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Document Purpose:

This deployment guide shows how to set up Zscaler NSS to direct live network logs to Cribl Stream. From there, Stream can reduce and refine the data in flight for better handling and insights.

Zscaler Nanolog Streaming Service (NSS) uses a VM to stream traffic logs in real time from the Zscaler Nanolog to a SIEM. Cribl Stream can take the place of the SIEM in this arrangement. Then you can use Cribl Stream to greatly reduce the size of ZScaler logs.

Configuring NSS to Send Data to Cribl Stream

Since Nanolog forwards data to a single IP address or FQDN, Cribl recommends that you use a load balancer to distribute data among Cribl Stream Workers.

Nanolog delivers data using a raw TCP connection.

In Zscaler:

- Go to **Administration > Nanolog Streaming Service**.
- In the **NSS Feeds** tab, click **Add NSS Feed** to open the following configuration window:

The screenshot shows the 'Add NSS Feed' configuration window. Key settings include:

- Feed Name:** [Empty text field]
- NSS Server:** [Empty text field]
- SIEM Destination Type:** IP Address (selected), FQDN
- SIEM TCP Port:** 9515
- SIEM Rate:** Unlimited (selected), Limited
- Log Type:** Web Log (selected), Tunnel, Alert, BasS Security
- Feed Output Type:** Splunk CIM
- Feed Output Format:** A complex JSON schema for log events.
- User Obfuscation:** Enabled, Disabled (selected)
- Duplicate Logs:** Disabled
- Timezone:** GMT
- Bottom Tabs:** ACTION, WHO, FROM WHERE, TRANSACTION, TO WHERE, SECURITY, FILE TYPE, DLP
- WEB LOG FILTERS:** Policy Action (ANY), Policy Reason (Any)
- Buttons:** Save, Cancel

Fig. 01:

- Enter a Feed Name that identifies this feed as one that sends data to Cribl Stream.
- Enter the IP address or FQDN for either your Cribl Stream instance, or the load balancer you're using with your Cribl Stream instances.
- Select a **Feed Output Type**. **Spunk CIM**, a tab-delimited key/value format, is a typical choice.

Alternatively, you choose a different option, such as CSV:

The screenshot shows the 'Feed Output Type' dropdown set to 'CSV'. The 'Feed Output Format' field contains a JSON schema with various fields like 'time', 'login', 'proto', 'url', 'action', 'appname', 'apclass', 'reqsize', 'respsize', 'stime', 'ctime', 'uriclass', 'urlsuper', 'urlcat', 'malwarecat', 'threatname', 'riskscore', 'dipeng', 'dipic', 'location', 'depr', 'cip', 'sip', 'reqmethod', 'respcode', 'ua', 'referrer', 'ruletype', 'rulelabel', 'contenttype', 'unscannabletype', 'deviceowner', and 'devicehostname'. Below this, the 'User Obfuscation' is set to 'Disabled' and the 'Timezone' is set to 'GMT'.

Fig. 02:

Example pipeline.

Cribl Stream can reduce Zscaler log size by (1) reformatting and reshaping the data, and (2) suppressing, sampling, and dropping appropriate fields.

The following code block shows how to correctly parse tab-delimited key-value pairs.

```
let temp = {};

// Substr drops the timestamp from _raw, otherwise the split does not work correctly
__e['_raw'].substr(20).split('\t').forEach((element) => {
  // Split K=V on the first equal sign
  let eq = element.indexOf('=');
  let name = element.substr(0, eq);
  let value = element.substr(eq + 1);

  // if value is none or N/A, drop the field
  value == 'None' && value == 'NA' ? temp[name] = value : false;
  // otherwise use this line below
  temp[name] = value;
});

__e['_raw'] = temp;
```

Here's an example Pipeline that uses the parsing code above. (You can directly **import** this Pipeline in JSON form.)

A **Code Function** parses the data:

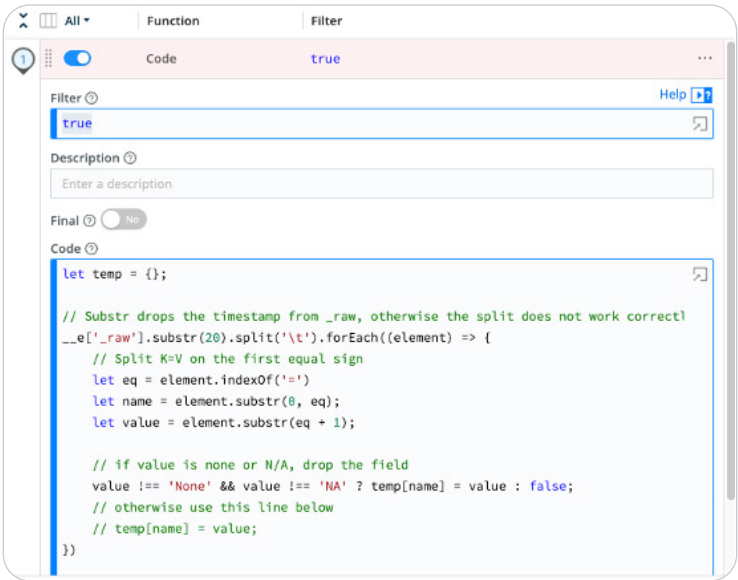


Fig. 03:

An **Eval Function** reshapes the data:



Fig. 04:

And finally, a **Serialize Function** drops unwanted fields:

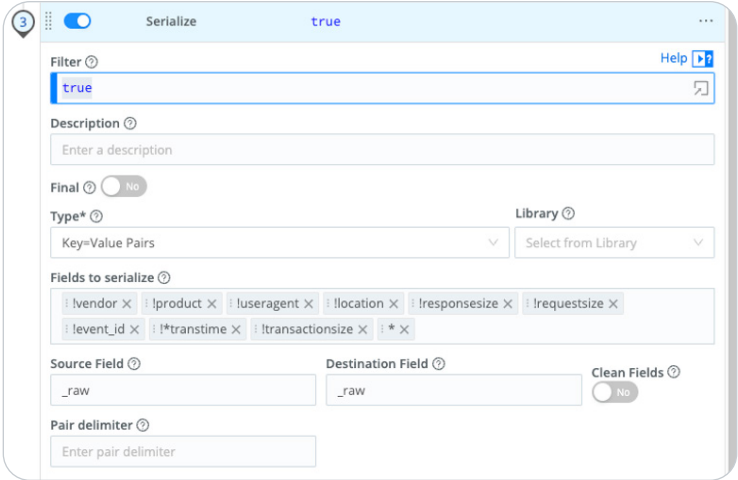


Fig. 05: Example Pipeline JSON.

To import the example Pipeline directly, copy and save the JSON below, then follow these instructions:

```
Zscaler Example Pipeline
{
  "id": "zscaler",
  "conf": {
    "output": "default",
    "groups": {},
    "asyncFuncTimeout": 1000,
    "functions": [
      {
        "id": "code",
        "filter": "true",
        "disabled": false,
        "conf": {
          "maxNumOfIterations": 5000,
          "code": "let temp = {};\\n\\n// Substr drops the timestamp from _raw, otherwise the
split does not work correctly\\n_e['_raw'].substr(20).split('\\t').forEach((element) => {\\n
// Split K=V on the first equal sign\\n  let eq = element.indexOf('=')\\n  let name = element.
substr(0, eq);\\n  let value = element.substr(eq + 1);\\n\\n  // if value is none or N/A,
drop the field\\n  value == 'None' && value == 'NA' ? temp[name] = value : false;\\n  //
otherwise use this line below\\n    // temp[name] = value;\\n}\\n_e['_raw'] = temp;"
        },
      },
      {
        "id": "eval",
        "filter": "true",
        "disabled": false,
        "conf": {
          "add": [
            {
              "name": "_raw.hostname",
              "value": "_raw.url.startsWith(_raw.hostname) ? undefined : _raw.hostname"
            },
            {
              "name": "_raw.reason",
              "value": "_raw.reason == _raw.action ? undefined : _raw.reason"
            },
            {
              "name": "_raw.bwthrottle",
              "value": "_raw.bwthrottle == 'NO' ? undefined : _raw.bwthrottle"
            }
          ]
        },
      },
      {
        "id": "serialize",
        "filter": "true",
        "disabled": false,
        "conf": {
          "type": "kvp",
          "fields": [
            "!vendor",
            "!product",
            "!useragent",
            "!location",
            "!responsesize",
            "!requestsize",
            "!event_id",
            "!xtranstime",
            "!transactionsize",
            "*"
          ],
          "dstField": "_raw",
          "cleanFields": false,
          "srcField": "_raw"
        }
      }
    ]
  }
}
```

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