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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

Vlad\_SDME 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 corresponded to the following commit hash:**

1	<a href="#">7d55682ddc4301a7b13ae9413095feffd9924566</a>
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## Scope

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

## Roles

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

## Executive Summary

*We spent 12 hours with 1 auditor(s) using at least 1 tool*

## 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 everyone, and no longer private

**Description:** All data stored on-chain is public and visible to everyone. The `PasswordStore::s_password` variable is intended to be hidden and only accessible by the owner through the `PasswordStore::getPassword` function. 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:** Lets create a local chain running. The Foundry framework has the tool named as `anvil`. In terminal, launch the `anvil` by the matching command: `anvil` Next we deploy our contract. In terminal we launch the deployment script by `make deploy` command The Foundry framework allows us to check the storage of a deployed contract with a very simple tool called `cast`. For this we'll need to recall to which storage slot the `s_password` variable is assigned - `Password : s_password` has slot 1 in the contract's storage. With this consideration we can run the command

```
1 `cast storage <address> <storageSlotNumber>`
```

Run the command in terminal:

```
1 `cast storage 0x5fbdb2315678afecb367f032d93f642f64180aa3 1`
```

We should receive an output similar to this:

[illegible]

We earn the storages `slot1` bytes form. By using another convinient Foundry command we can now decode this data:

[illegible]

As the result becomes:

```
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:** The `PasswordStore : setPassword` function is marked as `external` function, however its `NatSpec` indicate 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.
3         s_password = newPassword;
4         emit SetNewPassword();
5     }
```

**Impact:** `PasswordStore::setPassword` function has no access control, so anyone who has access to this contract feel free to change the value of the `PasswordStore::s_password` variable. That severely breaking the contracts intended functionality.

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

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

**Recommended Mitigation:** Add an access control conditional to `PasswordStore::setPassword`

```
1     if(msg.sender != owner){
2         revert PasswordStore__NotOwner();
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) {
7         ...
8     }
9
10 The `PasswordStore::getPassword` function signature is `getPassword`
    while the NatSpec says it should be `getPassword(string)`
11
12 **Impact:** The NatSpec is incorrect
```

```
11
12 **Recommended Mitigation:**
13 Remove the incorrect NatSpec line:
14 ```diff
15     /*
16     * @notice This allows only the owner to retrieve the password.
17 -    * @param newPassword The new password to set.
18     */
```