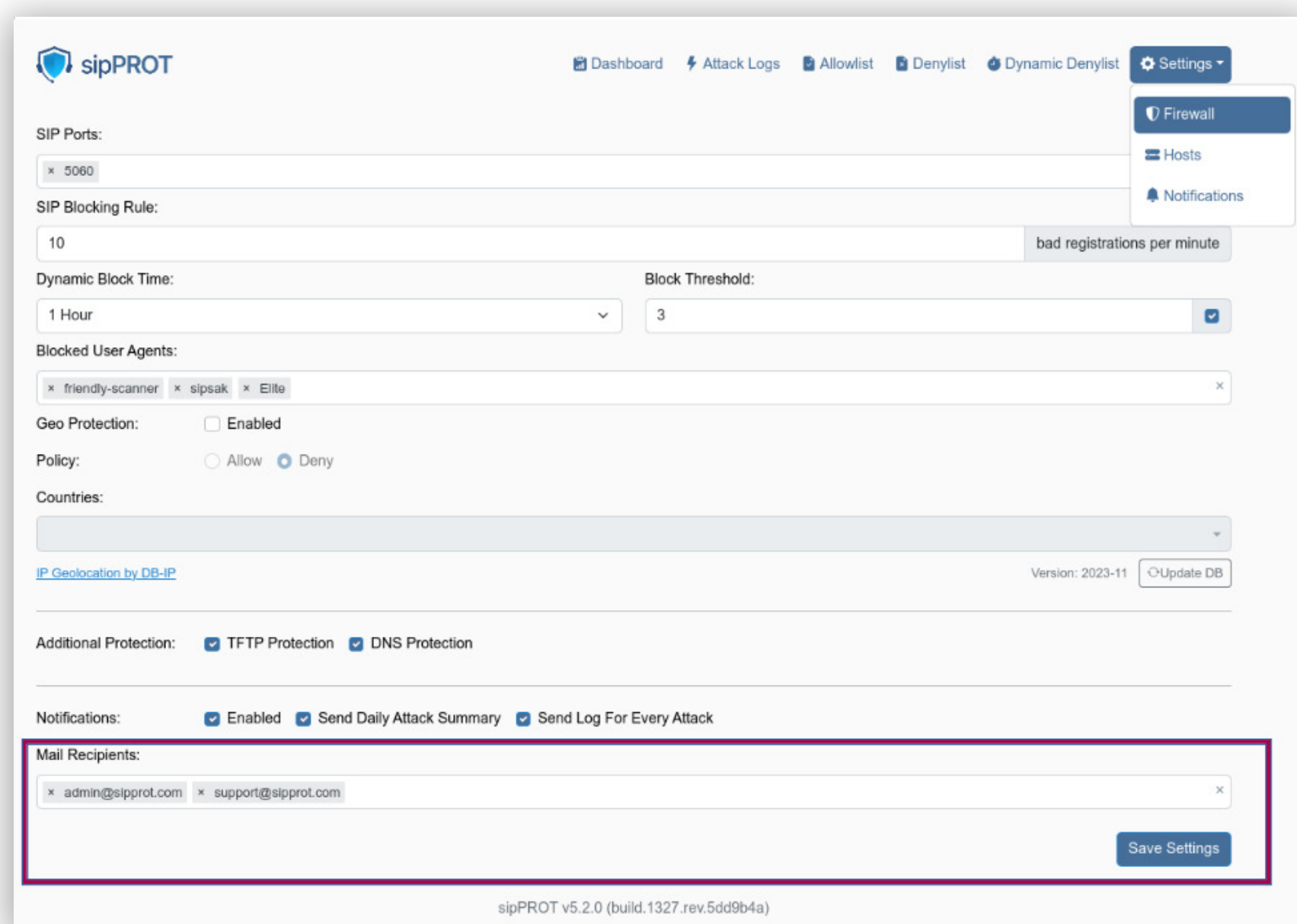


The screenshot shows the 'Notification Settings' page in the sipPROT web interface. The page title is 'Notification Settings' and there is a dropdown menu for 'SMTP'. The settings are as follows:

- SSL Encryption:  Enabled  Disabled
- Host: mail.bicomsystems.com
- Port: 465
- User: systems@bicomsystems.com
- Password: [masked]

A 'Save Settings' button is located at the bottom right of the form.

Under Firewall settings administrators can enter the email addresses of all sipPROT notification recipients.



The screenshot shows the 'Firewall' settings page in the sipPROT web interface. The page title is 'Firewall' and there is a dropdown menu for 'Settings'. The settings are as follows:

- SIP Ports: 5060
- SIP Blocking Rule: 10 bad registrations per minute
- Dynamic Block Time: 1 Hour
- Block Threshold: 3
- Blocked User Agents: friendly-scanner, sipsak, Elite
- Geo Protection:  Enabled
- Policy:  Allow  Deny
- Countries: [empty]
- IP Geolocation by DB-IP: Version: 2023-11 [Update DB]
- Additional Protection:  TFTP Protection  DNS Protection
- Notifications:  Enabled  Send Daily Attack Summary  Send Log For Every Attack
- Mail Recipients: admin@sipprot.com, support@sipprot.com

A 'Save Settings' button is located at the bottom right of the form. The 'Mail Recipients' field is highlighted with a red box.



# Reporting Service

Administrators can choose the type of reports they want to receive from sipPROT.

Notifications:  Enabled  Send Daily Attack Summary  Send Log For Every Attack

The daily reports will provide a list of blocked attacks for the day along with some additional information. The administrators can navigate to the SERVERware GUI by clicking on the link in the report.



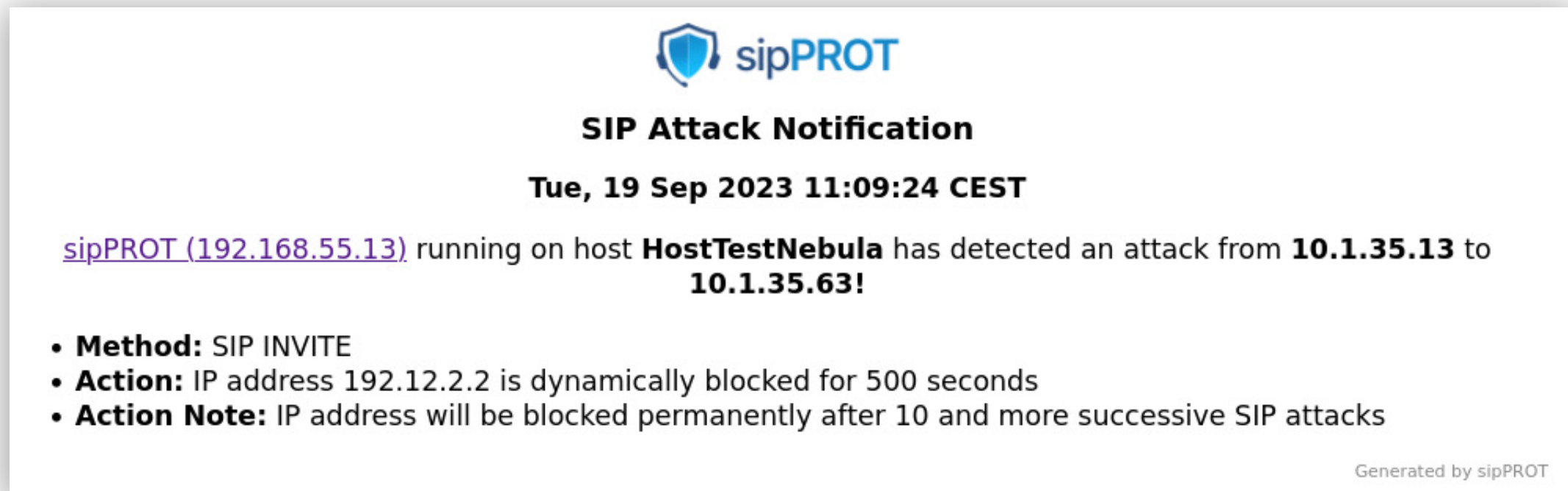
Attacker IP	Country	Method	Victim IP	Blocks
192.168.1.1	United States	SIP Scanner	10.0.0.1	50
192.168.1.5	Australia	SIP Scanner	10.0.0.5	25
192.168.1.7	India	SIP Scanner	10.0.0.7	45
192.168.1.9	Russia	SIP Scanner	10.0.0.9	55
10.0.0.2	Canada	SIP Scanner	192.168.1.2	30
172.16.0.1	Germany	SIP Scanner	192.168.1.3	20
10.0.0.4	United Kingdom	SIP Scanner	192.168.1.4	40
10.0.0.6	France	SIP Scanner	192.168.1.6	35
10.0.0.8	Brazil	SIP Scanner	192.168.1.8	15
192.168.1.1	China	SIP Scanner	192.168.1.10	60

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In case no attacks occurred that day, a notification like the one below will be sent out.

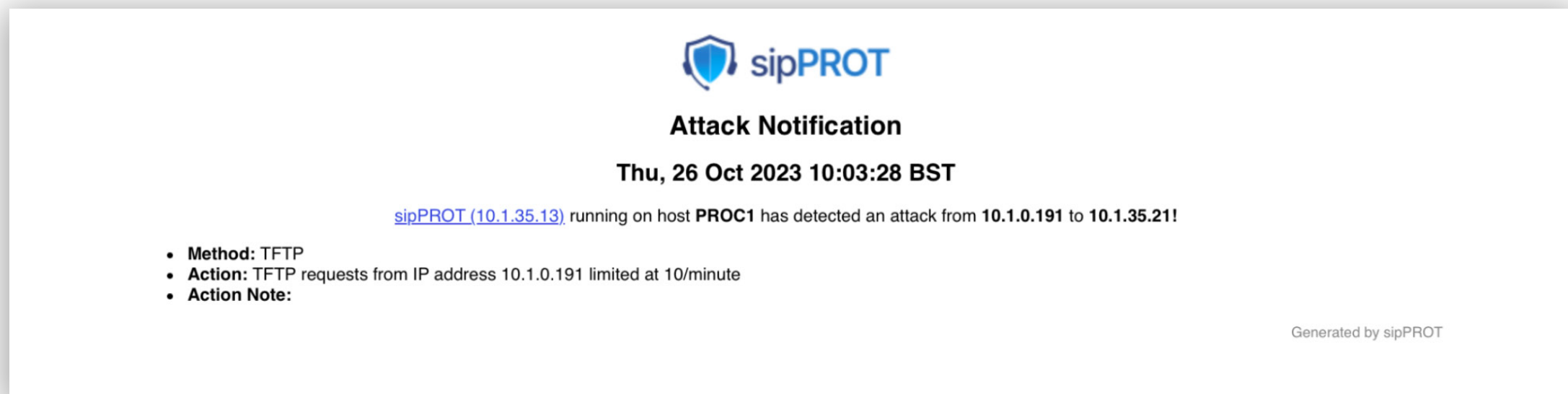


In the event of an ongoing attack on the system, sipPROT will notify the administrators immediately together with the attacker's and the victim's IP addresses, method of attack, as well as what actions were taken.



The screenshot shows an email notification from sipPROT. At the top is the sipPROT logo, which consists of a blue shield icon with a white checkmark inside, followed by the text 'sipPROT' in blue. Below the logo is the title 'SIP Attack Notification' in bold black text, followed by the timestamp 'Tue, 19 Sep 2023 11:09:24 CEST'. The main body of the email states: 'sipPROT (192.168.55.13) running on host HostTestNebula has detected an attack from 10.1.35.13 to 10.1.35.63!'. Below this is a bulleted list of details: 'Method: SIP INVITE', 'Action: IP address 192.12.2.2 is dynamically blocked for 500 seconds', and 'Action Note: IP address will be blocked permanently after 10 and more successive SIP attacks'. In the bottom right corner, it says 'Generated by sipPROT'.

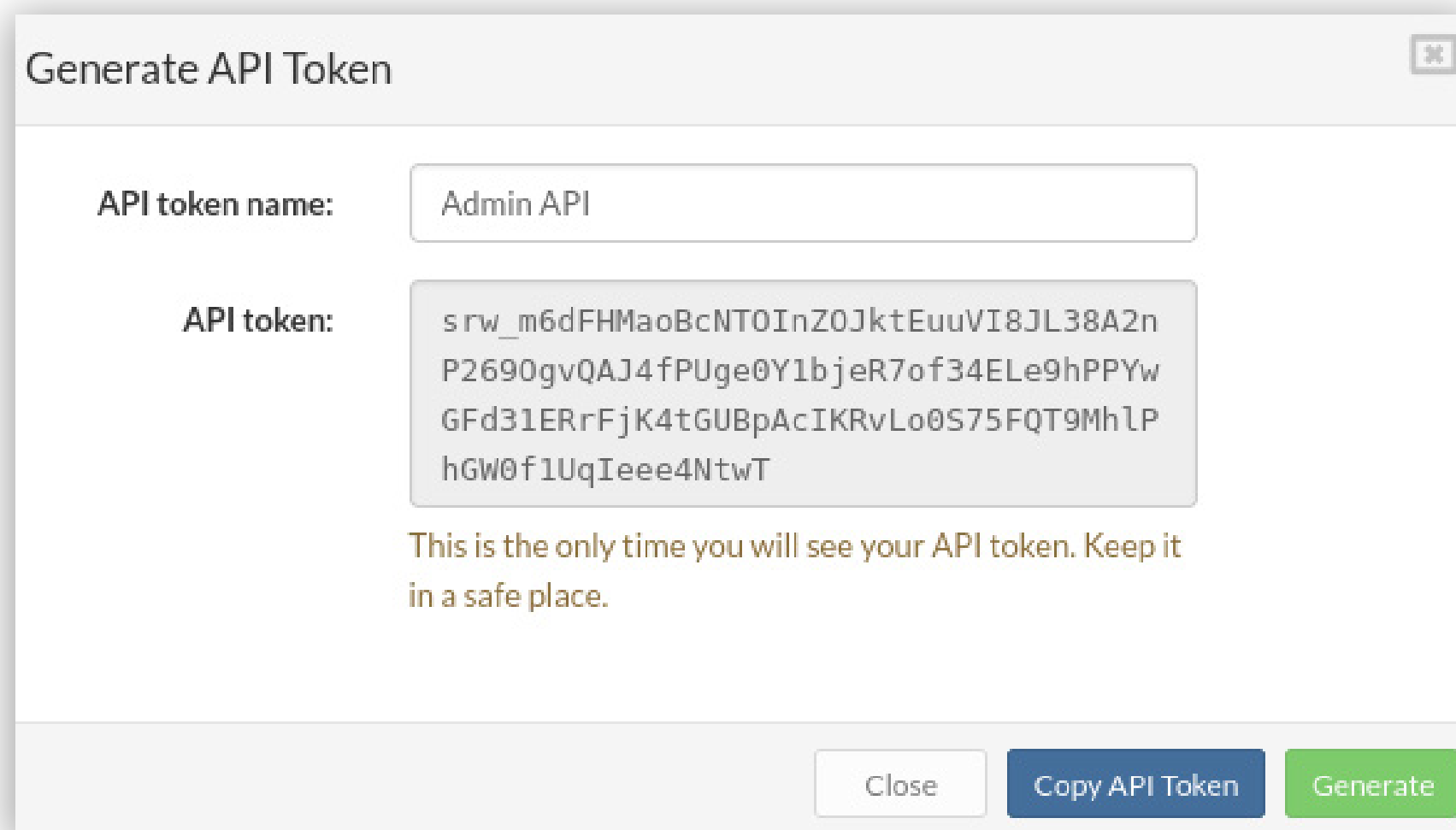
TFTP attacks will also prompt an email notification from sipPROT.



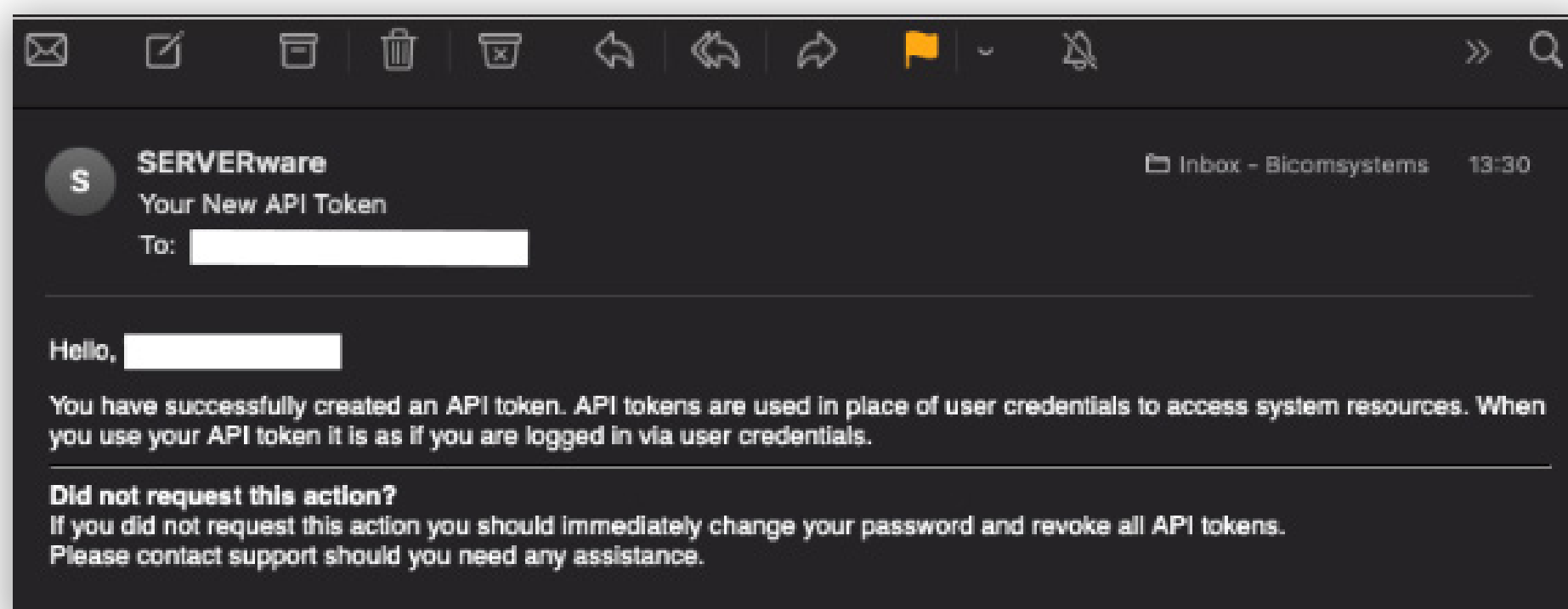
The screenshot shows an email notification from sipPROT. At the top is the sipPROT logo, which consists of a blue shield icon with a white checkmark inside, followed by the text 'sipPROT' in blue. Below the logo is the title 'Attack Notification' in bold black text, followed by the timestamp 'Thu, 26 Oct 2023 10:03:28 BST'. The main body of the email states: 'sipPROT (10.1.35.13) running on host PROC1 has detected an attack from 10.1.0.191 to 10.1.35.21!'. Below this is a bulleted list of details: 'Method: TFTP', 'Action: TFTP requests from IP address 10.1.0.191 limited at 10/minute', and 'Action Note:'. In the bottom right corner, it says 'Generated by sipPROT'.

# API Token Implementation

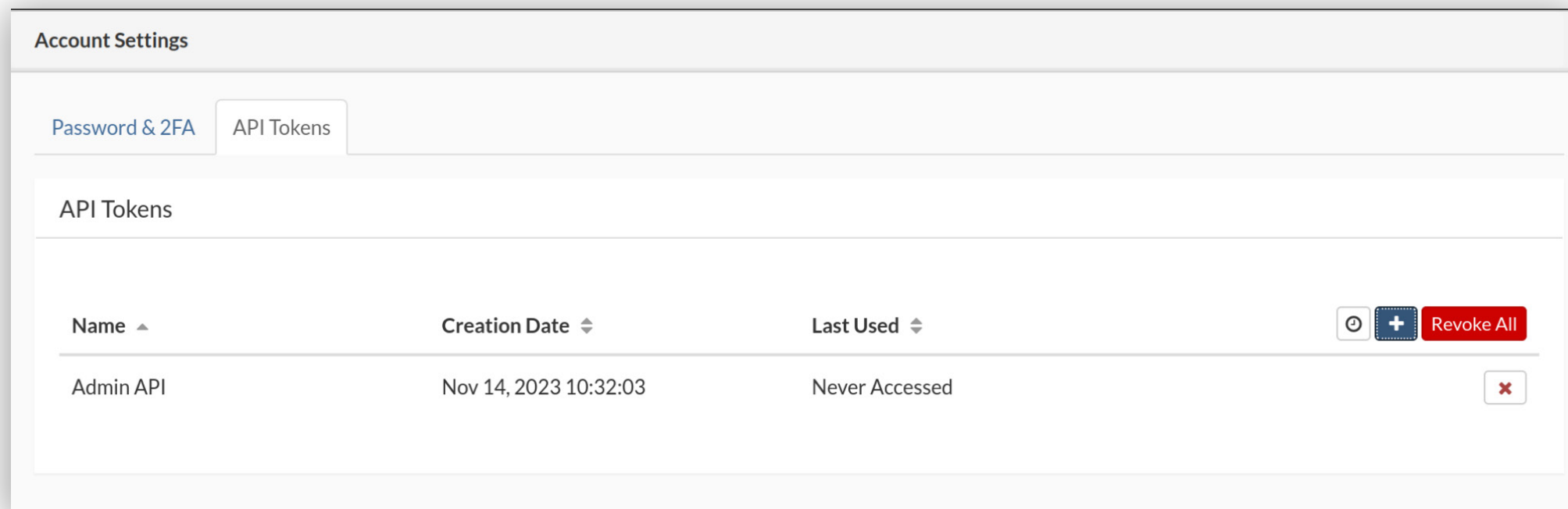
Users in SERVERware can now create API tokens that are tied to their user and will have all the user's permissions. Each user can create a maximum of 10 tokens. As a security measure, the token will only be visible upon creation.



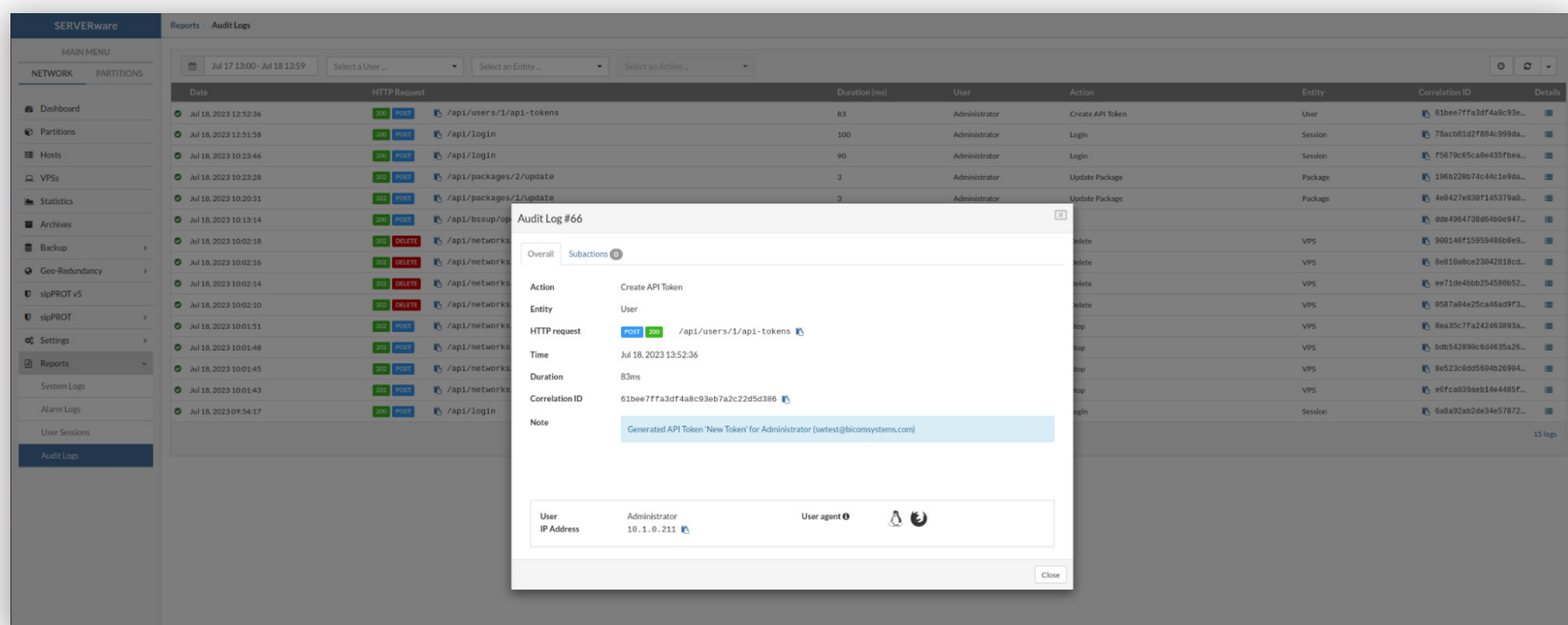
Additionally, an email notification is sent to the user who generated the token, informing them of the token along with a warning of what to do in case they were not the ones who generated the token.



The API tokens interface shows the list of all tokens, when they were created and the last time they were used. It's possible to revoke individual tokens, or to revoke them all.

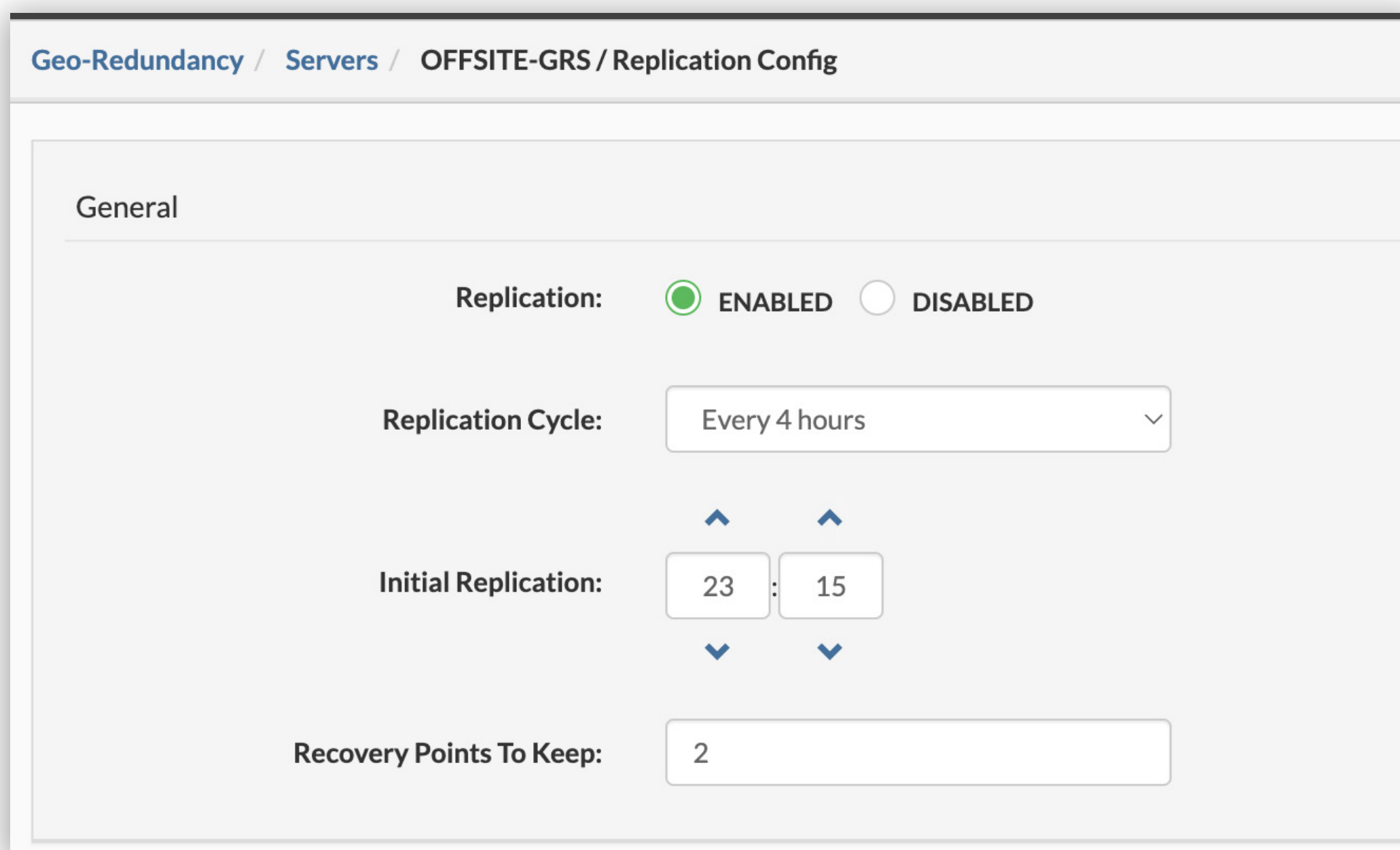


Actions executed with API tokens are documented in the Audit log, mainly POST, PUT and DELETE methods with the name and email of the user to whom the token belongs.



# Set a Start Time for Replications

SERVERware administrators are now able to schedule replications on the hour. This is useful for scenarios where there are multiple replication cycles, so administrators can schedule each cycle separately to avoid unnecessary load on the network and the hosts.



The screenshot shows the 'Replication Config' interface for an 'OFFSITE-GRS' server. The breadcrumb path is 'Geo-Redundancy / Servers / OFFSITE-GRS / Replication Config'. The 'General' tab is active. The 'Replication' status is 'ENABLED' (indicated by a green radio button). The 'Replication Cycle' is set to 'Every 4 hours' in a dropdown menu. The 'Initial Replication' time is set to '23:15' using two input boxes with up/down arrows. The 'Recovery Points To Keep' is set to '2' in a text input field.

The Initial Replication defines the time the first scheduled replication job will start. The number of replications after that is defined by the replication cycle field.

Scheduling replications is only available for cycles from every two hours and up.

# Exclude Clone from Backup in Clone VPS Popup

When cloning VPSs, administrators will be able to select whether that clone will be excluded from the next backup cycle or not, directly from the Clone VPS pop-up window.

Clone VPS: PBXware-Clone

Create a clone VPS based on: **PBXware**

Name: PBXware-Clone

Networking: LAN - 10.1.0.0/16

10.1.35.68

Include In Geo-Redundancy: -- Select --

Exclude from Backup

Cancel Clone

# Add User to Partition Upon User Creation

SERVERware administrators will now be able to add users to partitions upon user creation. The users will be able to sign into their partition immediately.

**Add User:**

General Notifications

Status:  ACTIVE  SUSPENDED

User Role: -- Select --

Partitions: test1 × Monitoring ×

First Name: Name

Last Name: Surname

E-mail: E-mail

Send e-mail with log in details

Phone: Phone

Fax: Fax

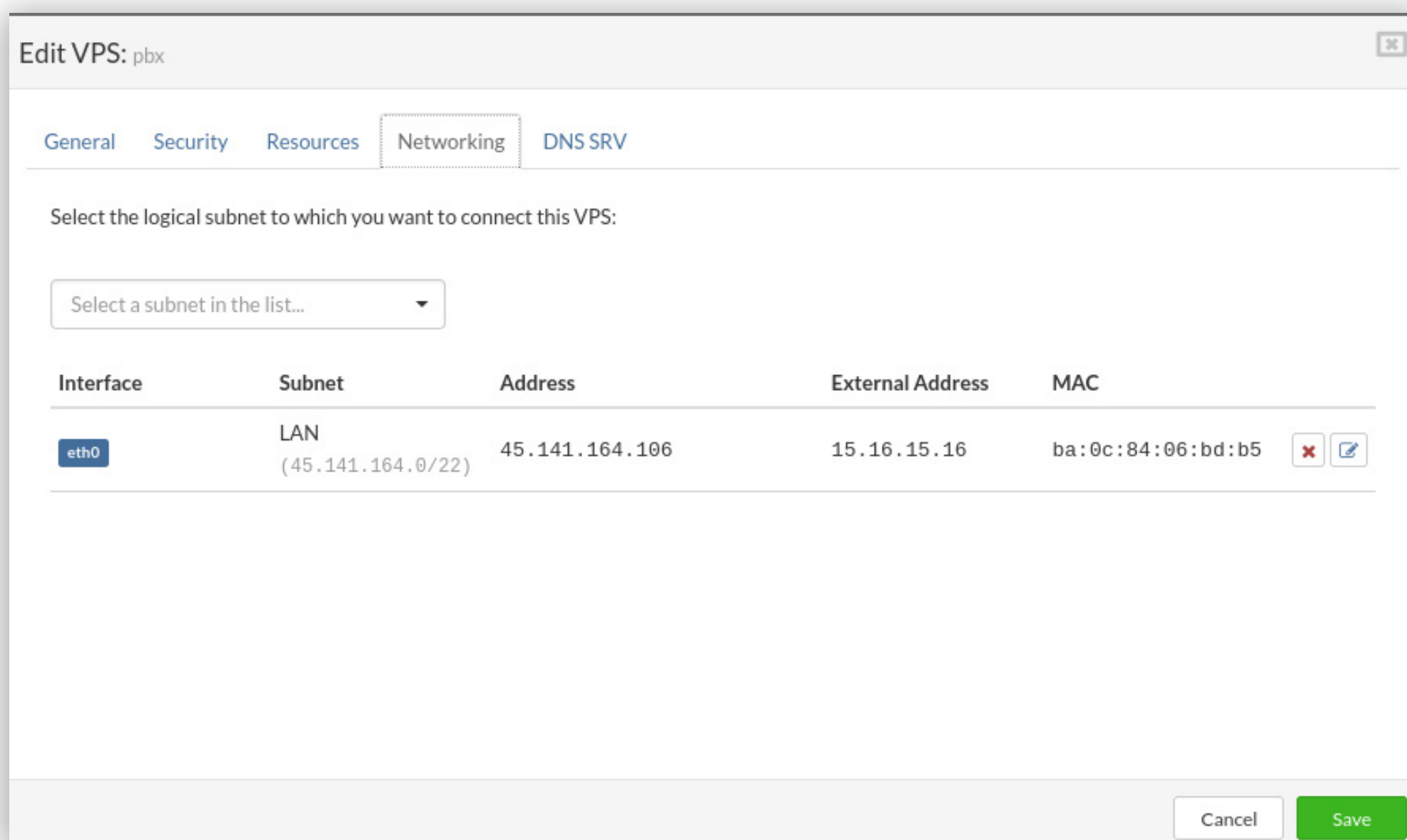
Password: Password

Confirm Password: Password

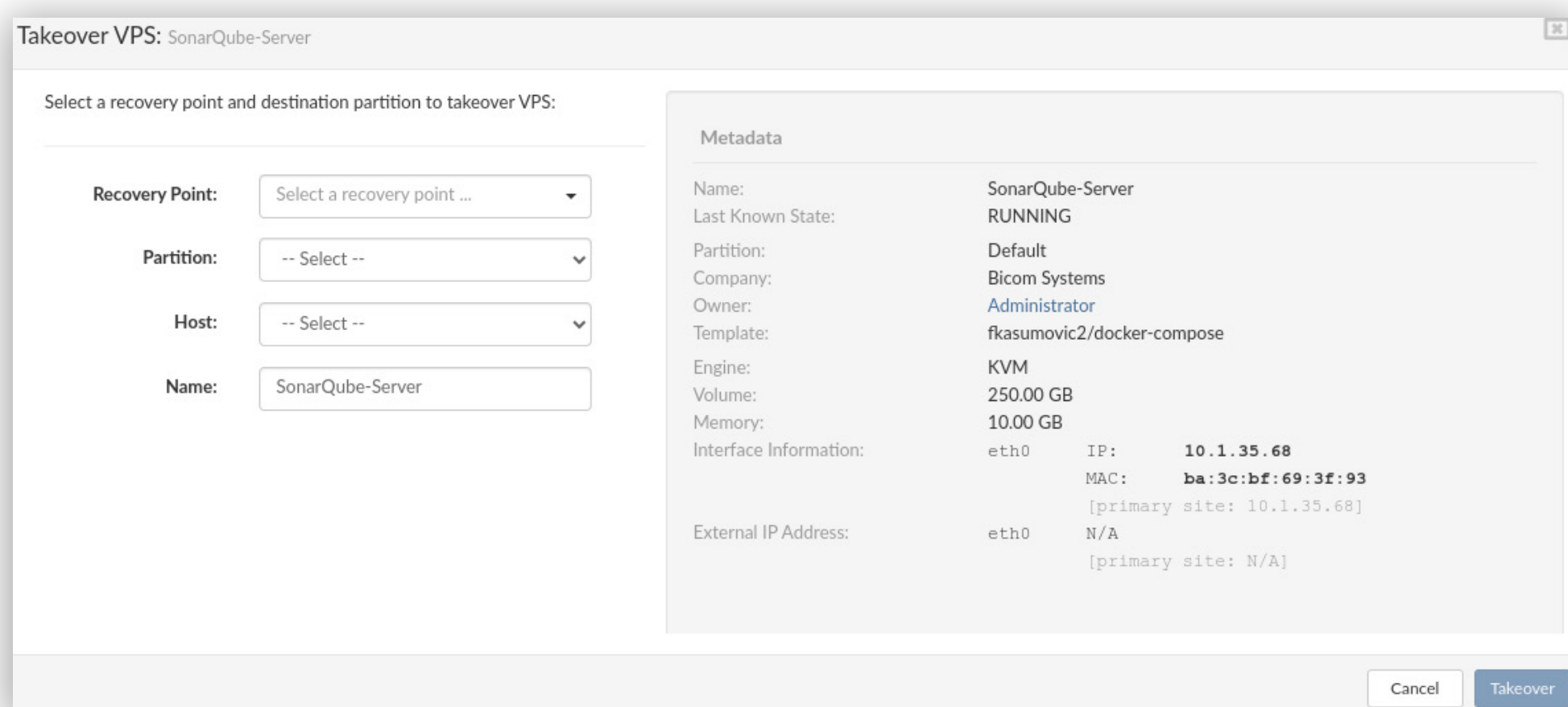
Cancel Add

# Edit VPS MAC Address through the GUI

SERVERware administrators will be able to edit the MAC addresses for VPSs through the SERVERware GUI.



The MAC address will be preserved on takeover, unless it is already in use on the cluster, in which case a new one will be generated as it worked thus far.





# Ability to Refresh the SERVERware License through the Controller CLI

CLI users will be able to refresh the SERVERware license through the Controller command line interface. `update-license` will send a request to the licensing server through the `sw-wcp` service. The command can also be used to replace the SERVERware license by sending the new license as an argument of the command.

```
CONTROLLER / # update-license
* Applying license on sw-wcp ...
* Reloading license on sw-mgr ...
CONTROLLER / # update-license D14D7D0E
* Applying license on sw-wcp ...
* Reloading license on sw-mgr ...
CONTROLLER / #
```

## Added a Warning for Insufficient Bandwidth for Replications

In case the network speed is too low for successful replications, a warning will be displayed notifying the administrator while the replication is in progress. Once the replication is completed, the notification will also appear on the Replication Details side panel. The warning will be triggered in case the transfer rate is less than 25 Mbps.

Replication Details

Start Time: Dec 7, 2023 13:02:27 COMPLETED WITH ERRORS

Duration: 7m1s Replication transfer rate low.

Data Transferred: 160.42 KB

Transfer Rate: 390 B/s

Cycle ID: 708865352deaac460b60676031058044

Replication Tasks

VPS	Sync	Start Time	State
PBXware70-KVM	INCR	Dec 7, 2023 13:02:27	FAILED
IP Address: 10.1.35.18 10.1.35.23 15.15.15.15	Memory: 2.00 GB Template: pbxware-7.0	Error: replication copy timeout - signal received	Data Transferred: 2.5 KB Transfer Rate: 14.22 KB/s <span>Low transfer rate.</span> Duration: 7m1s
PBXware70-LXC	INCR	Dec 7, 2023 13:09:28	COMPLETED
IP Address: 10.1.35.17	Memory: 2.00 GB Template: pbxware-7.0		Data Transferred: 160.42 KB Transfer Rate: 160.42 KB/s Duration: 0s

## Bug Fixes & Improvements:

- BSSUP default port changed to 2244.
- Removed the Archive Service from the License tab.
- Removed PBXware v4 and v5 from the Templates catalog.
- When using 2FA, for each code, the associated user's email will be provided for authentication.
- Modified syslog to use reopen instead of reload to reopen files after rotation.
- Extended VPS stop action from 15 seconds to 60 seconds to prevent database corruption.
- Added a virtualization check that will display a warning in the GUI in case hardware-assisted virtualization is not active on the host (disabling KVM engine for VPSs).
- Fixed a bug where sipPROT would block the country that the IP was accessing from.
- Fixed a bug where the install wizard exits from the install menu when selecting the wrong installation type.
- Fixed a bug where the resource view on the edit VPS window does not show VPS storage info.
- Fixed a bug where adding a backup job would cause traceback exception errors in the CLI.
- Fixed a bug where the VPS List View gets broken during and after VPS rename/move actions
- Fixed a bug in the UI where a list of VPS backups was not refreshed when switching Backup datasets.
- Fixed a bug where a missing URL in the config file would cause the BI reporting to throw an error out.
- Fixed a bug where processing commands through SAGA would periodically produce unpredictable outcomes.
- Fixed a bug where lxc-stop did not gracefully shutdown VPSs on the PBXware v7 template.
- Added a fix that enables local DNS caching in SERVERware.

- Fixed a bug that caused the VPS cloning action to time out during heavy IO load on the system.
- Fixed a bug where Redis failed to start on storage failover.
- Fixed a bug where VPS creation from an OCI image fails to reset the default password.
- Fixed a bug where resuming a replication failed due to a snapshot mismatch.
- Fixed a bug where KVMs (Firecracker) were not running on AMD CPUs.
- Fixed a bug where KVM VPSs connected to the network with the wrong MAC address.
- Updated EULA.
- Changed the logout icon.
- Fixed a bug where sw-connector logged exception errors when collecting top 5 processes during high CPU usage.

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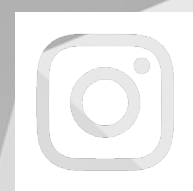
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