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KGeN OFT Audit Report

1 Executive Summary

1.1 Project Information

Description	The KGeN OFT project is an enhanced cross-chain token solution based on LayerZero, developed by the KGeN team. It integrates multiple security features, including role-based access control, ERC2771 meta-transaction support, blacklist compliance functionality, an emergency pause mechanism, and token recovery capabilities, aiming to provide secure and reliable token services for decentralized finance	
Туре	Bridge	
Auditors	ScaleBit	
Timeline	Tue Aug 19 2025 - Thu Aug 21 2025	
Languages	Solidity	
Platform	EVM Chains	
Methods	Architecture Review, Unit Testing, Manual Review	
Source Code	https://github.com/kgen-protocol/smartcontracts	
Commits	mits <u>da051bfc4654a048bf943074ef8568a8e3508da6</u> <u>52f2ceb4190501f3348fa195b343686db4e38a92</u>	

1.2 Files in Scope

The following are the SHA1 hashes of the original reviewed files.

ID	File	SHA-1 Hash
ERC2CU3	oft-adapter-aptos-move/contracts/ ERC2771Context/ERC2771ContextU pgradable.sol	da256550f3a84e64bff0357495075 01b928a0f02
KOFT	oft-adapter-aptos-move/contracts/ KgenOFT.sol	b8bd229807ee89ff90c34ed6e8d25 3f76b73f9e6

1.3 Issue Statistic

ltem	Count	Fixed	Acknowledged
Total	4	4	0
Informational	0	0	0
Minor	1	1	0
Medium	3	3	0
Major	0	0	0
Critical	0	0	0

1.4 ScaleBit Audit Breakdown

ScaleBit aims to assess repositories for security-related issues, code quality, and compliance with specifications and best practices. Possible issues our team looked for included (but are not limited to):

- Transaction-ordering dependence
- Timestamp dependence
- Integer overflow/underflow
- Number of rounding errors
- Unchecked External Call
- Unchecked CALL Return Values
- Functionality Checks
- Reentrancy
- Denial of service / logical oversights
- Access control
- Centralization of power
- Business logic issues
- Gas usage
- Fallback function usage
- tx.origin authentication
- Replay attacks
- Coding style issues

1.5 Methodology

The security team adopted the "Testing and Automated Analysis", "Code Review" and "Formal Verification" strategy to perform a complete security test on the code in a way that is closest to the real attack. The main entrance and scope of security testing are stated in the conventions in the "Audit Objective", which can expand to contexts beyond the scope according to the actual testing needs. The main types of this security audit include:

(1) Testing and Automated Analysis

Items to check: state consistency / failure rollback / unit testing / value overflows / parameter verification / unhandled errors / boundary checking / coding specifications.

(2) Code Review

The code scope is illustrated in section 1.2.

(3) Audit Process

- Carry out relevant security tests on the testnet or the mainnet;
- If there are any questions during the audit process, communicate with the code owner
 in time. The code owners should actively cooperate (this might include providing the
 latest stable source code, relevant deployment scripts or methods, transaction
 signature scripts, exchange docking schemes, etc.);
- The necessary information during the audit process will be well documented for both the audit team and the code owner in a timely manner.

2 Summary

This report has been commissioned by KGeN to identify any potential issues and vulnerabilities in the source code of the KGeN OFT smart contract, as well as any contract dependencies that were not part of an officially recognized library. In this audit, we have utilized various techniques, including manual code review and static analysis, to identify potential vulnerabilities and security issues.

During the audit, we identified 4 issues of varying severity, listed below.

ID	Title	Severity	Status
KOF-1	Incorrect Handling of ERC20 Transfer Return Values	Medium	Fixed
KOF-2	Centralization Risk	Medium	Fixed
KOF-3	Single-step Ownership Transfer Can be Dangerous	Medium	Fixed
KOF-4	Lack of Pause Checks	Minor	Fixed

3 Participant Process

Here are the relevant actors with their respective abilities within the KGeN OFT Smart Contract :

DEFAULT_ADMIN_ROLE

- updateFeeVault: Update the fee vault address.
- recoverERC20 : Recover ERC20 tokens accidentally sent to the contract.
- recoverETH: Recover native ETH accidentally sent to the contract.
- grantRole: Grant any role, including PAUSER_ROLE, BLACKLIST_MANAGER_ROLE, FORWARDER_MANAGER_ROLE.

PAUSER ROLE

- setPaused : Pause or unpause the entire contract.
- setCrossChainPaused: Pause or unpause only cross-chain operations.

BLACKLIST MANAGER ROLE

- setBlacklistStatus: Add or remove an account from the blacklist.
- batchSetBlacklistStatus: Add or remove multiple accounts from the blacklist.

FORWARDER_MANAGER_ROLE

- addTrustedForwarder: Add a new trusted forwarder for meta-transactions.
- removeTrustedForwarder: Remove an existing trusted forwarder.
- updateTrustedForwarder: Replace an old trusted forwarder with a new one.
- getTrustedForwarders: Retrieve all trusted forwarders.
- getTrustedForwardersCount : Retrieve the number of trusted forwarders.

Users

- transfer: Transfer tokens to another account.
- transferFrom: Transfer tokens from another account using allowance.
- send : Send cross-chain message.

sendFrom: When a user ca	alls sendFrom through the KGEN protocol, the protocol
fully sponsors the transaction	on, eliminating the need for native gas tokens or addition
approvals, only need KGEN	service fee.

4 Findings

KOF-1 Incorrect Handling of ERC20 Transfer Return Values

Severity: Medium

Status: Fixed

Code Location:

oft-adapter-aptos-move/contracts/KgenOFT.sol#199-203

Descriptions:

The try/catch statement in the code only captures executions that revert . It does not handle the case where the external call completes successfully but returns false .

```
try IERC20(token).transfer(to, amount) {
   emit TokenRecovered(token, to, amount);
} catch {
   revert TokenRecoveryFailed();
}
```

When using the transfer function some older or non-compliant tokens will return false instead of revert .

Suggestion:

Replace the current try/catch implementation with the safeTransfer function from the SafeERC20 library.

Resolution:

KOF-2 Centralization Risk

Severity: Medium

Status: Fixed

Code Location:

oft-adapter-aptos-move/contracts/KgenOFT.sol#142-145

Descriptions:

A comprehensive centralization risk was identified in the smart contract:

- **System Control**: The administrator can unilaterally pause all or parts of the contract's core functionality through the setPaused() and setCrossChainPaused() functions.
- **User Asset Control**: The administrator can add or remove any address from the blacklist via the setBlacklistStatus() function, thereby freezing or unfreezing user assets.
- **Fund Control**: The administrator can withdraw any tokens or native ETH held within the contract using recoverERC20() and recoverETH(), and change the fee collection address via updateFeeVault().
- **Ultimate Privilege Control**: As the holder of <code>DEFAULT_ADMIN_ROLE</code>, the administrator can grant and revoke any role to other addresses; as the <code>owner</code>, the administrator can transfer the ultimate ownership of the contract.
- **Infrastructure Control**: The administrator can manage the list of trusted forwarders for meta-transactions through functions like addTrustedForwarder() and removeTrustedForwarder().

Suggestion:

It is recommended that measures be taken to reduce the risk of centralization, such as implementing a multi-signature (Multi-sig) wallet mechanism, optionally combined with a Timelock for increased transparency.

Resolution:

KOF-3 Single-step Ownership Transfer Can be Dangerous

Severity: Medium

Status: Fixed

Code Location:

oft-adapter-aptos-move/contracts/KgenOFT.sol#136

Descriptions:

The contract uses a single-step process to transfer ownership.

Ownable(_delegate)

If the new address is incorrect (e.g., mistyped, set to 0x0, or an unowned address), the contract may permanently lose its owner control, pausing, or managing permissions. Such an error is irreversible and may cause permanent damage to the contract.

Suggestion:

Adopt a two-step transfer mechanism

Refer to OpenZeppelin's Ownable2Step

Resolution:

KOF-4 Lack of Pause Checks

Severity: Minor

Status: Fixed

Code Location:

oft-adapter-aptos-move/contracts/KgenOFT.sol#230 245 301 316 346 422

Descriptions:

When the contract is paused, only the owner should be able to operate specific functions. The following functions remain callable even when the contract is paused:

- setBlacklistStatus
- batchSetBlacklistStatus
- addTrustedForwarder
- removeTrustedForwarder
- updateTrustedForwarder
- credit

To ensure that the pause mechanism effectively blocks critical operations in emergency scenarios, these functions should include whenNotPaused and whenCrossChainNotPaused checks.

Suggestion:

Add the whenNotPaused whenCrossChainNotPaused modifier to all the above functions

Resolution:

Appendix 1

Issue Level

- **Informational** issues are often recommendations to improve the style of the code or to optimize code that does not affect the overall functionality.
- Minor issues are general suggestions relevant to best practices and readability. They
 don't post any direct risk. Developers are encouraged to fix them.
- **Medium** issues are non-exploitable problems and not security vulnerabilities. They should be fixed unless there is a specific reason not to.
- **Major** issues are security vulnerabilities. They put a portion of users' sensitive information at risk, and often are not directly exploitable. All major issues should be fixed.
- **Critical** issues are directly exploitable security vulnerabilities. They put users' sensitive information at risk. All critical issues should be fixed.

Issue Status

- **Fixed:** The issue has been resolved.
- **Partially Fixed:** The issue has been partially resolved.
- Acknowledged: The issue has been acknowledged by the code owner, and the code owner confirms it's as designed, and decides to keep it.

Appendix 2

Disclaimer

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