

# Aave V3 MAI and FRAX Verification and Listing Stewards Audit

## Scope

The scope of the assessment is the contracts <code>QiStablecoin.sol</code> (<code>miMATIC</code>), <code>CrossChainCanonicalFRAX.sol</code> (<code>FRAX</code>) which were formally verified, and <code>AaveV3FantomMIMATICListingSteward.sol</code>, <code>AaveV3AvaMAIListingSteward.sol</code>, <code>MiMaticPayload.sol</code>, <code>AaveV3FantomFRAXListingSteward.sol</code>, <code>AaveV3AvaFRAXListingSteward.sol</code> and <code>FraxPayload.sol</code> which were manually audited due to the fact that the implementation involves only calls to function with concrete values. The latter 6 contracts define <code>MAI</code> and <code>FRAX</code> configuration on the Aave V3 platform on the Avalanche, <code>Fantom</code>, and <code>Polygon</code> networks.

These contracts had 2 security engineers and 1 security researcher reviewing the code in detail.

The verification of the token was finished on the 28th of June, reviewing the deployed contracts of MAI and FRAX.

The audit was finished on the 11th of August, reviewing commits 380db3b5, 2d6b9d34, d70d69cf, a29eb520, a29eb520 and d70d69cf of the respective listing stewards and payloads.

# **Contracts Overview**

As part of our continuous formal verification for Aave, we've inspected the MAI, and FRAX tokens for security issues and non-trivial features. You can see the results in our Aave dashboard.

The audited contracts' purpose is to configure MAI as a borrowing asset and FRAX as a borrowing and collateral asset on the Aave V3 platform on the Avalanche, Fantom, and Polygon networks.

#### Six contracts were audited:

- 1. AaveV3FantomMIMATICListingSteward.sol, AaveV3AvaMAIListingSteward.sol, and MiMaticPayload.sol configure MAI as a borrowing asset on all three chains, and as a collateral asset on Polygon for the Aave V3 platform. All three contracts contain 2 steps:
  - 1.1 Setting a price feed on the Aave oracle for the MAI token see on Avalanche, see on Fantom, see on Polygon.
  - 1.2 Listing the token onto Aave V3 protocol and configuring it as a borrowing asset see on Avalanche, see on Fantom, see on Polygon.
  - 1.3 MAI 's Polygon payload extends the usability of the token with a third step which configures the token as a collateral asset in the stablecoins' e-mode category see on Polygon.
- 2. AaveV3AvaFRAXListingSteward.sol, AaveV3FantomFRAXListingSteward.sol and FraxPayload.sol configure FRAX as a collateral asset on Aave V3 platform. The contracts contain 2 steps:
  - 2.1. Setting a price feed on the Aave oracle for the FRAX token see on Avalanche, see on Fantom, see on Polygon.
  - 2.2. Listing the token onto Aave V3 protocol and configuring it as a collateral asset in the stablecoins e-mode category see on Avalanche, see on Fantom, see on Polygon.

# **Audit Goals**

Since all 6 contracts are rather similar, the same set of criteria and checks were performed on each of them. Below is the list of checks that were performed:

#### **Addresses**

1. All addresses of external contracts being used match the existing contracts on the relevant networks.

#### **Correct Setting of Parameters and Values**

- 2. The asset is being added to the system correctly with all the correct InitReserveInput struct values. Additional parameters are being passed in the correct methods and with the right decimals, e.g. SUPPLY\_CAP, RESERVE\_FACTOR, and LIQ\_PROTOCOL\_FEE.
- 3. MAI (on Polygon) and FRAX are configured as collateral with proper relations between the LTV, threshold, and liquidation bonus.

#### **Privileges**

#### Polygon

4. ACL\_ADMIN has the necessary role to grant itself the POOL\_ADMIN role.

#### **Avalanche and Fantom**

- 5.1. The contracts have the necessary roles to execute <code>listAssetAddingOracle()</code> without reverting.
- 5.2. The roles are renounced from the contract at the end.

# **Findings And Recommendations**

### Severity: high

Issue:	Wrong address set for the underlying asset in MAI on Avalanche.
Description:	In AaveV3AvaMAIListingSteward.sol, the address used as the MAI underlying asset on Avalanche refers to a non-official MAI token. The address in use points to relay MAI - a "synthetic" MAI minted by the relay bridge that was in common use before MAI officially deployed on Avalanche.
Aave Response:	This issue was fixed in commit 2d6b9d34.

#### Recommendation

Issue:	Verify that the contract has the necessary privileges.
Description:	Many function calls in the listing process require the listing contract to have both Asset Listing Admin and Risk Admin roles to be successfully executed. It is important to remember granting those roles before calling listAssetAddingOracle().
Recommendation:	Add a dedicated require condition at the beginning of listAssetAddingOracle() to give a clearer error message in such a revert case.

#### Informational

Issue:	Mismatch between the proposal's snapshot and values on the
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Description:	There exist several mismatches between the values voted on in the snapshot proposals and the actual values configured in the payloads for both MAI & FRAX on Polygon:  1. The snapshot proposal suggested that MAI will be configured as an isolated collateral asset. However, the contracts configure the token only as a borrowable asset on the Fantom chain.  2. While the proposal voted on a 5% reserve factor and a 50M\$ debt ceiling, the payload configures a 10% reserve factor and a 2M\$ debt ceiling.  The snapshots and payloads can be found here: MAI's snapshot, MAI's payload, FRAX's snpashot, FRAX's payload)
Aave Response:	<ol> <li>Aave technical contributor (BGD) conversed with the MAI team and decided that it's better to list the token with a more conservative approach. As part of that, it was decided not to list the token as collateral on Fantom due to relatively low liquidity. The asset could be configured as collateral in the future if needed.</li> <li>The parameters that were proposed on these snapshots aren't aligned with other market assets. It is usually better to start with conservative values and adjust later. Additionally, a 10% reserve factor is a standard across stablecoins.</li> </ol>

#### Informational - Non-Standard Behavior:

#### **FRAX**

- 1. The token is mintable.
- 2. The token is burnable with a burnFrom() method.
- 3. The token has a permit() method which allows changing the allowance via signed approval.

You can see the full result in our AAVE dashboard.

# **Conclusions**

#### Addresses

1. In 5 out of 6 contracts, the addresses specified in the contracts fully matched the existing relevant contracts on the respective blockchains. However, for MIA on Avalanche, the underlying asset address was found to point to an older relay bridge

token instead of the original MIA token. This issue is explained in detail in the table above.

#### **Correct Setting of Parameters and Values**

- 2. The assets have been added to the system correctly with all the correct InitReserveInput struct values, and all parameters were passed to the correct methods and with the right decimals.
- 3. The relations between the LTV, Threshold and Liquidation bonus for FRAX and MAI on Polygon were configured reasonably.

#### **Privileges**

#### Polygon

4. ACL\_ADMIN was granted with the POOL\_ADNIM 's admin role so it can grant itself the POOL ADMIN role.

#### **Avalanche and Fantom**

- 5.1. The roles of the contracts are given externally. Therefore, the executor should delegate the necessary privileges before trying to execute.
- 5.2. At the end of the process the contract correctly renounces its privileges.

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