

Security Assessment

Metaversefacemaker

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Summary

This report has been prepared for Metaversefacemaker to discover issues and vulnerabilities in the source code of the Metaversefacemaker project as well as any contract dependencies that were not part of an officially recognized library. A comprehensive examination has been performed, utilizing Static Analysis and Manual Review techniques.

The auditing process pays special attention to the following considerations:

- Testing the smart contracts against both common and uncommon attack vectors.
- Assessing the codebase to ensure compliance with current best practices and industry standards.
- Ensuring contract logic meets the specifications and intentions of the client.
- Cross referencing contract structure and implementation against similar smart contracts produced by industry leaders.
- Thorough line-by-line manual review of the entire codebase by industry experts.

The security assessment resulted in findings that ranged from critical to informational. We recommend addressing these findings to ensure a high level of security standards and industry practices. We suggest recommendations that could better serve the project from the security perspective:

- Enhance general coding practices for better structures of source codes;
- Add enough unit tests to cover the possible use cases;
- Provide more comments per each function for readability, especially contracts that are verified in public;
- Provide more transparency on privileged activities once the protocol is live.



Overview

Project Summary

Project Name	Metaversefacemaker
Platform	BSC
Language	Solidity
Codebase	https://github.com/MetaFaceNft/mefa
Commit	fb4eb2b83d0bc083c25701f681399ad32d6a2a07

Audit Summary

Delivery Date	Apr 20, 2022 UTC
Audit Methodology	Static Analysis, Manual Review

Vulnerability Summary

Vulnerability Level	Total	Pending	Declined	Acknowledged	Mitigated	Partially Resolved	Resolved
Critical	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Major	2	0	0	2	0	0	0
Medium	2	0	0	1	0	0	1
Minor	3	0	0	2	0	0	1
Informational	5	0	0	4	0	0	1
Discussion	0	0	0	0	0	0	0



Audit Scope

ID	File	SHA256 Checksum
CCK	Contract.sol	94d9c82f7ed9f8b8606cadb177d9c858c3369dd05ec477e9ff0aab7aecef4c15
CKP		



Findings



ID	Title	Category	Severity	Status
MEFA-01	3rd Party Dependencies	Control Flow	Minor	(i) Acknowledged
CCK-01	Centralization Risk In Contract.sol	Centralization / Privilege	Major	(i) Acknowledged
CCK-02	Centralized Risk In addLiquidity	Centralization / Privilege	Major	(i) Acknowledged
CCK-03	Initial Token Distribution	Centralization / Privilege	Medium	⊗ Resolved
CCK-04	Contract Gains Non-withdrawable BNB Via The swapAndLiquify Function	Logical Issue	Medium	(i) Acknowledged
CCK-05	Incorrect Error Message	Logical Issue	Minor	(i) Acknowledged
CCK-06	Unknown Implementation Of onPreTransferCheck	Volatile Code	Minor	⊗ Resolved
CCK-07	Missing Emit Events	Coding Style	Informational	(i) Acknowledged
CCK-08	Variables That Could Be Declared As Immutable	Gas Optimization	Informational	(i) Acknowledged
CCK-09	Tautology Or Contradiction	Gas Optimization	Informational	(i) Acknowledged
CCK-10	Redundant Code	Logical Issue	Informational	(i) Acknowledged
CCK-11	The Purpose Of Function deliver	Control Flow	Informational	⊗ Resolved



MEFA-01 | 3rd Party Dependencies

Category	Severity	Location	Status
Control Flow	Minor	Global	① Acknowledged

Description

The contract is serving as the underlying entity to interact with third party PancakeSwap protocols. The scope of the audit would treat those 3rd party entities as black boxes and assume its functional correctness. However in the real world, 3rd parties may be compromised that led to assets lost or stolen.

Recommendation

We understand that the business logic of the Metaversefacemaker protocol requires the interaction PancakeSwap protocol for adding liquidity to the MEFA-BNB pool and swap tokens. We encourage the team to constantly monitor the statuses of those 3rd parties to mitigate the side effects when unexpected activities are observed.

Alleviation

The Metaverse Face team acknowledged this finding.



CCK-01 | Centralization Risk In Contract.sol

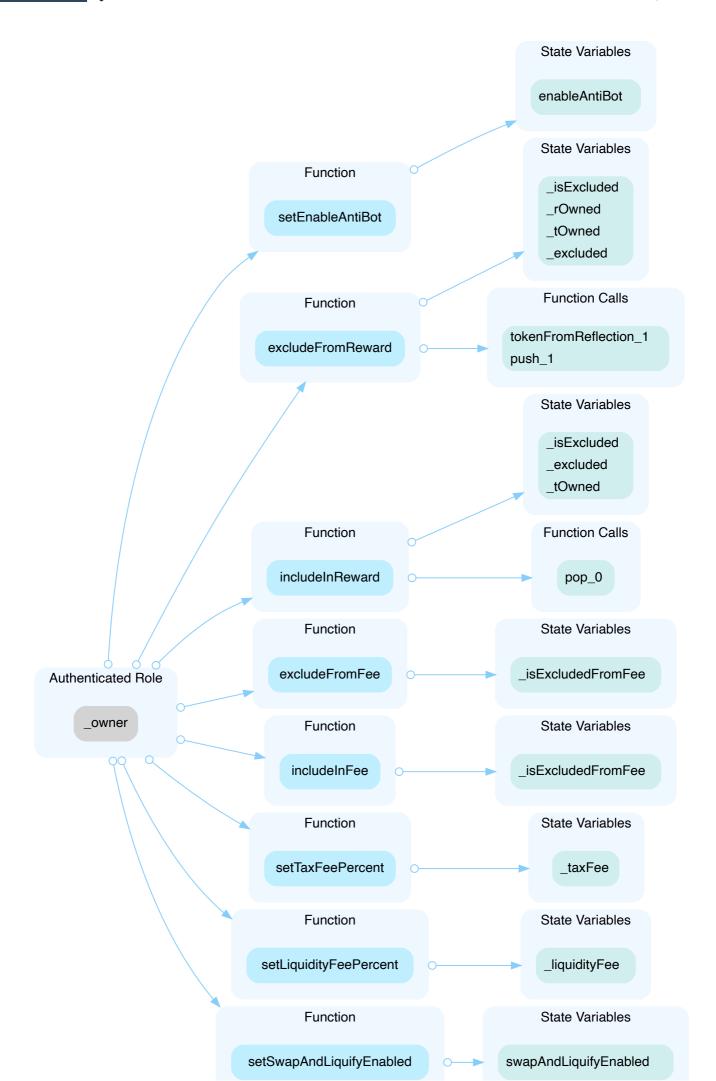
Category	Severity	Location	Status
Centralization / Privilege	Major	Contract.sol: 169~171, 177~180, 1079~1081, 1225~1233, 1235~1246 , 1272~1274, 1276~1278, 1280~1283, 1285~1294, 1296~1299	(i) Acknowledged

Description

In the contract AntiBotLiquidityGeneratorToken the role _owner has authority over the functions shown in the diagram below.

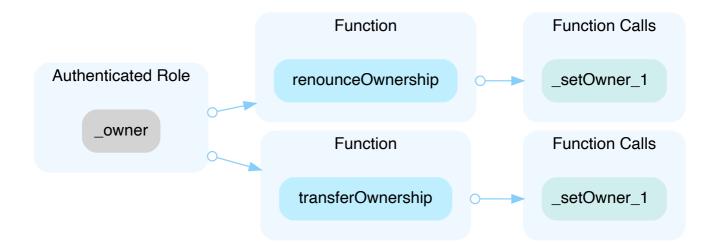
Any compromise to the _owner account may allow the hacker to take advantage of this authority.





In the contract Ownable the role _owner has authority over the functions shown in the diagram below.

Any compromise to the _owner account may allow the hacker to take advantage of this authority.



Recommendation

The risk describes the current project design and potentially makes iterations to improve in the security operation and level of decentralization, which in most cases cannot be resolved entirely at the present stage. We advise the client to carefully manage the privileged account's private key to avoid any potential risks of being hacked. In general, we strongly recommend centralized privileges or roles in the protocol be improved via a decentralized mechanism or smart-contract-based accounts with enhanced security practices, e.g., multisignature wallets.

Indicatively, here are some feasible suggestions that would also mitigate the potential risk at a different level in terms of short-term, long-term and permanent:

Short Term:

Timelock and Multi sign $(\frac{2}{3}, \frac{3}{5})$ combination *mitigate* by delaying the sensitive operation and avoiding a single point of key management failure.

- Time-lock with reasonable latency, e.g., 48 hours, for awareness on privileged operations;
 AND
- Assignment of privileged roles to multi-signature wallets to prevent a single point of failure due to the private key compromised;

AND

 A medium/blog link for sharing the timelock contract and multi-signers addresses information with the public audience.

Long Term:



Timelock and DAO, the combination, *mitigate* by applying decentralization and transparency.

- Time-lock with reasonable latency, e.g., 48 hours, for awareness on privileged operations;
 AND
- Introduction of a DAO/governance/voting module to increase transparency and user involvement.
- A medium/blog link for sharing the timelock contract, multi-signers addresses, and DAO information with the public audience.

Permanent:

Renouncing the ownership or removing the function can be considered *fully resolved*.

- Renounce the ownership and never claim back the privileged roles.
 OR
- Remove the risky functionality.

Alleviation

The Metaverse Face team acknowledges this finding and they will renounce ownership upon deployment.



CCK-02 | Centralized Risk In addLiquidity

Category	Severity	Location	Status
Centralization / Privilege	Major	Contract.sol: 1581	(i) Acknowledged

Description

The addLiquidity function calls the uniswapV2Router.addLiquidityETH function with the to address specified as owner() for acquiring the generated LP tokens from the MEFA-WBNB pool. As a result, over time the _owner address will accumulate a significant portion of LP tokens. If the _owner is an EOA (Externally Owned Account), mishandling of its private key can have devastating consequences for the project as a whole.

Recommendation

We advise the to address of the uniswapV2Router.addLiquidityETH function call to be replaced by the contract itself, i.e. address(this), and to restrict the management of the LP tokens within the scope of the contract's business logic. This will also protect the LP tokens from being stolen if the _owner account is compromised. In general, we strongly recommend centralized privileges or roles in the protocol to be improved via a decentralized mechanism or via smart-contract based accounts with enhanced security practices, f.e. Multisignature wallets.

Indicatively, here are some feasible solutions that would also mitigate the potential risk:

- Time-lock with reasonable latency, i.e. 48 hours, for awareness on privileged operations;
- Assignment of privileged roles to multi-signature wallets to prevent single point of failure due to the private key;
- Introduction of a DAO / governance / voting module to increase transparency and user involvement.

Alleviation



The Metaverse Face team acknowledges this finding and they will renounce ownership upon deployment.



CCK-03 | Initial Token Distribution

Category	Severity	Location	Status
Centralization / Privilege	Medium	Contract.sol: 1053	⊗ Resolved

Description

All of the MEFA tokens are sent to the contract deployer when deploying the contract. This could be a centralization risk as the deployer can distribute all tokens without obtaining the consensus of the community.

Recommendation

We recommend the team to be transparent regarding the initial token distribution process, and the team shall make enough efforts to restrict the access of the private key.

Alleviation

[Metaverse Face Team]: We use bubble maps as tokenomics. People can follow this section transparently. All major wallets are owned by exchanges. Also, main contract and charity addresses and special words are definitely well implemented.

https://bubbles.moonlighttoken.com/bsc/token/0x6ad0f087501eee603aeda0407c52864bc7f83322



CCK-04 | Contract Gains Non-withdrawable BNB Via The swapAndLiquify

Function

Category	Severity	Location	Status
Logical Issue	Medium	Contract.sol: 1530	① Acknowledged

Description

The swapAndLiquify function converts half of the contractTokenBalance MEFA tokens to BNB. The other half of MEFA tokens and part of the converted BNB are deposited into the MEFA-BNB pool on pancakeswap as liquidity. For every swapAndLiquify function call, a small amount of BNB leftover in the contract. This is because the price of MEFA drops after swapping the first half of MEFA tokens into BNBs, and the other half of MEFA tokens require less than the converted BNB to be paired with it when adding liquidity. The contract doesn't appear to provide a way to withdraw those BNB, and they will be locked in the contract forever.

Recommendation

It's not ideal that more and more BNB are locked into the contract over time. The simplest solution is to add a withdraw function in the contract to withdraw BNB. Other approaches that benefit the MEFA token holders can be:

- Distribute BNB to MEFA token holders proportional to the amount of token they hold.
- Use leftover BNB to buy back MEFA tokens from the market to increase the price of MEFA.

Alleviation

The Metaverse Face team acknowledged this finding.



CCK-05 | Incorrect Error Message

Category	Severity	Location	Status
Logical Issue	Minor	Contract.sol: 1236	① Acknowledged

Description

The error message in require(_isExcluded[account], "Account is already excluded") does not describe the error correctly.

Recommendation

The message "Account is already excluded" can be changed to "Account is not excluded".

Alleviation

The Metaverse Face team acknowledged this finding, and given the deployed contract cannot be updated, decided to retain the code base unchanged.



CCK-06 | Unknown Implementation Of onPreTransferCheck

Category	Severity	Location	Status
Volatile Code	Minor	Contract.sol: 1496	⊗ Resolved

Description

The method onPreTransferCheck in pinkAntiBot is unknown implementation.

```
1495 if (enableAntiBot) {
1496    pinkAntiBot.onPreTransferCheck(from, to, amount);
1497 }
```

The scope of the audit treats 3rd party entities as black boxes and assumes their functional correctness. However, in the real world, 3rd parties can be compromised and this may lead to lost or stolen assets. In addition, upgrades of 3rd parties can possibly create severe impacts, such as increasing fees of 3rd parties, migrating to new LP pools, etc.

Recommendation

We understand that the business logic of this protocol requires interaction with these functions. We encourage the team to constantly monitor the statuses of 3rd parties to mitigate the side effects when unexpected activities are observed.

Alleviation

[Metaverse Face Team]: We do pre-sale on Pinksale. This system was so that bots could not participate in the pre-sale. Other than that it has never been used.



CCK-07 | Missing Emit Events

Category	Severity	Location	Status
Coding Style	Informational	Contract.sol: 169~171, 177~180, 1079~1081, 1225~1233, 1235~124 6, 1272~1274, 1276~1278, 1280~1283, 1285~1294	(i) Acknowledged

Description

There should always be events emitted in the sensitive functions that are controlled by centralization roles.

Recommendation

It is recommended emitting events for the sensitive functions that are controlled by centralization roles.

Alleviation

The Metaverse Face team acknowledged this finding, and given the deployed contract cannot be updated, decided to retain the code base unchanged.



CCK-08 | Variables That Could Be Declared As Immutable

Category	Severity	Location	Status
Gas Optimization	Informational	Contract.sol: 952, 958, 970, 971, 976	(i) Acknowledged

Description

The linked variables assigned in the constructor can be declared as immutable. Immutable state variables can be assigned during contract creation but will remain constant throughout the lifetime of a deployed contract. A big advantage of immutable variables is that reading them is significantly cheaper than reading from regular state variables since they will not be stored in storage.

Recommendation

We recommend declaring these variables as immutable. Please note that the immutable keyword only works in Solidity version v0.6.5 and up.

Alleviation

The Metaverse Face team acknowledged this finding, and given the deployed contract cannot be updated, decided to retain the code base unchanged.



CCK-09 | Tautology Or Contradiction

Category	Severity	Location	Status
Gas Optimization	Informational	Contract.sol: 1008, 1009~1012, 1013~1016, 1281, 1289~129	(i) Acknowledged

Description

Comparisons that are always true or always false may be incorrect or unnecessary.

```
1008 require(taxFeeBps_ >= 0 && taxFeeBps_ <= 10**4, "Invalid tax fee");</pre>
```

Since the variable taxFeeBps_ is of type uint16, it must satisfy greater than or equal to 0.

Recommendation

We recommend fixing the incorrect comparison by changing the value type or the comparison operator.

Alleviation

The Metaverse Face team acknowledged this finding, and will renounce the ownership upon deployment.



CCK-10 | Redundant Code

Category	Severity	Location	Status
Logical Issue	Informational	Contract.sol: 1600	① Acknowledged

Description

The condition <code>!_isExcluded[sender] && !_isExcluded[recipient]</code> can be included in <code>else</code> .

Recommendation

The following code can be removed:

```
1 ... else if (!_isExcluded[sender] && !_isExcluded[recipient]) {
2    _transferStandard(sender, recipient, amount);
3 } ...
```

Alleviation

The Metaverse Face team acknowledged this finding, and given the deployed contract cannot be updated, decided to retain the code base unchanged.



CCK-11 | The Purpose Of Function deliver

Category	Severity	Location	Status
Control Flow	Informational	Contract.sol: 1185~1195	⊗ Resolved

Description

The function deliver() can be called by anyone. It accepts an uint256 number parameter tAmount. The function reduces the MEFA token balance of the caller by rAmount, which is tAmount reduces the transaction fee. Then, the function adds tAmount to variable _tFeeTotal, which represents the contract's total transaction fee. We wish the team could explain more on the purpose of having such functionality.

Recommendation

Please review this function to ensure it meets the design intent.

Alleviation

[Metaverse Face Team]: Since the contract is a pinksale contract, we think this is the case.



Appendix

Finding Categories

Centralization / Privilege

Centralization / Privilege findings refer to either feature logic or implementation of components that act against the nature of decentralization, such as explicit ownership or specialized access roles in combination with a mechanism to relocate funds.

Gas Optimization

Gas Optimization findings do not affect the functionality of the code but generate different, more optimal EVM opcodes resulting in a reduction on the total gas cost of a transaction.

Logical Issue

Logical Issue findings detail a fault in the logic of the linked code, such as an incorrect notion on how block.timestamp works.

Control Flow

Control Flow findings concern the access control imposed on functions, such as owner-only functions being invoke-able by anyone under certain circumstances.

Volatile Code

Volatile Code findings refer to segments of code that behave unexpectedly on certain edge cases that may result in a vulnerability.

Coding Style

Coding Style findings usually do not affect the generated byte-code but rather comment on how to make the codebase more legible and, as a result, easily maintainable.

Checksum Calculation Method

The "Checksum" field in the "Audit Scope" section is calculated as the SHA-256 (Secure Hash Algorithm 2 with digest size of 256 bits) digest of the content of each file hosted in the listed source repository under the specified commit.



The result is hexadecimal encoded and is the same as the output of the Linux "sha256sum" command against the target file.



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