

Re: Computer Missing from AD

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If you have more than one DC, machine could have logged on another DC (though it would be very weird).

Well, now that you've checked group membership, I assume we should wait and then look in the event log when/if any new computer account will be deleted. Since there are no tracks from the past that we can use, I'm afraid this is all we can do now.

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"Ben Dailey" <anonymous@xxxxxxxxxxxx> wrote in message
<news:OmJQrpIrFHA.3068@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx>

> Thanks for your response – in answer to your questions:

> 1) Not sure now as I have fixed these issues – something like 'domain
> controller could not be found'.

> 2) No

> 3) Yes

> 4) Have now

> 5) Have now

> 6) Done

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> One interesting thing I noticed looking through the security log is that
> there is no past record of the machine ever logging on, even though the
> user had no trouble logging in.

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> "Dmitry Korolyov [MVP]" <d_k@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx> wrote in message
> <news:OjBraJArFHA.3836@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx>

>> 1) what error message do you see when you try to log in from any of these
>> two computers?

>> 2) are you able to find them through ADUC (using search) or not?

>> 3) Are you sure that these computer accounts have not been moved to some
>> other OU, instead of being deleted?

>> 4) Have you checked the membership of this domain's Domain Admins and
>> Administrators group, and forest root domain's Enterprise Admins group to
>> make sure they don't contain any accounts and groups they should not
>> contain?

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>> 5) Have you checked the membership of other vital groups, such as Account
>> Operators?
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>> 6) I would recommend you to enable audit for deletion of computer
>> objects, and next time you will be able to get information about the
>> account that was used for the operation from the security event log on
>> the DC.
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>> "Ben Dailey" <anonymous@xxxxxxxxxxx> wrote in message
>> news:OzW9uTqqFHA.3836@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx
>>> Hi,
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>>> I have the same problem described in the post by xor on 11 July 2005
>>> 'Missing Computers Object in AD'.
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>>> I have had two computers disappear from the Active Directory in the last
>>> week. I am the only user with administrative rights over the domain and
>>> I know I have not removed them.
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>>> When a user attempts logon at these machines (XP Pro SP2) they can't and
>>> further investigations have shown that their machines are no longer
>>> listed in the directory.
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>>> There is nothing in the event log to indicate why this has happened.
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>>> Does anyone have any ideas? Any help much appreciated.
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>>> Cheers.
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>>> Ben.
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• *References:*

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