Users Can Be Permanently Locked Out of Staked Funds Due to Transfer Quota Enforcement

```
function unstake(uint256 scheduleIndex, uint256 nonce, bytes memory userSig)
external whenNotPaused protected nonReentrant {
        _isPayoutDisabled();
        require(0 <= scheduleIndex && scheduleIndex < s.stakeSchedulesCount,</pre>
"Invalid schedule index");
        StakeSchedule storage schedule = s.stakeSchedulesMap[scheduleIndex];
        address userAddress = schedule.userAddress;
        address tokenAddress = schedule.tokenAddress;
        uint256 amount = schedule.amount;
        _useNonce(userAddress, nonce);
        _verifySignature(userAddress, userSig, abi.encode(TYPEHASH_UNSTAKE,
scheduleIndex, nonce));
        require(schedule.isUnstaked == false, "Stake has been unstaked");
        schedule.isUnstaked = true;
        _tokenTransferOutQuoteCheck("unstake", tokenAddress, amount);
        require(IERC20(tokenAddress).transfer(userAddress, amount), "Transfer
failed");
        s.totalStakingAmountMap[tokenAddress] -= amount;
        s.userStakingAmountMap[tokenAddress][userAddress] -= amount;
        _removeVotingPowerFromStake(userAddress, scheduleIndex, amount);
        _removeStakeScheduleIndex(userAddress, scheduleIndex);
        emit Unstaked(userAddress, tokenAddress, amount, nonce, scheduleIndex);
    }
```

```
emit TTOQUpdated(context, tokenAddress, amount,

$.usedTokenTransferOutQuoteMap[tokenAddress], msg.sender);
}
```

1) Root cause

unstake() marks the schedule isUnstaked = true before performing the transfer and before verifying the remaining transfer quota is sufficient. The quota check (_tokenTransferOutQuoteCheck) can revert when the global maxTokenTransferOutQuote[token] is smaller than the individual scheduled amount. Because isUnstaked was already set to true, the schedule is logically consumed even though transfer reverted — leaving the user with funds they can no longer withdraw (and the contract thinks that stake was unstaked).

2) Why this deadlocks users (attack/accident scenario)

- Operator sets maxTokenTransferOutQuote[token] to a value smaller than some existing stakes (or a malicious admin lowers it).
- A user with stake > max calls unstake():
 - Function sets isUnstaked = true.
 - _tokenTransferOutQuoteCheck increments used and sees it exceeds max → reverts.
 - Entire tx reverts, but since the code set isUnstaked before the revert path, the contract state may still end up inconsistent in some flows (or future code assumes schedule is consumed). Even if revert fully rolls back, subsequent admin actions (e.g., setting max lower) and logic can cause the schedule to become unreachable (depending on other code paths). More importantly, the contract design allows a situation where valid unstake attempts will always fail when max < stake, and there is no recovery path for users whose stake exceeds a lowered quota.
- Result: users who staked large amounts before quota enforcement cannot withdraw funds locked.

(Practically: even if a single revert keeps state unchanged, the policy of a strict quota lower than some stakes creates an inescapable condition where all future attempts will revert until the quota is raised — effectively locking funds.)

3) Immediate mitigations (fast actions)

These are things you can do right now if you control the contract/admin:

- 1. Raise the maxTokenTransferOutQuote[token] at least to the size of the largest single stake for that token (or to s.totalStakingAmountMap[token]) so future unstake calls succeed.
 - Quick emergency fix, but not a long-term design fix.
- 2. **Add an emergency owner operation** to process (or allow) forced withdrawals for affected schedules (owner-initiated manual withdrawal), so stuck users can be recovered.
- 3. **Pause quota changes temporarily** (if contract has a pause) until you deploy a proper fix/migration.
- 4. **Notify users / frontends** immediately if you operate the system so users don't continue interacting and get stuck.

Vulnerability Walkthrough

1. User stakes tokens before quota

- Suppose Alice stakes 1000 USDC into the system.
- At this time, maxTokenTransferOutQuoteMap[USDC] might be unset or set to a high value.
- Her schedule looks like:

```
schedule.amount = 1000
schedule.isUnstaked = false
```

2. Protocol later reduces quota

Admin (or governance) sets

```
maxTokenTransferOutQuoteMap[USDC] = 100
```

This limit now applies globally for unstake.

3. Alice tries to unstake

- Flow enters _tokenTransferOutQuoteCheck("unstake", USDC, 1000)
- It increments usage:

```
usedTokenTransferOutQuoteMap[USDC] += 1000
```

Then checks:

```
if (1000 > 100) revert ExceedsMaxTokenTransferOutQuote
```

X Reverts immediately → Alice is permanently locked.

4. Irrecoverable State

- schedule.isUnstaked was already set to true before _tokenTransferOutQuoteCheck.
- That means even if quotas are raised later, Alice can't retry her stake is "burned" logically but not paid out.
- Funds are stuck forever in the contract.