



FireNet Operations

ACE Solutions Architecture Team

Aviatrix Transit Firewall Network (FireNet)



Scale out, multi-AZ FW deployments, bootstrapping



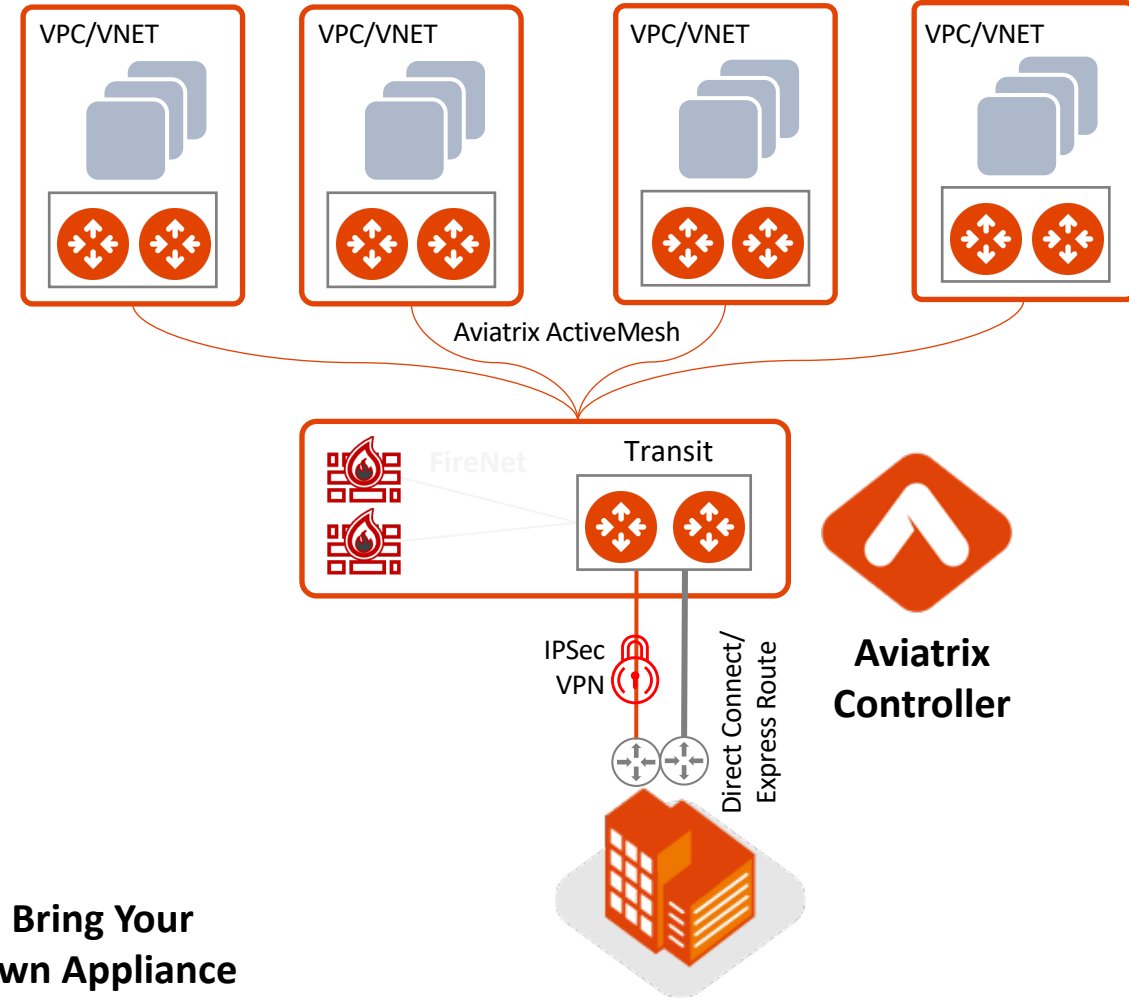
Automated route management, segmentation, and security policies



Deep visibility and operational capabilities



Repeatable across regions and clouds



Bring Your Own Appliance

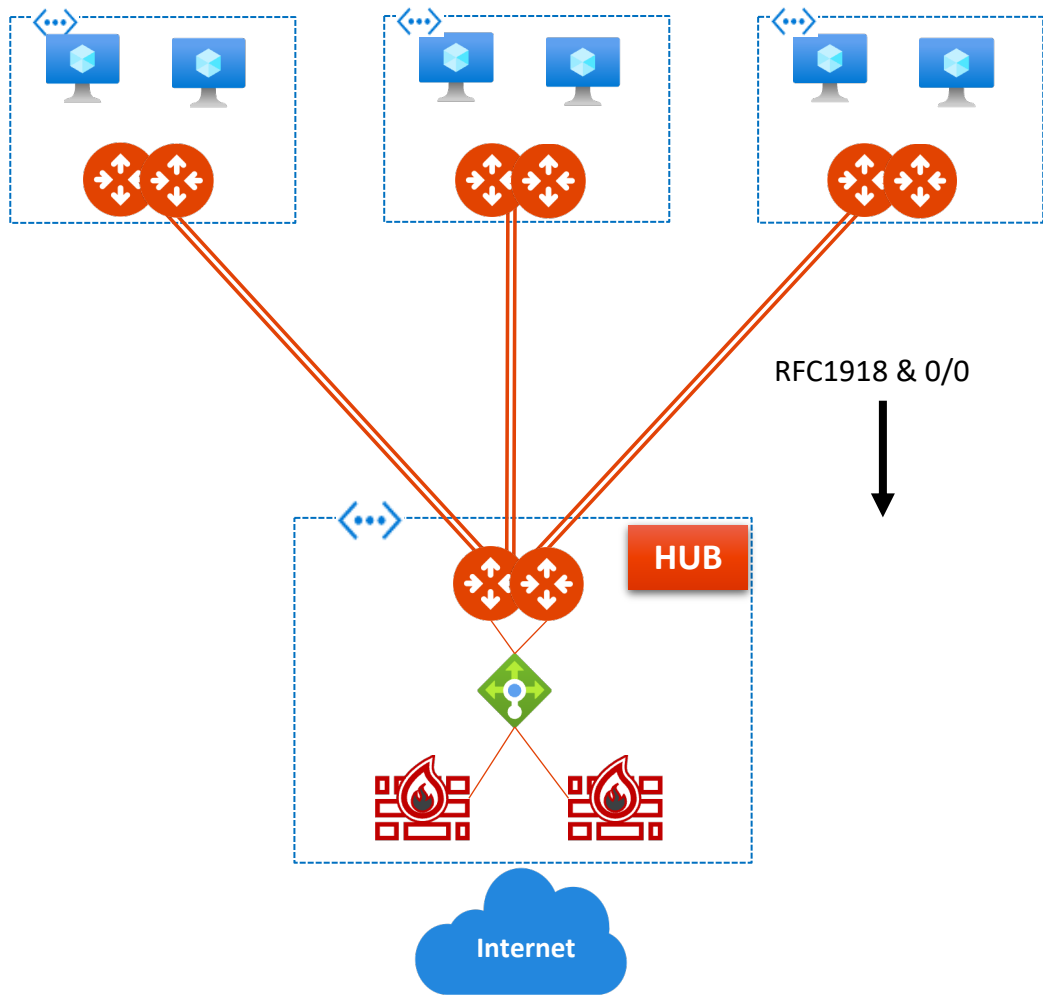


FireNet Architecture Options (Azure Example)

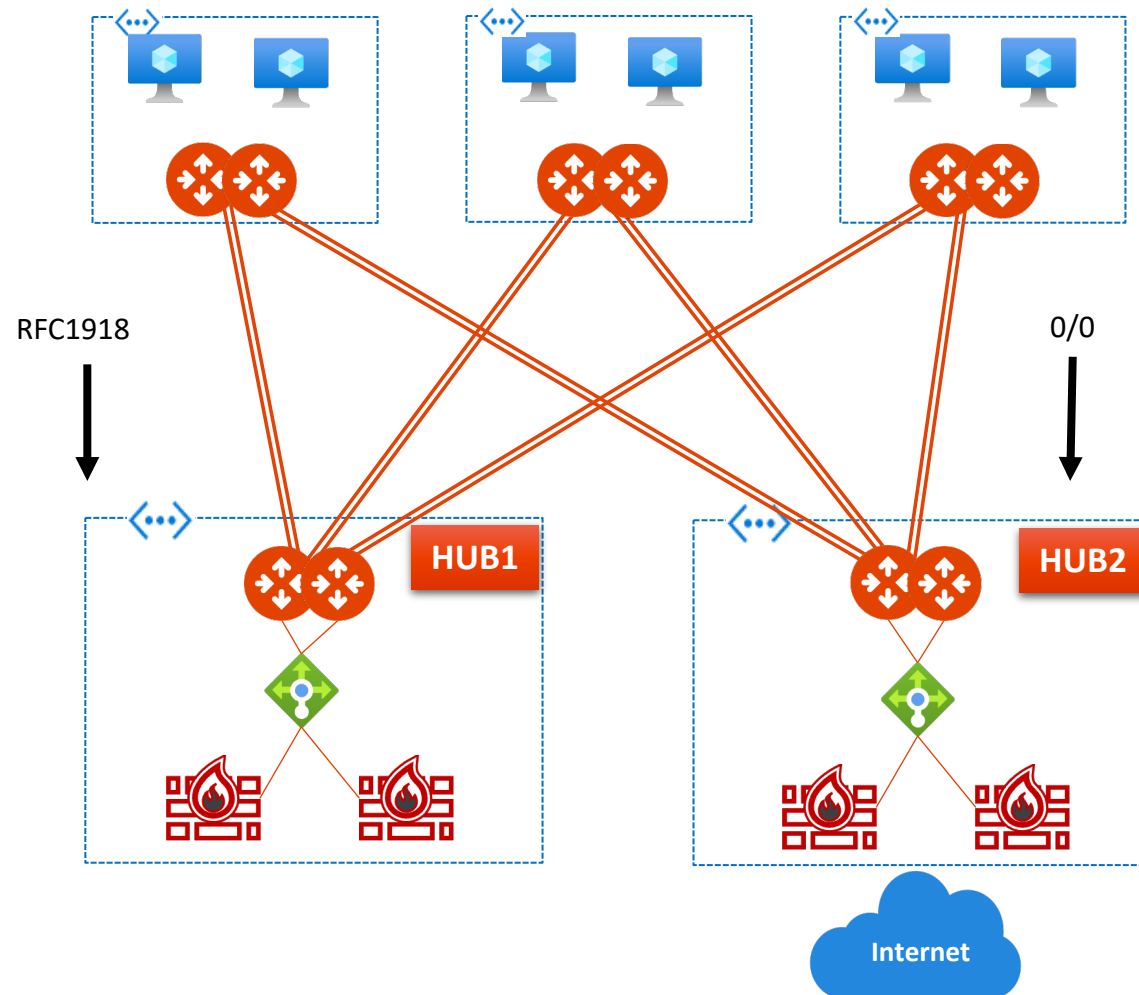


Each firewall set can scale independently based on need

Single HUB FireNet



Dual HUB FireNet

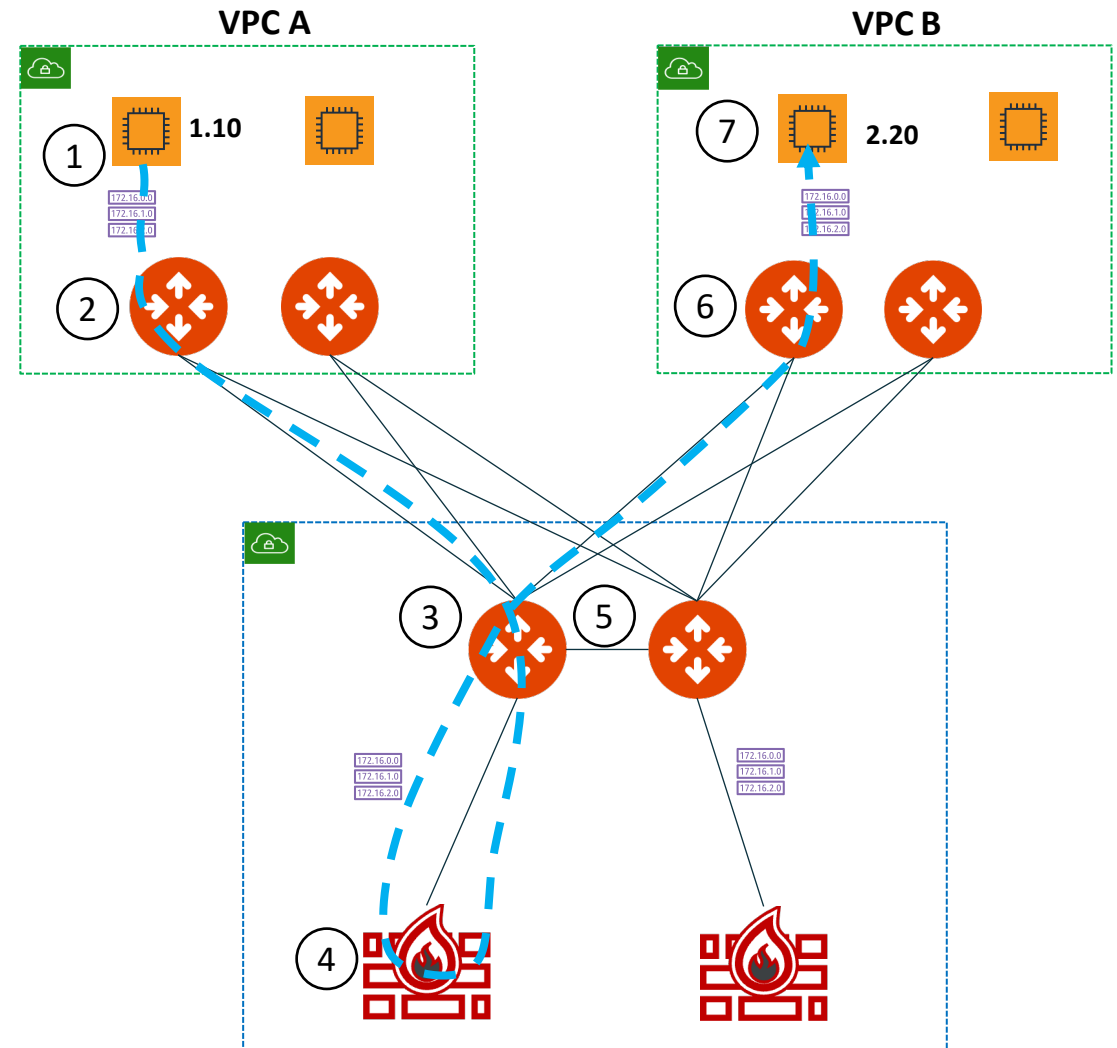


FireNet Packet Walk – AWS Example

A Host 1.10 communicating with 2.20 with VPC A inspected via FireNet

1. The local route table for 1.10 has RFC1918 routes pointed to its local gateway.
2. The local Aviatrix spoke gateway will ECMP traffic with 5-tuple hash to one of the Aviatrix Transit Gateways.
3. The Aviatrix Transit Gateway receiving the flow will check inspection policy to determine if either source or destination requires FireNet. If a match, traffic is redirected to the firewall in the same AZ.
4. The Firewall selected will process the packet and send the traffic back to its defined Transit Gateway.
5. The Aviatrix Transit Gateway will receive the processed packet and forward (ECMP) with 5-tuple hash towards the destination spoke.
6. The destination spoke gateway will receive the traffic and route the traffic out its local interface to the VPC route table. Note that this GW may not be in the same AZ as the destination instance.
7. The destination will receive the original traffic and see this as native VPC communication flow.

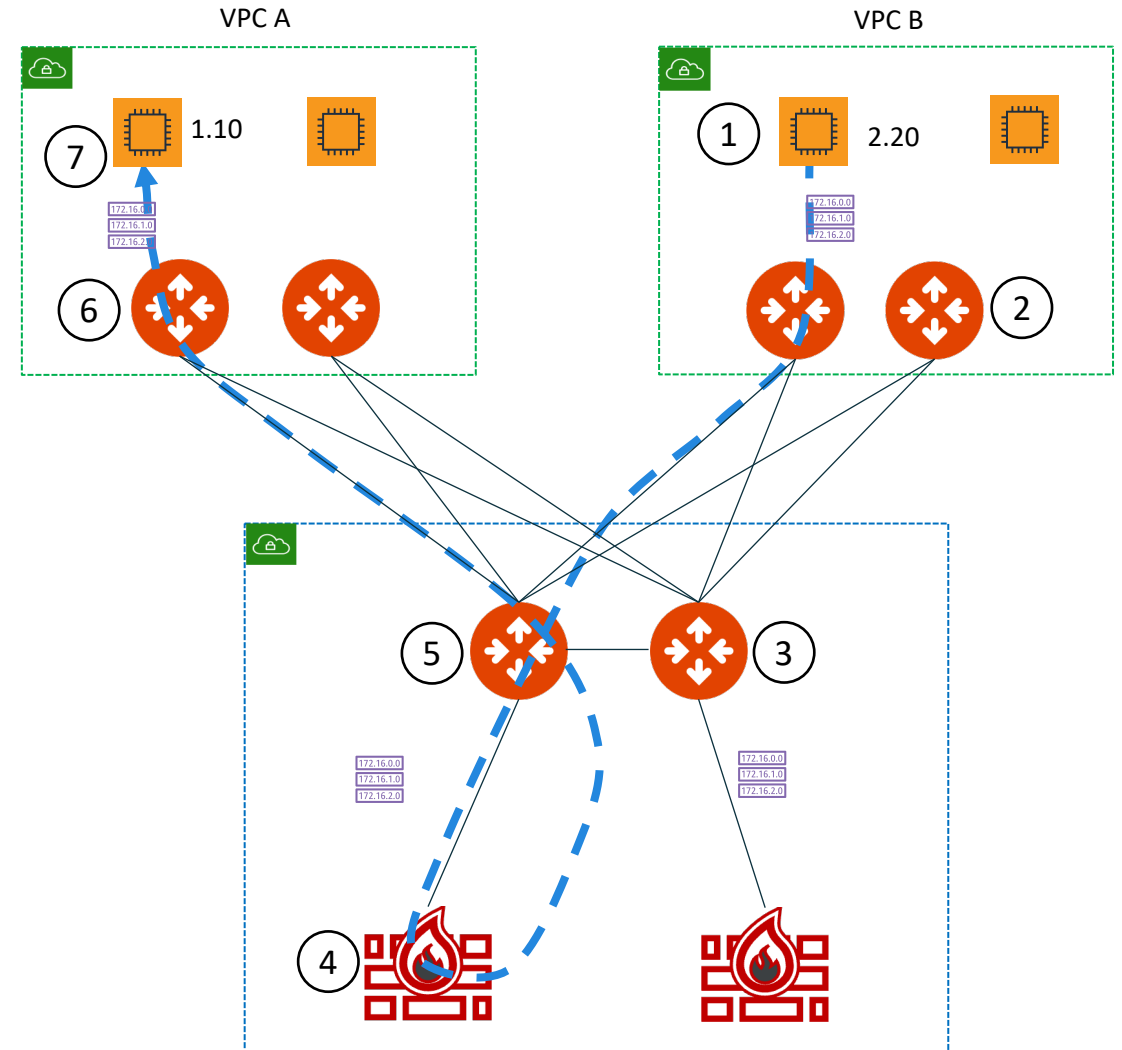
Aviatrix Transit tracks the health of Firewall



FireNet Packet Walk – AWS Example

Return Flow: 1.10 communicating with 2.20 with VPC A inspected via FireNet

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2. The local Aviatrix spoke gateway will ECMP traffic with 5-tuple hash to one of the Aviatrix Transit Gateways.
3. The Aviatrix Transit Gateway receiving the traffic will pass the traffic to the the same FW which handled the initial flow to maintain symmetry.
4. The stateful Firewall will process the return traffic and route the traffic back to its designated gateway.
5. The Aviatrix gateway will ECMP traffic with 5-tuple hash to one of the destination spoke gateways.
6. The destination spoke gateway will route this traffic out its local interface to the native VPC route table.
7. The original source will receive the return traffic and see this as native VPC communication flow.



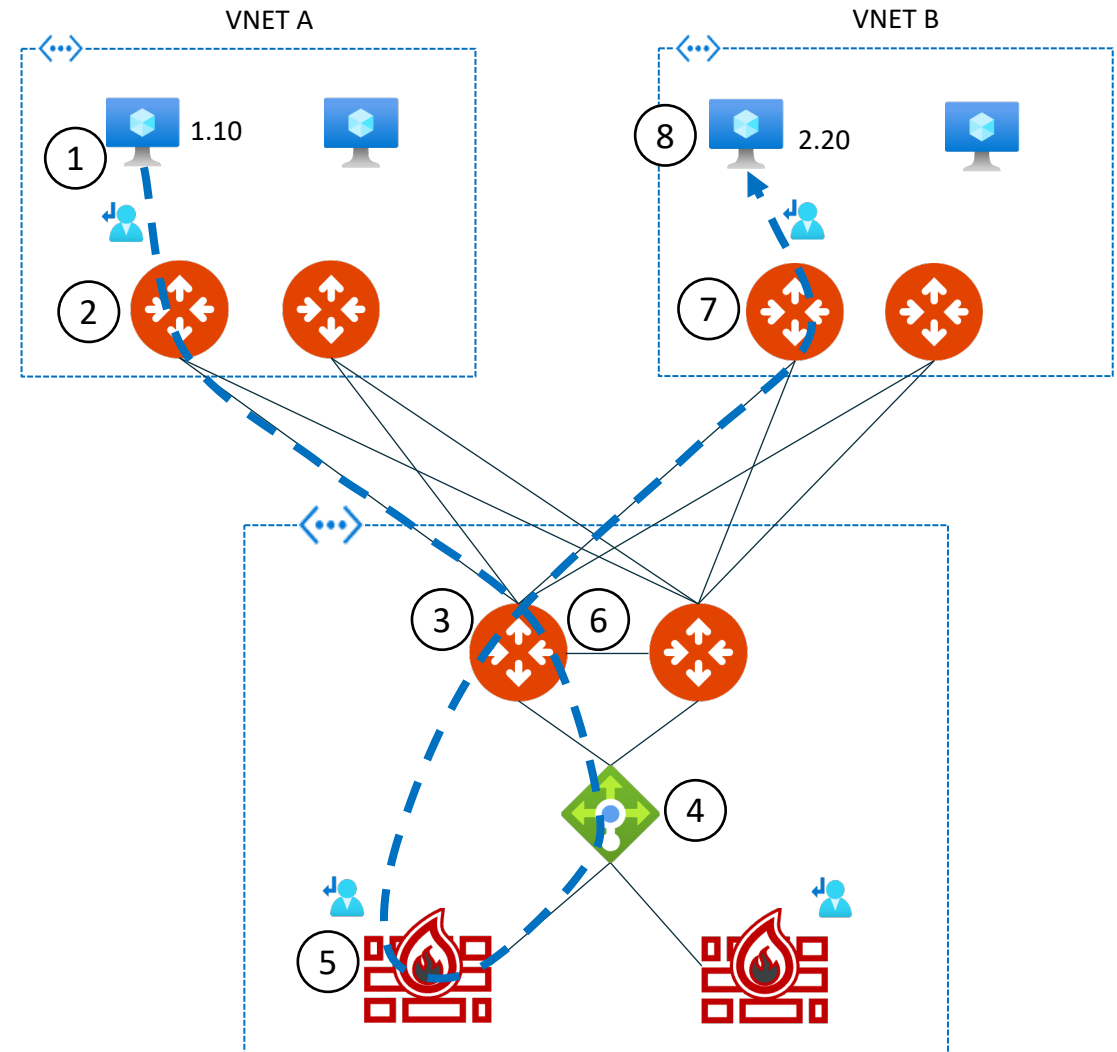
FireNet Packet Walk – Azure Example

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3. The Aviatrix Transit Gateway receiving the flow will check the inspection policy to determine if either source or destination requires FireNet. If a match, traffic is redirected to Azure ILB.
4. The Azure ILB will perform a 5-tuple hash to send the traffic to one of the backend pool members.
5. The Firewall selected will process the packet and send the traffic back to its defined Transit Gateway.
6. The Aviatrix Transit Gateway will receive the processed packet and forward (ECMP) with 5-tuple hash towards the destination spoke.
7. The spoke gateway will receive the traffic and route the traffic out its local interface to the Azure VNET route table.
8. The destination will receive the original traffic and see this as native Azure communication flows.

ILB tracks the health of Firewall

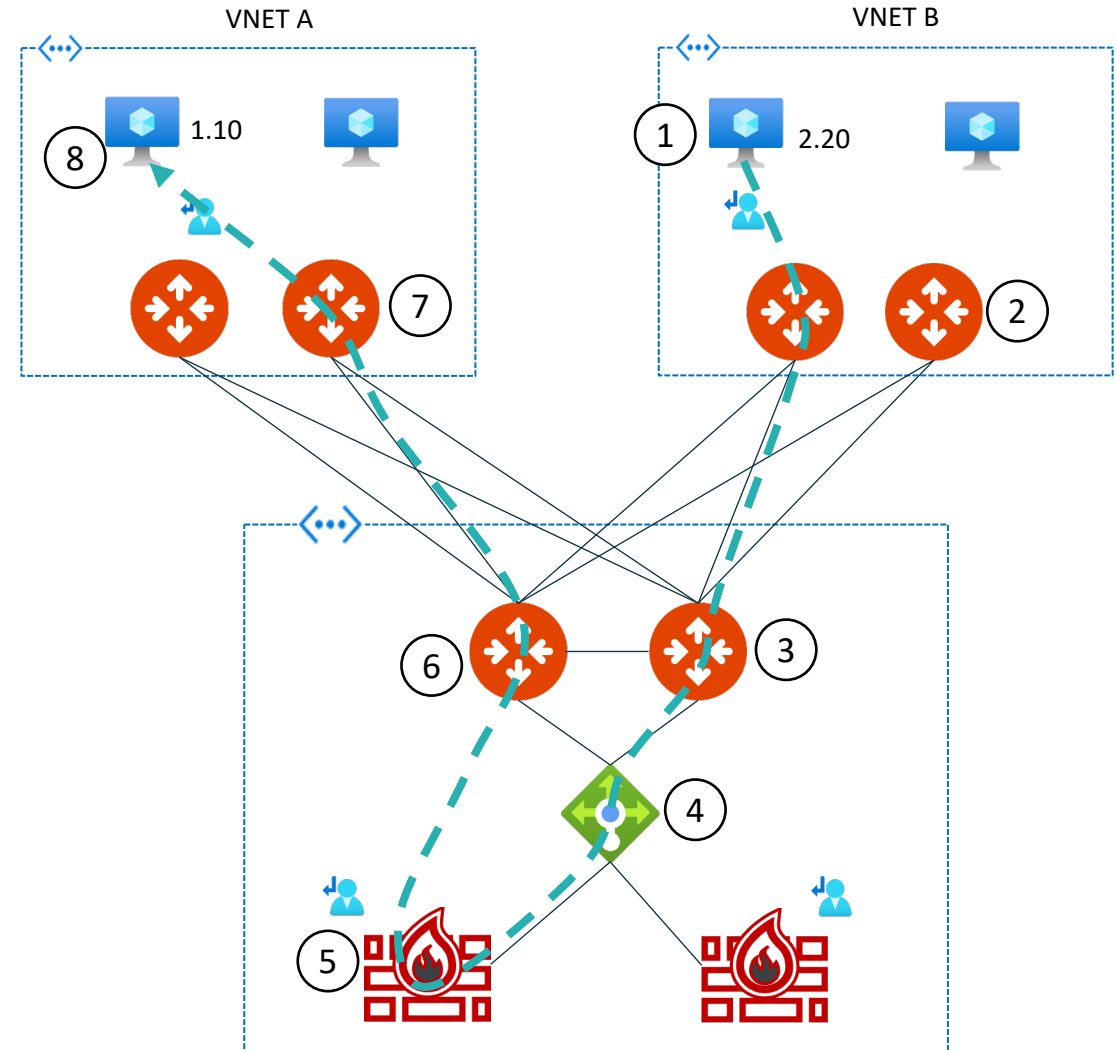
Health check is not configurable in Azure via Controller



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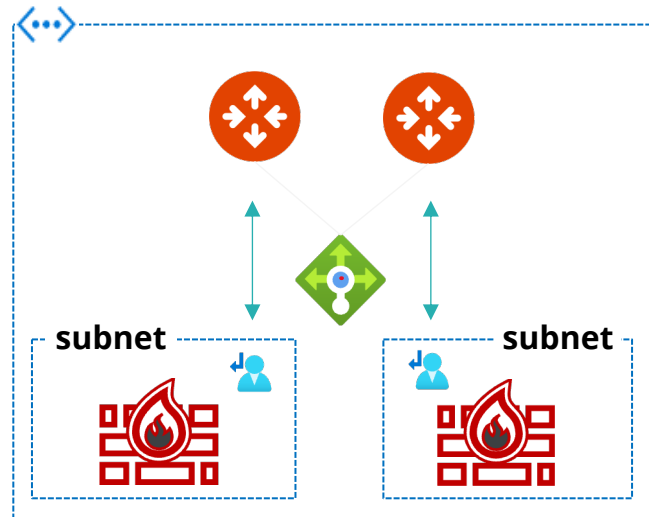
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4. The Azure load balancer will hash the traffic however, the reverse flow hash will match the initial flow to ensure symmetry.
5. The stateful Firewall will process the return traffic and route the traffic back to its designated gateway.
6. The Aviatrix gateway will ECMP traffic with 5-tuple hash to one of the destination spoke gateways.
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FireNet in Azure – 3 States

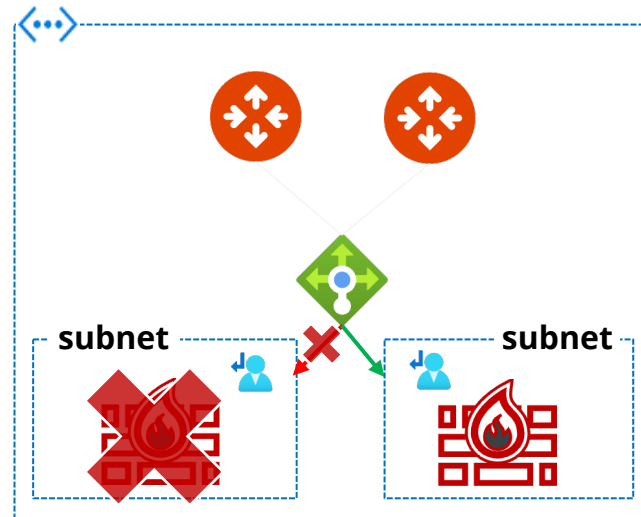
Steady State

- Each Firewall is associated to an Aviatrix Transit GW
- Firewalls are part of the LB backend pool
- UDR in each Firewall subnet point to a single gateway



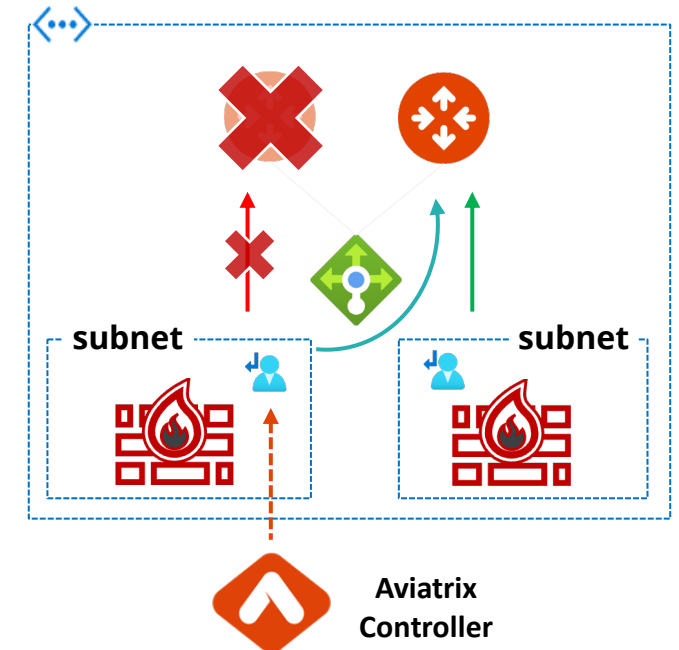
Firewall Failure State

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- If Firewall fails, LB will remove the firewall from the backend pool



Gateway Failure State

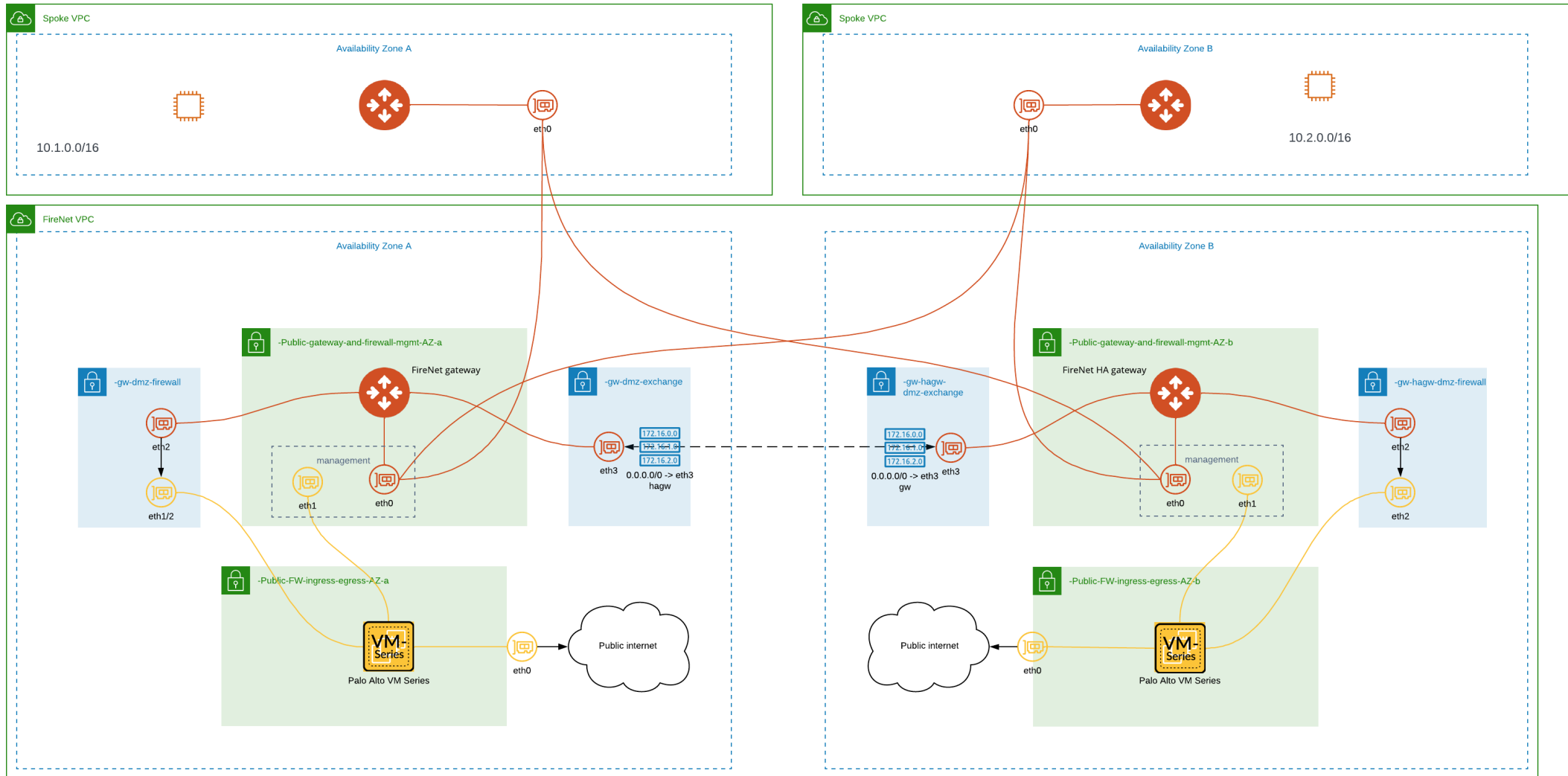
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- If Gateway fails, an API call is made to update the UDR to point to the other healthy gateway





Tools for Operating your FireNet

FireNet – Under the hood



Firewall Deployment Workflow



- **PATH:** Security > FireNet > Firewall

1. Select the Transit FireNet GW
2. Select the Firewall Image (requirement: *Subscribe to the firewall instance from the Marketplace*)
3. Firewall Image Version
4. Firewall Instance Size
5. Egress Interface Subnet
6. Management Interface Subnet (Palo Alto/AWS only)
7. Bootstrap Configuration (*optional*)

- **Supported Firewall Vendors:** Palo Alto VM-Series, Check Point CloudGuard, Fortinet FortiGate, BYOA

- **Panorama** is also supported as a firewall manager for Palo Alto VM-Series.

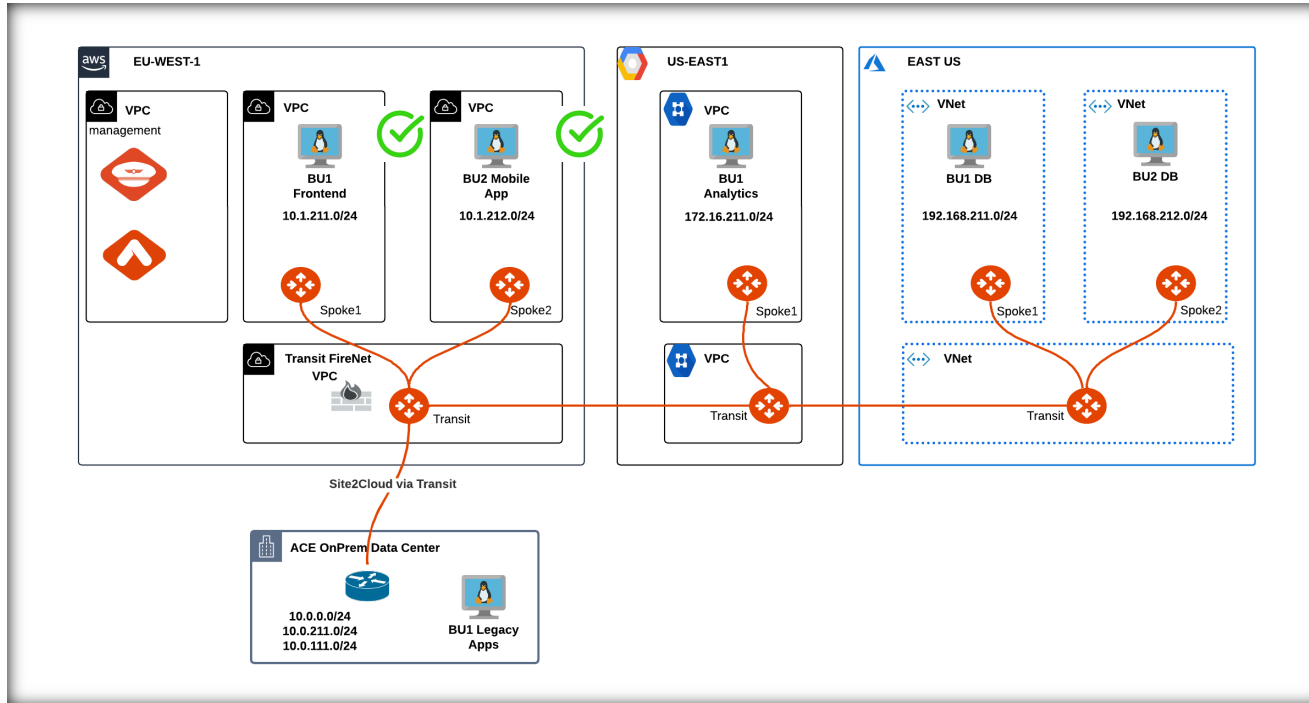
The screenshot displays the Aviatrix console interface for deploying a firewall. The left sidebar shows the navigation menu with 'FireNet' selected. The main panel shows the 'Deploy Firewall' dialog box with the following configuration:

- Association:** FireNet Instance: ace-aws-eu-west-1-transit1, Attach Firewall to FireNet after Launching: Yes
- Firewall Configuration:** Name: FORTIGATE-FW, Firewall Image: Fortinet FortiGate Next-Generation Firewall, Firewall Image Version: (7.4.1), Firewall instance Size: c4.xlarge, Egress Interface Subnet: 10.1.200.0/28--eu-west-1a~ace-aws-eu-west-1-t..., Key Pair Name: (Optional)
- Bootstrap Configuration:** (Optional)

The dialog box includes 'Cancel' and 'Deploy' buttons.

Inspection Policy

- On the FireNet Policy tab you can add or remove **inspection policies** for the selected FireNet. When an inspection policy is added the traffic related to the Transit FireNet's attachment (Spoke/Edge gateway, peered Transit, Site2Cloud connection) is inspected by the firewall within the selected Transit FireNet.
- By default*, FireNet inspects ingress and east-west traffic only.



The screenshot shows the Aviatrix console interface for configuring a Firewall Policy. The breadcrumb navigation is FireNet > FireNet Gateways > Firewall. The selected gateway is 'ace-aws-eu-west-1-transit1'. The 'Policy' tab is active and highlighted with a red box. Below the navigation, there are tabs for 'Firewall', 'Policy', 'VPC/VNet Route Tables', 'Vendor Integration', and 'Settings'. The 'Policy' tab contains a table of inspection policies. Two policies are highlighted with a red box:

Name	Type	Inspection
<input type="checkbox"/> ace-aws-eu-west-1-spoke1	SPOKE	On
<input type="checkbox"/> ace-aws-eu-west-1-spoke2	SPOKE	On
<input type="checkbox"/> ACE-ONPREM-DC	SITE2CLOUD	Off
<input type="checkbox"/> ace-gcp-us-east1-transit1	PEERING	Off
<input type="checkbox"/> ace-azure-east-us-transit1	PEERING	Off

Vendor Integration

- The Vendor Integration function allows the Controller to log into a firewall or firewall manager and change the route table on the firewall to program the routing for FireNet, or to change routing if a gateway in FireNet fails.
- Vendor Integration allows to configure the **RFC 1918 routes** and **non-RFC 1918 routes** on the Vendor's firewall instance

Vendor Integration

FireNet 400

aws-syd-transit-firenet-2

Through Firewall Through Firewall Manager

Firewall

aws-syd-fw-2 Management IP Address: 3.105.242.193 Vendor: Fortinet FortiGate

API Token: Route Table:

Firewall

aws-syd-fw-2-1 Management IP Address: 54.79.150.86 Vendor:

Route Table:

Revoke Integration Cancel Save

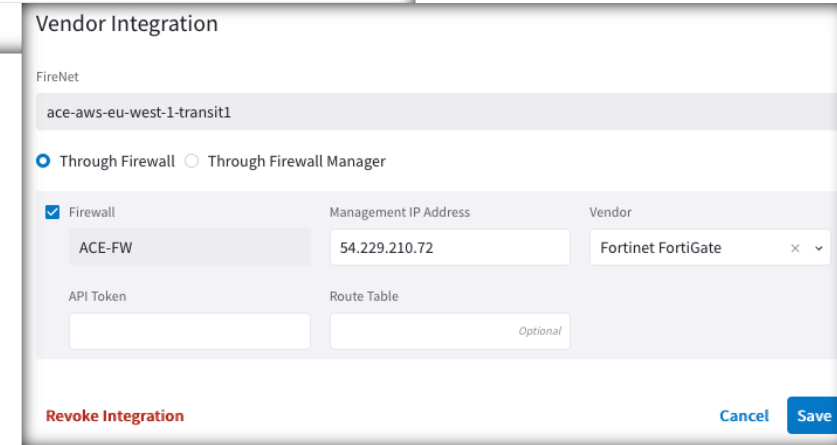
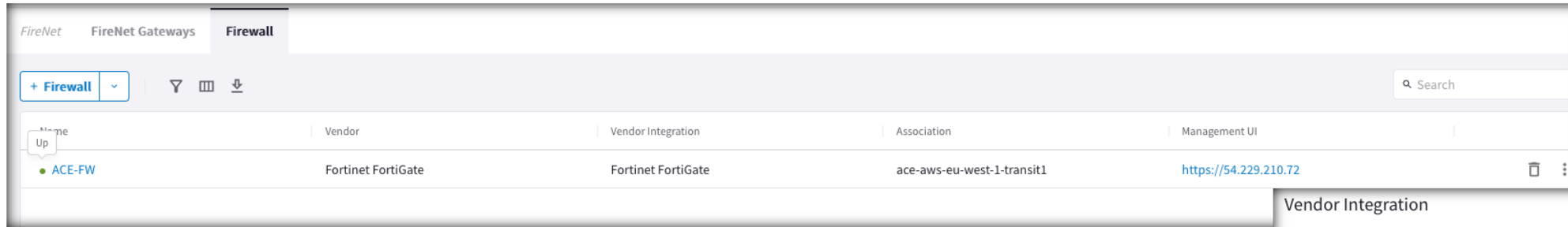
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ACE-FW
Name: ACE-FW
Vendor: Fortinet FortiGate
Public IP: 54.76.250.245

Static Route Table:
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172.16.0.0/12    10.1.200.65    port2      10         0       enable  Aviatrix Vendor Integration
192.168.0.0/16   10.1.200.65    port2      10         0       enable  Aviatrix Vendor Integration
10.0.0.0/8       10.1.200.65    port2      10         0       enable  Aviatrix Vendor Integration

PBR:
Destination      source          In Intf  protocol  Src Ports  Dst Ports
Gateway          Out Intf  Status  action  Comment
  
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Information to Collect / Checklist



- Make sure Aviatrix sees the FW as “healthy”
 - For Ingress: Check if any native LB deployed in front of the FWs is also configured correctly
- Vendor Integration: make sure the controller can reach the FW
 - Nothing preventing the communication, NACLs, NSGs, SLs, etc.
- Make sure there are no “uncommitted” pending changes on the FW
- Make sure your Network Domain/Spoke is configured for inspection
- Make sure Connected Transit is enabled (if necessary)
- Make sure your Spoke is attached to Transit
- Verify Spoke and Transit GW routes in Cloud Fabric > Gateways

Information to Collect - Checklist for the Support Team

- Aviatrix Controller version
- Firewall Vendor
- Transit FireNet: Inspection Policy
 - Is the Spoke VPC/VNet supposed to be Inspected at all?
- E/W Traffic inspection enabled?
- Egress Traffic inspection enabled?
- Ingress Traffic enabled and working?
- Exclude list created for CIDR/IP from being inspected by FireNet?
- Is there any automation running every day / hour / ?

Aviatrix CoPilot
v4.3.1 | Appliance v3

Aviatrix Controller 184.72.224.60
v7.1.2131

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Exclude From East-West Inspection

Subnet(s)

172.16.1.3/32 ×

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Name	Vendor	Vendor Integration	Association	Management UI
ACE-FW	Fortinet FortiGate	Fortinet FortiGate	ace-aws-eu-west-1-transit1	https://54.76.250.245



Next:

Lab 3 FireNet - Interface

Lab 4 FireNet - Routes