Hello everyone - first post.

I am starting this threat to look for support in navigating this situation, and for conversation if a Snapshot follows from it (which I am hoping will follow).

On 9 May, I made a terrible mistake and transferred \$19,970 in USDT out of my metamask wallet. I thought I was sending it to my hardware wallet, but mistakenly sent it to the Uniswap V3: Router 2 smart contract - txn 0x427. This is a lot of money for me and my family. It's cringy, but I was moving the money to pay for school fees.

An MEV <u>Account 0xa19</u> picked up the funds straight from the smart contract in <u>txn 0xd9f</u> in the same block, swapping it for eth, and sending it to <u>0x333</u>. 0x333 then, in the same block, sent 10.4 ETH to <u>0x388 Lido: Execution Layer Rewards Vault in txn 0xc569</u>.

This is my money, that 0x9df / 0x333 has picked up, and started controlling, and seems to be held by the Lido vault 0x388 at the moment.

(As an aside, in trying to figure out what to do, it's been put to me that this is analogous to me sending the funds to 0x00... 00 - I don't agree however as the funds didn't disappear into a hole, they just transformed and manifested in another person's single account. The funds deposited in account 0xa19 in that block are directly from my transfer (and the fact that they came into existence, and the size of the deposit is a direct consequence of the transfer I made). It's not at all like me setting paper cash on fire and asking everyone who benefited from the deflation to compensate me - it's much more analogous to dropping cash on the floor and someone else picking it up.)

I would like to put forward a proposal to have the funds returned to me - I presume via Snapshot / Aragon voting.

I am out of my depth here however, and would like a steer on setting up the Snapshot (or other method to put this to the community). I see there are some analogous situations that have happened, e.g. compensation from <u>DAO Treasury in the BloXRoute situation</u> - also in which the 'wrong pocket' funds were help in the execution layer.

Is there anything else I should do before creating a Snapshot on this? Any other things I should understand or read? Any other proof I should show/create (signed message, etc.)?

All support appreciated.

Thanks.