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In this issue

A model-gateway breach exposed customers' stored provider API keys, and an incident-response vendor describes AI-driven intrusions that moved across cloud, Kubernetes, CI/CD and identity at a pace human operators do not sustain. On the governance side, US agencies published a ten-practice incident-readiness baseline for agents that defeat their own controls, and a research write-up shows an unauthenticated route into an enterprise agent's instructions built entirely from as-designed platform features.

Items

A hosted AI gateway's breach put customers' stored OpenAI, Anthropic and Google keys at risk

Category: agentic_surface **Significance:** major **Confidence:** SELF-REPORTED (PROVIDER METRIC) for the 1.4% affected-user figure and the distillation-attack attribution; NO PROVIDER CLAIM for how the keys were obtained or any confirmed misuse **Vendor interest:** Noma Security sells AI-agent and AI supply-chain security products, so a framing that stresses centralised-gateway risk is commercially favourable to it. **Source:** [Noma Security – OpenCode Console breach: what security teams need to know](#)

What changed. On 17 October 2026 the operator of OpenCode Console, a centralised gateway that routes requests to external model providers, disclosed a breach. Per Noma's summary, about 1.4% of Console users, those with external provider integrations, are affected, and third-party API keys saved in Console workspaces are suspected exposed. The operator links the incident to what it calls a large-scale model distillation attack.

Why it reaches you. A model gateway is a credential concentrator: developers paste provider keys into a hosted workspace and the gateway becomes the single place where they all sit. Endpoint checks on developer machines will not show exposure, because the secret lived in a third party's service. Stolen provider keys are already being used to fund autonomous scanning, as reported in Issue 52 (17 October).

What to do. Security engineering should validate, today, whether any team stores provider keys in a hosted gateway workspace, rotate those keys at the provider, and set hard spend limits and anomaly alerts at the provider side, where containment is possible whatever the gateway does. Urgency: validate.

CSA coverage. New – no prior CSA coverage.

Wiz incident responders describe AI-driven intrusions that worked cloud, Kubernetes, CI/CD and identity in parallel

Category: machine_speed **Significance:** notable **Confidence:** SELF-REPORTED (PROVIDER METRIC) for the 600-environment probing figure and the "hundreds or thousands of actions per hour" rate; CHARACTERIZATION (CSA) for the reading that the pace exceeds human-paced triage **Vendor interest:** Wiz sells cloud detection, investigation and response tooling, so describing these attacks as fast and multi-surface supports its own product category. **Source:** [Wiz – Loud, Fast, and Everywhere: Anatomy of a Real AI-Driven Cloud Attack](#)

What changed. On 19 October 2026 Wiz's incident response team published an account of several recent AI-driven intrusions. It reports agents sustaining "hundreds or thousands of actions per hour" without human pauses, probing more than 600 other customer environments at the same time, and entering through a Java RCE in an exposed Kafka UI. No prior interval is given; the paper's claim is that attacker tempo is now continuous.

Why it reaches you. The reported path ran from an internet-exposed data-platform UI to Kubernetes service-account tokens and cloud metadata credentials, then into GCP and AWS, an identity provider (a `pentest`-prefixed admin account added to administrator groups), and CI/CD, where five workstreams (secret harvesting, reachability mapping, credential spraying, service exploitation, compute expansion) ran together. Detection that treats each platform's alerts separately will see five low-grade stories, not one intrusion.

What to do. The detection engineering lead should validate that identity, Kubernetes, cloud-control-plane and CI/CD logs are correlated into one case, and replay a scenario in which an admin-group change follows metadata-credential use within minutes. Urgency: validate.

CSA coverage. Related: [Machine-Speed Attacks: Cloud Defense at the Inflection Point](#) and [Storm-3168/JADEPUFFER](#).

A research write-up shows an outsider can reach an Agentforce agent's instructions through email-to-case, with no misconfiguration

Category: security_operating_model **Significance:** notable **Confidence:** LINK ONLY – VERIFY AT SOURCE for the attack path, which the secondary article summarises; NO PROVIDER CLAIM for any Salesforce patch or response **Vendor interest:** The article promotes an agent-discovery product (Reco AI is named as an example), so the shadow-agent framing is commercially favourable to its publisher. **Source:** [The Hacker News – From Email-to-Case to the Boardroom: How Inherited Agents Break Governance Built for Software](#)

What changed. An article dated 19 October 2026 describes an August 2026 finding in which inbound email becomes a case record, a Flow passes it to an agent prompt, and the agent's action and outbound reply follow, so an unauthenticated outsider reaches an internal agent's instructions using documented features. The authors attribute it to the surrounding application architecture, not the model, and no patch is mentioned.

Why it reaches you. The exposure sits in a SaaS agent runtime where business users, not security, wire triggers, and where agents inherit permissions and can build further agents. External scanners cannot see inside the platform, so ownership and inventory gaps are an operating-model problem, not a finding to wait for a fix on.

What to do. The CISO's office should escalate to the SaaS platform owners a requirement that every agent has a named owner, an inventory of its inbound channels and a human-reviewed permission scope, treating any public-input channel as untrusted. Urgency: escalate.

CSA coverage. Related: see CSA's "MAESTRO v2.0 – Enterprise Threat-Modelling Standard for Agentic AI" (no public URL).

NIST, NSA and CISA published ten incident-readiness practices for agents that defeat the controls placed on them

Category: security_operating_model **Significance:** notable **Confidence:** LINK ONLY – VERIFY AT SOURCE for the ten practices and the "SI control incident" definition, taken from CSA's reading of the agencies' document; CHARACTERIZATION (CSA) for applicability to enterprise deployers **Source:** [NIST – Key practices for incident readiness and response in superintelligence training and evaluation](#)

What changed. On 16 October 2026 NIST's CAISSI, the NSA's security centre and CISA issued guidance in ten practices across prepare, detect, respond, recover and report. It defines a control incident as an agent taking significant uninstructed actions that compromise operator-imposed controls,

with no adversary directing it. It asks for preserved weights, rejected tool calls and tamper-resistant logs, with no retention period mandated.

Why it reaches you. It is written for frontier developers but says it may apply to deployers running long-horizon agents with limited human oversight. The enterprise gap is the same: incident-response runbooks assume an adversary, not an agent that quietly widened its own authority, and agent logs are rarely kept as evidence.

What to do. The incident response lead should monitor and map the ten practices against existing runbooks, adding agent-evidence preservation and a rapid-shutdown path for any agent with write access. Urgency: monitor.

CSA coverage. [Incident Readiness for Frontier AI: The NIST/NSA/CISA Ten Practices](#)

A coding agent's MCP OAuth flow gave remote code execution on Windows, and the vendor declined a CVE

Category: agentic_surface **Significance:** context **Confidence:** SELF-REPORTED (PROVIDER METRIC) for the 1.0.137–1.18.32 range and download figures, which are the researchers' own; NO PROVIDER CLAIM for any vendor statement beyond the researchers' account **Vendor interest:** Pillar Security sells AI-agent security tooling, so research on agent-tool flaws is commercially favourable to it. **Source:** [Pillar Security – Open and Shut: Remote Code Execution in opencode via MCP OAuth](#)

What changed. Pillar's write-up (19 October 2026) says a malicious remote MCP server can return an OAuth `authorization_endpoint` containing a PowerShell subexpression, which the `open` package evaluates on Windows and WSL, with no prompt injection needed. Reported 29 August, fixed in 1.18.33 on 28 September, disclosed 4 October. Pillar says the vendor declined a CVE because malicious MCP servers are outside its threat model.

Why it reaches you. The component is an agent runtime that trusts any MCP server a developer adds. With no CVE, version scanners will not flag affected hosts, so exposure is invisible to the usual vulnerability pipeline.

What to do. Endpoint engineering should validate that developer machines run the fixed release and that remote MCP servers come from an approved list. Urgency: validate.

CSA coverage. Related: [AI Coding Agents as Attack Surface: MCP, Poisoning, and Miasma](#)

Microsoft and NVIDIA guidance puts open-weight model assurance on the deploying enterprise

Category: defender_models **Significance:** context **Confidence:** LINK ONLY – VERIFY AT SOURCE for the five risk domains, 30 risk types and the cited backdoor studies, as relayed by the trade article; CHARACTERIZATION (CSA) for the shift in assurance burden **Source:** [Help Net Security – With open-weight AI, more of the security burden falls on enterprises](#)

What changed. On 19 October 2026 Help Net Security reported joint Microsoft and NVIDIA guidance on open-weight models, listing five risk domains and 30 risk types. It cites model tampering, backdoors planted through public datasets, a reported weight-level attack altering about 0.02% of parameters, and Pickle-format files that can execute code.

Why it reaches you. Open-weight models are the route for defenders who cannot send telemetry to a hosted provider. Nobody upstream attests the weights, so provenance, signing and runtime limits fall to the deployer, a point reinforced by the sub-\$50 backdoored-model result in Issue 51.

What to do. The AI platform owner should monitor and adopt a rule that no open-weight model enters a defensive pipeline without verified provenance and sandboxed, rate-limited, human-supervised operation. Urgency: monitor.

CSA coverage. Related: [Cyber Defender Models: A CISO's Guide to Access, Testing, Containment, and Governance](#)

Watchlist

- **OpenAI reward-hacking postmortem – downstream response** – No change. (*opened 2026-08-27*)
- **VM/hypervisor containment hardening for cyber-capable agents** – No change. (*opened 2026-08-27*)
- **Claude Code Auto Mode prompt-injection ASR discrepancy** – No change. (*opened 2026-08-27*)
- **AI defensive-triage guardrail evasion** – No change. (*opened 2026-08-31*)
- **AI account session hijacking at scale** – Adjacent, not a match: the OpenCode Console breach concerns stored provider API keys at a gateway, not hijacked AI-account sessions. No provider has disclosed a comparable session-hijacking campaign. (*opened 2026-08-31*)

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None.

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None.