### [H-1] Storing the password on-chain makes it public, thus visible to anyone. \*\*Description: \*\* All data stored on the blockchain is public and can be read by anyone. The 'PasswordStore::s\_password' variable is intended to be private, and accessed only by the c ontract owner through the 'PasswordStore::getPassword()' function. However, the s\_password variable is not actually private, and can be read by anyone who has access to the contract' s bytecode. This means that anyone can read the password, which is a security vulnerability We show one such method of reading the password in the PoC below. \*\*Impact:\*\* Anyone can read the password, which is a security vulnerability that could seve rely compromise the security of the contract. \*\*Proof of Concept:\*\* (Proof of Code) The below code snippet shows how to read the password from the contract. 1. Create a locally running chain using Foundry. '''bash make anvil 2. Deploy the contract. '''bash make deploy 3. Run the storage tool to read the password from the contract. We use the '1' because the 's\_password' variable is at storage slot '1'. cast storage <ADDRESS\_HERE> 1 --rpc-url http://127.0.0.1:8545 . . . You'll get an output similar to the below: You can decode the hex string to get the password as follows: '''bash ٠,, Output: . . . myPassword . . . \*\*Recommended Mitigation: \*\* The password should not be stored on-chain. Instead, it should be stored off-chain and only retrieved when needed. This can be done by storing the password in a separate contract or using a secure storage solution. ## Likelihood & Impact: - Likelihood: HIGH.

### [H-2] 'PasswordStore::setPassword' has no access controls, meaning anyone can set the password.

Impact: HIGH.Severity: HIGH.

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/home/rumpas/security-course/3-passwordstore-audit/process_findings.py
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**Description:** The 'PasswordStore::setPassword' function is set to be an 'external' funct
ion, however the natspec of the function and overall purpose of the contract is that 'This
function allows only the owner to set a new password.'
<details>
<summary>Code</summary>
'''javascript
function setPassword(string memory newPassword) external {
    //@audit - There are no access controls on this function.
        s_password = newPassword;
        emit SetNetPassword();
    }
. . .
</details>
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**Impact:** Anyone can set the password, which is a security vulnerability that could sever
ely compromise the security of the contract.
**Proof of Concept:**
Add the following test to the 'test/PasswordStore.t.sol' file.
<details>
<summary>Code</summary>
'''javascript
    function test_anyone_can_set_password(address randomAddress) public {
        vm.assume(randomAddress != owner);
        vm.prank(randomAddress);
        string memory expectedPassword = "myNewPassword";
        passwordStore.setPassword(expectedPassword);
        vm.prank(owner);
        string memory actualPassword = passwordStore.getPassword();
        assertEq(actualPassword, expectedPassword);
    }
. . .
</details>
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**Recommended Mitigation: **
The 'setPassword' function should be made internal and only callable by the contract owner.
 This can be done by changing the visibility of the function to 'internal' and adding an 'o
nlyOwner' modifier to the function.
<details>
<summary>Code</summary>
'''javascript
function setPassword(string memory newPassword) internal onlyOwner {
    s_password = newPassword;
    emit SetNetPassword();
</details>
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```

Alternatively, add an access control modifier to the 'setPassword' function to ensure that

only the contract owner can call it.

<details>

'''javascript

<summary>Code</summary>

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/home/rumpas/security-course/3-passwordstore-audit/process_findings.py
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if (msg.sender != owner) {
    revert PasswordStore_NotOwner();
, , ,
</details>
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## Likelihood & Impact:
- Likelihood: HIGH.
- Impact: HIGH.
- Severity: HIGH.
**Description:**
The 'PasswordStore::getPassword' natspec indicates a parameter that does not exist, causing
the natspec to be inaccurate.
<details>
<summary>Code</summary>
'''javascript
/**
 * @notice Get the stored password.
 * @return The stored password.
 function getPassword() external view returns (string memory) {
   return s_password;
, , ,
</details>
<br>
The 'PasswordStore::getPassword' function signature is 'getPassword()', which the natspec s
ays it should be 'getPassword(string)'.
The natspec is inaccurate, which could lead to confusion and misunderstanding of the functi
on's purpose and parameters.
**Recommended Mitigation:**
The natspec should be updated to reflect the correct function signature. Remove the incorre
ct natspec parameter.
'''diff
  * @param newPassword The new password to set.
  * @return The stored password.
## Likelihood & Impact:
- Likelihood: NONE.
- Impact: HIGH.
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- Severity: INFORMATION/GAS/NON-CRITICAL.