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Protocol Summary

PasswordStore is a protocol dedicated to storage and retrieval of 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

The YOUR_NAME_HERE team 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: The user who can set the password and read the password.
- Outsiders: No one else should be able to set or read the password.

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 are visible to anyone

Description: All data On-Chain is visible to anyone, Even though the variable “`PasswordStore : : s_password`” is private, anyone can read its value directly from the contract’s storage and only accessible through the “`PasswordStore : : getPassword`” function, which is intended to be only called by the owner of the contract.

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

Impact: Anyone is able to 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

- ## 1. Create a locally running chain

```
1 make anvil
```

- ## 2. Deploy the contract to the chain

```
1 make deploy
```

3. 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:

[illegible]

You can then parse that hex to a string with:

[illegible]

And get an output of:

```
1 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 stored password. However, you're also likely want to remove the view function as you wouldn't want the user to accidentally send a transaction with this decryption key.

[H-2] PasswordStore::setPassword has no access controls, meaning a non-owner could change the password

Description: `PasswordStore::setPassword` is an **external** function and should only be called by a specific role, but anyone can. It doesn't validate whether the caller is the owner, so there's no

filter.

```
1 function setPassword(string memory newPassword) external {
2     // @audit-issue There is no filter if you are the owner
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 test of code to the `PasswordStore.t.sol` test file.

Code

```
1 function test_anyone_can_set_password(address randomAddress) public{
2     vm.assume(randomAddress != owner);
3     vm.prank(randomAddress);
4     string memory expectedPass = "myNewPassword";
5     passwordStore.setPassword(expectedPass);
6
7     vm.prank(owner);
8     string memory actualPass = passwordStore.getPassword();
9     assertEquals(actualPass, expectedPass);
10 }
```

Recommended Mitigation: Add an Access Control conditional to the function `PasswordStore::setPassword` so that the verification is performed

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

Informational

[I-1] 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
```

```
6 function getPassword() external view returns (string memory) {}
```

The `PasswordStore::getPassword` function signature is `**getPassword()` which the natspec say it should be `getPassword(string)`

Impact: The NatSpec is incorrect

Proof of Concept: There is no proof of concept

Recommended Mitigation: Remove the incorrect natspec line

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