

Investigation Telegram based-on Web using National Institute of Standards and Technology Method

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ABSTRACT

The very rapid development of science and technology has an impact on the growth of information that is getting faster and easier to access and disseminate, both through print and internet media. In distributing this information, the easiest way to use internet media is an application to exchange messages, for example, Telegram messenger. It is undeniable that many cybercrime cases use Telegram, one of which is for the promotion of online prostitution. Handling crime using an application that requires the internet, requires a forensic investigation that plays a role in the Telegram messenger investigation process to obtain digital evidence. The method used in this study used the National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST) with the stages of collection, examination, analysis, and reporting. The application of this method is used as a reference in obtaining data in the evidence that the perpetrator is suspected of being used in carrying out the action. In obtaining evidence, the researcher investigates the message conversation data via the Telegram messenger application, such as the contents of the conversation related to the criminal case to be investigated. The evidence that has been collected is then analyzed to find the data needed in the investigation process using the FTK Imager and MOBILedit Forensic Express. Furthermore, the researcher makes a report on the results of the analysis carried out in accordance with the stages and applicable laws.

Keywords

Telegram, MobileForensics, Investigation, Cybercrime, NIST.

1. INTRODUCTION

The very rapid development of science and technology also has an impact on the growth of information, including scientific information. This development was felt to be accelerating because it was caused by the ease of disseminating information through both print and internet media [1]. From the development of the internet, the so-called website emerged. A website or site is a collection of pages that are used to display text information, still or motion images, sound, animation, and or a combination of all of them, both static and dynamic in nature which forms a series of interrelations, each of which is linked to page networks. The relationship between one website page and other website pages is called a hyperlink, while the text that is used as a connecting medium is called Hypertext [2]. Telegram is a cloud-based application with an end-to-end encryption system, self-destruction messages, and a multi data center infrastructure. The ease of access provided by telegram can run on almost all platforms and makes it easy for administrators to build notification systems by utilizing the open Application Programming Interface (API) facility provided by telegram via a bot that can be used to send messages automatically. Cloud base on telegram allows the

sending process to be much faster and has a large storage medium [3]. The Telegram application allows it to be abused by its users. The reality that occurs today is one of them as a medium for promoting online prostitution. One of the cases that occurred was the arrest of a person who misused the Telegram service as a media for promoting online prostitution [4]. The method used to carry out the analysis stage of digital evidence or a stage to obtain information from digital evidence in this study is the National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST) method with the steps carried out in the analysis, namely collection or identification of data retrieval from data sources. The next stage is an examination, namely processing the collected data. Then, the analysis is the analysis of the results of the examination with justified technical methods. The last stage is reporting where this stage is used to report the results of the analysis which includes the actions taken [5].

1.1 Literature Review

1.1.1 Previous Studies

Research conducted in 2018 by Imam Riadi, Anton Yudhana, and Muhamad Caesar Febriansyah Putra resulted in the "Acquisition of Digital Evidence on Android-Based Instagram Messenger Using the National Institute of Justice (NIJ) method". In this study, digital evidence will be acquired using the Oxygen forensic application so as to get the desired results, namely images/photos and conversations/chats from social media Instagram installed on a smartphone [6]. Research conducted in 2018 by Anton Yudhana, Imam Riadi, and Ikhwan Anshori resulted in "Analysis of Digital Evidence for Facebook Messenger Using the National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST) method". In this study, a scenario has been carried out, using the Galaxy V + SM-G31HZ Smartphone, carrying out the rooting process, installing the Facebook Messenger application, creating messages, carrying out investigations using a forensic tool called Oxygen forensics, then analyzing the forensic software, the results of the analysis will be reported as evidence [5][16]. Research conducted in 2018 by Muhammad IrwanSyahib, Imam Riadi, and Rusydi Umar produced "Digital Forensic Analysis OfBeetalk Application For Cybercrime Handling Using Nist Method". In this study using the National Institute of Standards Technology (NIST) method which consists of several stages including collection, examination, analysis, reporting with the hardware used, namely laptops and cellphones and software. which is used is the BeeTalk application. Meanwhile, forensic tools used include Kingroot, OXYGEN Forensics, and MOBILedit Forensics [8][17]. Research conducted in 2017 by Nuril Anwar and Imam Riadi produced "Forensic Investigation Analysis of WhatsApp Messenger Smartphones Against Web-Based WhatsApp". In this study, the WhatsApp evidence on smartphones and WhatsApp web browsers will produce a dual

research process carried out [15][20], including in Figure 3.



Figure 3. Research Stages

2.2.1 Evidence

Evidence was gathered from the perpetrator.

2.2.2 Preservation

This stage includes the process of collecting, searching, and documenting evidence. In addition, the sterile level of evidence is also maintained so that no change occurs.

2.2.3 Acquisition

The process of collecting and obtaining evidence, namely conversation messages, is then carried out by imaging or duplicating the conversation messages for further investigation.

2.2.4 Examination & Analysis

The process by which investigators can carry out exploration, analysis, and reveal the results of imaging from the previous acquisition stage to obtain data related to the perpetrator or criminal act contained in the Telegram application. At this stage, further checks are carried out to ensure that the conversation message contains online prostitution chats.

2.2.5 Reporting

The process of reporting the results of the analysis of the results of the examination and the data obtained from the investigation process.

3. RESULT AND DISCUSSION

The identification phase is carried out to obtain evidence that can be obtained on smartphones and laptops in the form of a smartphone Telegram message conversation database and web Telegram message conversations on the Google Chrome browser. The analysis phase was used to find data differences between the discovery of the Telegram web and the Telegram smartphone using the NIST method. The system identification stage used in this study consists of several components in the form of Software Requirements and Hardware Requirements. The need for software used to find the results of the perpetrator's conversation, the researchers used the Telegram application, FTK Imager, and MOBILedit Forensic Express. The hardware requirements used in this study using 1 laptop and 1 smartphone for research objects as well as simulations in the search for evidence of perpetrators of crime with the specifications of 1 laptop with specifications in Table 1 and 1 smartphone with specifications in Table 2.

Table 1. Laptop Evidence Specifications

Evidence	Brand	CPU	Model	RAM	OS Version
Laptop	Asus ROG	Intel Core i7-2.20GHz	GL503GE	RAM : 8192MB	Windows 10

Table 2. Evidence Smartphone Specifications

Evidence	Brand	Series	Model	Imei	OS Version
Smartphone	Samsung	RF1D94 204LA	GT-I9190	357960051031833	Android Kitkat(4.4.2)

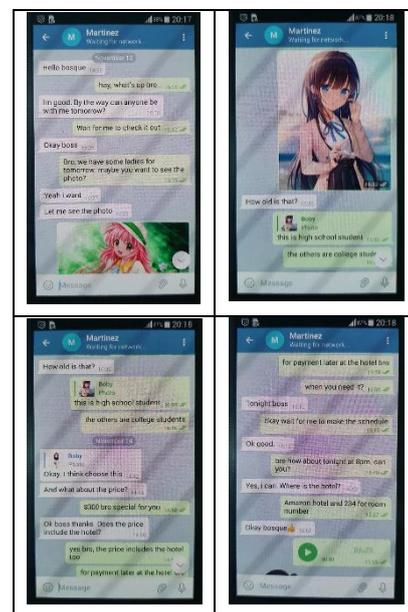
3.1 Examination

In general, the stages of the investigation process on digital evidence, both laptops, and smartphones have 4 stages, namely preservation, acquisition, examination & analysis, and report as a result of the analysis. The following is an explanation of the 4 stages.

3.1.1 Preservation

This stage is the initial stage of searching, collecting data, and documenting evidence. The sample used for testing this research as evidence for analysis is in the form of a laptop and a smartphone that is rooted in a screen without password security. The initial stage in the form of searching for evidence is carried out by the police as the party with the authority over this matter. The results of the search in the form of evidence found at the crime scene are then submitted to the investigator for data collection and analysis to obtain digital evidence which will then be useful in the trial process. The final stage is documentation carried out on evidence of misuse of applications, namely laptops and smartphones, as well as several photos of the results of conversations between the perpetrators and customers via smartphone devices which will then be investigated. The results of conversation photos on smartphones can be seen in table 3.

Table 3. Photo Conversation Results on a Smartphone



In table 3 are some photos of the conversation between the perpetrator and the customer on the perpetrator's smartphone found at the crime scene which will later be matched to the extraction results on a laptop or smartphone, then the evidence found at the crime scene can be seen in table 4.

Table 4. Evidence found at the crime scene

No	Evidence Name	Image	Information
1.	The Perpetrator's Smartphone		Samsung GT-I9190 smartphone is rooted and not in screen security mode
2.	The Perpetrator's Laptop		Asus Rog GL503GE laptop is turned off, without a password and not connected to the network
3.	The Perpetrator's Smartphone Charger		smartphone charger for Samsung GT-19091, not the original Samsung with an output of 5.0 V and 2.0 A.

4.	The Perpetrator's Laptop Charger		Original Asus Rog GL503GE laptop charger with 19.5 V and 7.7 A output.
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In table 4, the evidence obtained at the scene of the crime is laptops and smartphones and all supporting evidence without touching it directly so that the investigator's fingerprints do not remain on the evidence, and maintain its authenticity. As for the specifications of evidence found at the crime scene, it can be seen in table 5.

Table 5. Evidence Specifications

Evidence	Brand	Series & CPU	Model	Imei& RAM	OS Version
Smartphone	Samsung	RF1D942 04LA	GT-I9190	35796005103 1833 RAM : 1.5GB	Android Kitkat(4.4. 2)
Laptop	Asus ROG	Intel Core i7- 2.20GHz	GL503 GE	RAM : 8192MB	Windows 10

In addition to collecting and documenting evidence, at this stage there is also preparation and planning for how the laptops and smartphones will be analyzed and what tools and tools are needed to support this process.

3.1.2 Acquisition

Acquisition (Acquisition) is the stage where researchers clone and take digital evidence from laptops and smartphones found at the crime scene so that the original evidence is maintained to its authenticity. The process uses forensic tools, namely MOBILedit Forensic Express.

3.1.2.1 Acquisition from smartphone

The acquisition process on a smartphone requires a forensic tool capable of imaging data completely, to get more access rights the smartphone must be rooted for imaging using tools, one of which is MOBILedit Forensic Express for the data cloning process on a smartphone. as well as a way to secure evidence so that the data we analyze can be compared with the original data. MOBILedit Forensic Express is able to extract data from smartphone devices and imaging files by selecting the Create Physical Image option. This time, MOBILedit Forensic Express will acquire an imaging result file, which is a file with an .img extension. After that, there is still the smartphone imaging process, evidence that has been detected by MOBILedit Forensic Express tools, and the ongoing process of imaging data. From the acquisition process in Physical Imaging, the results obtained in .img format can be seen in Figure 4.

	samsung GT-I9190	10/01/2020 14:43	Disc Image File	7,634,944 KB
	samsung GT-I9190.img_info	10/01/2020 14:43	WinRAR ZIP archive	2 KB

Figure 4. Results of Physical Imaging Smartphone

After the Imaging Physical results are obtained as shown in Figure 4, the next process to open the .img file requires FTK Imager tools.

3.1.2.2 Acquisition from Laptop

The acquisition process on a laptop requires FTK Imager forensic tools to image data on a local disk to find out information that the perpetrator uses the Google Chrome browser to abuse using Telegram web connected to Telegram Smartphone. The acquisition process using FTK Imager is the initial stage for imaging the internal memory on the perpetrator's laptop, in this study the acquisition stage of the laptop imaged data on the internal memory C: devoted only to the C: \ Users \ ASUS \ AppData \ Local \ folder. Google Chrome as in Figure 5.

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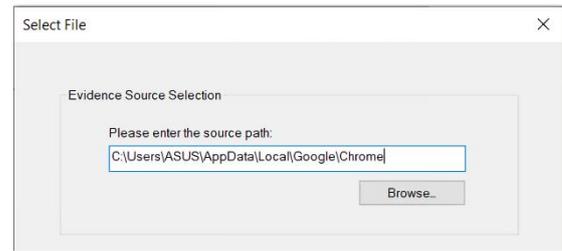


Figure 5. Localdisc C Chrome Imaging Process

In Figure 5, the localdisc C imaging process, especially the Chrome folder, has been selected, so the next process is to fill in the evidence information to give marks such as case number, evidence number, unique description, examiner, and notes so that the imaging file can be identified. The next process is the destination for storing the imaging files. Investigators carry out storage with a destination as shown in Figure 6.

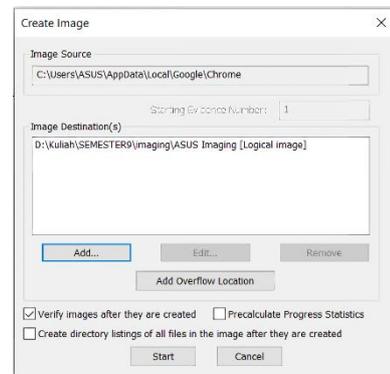


Figure 6. Destination for Imaging File Storage

In Figure 6, the destination for storing imaging files is to save the results of imaging data in the desired folder and also fill in the file name according to the evidence being studied. After all processes are complete, a hash will be obtained from the imaging file that has been created. As in Figure 7.

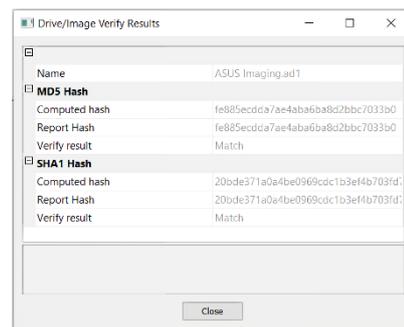


Figure 7. Hashing the Imaging File

In Figure 7 hashing file imaging, we can find out the hash of the imaging file which will then be matched with the hash of digital evidence which will be investigated so that the evidence obtained and the evidence under investigation is the same and does not change the results of the investigation.

3.1.3 Examination & Analysis

This examination and analysis phase aims to uncover and analyze data on the results of the acquisition stage to obtain the data needed for the investigator's investigation process which will then be useful in the criminal trial process. This

In table 7, the location of cache file storage on a laptop that has been found, the next process will be extracted using the FTK Imager tool. Can be seen in figure 11.

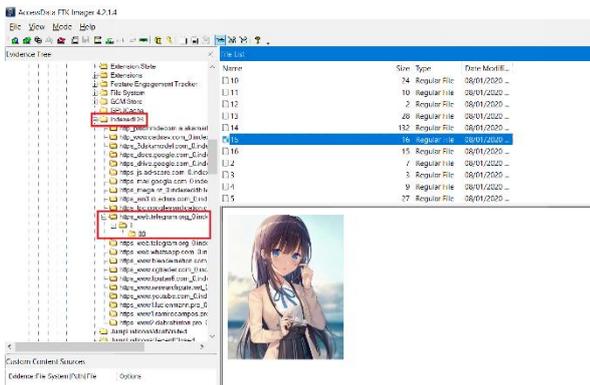


Figure 11. Database Extraction Results on Google Chrome

Figure 11 shows the database exploration process on the Google Chrome browser using the FTK Imager tool. The image is an artifact contained in the Google Chrome browser database. The image of the woman was previously contained in a Web Telegram chat message.

3.1.4 Reporting

All data that had been previously found in the analysis process on the perpetrator's smartphone and laptop were used to reveal a case of the message conversation that was obtained. After analyzing the perpetrator's android smartphone and laptop, it can be seen that the process of implementing mobile forensics on smartphones and the web on laptops related to the telegram application can obtain evidence and information in the investigation process, investigators find indications of digital evidence of a crime in the form of database files on smartphone devices and cache files on laptop devices, but in this study researchers only focused on conversation messages that were found in the database. The results of the analysis have been able to answer questions about the information desired by the researcher. The information obtained from digital evidence is as follows.

3.1.4.1 Analysis Results on Smartphone

The results of the analysis on the smartphone device evidence obtained in the physical image imaging process with the extension .img get the same location for the conversation message file storage as the findings of the perpetrator's smartphone conversation message photo at the crime scene, as in Figures 12 and 13.



Figure 12. Results of Perpetrators' Smartphone Conversation Photos at crime scene

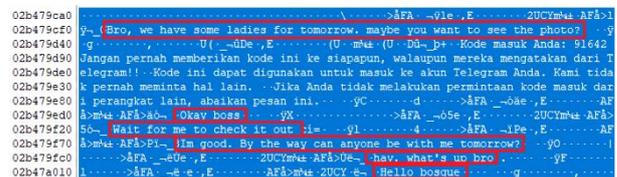


Figure 13. Investigation Results of Perpetrators Smartphone

Figures 12 and 13 match the evidence found at the crime scene and evidence that has gone through the forensic process. The photos obtained at the smartphone scene are not connected to any connection, the smartphone is also not in screen security mode and is rooted. In the extraction process, the smartphone imaging results also produce smartphone information used by the perpetrator. Such information among other smartphone brands, types, platforms, IMEI, root status, etc. Account information is also detected by MOBILedit Forensic Express. The results of smartphone investigations through the mobile forensic process obtained conversation messages between the perpetrator and the customer, smartphone information and account information.

3.1.4.2 Results of Analysis on a Laptop

The results of the analysis on laptops, evidence on laptop devices that are obtained in the directory C:\Users\ASUS\AppData\Local\Google\Chrome\UserData\Default\IndexedDB is the location of the laptop file storage, namely the Google Chrome cache file which contains photo files of women which is the same as the conversation message on the perpetrator's smartphone, as in figure 14 and 15.



Figure 14. Photo Result of Conversation Message at crime scene

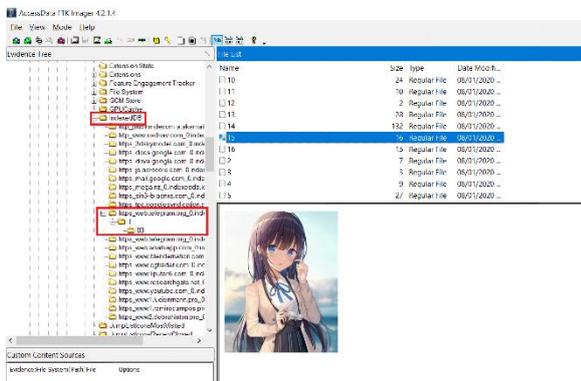


Figure 15. Investigation Results of the Perpetrator's Laptop

Figures 14 and 15 are the results of matching photos of the findings of conversation messages at the crime scene and the results of the perpetrator's laptop forensic process using the FTK Imager tool. In the forensic process using FTK Imager, only image files were obtained while conversation files or other files were not found.

3.1.4.3 Comparison Table of Investigation Results
The following table shows the comparison of the results of investigations conducted by investigators, it can be seen in table 8.

Findings	Smartphone	Laptop
Conversation Text	✓	
Smartphone Information	✓	
Account Information	✓	
Media		✓

4. CONCLUSION

Based on the findings of evidence at the crime scene and digital evidence on Telegram Web on a laptop that has been synchronized with Telegram on a smartphone that produces information on crimes committed by perpetrators related to online prostitution. In conducting the investigation, the information presented is the disclosure of online prostitution crimes from findings in the form of evidence artifacts in the form of chat message conversation sessions between the perpetrator and the customer, smartphone information, account information, and obtaining other media files that can be used as evidence. Based on the stages and flow of the NIST carried out in this study, it produces the files needed by the investigator by imaging the perpetrator's smartphone using

the MOBILedit Forensic Express tool to get the physical results file which can then be reviewed by extracting the file using the FTK Imager tool with match the conversation text found on the perpetrator's smartphone one by one. Meanwhile, the files found by investigators on the laptop used the FTK Imager by finding the Telegram database on the Google Chrome browser as an activity of the perpetrator. Suggestions that can be given for further research are to use more tools, related to this research, only to get a few files of findings as evidence found.

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