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## Protocol Summary

PasswordStore is a protocol dedicated to storage and retrieval of a user’s passwords. The protocol is designed to be used by a single user, and is not designed to be used by multiple users. Only the owner should be able to set and access this password.

## Disclaimer

Zurab Anchabadze makes all effort to find as many vulnerabilities in the code in the given time period, but holds no responsibilities for the findings provided in this document. A security audit by the team is not an endorsement of the underlying business or product. The audit was time-boxed and the review of the code was solely on the security aspects of the Solidity implementation of the contracts.

## Risk Classification

		Impact		
		High	Medium	Low
Likelihood	High	H	H/M	M
	Medium	H/M	M	M/L
	Low	M	M/L	L

We use the CodeHawks severity matrix to determine severity. See the documentation for more details.

## Audit Details

The findings described in this document correspond the following commit hash:

```
1 7d55682ddc4301a7b13ae9413095feffd9924566
```

## Scope

```
1 src/  
2 --- PasswordStore.sol
```

## Roles

Owner: Is the only one who should be able to set and access the password. For this contract, only the owner should be able to interact with the contract.

## Executive Summary

### Issues found

Severity	Number of issues found
High	2
Medium	0
Low	0
Info	1
Total	3

## Findings

### High

#### [H-1] Storing the password on chain makes it visible to anyone and no longer private

**Description:** All data stored on-chain is visible to anyone and can be read directly from the blockchain. The `PasswordStore : s_password` is intended to be a private variable and only accessed through the `PasswordStore : getPassword` function, which is intended to be only called by the owner of the contract.

We show one such method of reading any data off chain below.

**Impact:** Anyone can read the private password, severely breaking the functionality of the protocol.

**Proof of Concept:** (Proof of Code) The below test case shows how anyone can read the password directly from the blockchain.

## Create a locally running chain

```
1 make anvil
```

## Deploy the contract to the chain

```
1 make deploy
```

Run the storage tool We use 1 because that's the storage slot of `s_password` in the contract.

```
1 cast storage <ADDRESS_HERE> 1 --rpc-url http://127.0.0.1:8545
```

You'll get an output that looks like this:

```
0x6d7950617373776f7264000000000000000000000000000000000000000000000014
```

You can then parse that hex to a string with:

[illegible]

And get an output of:

myPassword

**Recommended Mitigation:** Due to this, the overall architecture of the contract should be rethought. One could encrypt the password off-chain, and then store the encrypted password on-chain. This would require the user to remember another password off-chain to decrypt the password. However, you'd also likely want to remove the view function as you wouldn't want the user to accidentally send a transaction with the password that decrypts your password.

## [H-2] TITLE PasswordStore::setPassword is callable by anyone

**Description:** The `PasswordStore : : setPassword` function is set to be an `external` function, however the natspec of the function and overall purpose of the smart contract is that `This function allows only the owner to set a new password.`

```
1 function setPassword(string memory newPassword) external {
2 >>> // @audit - There are no access controls here
3     s_password = newPassword;
4     emit SetNetPassword();
5 }
```

**Impact:** Anyone can set/change the password of the contract, severely breaking the contract intended functionality.

**Proof of Concept:** Add the following to the `PasswordStore.t.sol` test suite.

Code

```
1 function test_anyone_can_set_password(address randomAddress) public {
2     vm.assume(randomAddress != owner);
3     vm.prank(randomAddress);
4     string memory expectedPassword = "myNewPassword";
5     passwordStore.setPassword(expectedPassword);
6     vm.prank(owner);
7     string memory actualPassword = passwordStore.getPassword();
8     assertEq(actualPassword, expectedPassword);
9 }
```

**Recommended Mitigation:** Add an access control modifier to the `setPassword` function.

```
1 if (msg.sender != s_owner) {
2     revert PasswordStore__NotOwner();
3 }
```

## Informational

**[I-1] TITLE The `PasswordStore::getPassword` NatSpec indicates a parameter that doesn't exist, causing the natspec to be incorrect**

### Description:

```
1 /*
2  * @notice This allows only the owner to retrieve the password.
3  >>> * @param newPassword The new password to set.
4  */
5 function getPassword() external view returns (string memory) {
```

The NatSpec for the function `PasswordStore::getPassword` indicates it should have a parameter with the signature `getPassword(string)`. However, the actual function signature is `getPassword()`.

**Impact:** The NatSpec is incorrect.

**Recommended Mitigation:** Remove the incorrect NatSpec line.

```
1 - * @param newPassword The new password to set.
```