

OMNI NETWORK

Nomina Bridge Contracts Security Assessment Report

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Introduction

Sigma Prime was commercially engaged to perform a time-boxed security review of the Omni Network components in scope. The review focused solely on the security aspects of the Solidity implementation of the contract, though general recommendations and informational comments are also provided.

Disclaimer

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Document Structure

The first section provides an overview of the functionality of the Omni Network components contained within the scope of the security review. A summary followed by a detailed review of the discovered vulnerabilities is then given which assigns each vulnerability a severity rating (see Vulnerability Severity Classification), an <code>open/closed/resolved</code> status and a recommendation. Additionally, findings which do not have direct security implications (but are potentially of interest) are marked as <code>informational</code>.

The appendix provides additional documentation, including the severity matrix used to classify vulnerabilities within the Omni Network components in scope.

Overview

This codebase primarily concerns updating the ERC20 representation native token on Ethereum to Nomina from Omni. This involves replacing the Omni token with the Nomina token, with the Ethereum side of the bridge converting all Omni tokens to Nomina at a 75x redenomination rate during initialisation.



Security Assessment Summary

Scope

The review was conducted on the files hosted on the omni repository.

The scope of this time-boxed review was strictly limited to files at commit 5abe64e. The fixes of the identified issues were assessed at commit a849c79.

- WNomina.sol
- NominaBridgeNative.sol
- NominaBridgeCommon.sol
- NominaBridgeL1.sol

Note: third party libraries and dependencies were excluded from the scope of this assessment.

Approach

The security assessment covered components written in Solidity.

For the Solidity components, the manual review focused on identifying issues associated with the business logic implementation of the contracts. This includes their internal interactions, intended functionality and correct implementation with respect to the underlying functionality of the Ethereum Virtual Machine (for example, verifying correct storage/memory layout).

Additionally, the manual review process focused on identifying vulnerabilities related to known Solidity antipatterns and attack vectors, such as re-entrancy, front-running, integer overflow/underflow and correct visibility specifiers.

For a more detailed, but non-exhaustive list of examined vectors, see [1, 2].

To support the Solidity components of the review, the testing team may use the following automated testing tools:

- Aderyn: https://github.com/Cyfrin/aderyn
- Slither: https://github.com/trailofbits/slither
- Mythril: https://github.com/ConsenSys/mythril

Output for these automated tools is available upon request.

Coverage Limitations

Due to the time-boxed nature of this review, all documented vulnerabilities reflect best effort within the allotted, limited engagement time. As such, Sigma Prime recommends to further investigate areas of the code, and any related functionality, where majority of critical and high risk vulnerabilities were identified.



Findings Summary

The testing team identified a total of 6 issues during this assessment. Categorised by their severity:

• Medium: 2 issues.

• Low: 1 issue.

• Informational: 3 issues.



Detailed Findings

This section provides a detailed description of the vulnerabilities identified within the Omni Network components in scope. Each vulnerability has a severity classification which is determined from the likelihood and impact of each issue by the matrix given in the Appendix: Vulnerability Severity Classification.

A number of additional properties of the components, including optimisations, are also described in this section and are labelled as "informational".

Each vulnerability is also assigned a status:

- Open: the issue has not been addressed by the project team.
- **Resolved:** the issue was acknowledged by the project team and updates to the affected components(s) have been made to mitigate the related risk.
- Closed: the issue was acknowledged by the project team but no further actions have been taken.



Summary of Findings

ID	Description	Severity	Status
OMNB-01	Gas Limit Issue In withdraw() May Lead To Stuck Of Funds	Medium	Resolved
OMNB-02	Desynchronized Pausing Between Nomina Bridges And Omni Portal Can Lock Funds	Medium	Closed
OMNB-03	Delay In Calling setup() Could Result In Accounting Errors	Low	Closed
OMNB-04	Non-Standard Naming Convention And Unnecessary Caching Of Immutable Variable	Informational	Resolved
OMNB-05	Missing Validation In Constructor Could Render withdraw() Inoperable	Informational	Closed
OMNB-06	Miscellaneous General Comments	Informational	Resolved

OMNB- Gas Limit Issue In withdraw() May Lead To Stuck Of Funds 01			
Asset	NominaBridgeNative.sol		
Status	Resolved: See Resolution		
Rating	Severity: Medium	Impact: High	Likelihood: Low

The portal allocates XCALL_WITHDRAW_GAS_LIMIT = 80_000 gas for the withdraw() function call, as shown here:

```
NominaBridgeL1.sol::_bridge()
portal.xcall{ value: msg.value }(
    nominaChainId, ConfLevel.Finalized, Predeploys.NominaBridgeNative, xcalldata, XCALL_WITHDRAW_GAS_LIMIT
);
```

In the NominaBridgeNative contract, simulations indicate that lines [104-111] consume approximately 28,000 gas, leaving ~52,000 gas available (assuming the full 80,000 is available at line [104]).

```
NominaBridgeNative.sol::withdraw()
function withdraw(address payor, address to, uint256 amount) external whenNotPaused(ACTION_WITHDRAW) {
    XTypes.MsgContext memory xmsg = portal.xmsg();

    require(msg.sender == address(portal), "NominaBridge: not xcall"); // this protects against reentrancy
    require(xmsg.sender == liBridge, "NominaBridge: not bridge");
    require(xmsg.sourceChainId == liChainId, "NominaBridge: not Li");

    liDeposits += amount;

    (bool success,) = to.call{ value: amount }("");

    if (!success) claimable[payor] += amount;

    emit Withdraw(payor, to, amount, success);
}
```

Due to EIP-150, 63/64 of the remaining 52,000 gas (~51,187) is forwarded to the to address. If the to contract's fallback/receive functions consume all forwarded gas (e.g., by modifying storage), only ~812 gas remains (1/64 of 52,000). Since the call fails with an out-of-gas error, the if-block executes:

```
NominaBridgeNative.sol::withdraw()

if (!success) claimable[payor] += amount;
```

However, this remaining gas is insufficient for a storage update, causing a revert.

Because portal message delivery is non-retriable and indifferent to call outcomes, funds can become permanently stuck.

Recommendations

Consider the mitigations.

1. Increase the gas limit. Assuming line [114] consumes 22,000 gas, XCALL_WITHDRAW_GAS_LIMIT should satisfy:

```
(1/64) * (XCALL_WITHDRAW_GAS_LIMIT - 28,000) > 22,000

=> XCALL_WITHDRAW_GAS_LIMIT > 1,436,000
```

This high value may be impractical due to fee constraints.

2. Reserve gas for the fallback, by explicitly reserving gas for the failure case. Note there should be more than 22,000 gas left.

```
(bool success,) = to.call{ value: amount, gas: gasleft() - 22,000 }("");
```

Resolution

This issue has been addressed in the commit a849c79 by allocating 32k gas as buffer.

OMNB- 02	Desynchronized Pausing Between Nomina Bridges And Omni Portal Can Lock Funds NominaBridgeL1.sol		
Asset			
Status	Closed: See Resolution		
Rating	Severity: Medium	Impact: High	Likelihood: Low

The pausing mechanism in Nomina bridges (NominaBridgeL1 and NominaBridgeNative) operates separately from the pausing mechanism in the Omni portal. This creates a scenario where ACTION_WITHDRAW may be paused in a Nomina bridge, but the corresponding ActionXSubmit in the portal remains active.

The NominaBridgeL1.withdraw() function includes pausing protection:

```
NominaBridgeL1.sol::withdraw()

function withdraw(address to, uint256 amount) external whenNotPaused(ACTION_WITHDRAW) {
    XTypes.MsgContext memory xmsg = portal.xmsg();

    require(msg.sender == address(portal), "NominaBridge: not xcall");
    require(xmsg.sender == Predeploys.NominaBridgeNative, "NominaBridge: not bridge");
    require(xmsg.sourceChainId == portal.omniChainId(), "NominaBridge: not omni portal");
    nomina.transfer(to, amount);
    emit Withdraw(to, amount);
}
```

The bridge pausing is controlled independently:

```
NominaBridgeCommon.sol::pause()

/// @notice Pausable key for withdraws
bytes32 public constant ACTION_WITHDRAW = keccak256("withdraw");

/// @notice Pause `action`
function pause(bytes32 action) external onlyOwner {
    _pause(action);
}

/// @notice Revert if `action` is paused
modifier whenNotPaused(bytes32 action) {
    require(!_isPaused(action), "NominaBridge: paused");
    _-;
}
```

However, the Omni Portal has separate pausing controls for ActionXSubmit:

```
OmniPortal.sol::pauseXSubmit()
function pauseXSubmit() external onlyOwner {
    _pause(ActionXSubmit);
    emit XSubmitPaused();
}
function pauseXSubmitFrom(uint64 chainId_) external onlyOwner {
    _pause(_chainActionId(ActionXSubmit, chainId_));
    emit XSubmitFromPaused(chainId_);
}
```

For example, during an incident, if ACTION_WITHDRAW is paused in NominaBridgeL1 but the Omni portal ActionXSubmit is not paused (or there is a delay), calling xSubmit() on OmniPortal for an inflight message will attempt to call withdraw() on NominaBridgeL1. As the bridge is paused, this call will revert. Since the Omni Portal architecture does not handle call results and does not allow retries, the withdrawal becomes un-retriable, leading to funds being stuck.

Recommendations

It is recommended to enforce synchronisation between the Nomina bridge and the Omni portal. This can be achieved by ensuring the portal for the source chain is paused whenever the bridge is paused, or by introducing a centralised pausing mechanism to manage both in sync.

Resolution

The development team has closed the issue with the following comment:

Pausing withdrawals on the bridges is not standard practice. Only deposits need to be paused for upgrades, which can be applied after all withdrawals have been processed. The pause mechanism for withdrawals is purely an emergency lever that can be pulled if needed. That said, we would pause the portals first in the event of an emergency. We understand this risk and have robust processes in place for pausing our infrastructure.



OMNB- 03	- Delay In Calling setup() Could Result In Accounting Errors		
Asset	NominaBridgeNative.sol		
Status	Closed: See Resolution		
Rating	Severity: Low	Impact: Medium	Likelihood: Low

Calling setup() after initializeV2() will cause incorrect accounting in the NominaBridgeNative contract. Resulting in the l1Deposits variable inaccurately representing the amount of layer 1 deposits.

This is only applicable once the contract is deployed. Which means, it is unlikely to occur as long as the owner ensures correct ordering of transactions during deployment.

The setup() function is intended to allow the owner of the contract to update specified variables in the contract. As shown here:

During the initialisation of the contract, the initializeV2() function updates the l1Deposits variable to account for the exchange rate between OMNI and NOM.

Due to the lack of access control on the <code>initializeV2()</code> function, it could by anyone at anytime, which would be problematic if called before <code>setup()</code>. This would skew the accounting of the <code>liDeposits</code> variable. Depending on the new value of <code>liDeposits</code>, the contract would be holding an incorrect value of deposits which could lead to edge cases where users are unable to withdraw.

Recommendations

- 1. Ensure the setup() function is called prior to the initializeV2() function in the deploy script.
- 2. Set access control on the initializeV2() function to ensure it may only be called by the owner or a specified role. With this solution, it is still recommended to ensure the setup() function is called prior to the initializeV2() function.
- 3. Set a variable to indicate true when setup() has been called. In the initializeV2() function, verify your variable is indicating true.

Resolution

The development team has closed the issue with the following comment:

The bridges are being upgraded, not redeployed. The setup function has already been called, and will not be called again. It simply remains in the contract so our end to end testing can function properly. It is not possible for the initializeV2 method to be called prior to setup on our live bridge contracts, therefore this issue is invalid.



OMNB- 04	Non-Standard Naming Convention And Unnecessary Caching Of Immutable Variable	
Asset	NominaBridgeL1.sol	
Status	Resolved: See Resolution	
Rating	Informational	

The contract contains two code quality issues related to the omni and nomina immutable variables that deviate from standard Solidity conventions and best practices.

First, the immutable variables uses lower case naming instead of the standard convention of capitalised constants and immutables:

```
NominaBridgeL1.sol::omni

IERC20 public immutable omni;

NominaBridgeL1.sol::nomina

IERC20 public immutable nomina;
```

Second, the initializeV2() function unnecessarily caches the immutable variable to a stack variable:

```
NominaBridgeL1.sol::initializeV2()
function initializeV2() external reinitializer(2) {
    address _nomina = address(nomina); //@audit unnecessary cache
    omni.approve(_nomina, type(uint256).max);
    INomina(_nomina).convert(address(this), omni.balanceOf(address(this)));
}
```

Immutable variables are stored directly in the contracts bytecode, meaning they do not incur gas to access them. Typically, caching variables is used to save on gas costs.

Recommendations

Use capitalised naming instead of lower case on immutable variables and remove the unnecessary caching of the nomina variable.

```
IERC20 public immutable OMNI;

IERC20 public immutable NOMINA;

function initializeV2() external reinitializer(2) {
         OMNI.approve(address(NOMINA), type(uint256).max);
         INomina(address(NOMINA)).convert(address(this), OMNI.balanceOf(address(this)));
}
```

Note that modifying these variables will impact the getter functions due to the <code>public</code> tags.

Resolution

This issue has been addressed in the commit a849c79 by applying standard naming to these immutable variables and have removed unnecessary caching of said variables.



OMNB- 05	Missing Validation In Constructor Could Render withdraw() Inoperable
Asset	NominaBridgeL1.sol
Status	Closed: See Resolution
Rating	Informational

There is no validation of the <code>omni_</code> address in the constructor, which during <code>initializeV2()</code>, could lead to approving a non-existent token and rendering the contract inoperable.

The contract's constructor accepts the omni_ address as a deployment parameter. Since this variable is declared as immutable, it becomes permanently fixed in the contract's bytecode and cannot be modified after deployment.

```
NominaBridgeL1.sol::constructor()
constructor(address omni_, address nomina_) {
    omni = IERC2@(omni_);
    nomina = IERC2@(nomina_);
    _disableInitializers();
}
```

Currently, there is no validation that the sent in omni_ parameter matches the live OMNI address on mainnet.

The issue arises in the <code>initializeV2()</code> function which approves the <code>nomina</code> IERC20 to spend the contracts <code>omni</code>. However, if the contracts <code>omni</code> address is set incorrectly, it could result in a random token being approved and ultimately result in no tokens being converted during initialisation. As a result, this would render the <code>withdraw()</code> function un-useable due to insufficient funds as the contract has zero <code>nomina</code> to transfer.

Recommendations

It is recommended to ensure the omni_ parameter matches the current OMNI address that is live on mainnet by performing a check in the constructor before setting the variable.

```
constructor(address omni_, address nomina_) {
    require(omni_ == 0x5329218a052986EBe688b07E58de61Afd55F9DC9, "Invalid OMNI address");
    omni = IERC20(omni_);
    nomina = IERC20(nomina_);
    _disableInitializers();
}
```

A cleaner and easier solution would be to add this check to the deployment script to ensure the address being sent in to the contract is correct.

Resolution

The development team has closed the issue with the following comment:

Our upgrade script performs validation on inputs and storage variables, and is our preferred place for doing so. We also use OpenZeppelin's TransparentUpgradeableProxy contracts, which allow us to call initializer functions atomically with the upgrade. If the value was incorrect, the approval call would fail. We have this sufficiently mitigated within our upgrade processes.



OMNB- 06	Miscellaneous General Comments
Asset	All contracts
Status	Resolved: See Resolution
Rating	Informational

This section details miscellaneous findings discovered by the testing team that do not have direct security implications:

1. Incorrect Documentation For Variable omni

Related Asset(s): NominaBridgeL1.sol

The comment incorrectly refers to the NOM token, while the variable is named omni.

```
NominaBridgeL1.sol::omni

/**

* @notice The NOM token contract.

*/
IERC20 public immutable omni;
```

It is recommended to update the comment to reference omni to keep the documentation consistent.

Recommendations

Ensure that the comments are understood and acknowledged, and consider implementing the suggestions above.

Resolution

The development team's responses to the raised issues above are as follows:

We have corrected the comment for the OMNI immutable variable.

Appendix A Vulnerability Severity Classification

This security review classifies vulnerabilities based on their potential impact and likelihood of occurance. The total severity of a vulnerability is derived from these two metrics based on the following matrix.

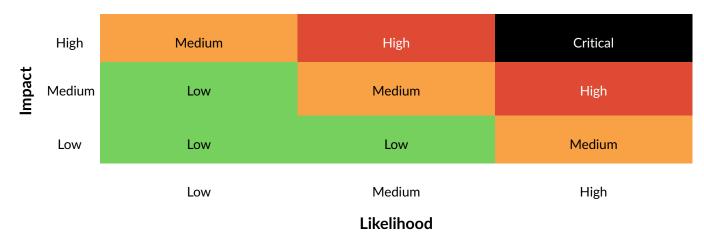


Table 1: Severity Matrix - How the severity of a vulnerability is given based on the *impact* and the *likelihood* of a vulnerability.

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