

# Reversing (Undocumented) Windows Kernel Functions

*Note: The functions that were analyzed are not found in Windows XP or lower.*

This post will show my analysis of some undocumented APIs in the Windows kernel. The functions that were found relate to [Locale IDs](#).

LCIDs are identifiers used to specify localizable information. They are also known as culture identifiers in the Microsoft® .NET Framework environment.

The name of a culture consists of its [ISO-639] language code, its [ISO-3166] country/region code, and an optional [ISO-15924] script tag for the written language. For example, the name of the culture in which the language is Bosnian (as written in Latin script and used in the Bosnia and Herzegovina region) is bs-Latn-BA.

More info: [\[MS-LCID\] \(PDF warning\)](#)

The functions that I will be analyzing are RtlLCIDToCultureName, RtlLcidToLocaleName, RtlCultureNameToLCID, RtlLocaleNameToLcid, and RtlConvertLCIDToString. The names alone give away a hint of what they probably do. The first two will be analyzed in depth and then sample code utilizing all five will be provided. There are a few additional functions with Rtlp\* pertaining to LCIDs, but the generally Rtlp\* functions are private functions and are meant only to be used within the native API, not to be exported and used by external programs.

## RtlLCIDToCultureName (disassembly reproduced below)

```
.text:7DEB4C38          public RtlLCIDToCultureName
.text:7DEB4C38 RtlLCIDToCultureName proc near          ; CODE XREF:
sub_7DEB4C06+24↑p
.text:7DEB4C38          ; sub_7DEB908D-17↑p
...
.text:7DEB4C38
.text:7DEB4C38 var_8          = word ptr -8
.text:7DEB4C38 var_4          = dword ptr -4
.text:7DEB4C38 arg_0          = dword ptr 8
.text:7DEB4C38 arg_4          = dword ptr 0Ch
.text:7DEB4C38
.text:7DEB4C38 ; FUNCTION CHUNK AT .text:7DEBB21D SIZE 0000006D BYTES
.text:7DEB4C38
.text:7DEB4C38          mov     edi, edi
.text:7DEB4C3A          push   ebp
.text:7DEB4C3B          mov     ebp, esp
.text:7DEB4C3D          push   ecx
.text:7DEB4C3E          push   ecx
.text:7DEB4C3F          push   ebx
.text:7DEB4C40          push   esi
.text:7DEB4C41          push   edi
.text:7DEB4C42          mov     edi, [ebp+arg_0]
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.text:7DEB4C45      xor     ebx, ebx
.text:7DEB4C47      cmp     edi, ebx
.text:7DEB4C49      jz      short loc_7DEB4C88
.text:7DEB4C4B      mov     esi, [ebp+arg_4]
.text:7DEB4C4E      cmp     esi, ebx
.text:7DEB4C50      jz      short loc_7DEB4C88
.text:7DEB4C52      cmp     edi, 1000h
.text:7DEB4C58      jz      short loc_7DEB4C88
.text:7DEB4C5A      mov     eax, dword_7DF7208C
.text:7DEB4C5F      cmp     eax, ebx
.text:7DEB4C61      jz      short loc_7DEB4C77
.text:7DEB4C63      lea    ecx, [ebp+arg_0]
.text:7DEB4C66      push   ecx
.text:7DEB4C67      push   ebx
.text:7DEB4C68      push   edi
.text:7DEB4C69      push   eax
.text:7DEB4C6A      call   sub_7DEB4C96
.text:7DEB4C6F      test   eax, eax
.text:7DEB4C71      jge    loc_7DEBB21D
.text:7DEB4C77
.text:7DEB4C77 loc_7DEB4C77:                ; CODE XREF:
RtlLCIDToCultureName+29↑j
.text:7DEB4C77                ;
RtlLCIDToCultureName+65FF↑j
.text:7DEB4C77      push   0
.text:7DEB4C79      push   2
.text:7DEB4C7B      push   esi
.text:7DEB4C7C      push   edi
.text:7DEB4C7D      call   RtlLcidToLocaleName
.text:7DEB4C82      test   eax, eax
.text:7DEB4C84      jl     short loc_7DEB4C88
.text:7DEB4C86
.text:7DEB4C86 loc_7DEB4C86:                ; CODE XREF:
RtlLCIDToCultureName+6646↑j
.text:7DEB4C86      mov     bl, 1
.text:7DEB4C88
.text:7DEB4C88 loc_7DEB4C88:                ; CODE XREF:
RtlLCIDToCultureName+11↑j
.text:7DEB4C88                ;
RtlLCIDToCultureName+18↑j ...
.text:7DEB4C88      pop     edi
.text:7DEB4C89      pop     esi
.text:7DEB4C8A      mov     al, bl
.text:7DEB4C8C      pop     ebx
.text:7DEB4C8D      leave
.text:7DEB4C8E      retn   8
.text:7DEB4C8E RtlLCIDToCultureName endp

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Quite a function at first, but relatively easy to analyze. I started the analysis by looking at all of the cross references to this function (click to enlarge).

Dire...	T.	Address	Text
↳↳ Up	p	sub_7DEB4C06+24	call RtlLCIDToCultureName
↳↳ D...	p	sub_7DEB908D-17	call RtlLCIDToCultureName
↳↳ D...	p	sub_7DEBB448+B2	call RtlLCIDToCultureName
↳↳ D...	p	sub_7DEBB9E0+71	call RtlLCIDToCultureName
↳↳ D...	p	sub_7DEBBA6B+22C	call RtlLCIDToCultureName
↳↳ D...	p	RtlpGetNameFromLa...	call RtlLCIDToCultureName
↳↳ D...	p	sub_7DEB1EED+4F...	call RtlLCIDToCultureName
↳↳ D...	p	sub_7DF28BC3+FD	call RtlLCIDToCultureName
↳↳ D...	p	sub_7DF29229+D9	call RtlLCIDToCultureName
↳↳ D...	p	sub_7DF2946D+C2	call RtlLCIDToCultureName
↳↳ D...	p	RtlpConvertLCIDsto...	call RtlLCIDToCultureName
↳↳ D...	p	RtlpVerifyAndCommit...	call RtlLCIDToCultureName
↳↳ D...	p	RtlpCleanupRegistryK...	call RtlLCIDToCultureName
↳↳ D...	p	RtlpSetPreferredUILa...	call RtlLCIDToCultureName
↳↳ D...	p	RtlpSetPreferredUILa...	call RtlLCIDToCultureName
↳↳ D...	p	RtlpSetPreferredUILa...	call RtlLCIDToCultureName
↳↳ D...	p	RtlGetUILanguageInf...	call RtlLCIDToCultureName
↳↳ D...	p	RtlGetFileMUIPath+5...	call RtlLCIDToCultureName
↳↳ D...	p	RtlpSetInstallLanguag...	call RtlLCIDToCultureName
↳↳ D...	p	sub_7DF39F5F+57	call RtlLCIDToCultureName
↳↳ D...	p	sub_7DF3B24B+D7	call RtlLCIDToCultureName
↳↳ D...	p	sub_7DF3B9D2+1CD	call RtlLCIDToCultureName
↳↳ Up	o	.text:off_7DE801E0	dd rva Ordinal1, rva Ordinal2, rva Ordinal3, rva Ordinal4

This might lead to some hints as to what the types of the two parameters this function takes are. I found an interesting hint at

```
.text:7DEBBA51          call    RtlLCIDToCultureName
```

By scrolling up and looking at the call in context, I found

```
.text:7DEBBA3C          push   eax
.text:7DEBBA3D          push   esi
.text:7DEBBA3E          call   RtlInitUnicodeString
.text:7DEBBA43
.text:7DEBBA43  loc_7DEBBA43:          ; CODE XREF:
sub_7DEBB9E0+78↑j
.text:7DEBBA43          ; sub_7DEBB9E0+40E8D↑j
.text:7DEBBA43          mov    eax, edi
.text:7DEBBA45
.text:7DEBBA45  loc_7DEBBA45:          ; CODE XREF:
sub_7DEBB9E0+84↑j
.text:7DEBBA45          pop    edi
.text:7DEBBA46          pop    esi
.text:7DEBBA47          pop    ebp
.text:7DEBBA48          retn  0Ch
.text:7DEBBA4B ; -----
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.text:7DEBBA4B
.text:7DEBBA4B  loc_7DEBBA4B:          ; CODE XREF:
sub_7DEBB9E0+22↑j
.text:7DEBBA4B          movsx eax, word ptr [eax+4]
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.text:7DEBBA4F
.text:7DEBBA4F loc_7DEBBA4F: ; CODE XREF:
sub_7DEBB9E0+40E83/j
.text:7DEBBA4F          push     esi
.text:7DEBBA50          push     eax
.text:7DEBBA51          call    RtlLCIDToCultureName

```

Looking at how ESI is used in this function (the entirety is not reproduced here, it begins at .text:7DEBB9E0) shows that its value is set to the second parameter. There is a test for 0 and a branch to a function that moves an error code into EAX. Thus, since ESI was not reused anywhere in this function, it can safely be determined that it will have the same type as an argument to RtlLCIDToCultureName as it does to RtlInitUnicodeString.

```

VOID WINAPI RtlInitUnicodeString(
    __inout PUNICODE_STRING DestinationString,
    __in_opt PCWSTR SourceString
);

```

ESI is passed as the first argument into RtlInitUnicodeString and as the second argument of RtlLCIDToCultureName concluding that ESI is a PUNICODE\_STRING structure. Also, looking at .text:7DEBBA4B shows that the first argument passed into RtlLCIDToCultureName appears to be a 16-bit integer that got sign extended into EAX. Now the two arguments are known and the RtlLCIDToCultureName function itself can be analyzed. It appears that loc\_7DEB4C88 is where the function jumps to if an error occurred where it subsequently will return 0. If dword\_7DF7208C is 0 then the function branches a bit further down, otherwise it jumps into a huge function chunk. The assumption is that short branches are good and branches to function chunks result from an unwanted condition. Following this assumption, a good branch would go to .text:7DEB4C77 where two constants, ESI, and EDI are pushed followed by RtlLcidToLocaleName being called. The return value is then tested and if all goes well, RtlLCIDToCultureName returns a 1 (otherwise 0). Given all of this information, the following can be inferred

```

NTSTATUS RtlLCIDToCultureName(ULONG unknown1, PUNICODE_STRING unknown2);

```

With some logic and testing, it can be guessed and tested that unknown1 is the numerical LCID which will be converted and stored in unknown2. However, analyzing RtlLcidToLocaleName in depth will confirm this.

### RtlLcidToLocaleName (disassembly reproduced below)

```

.text:7DEB454F          public RtlLcidToLocaleName
.text:7DEB454F RtlLcidToLocaleName proc near ; CODE XREF:
RtlLCIDToCultureName+45/p
.text:7DEB454F          ; sub_7DECC39F+58/p
...
.text:7DEB454F
.text:7DEB454F var_BC      = word ptr -0BCh
.text:7DEB454F var_BA      = word ptr -0BAh
.text:7DEB454F var_B8      = dword ptr -0B8h
.text:7DEB454F var_B4      = dword ptr -0B4h
.text:7DEB454F var_B0      = byte ptr -0B0h

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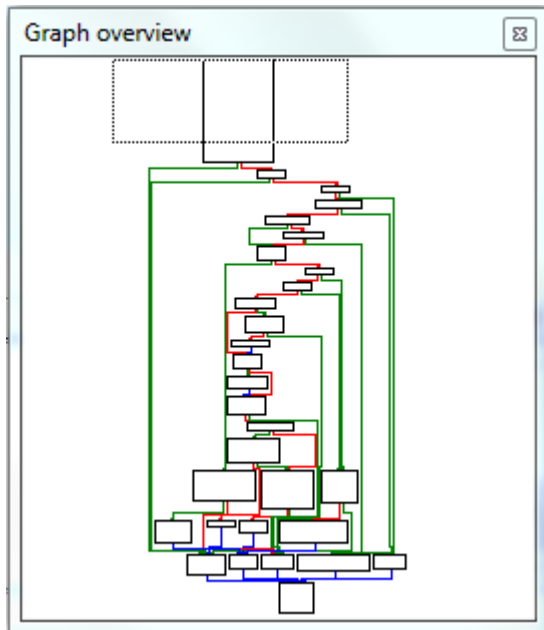
.text:7DEB454F var_4          = dword ptr -4
.text:7DEB454F arg_0        = dword ptr 8
.text:7DEB454F arg_4        = dword ptr 0Ch
.text:7DEB454F arg_8        = dword ptr 10h
.text:7DEB454F arg_C        = dword ptr 14h
.text:7DEB454F
.text:7DEB454F ; FUNCTION CHUNK AT .text:7DEFFB8C SIZE 000000CC BYTES
.text:7DEB454F
.text:7DEB454F      mov     edi, edi
.text:7DEB4551      push    ebp
.text:7DEB4552      mov     ebp, esp
.text:7DEB4554      sub     esp, 0BCh
.text:7DEB455A      mov     eax, dword_7DF72088
.text:7DEB455F      xor     eax, ebp
.text:7DEB4561      mov     [ebp+var_4], eax
.text:7DEB4564      push    ebx
.text:7DEB4565      mov     ebx, [ebp+arg_4]
.text:7DEB4568      push    esi
.text:7DEB4569      push    edi
.text:7DEB456A      mov     edi, [ebp+arg_0]
.text:7DEB456D      mov     [ebp+var_B4], 55h
.text:7DEB4577      test   edi, edi
.text:7DEB4579      jz     loc_7DEB4649
.text:7DEB457F      cmp    edi, 1000h
.text:7DEB4585      jz     loc_7DEB4649
.text:7DEB458B      test   ebx, ebx
.text:7DEB458D      jz     loc_7DEFFB8C
.text:7DEB4593      test   [ebp+arg_8], 0FFFFFFFDh
.text:7DEB459A      jnz    loc_7DEFFB96
.text:7DEB45A0      cmp    byte ptr [ebp+arg_C], 0
.text:7DEB45A4      jnz    short loc_7DEB45B0
.text:7DEB45A6      cmp    dword ptr [ebx+4], 0
.text:7DEB45AA      jz     loc_7DEFFB8C
.text:7DEB45B0
.text:7DEB45B0 loc_7DEB45B0:                ; CODE XREF:
RtlLcidToLocaleName+55↑j
.text:7DEB45B0      cmp    edi, 1400h
.text:7DEB45B6      jz     loc_7DEFFBA0
.text:7DEB45BC      cmp    edi, 0C00h
.text:7DEB45C2      jz     loc_7DEFFC16
.text:7DEB45C8      cmp    edi, 400h
.text:7DEB45CE      jz     loc_7DEFFC16
.text:7DEB45D4      mov     esi, dword_7DF72028
.text:7DEB45DA      test   esi, esi
.text:7DEB45DC      jz     loc_7DEFFBD6
.text:7DEB45E2
.text:7DEB45E2 loc_7DEB45E2:                ; CODE XREF:
RtlLcidToLocaleName+4B696↑j
.text:7DEB45E2      cmp    edi, 800h
.text:7DEB45E8      jz     loc_7DEFFBEA
.text:7DEB45EE
.text:7DEB45EE loc_7DEB45EE:                ; CODE XREF:
RtlLcidToLocaleName+4B6A1↑j
.text:7DEB45EE      push    edi
.text:7DEB45EF      call   sub_7DEB4510
.text:7DEB45F4      test   eax, eax
.text:7DEB45F6      jl     short loc_7DEB4649

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.text:7DEB45F8          test     byte ptr [ebp+arg_8], 2
.text:7DEB45FC          jz      loc_7DEFFBF5
.text:7DEB4602
.text:7DEB4602 loc_7DEB4602:          ; CODE XREF:
RtlLcidToLocaleName+4B6BC^j
.text:7DEB4602          mov     ecx, [esi+14h]
.text:7DEB4605          movzx  eax, word ptr [ecx+eax*8+6]
.text:7DEB460A          mov     ecx, [esi+1Ch]
.text:7DEB460D          lea    esi, [ecx+eax*2+2]
.text:7DEB4611          lea    eax, [ebp+var_B4]
.text:7DEB4617          push   eax
.text:7DEB4618          push   54h
.text:7DEB461A          push   esi
.text:7DEB461B          call   sub_7DEB44CC
.text:7DEB4620          test   eax, eax
.text:7DEB4622          jl     loc_7DEFFBB9
.text:7DEB4628          push   ebx
.text:7DEB4629          push   [ebp+var_B4]
.text:7DEB462F          push   esi
.text:7DEB4630
.text:7DEB4630 loc_7DEB4630:          ; CODE XREF:
RtlLcidToLocaleName+4B682^j
.text:7DEB4630          ;
.text:7DEB4630          ;
RtlLcidToLocaleName+4B704^j
.text:7DEB4630          push   [ebp+arg_C]
.text:7DEB4633          call   sub_7DEB4655
.text:7DEB4638
.text:7DEB4638 loc_7DEB4638:          ; CODE XREF:
RtlLcidToLocaleName+FF^j
.text:7DEB4638          ;
.text:7DEB4638          ;
RtlLcidToLocaleName+4B642^j ...
.text:7DEB4638          mov     ecx, [ebp+var_4]
.text:7DEB463B          pop     edi
.text:7DEB463C          pop     esi
.text:7DEB463D          xor     ecx, ebp
.text:7DEB463F          pop     ebx
.text:7DEB4640          call   sub_7DE9DF74
.text:7DEB4645          leave
.text:7DEB4646          retn   10h
.text:7DEB4649 ; -----
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.text:7DEB4649
.text:7DEB4649 loc_7DEB4649:          ; CODE XREF:
RtlLcidToLocaleName+2A^j
.text:7DEB4649          ;
.text:7DEB4649          ;
RtlLcidToLocaleName+36^j ...
.text:7DEB4649          mov     eax, 0C00000EFh
.text:7DEB464E          jmp     short loc_7DEB4638
.text:7DEB464E RtlLcidToLocaleName endp

```



Although slightly larger, the analysis is relatively straightforward. The flow graph shows a ton of error or value checking, but a stepwise path to the return point. It will be taken as an assumption for now that the branches result from error conditions from invalid or uninitialized values. The main interesting parts are

```
.text:7DEB4593          test    [ebp+arg_8], 0FFFFFFFDh
.text:7DEB459A          jnz    loc_7DEFFB96
.text:7DEB45A0          cmp    byte ptr [ebp+arg_C], 0
.text:7DEB45A4          jnz    short loc_7DEB45B0
.text:7DEB45A6          cmp    dword ptr [ebx+4], 0
.text:7DEB45AA          jz     loc_7DEFFB8C
```

The third argument, originally passed in as 2d, is compared against 0FFFFFFFDh (1111111111111111111111111111111101b). The two values where these functions do not branch are 00b or 10b, or 0d and 2d. The many branches make the function annoying to analyze, but working through it and following a few branches (sub\_7DEB4510 specifically) shows that dword\_7DF72028 plays an important role. As a static analysis, not much can be determined. A lot of arithmetic follows loading dword\_7DF72028 into a register, so it can be guessed that it retrieves a value based on the given key. Cross references to it also seem to suggest the same thing. Since the key to dword\_7DF72028 depends on the EDI register, which is in turn, the first argument from RtlLCIDToCultureName, the guess that the first argument is the LCID has much more credibility. Further analysis also shows that the third parameter, passed in as a 2, is a flag to determine what the LCID is if additional flags are present. Using all of the knowledge gathered, it is now possible to call these functions from a normal program.

RtlCultureNameToLCID and RtlLocaleNameToLcid are more or less the same functions, except in reverse. Their analysis isn't going to be shown here. The only significant difference is that RtlLocaleNameToLcid takes a PWSTR as its first parameter instead of a PUNICODE\_STRING. There is also an ambiguity in the third parameter of RtlLocaleNameToLcid. All cross references

call it with a 3h as the third argument, but the function only compares the third argument against a value of 2h or 0FFFFFFCh. The condition for when the third argument matches 2h branches to code that manipulates another static address (dword\_7DF72028). Since this was done as a static analysis, not too much can be inferred from what this code means. It is possible to gain more knowledge by reversing the program below and tracing through what those static addresses hold and what happens when the “magic” value is set to 2h. All of the functions and how to invoke them are shown in the sample program below.

```
#include <Windows.h>
#include <assert.h>
#include <stdio.h>

#define DECLARE_UNICODE_STRING(_var, _string) \
const WCHAR _var ## _buffer[] = _string; \
UNICODE_STRING _var = { sizeof(_string) - sizeof(WCHAR), sizeof(_string), \
(PWCH) _var ## _buffer }

typedef struct _UNICODE_STRING {
    USHORT Length;
    USHORT MaximumLength;
    PWSTR Buffer;
} UNICODE_STRING, *PUNICODE_STRING;

typedef NTSTATUS (__stdcall* pRtlLCIDToCultureName)(ULONG lcid,
PUNICODE_STRING name);
typedef NTSTATUS (__stdcall* pRtlLcidToLocaleName)(ULONG lcid,
PUNICODE_STRING name,
    DWORD reserved, BYTE encoded);
typedef NTSTATUS (__stdcall* pRtlCultureNameToLCID)(PUNICODE_STRING name,
PULONG lcid);
typedef NTSTATUS (__stdcall* pRtlLocaleNameToLcid)(PWSTR name, PULONG lcid,
BYTE magic);
typedef NTSTATUS (__stdcall* pRtlConvertLCIDToString)(ULONG lcid, ULONG
value, ULONG precision,
    PWSTR wstr_lcid, ULONG length);

int main(int argc, char* argv[])
{
    HMODULE hmodule = LoadLibrary(L"ntdll.dll");
    pRtlLCIDToCultureName LCIDToCulture =
        (pRtlLCIDToCultureName)GetProcAddress(hmodule,
"RtlLCIDToCultureName");
    pRtlLcidToLocaleName LcidToLocale =
        (pRtlLcidToLocaleName)GetProcAddress(hmodule,
"RtlLcidToLocaleName");
    pRtlCultureNameToLCID CultureToLCID =
        (pRtlCultureNameToLCID)GetProcAddress(hmodule,
"RtlCultureNameToLCID");
    pRtlLocaleNameToLcid LocaleToLcid =
        (pRtlLocaleNameToLcid)GetProcAddress(hmodule,
"RtlLocaleNameToLcid");
    pRtlConvertLCIDToString LCIDToString =
        (pRtlConvertLCIDToString)GetProcAddress(hmodule,
"RtlConvertLCIDToString");
    NTSTATUS ret = 0;
```



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DECLARE_UNICODE_STRING(name, L"dummystringinitializer");

if(LCIDToCulture && LcidToLocale && CultureToLCID && LocaleToLcid &&
LCIDToString)
{
    //Test RtlLCIDToCultureName and LCIDCultureNameToLCID
    ULONG lcid_enus = 0x0409;
    ULONG lcid_ruru = 0x0419;
    ret = LCIDToCulture(lcid_enus, &name);
    wprintf(L"[%i] LCID: %i Culture/Locale name: %s\n", ret,
lcid_enus, name.Buffer);
    ret = LCIDToCulture(lcid_ruru, &name);
    wprintf(L"[%i] LCID: %i Culture name: %s\n", ret, lcid_ruru,
name.Buffer);

    ULONG ret_enus = 0x0;
    ULONG ret_ruru = 0x0;
    DECLARE_UNICODE_STRING(wstr_enus, L"en-US");
    DECLARE_UNICODE_STRING(wstr_ruru, L"ru-RU");
    ret = CultureToLCID(&wstr_enus, &ret_enus);
    wprintf(L"[%i] LCID: %i Culture/Locale name: %s\n", ret,
lcid_enus, wstr_enus.Buffer);
    ret = CultureToLCID(&wstr_ruru, &ret_ruru);
    wprintf(L"[%i] LCID: %i Culture/Locale name: %s\n\n", ret,
lcid_ruru, wstr_ruru.Buffer);

    assert(ret_enus == lcid_enus);
    assert(ret_ruru == lcid_ruru);
    //End RtlLCIDToCultureName and LCIDCultureNameToLCID

    //Test RtlLcidToLocaleName and RtlLocaleNameToLcid
    ULONG lcid_dedephoneb = 0x10407; //Phone book sorting flag
added
    ULONG lcid_esve = 0x200A;
    ret = LcidToLocale(lcid_dedephoneb, &name, 0x00, 0x02);
    wprintf(L"[%i] LCID: %i Culture/Locale name: %s\n", ret,
lcid_dedephoneb, name.Buffer);
    ret = LcidToLocale(lcid_esve, &name, 0x00, 0x00);
    wprintf(L"[%i] LCID: %i Culture/Locale name: %s\n", ret,
lcid_esve, name.Buffer);

    ULONG ret_dedephoneb = 0x0;
    ULONG ret_esve = 0x0;
    DECLARE_UNICODE_STRING(wstr_uzlatnuz, L"de-DE_phoneb");
    DECLARE_UNICODE_STRING(wstr_esve, L"es-VE");
    ret = LocaleToLcid(wstr_uzlatnuz.Buffer, &ret_dedephoneb, 3);
    wprintf(L"[%i] LCID: %i Culture/Locale name: %s\n", ret,
ret_dedephoneb, wstr_uzlatnuz.Buffer);
    ret = LocaleToLcid(wstr_esve.Buffer, &ret_esve, 3);
    wprintf(L"[%i] LCID: %i Culture/Locale name: %s\n\n", ret,
ret_esve, wstr_esve.Buffer);

    assert(lcid_dedephoneb == ret_dedephoneb);
    assert(lcid_esve == ret_esve);
    //End RtlLcidToLocaleName and RtlLocaleNameToLcid

    //Test ConvertLCIDToString

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        ULONG lcid_is = 0x040F;
        ret = LCIDToString(lcid_is, 0x10, 0x4, name.Buffer,
name.MaximumLength);
        wprintf(L "[%i] LCID: %i Culture/Locale name: %s\n", ret,
lcid_is, name.Buffer);
        ret = LCIDToString(lcid_is, 0x10, 0x8, name.Buffer,
name.MaximumLength);
        wprintf(L "[%i] LCID: %i Culture/Locale name: %s\n", ret,
lcid_is, name.Buffer);
        //End ConvertLCIDToString
    }
    else
        wprintf(L "One or more functions could not be exported.\n");

    return 0;
}

```

RtlConvertLCIDToString (usage shown above) is the last function to be discussed. It is a rather mysterious function which is only cross referenced once (shown below)

```

.text:7DF298E6          push    20h
.text:7DF298E8          push    esi
.text:7DF298E9          push    4
.text:7DF298EB          push    10h
.text:7DF298ED          push    [ebp+ebx*4+var_24]
.text:7DF298F1          call   RtlConvertLCIDToString

```

It seems to take three known integer values as its second, third, and fifth arguments. It calls the RtlIntegerToUnicodeString function passing in it's first two arguments. Looking this up on MSDN yields

```

NTSTATUS
RtlIntegerToUnicodeString(
IN ULONG Value,
IN ULONG Base OPTIONAL,
IN OUT PUNICODE_STRING String
);

```

So the first parameter into RtlConvertLCIDToString is a ULONG value to convert — the LCID; the second one is the base of the value. This seems to make sense when looking back at the function call. The value stored in [ebp+ebx\*4+var\_24] will be converted to a string representation of a base 16 number. The fourth parameter can easily be deduced as the output string. The code handles it as a PWSTR instead of a UNICODE\_STRING. The fifth parameter is compared against 200h (512d) and an error code is returned if it is greater or equal to. If the value is fine, the code proceeds normally and a UNICODE\_STRING struct is initialized in EAX for use in RtlIntegerToUnicodeString. Looking at how the UNICODE\_STRING struct is initialized, it is possible to see that the Length, and MaximumLength members are initialized depending on the value of the fifth argument. Therefore, the fifth argument to RtlConvertLCIDToString has to be the length of the PWSTR passed in the fourth argument (since Length <= MaximumLength). This just leaves the third argument to be examined. The first (and only) time that the third argument is used is at

```
.text:7DF29439          cmp     eax, [ebp+arg_8]
```

What happens afterwards is pretty interesting. Depending on certain conditions, the code will either continue regularly, or it will loop and hit

```
.text:7DF2942F          push   30h  
.text:7DF29431          pop    edx  
.text:7DF29432          mov    [ecx], dx
```

This block is interesting because 30h is put into [ecx], which in that context holds the PWSTR to receive the LCID as a string. The 30h is interesting because converted it is the value of a “0”. What is happening is that the PWSTR is being padded with zeroes while this loop is ongoing and there is nothing left to copy. This means that the third argument is the precision of the number.

That concludes everything for this post. A downloadable PDF is available [here](#).