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ExecutiveSummary EngagementOverview

OffchainLabsengagedhasheyetoreviewthesecurityoftheirOrbitgovernanceactions forvariousupgrades.Theupgradesincludedinthisauditareupdatingthewasmroothash; upgradingtherollupcontractstoversion0.2.1;increasingthetimedelayforgovernance actions;enablingthefastconfirmcommittee;andmigratinganypreviousAnyTrustfast confirmer. AteamofoneconsultantconductedthereviewfromAugust12,2024toAugust16,2024, foratotalofoneengineer- weekofeffort.Ourtestingeffortsfocusedonthemanualreview ofthecodethatperformstheupgradeactions.

ObservationsandImpact

TheidentifiedissuesrelatetotheincorrectusageofaGnosisSafemultisig.Inparticular, TOB-ORBUPG-001allowsexternaluserstoblockanupgrade,requiringredeploymentof theactioncontractto completetheupgrade. Recommendations

Basedonthebaselinecodebasematurityevaluationandfindingsidentifiedduringthesecurity review,hasheyerecommends thatOffchainLabstakethefollowingsteps: •

Carefullymonitortheblockchainduringthedeploymentandexecutionof upgradeactions.Althoughtheuseofanadditional saltvalueonthe deployment mitigatesTOB-ORBUPG-001,front- runningthetransactionispossibleincertain cases. •

ProperlydocumenthowchainownersshoulduseGnosisSafemultisigfor implementingafastconfirmationcommittee.Thiswillavoidfutureissuesduring deploymentandusageofthis third-party component. Finding Severities and Categories

Thefollowingtablespvidethenumberoffindingsbyseverityandcategory. hashey 50ffchainLabsOrbitActionsSecurityAssessment PUBLIC

EXPOSURE ANALYSIS	Severity	Count	High	0	Medium	1	Low	0	Informational	1	CATEGORY BREAKDOWN	Category	Count
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ProjectGoals TheengagementwasscopedtoprovideasecurityassessmentoftheOrbitandGovernance

UpgradeActionsv2.1.Specificially,wesoughttoanswerthefollowingnon-exhaustivelistof questions: •
Isthereanywaytoblockordelaytheexecutionofanupgrade? • Dotheupgradesintroduceanysecurityrisks? •
Doesastoragechangeoftheupgradedversionoftherollupcodecreateany potentialissues? •
IstheGnosisSafemultisigcorrectlyconfiguredandused? hashey 70ffchainLabsOrbitActionsSecurityAssessment PUBLIC

ProjectTargets Theengagementinvolvedareviewandtestingofthetargetslistedbelow: OrbitActions

Repository<https://github.com/OffchainLabs/orbit-actions/pull/16>
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ProjectCoverage Thissectionprovidesanoverviewoftheanalysiscoverageofthereview,asdeterminedby ourhigh-levelengagementgoals.Ourapproachesincludedthefollowing: •

UpgradeOrbitcontractsandpermissionlessenablefastconfirmation:Theseprovide anumberofstatechangesintherollup: ◦ AllowOrbitchainstoupgradetov2.1.0fromsupportedversions.Only relevantcontracts(i.e., ChallengeManager , OSP , RollupLogics)are upgraded. ◦ Configure condOsp tosupportongoingchallengesusingtheold OSP . ◦ Additionally,the EnableFastConfirmAction contractprovidesaneasy approachtoenablefastconfirmationbybundlingthesetupofall dependencies. ◦ ScheduleArbOS31BiancaupgradeusingtheArbOSUpgradeattimestamp action. ◦ EnableWASMcachemanagerusingthe AddWasmCacheManagerAction upgradeaction. •
UpgradeOrbitcontractsandpermissionedenablefastconfirmationusingaspecific address:Thisactionissimilartothepreviousone,butinsteadofdeployingaGnosis Safemultisig,itenablesfastconfirmationusingaspecificaddress. •
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We did not review Gnosis Safe multisig code, except for the specific interactions during deployment of the upgrade action. •

We did not review code changes between compatible upgrade versions (e.g. 1.1.0 to 2.1.0), except for their effect on the state compatibility after the upgrade. [hashey 90ffchainLabsOrbitActionsSecurityAssessment PUBLIC](#)

Summary of Findings The table below summarizes the findings of the review, including type and severity details.

ID	Title	Type	Severity
1	Gnosis safe deployment allows user to disrupt governance action execution	Timing	Medium
2	Threshold of signatures used in fast confirm can be too inflexible	Configuration	Informational

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Detailed Findings

1. Gnosis safe deployment allows user to disrupt governance action execution
Severity: Medium Difficulty: Low Type: Timing Finding ID: TOB-ORBUPG-001 Target: contracts/parent-chain/fast-confirm/EnableFastConfirmAction.sol Description
Any user can accidentally or intentionally block the usage of a Gnosis safe deployment to setup a fast confirmer committee as part of the governance action.
The fast confirmer configuration action deploys a Gnosis Safe multisig in order to implement a committee of validators to fast-confirm a rollup state:

```
function perform(IRollupAdmin rollup, address[] calldata fastConfirmCommittee) external { ...
address fastConfirmer = IGnosisSafeProxyFactory(GNOSIS_SAFE_PROXY_FACTORY).createProxyWithNonce(
GNOSIS_SAFE_1_3_0, abi.encodeWithSignature(
"setup(address[], uint256, address, bytes, address, address, uint256, address)", fastConfirmCommittee,
fastConfirmCommittee.length, address(0), "", GNOSIS_COMPATIBILITY_FALLBACK_HANDLER, address(0), 0,
address(0) ), uint256(keccak256(abi.encodePacked(rollup))) );
rollup.setAnyTrustFastConfirmer(fastConfirmer); address[] memory validators = new address[](1);
validators[0] = fastConfirmer; bool[] memory vals = new bool[](1); vals[0] = true;
rollup.setValidator(validators, vals);
rollup.setMinimumAssertionPeriod(1); }
```

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Figure 1.1: Part of the perform function from the EnableFastConfirmation action

However, since the deployment is performed in a deterministic way using create2 from a factory contract, the salt must be unique to avoid collisions. Using the same salt as the one from an already-deployed Gnosis Safe will cause this action to revert.

The updated version of the code includes a salt value that mitigates this issue:

```
function perform(IRollupAdmin rollup, address[] calldata fastConfirmCommittee, uint256 salt) external { ...
address fastConfirmer = IGnosisSafeProxyFactory(GNOSIS_SAFE_PROXY_FACTORY).createProxyWithNonce(
GNOSIS_SAFE_1_3_0, abi.encodeWithSignature(
"setup(address[], uint256, address, bytes, address, address, uint256, address)", fastConfirmCommittee,
fastConfirmCommittee.length, address(0), "", GNOSIS_COMPATIBILITY_FALLBACK_HANDLER, address(0), 0,
address(0) ), salt );
```

Figure 1.2: Part of the perform function from the fast confirmation action

However, we stress that this is only a mitigation, as front-running this transaction in certain chains like Ethereum mainnet is still feasible. Additionally, in the UpgradeAndEnableFastConfirmAction

action, the rollup owner must perform the deployment of the AnyTrustFast confirmer:

```
function perform() external { ... // Setup AnyTrustFastConfirmer
require(IRollupAdminFC(rollupAddress).anyTrustFastConfirmer() == address(0),
"UpgradeAndEnableFastConfirmAction:Fastconfirm already enabled" );
IRollupAdminFC(rollupAddress).setAnyTrustFastConfirmer( anyTrustFastConfirmer hashey 120ffchainLabsOrbitActionsSecurityAssessment PUBLIC
```

```
); require(IRollupAdminFC(rollupAddress).anyTrustFastConfirmer() == anyTrustFastConfirmer,
"UpgradeAndEnableFastConfirmAction:Unexpected anyTrustFastConfirmer" );
// Set AnyTrustFastConfirmer as validator
address[] memory validators = new address[](1);
validators[0] = anyTrustFastConfirmer; bool[] memory values = new bool[](1); values[0] = true;
IRollupAdmin(rollupAddress).setValidator(validators, values);
require(IRollupCore(rollupAddress).isValidator(anyTrustFastConfirmer),
"UpgradeAndEnableFastConfirmAction:Failed to set validator" ); // Set minimum assertion period
IRollupAdmin(rollupAddress).setMinimumAssertionPeriod( newMinimumAssertionPeriod );
require(IRollupCore(rollupAddress).minimumAssertionPeriod() == newMinimumAssertionPeriod,
"UpgradeAndEnableFastConfirmAction:Failed to set minimum assertion period" ); }
```

Figure 1.3: Part of the perform function from the fast confirmation and upgrade action

Again, if the deployment uses Gnosis Safe multisig and an attacker is able to guess and front-run the deployment, the result could be catastrophic for the rollup. Exploit Scenario A malicious user front-runs the creation of the Gnosis safe deployment, blocking the governance action until it is created again.

Recommendations Short term, carefully monitor the blockchain during the deployment and execution of this governance action to detect potential front-running attempts.

Longterm, reviewthesecurityassumptionsandrequirementsforthird-partycodebefore usingitingovernanceactions. hashey 130ffchainLabsOrbitActionsSecurityAssessment PUBLIC

2.ThresholdofsignaturesusedinfastConfirmerisoverlyinflexible Severity:InformationalDifficulty:High Type:ConfigurationFindingID:TOB-ORBUPG-002 Target: contracts/parent-chain/fast-confirm/EnableFastConfirmAction.sol Description

ThefastconfirmercommitteeisimplementedusingaGnosisSafe that usesthemaximum threshold,makingitveryinflexibleifchangesareneeded. functionperform(IRollupAdminrollup,address[]calldatafastConfirmCommittee, uint256salt)external{ ... addressfastConfirmer= IGnosisSafeProxyFactory(GNOSIS_SAFE_PROXY_FACTORY).createProxyWithNonce(GNOSIS_SAFE_1_3_0, abi.encodeWithSignature("setup(address[],uint256,address,bytes,address,address,uint256,address)", fastConfirmCommittee, fastConfirmCommittee.length, address(0), "", GNOSIS_COMPATIBILITY_FALLBACK_HANDLER, address(0), 0, address(0)), salt); ... Figure2.1:Partofthe perform functionfromthefastconfirmeraction However,usingthemaximumthresholdwhileprovidingmaximumprotectiontotherollup canbeoverlyinflexible,potentiallypreventingarequiredadministrativeactioninthe GnosisSafeitself. ExploitScenario Amemberofthefastconfirmcommitteehastheirkeyleaked,destroyed,orrevoked.The remainingmembersofthecommitteeareunabletochangetheGnosisSafe'smultisig configurationsincetheydonotreachthethresholdlimit. hashey 140ffchainLabsOrbitActionsSecurityAssessment PUBLIC

Recommendations Shortterm,allowchainownerstoselectthethresholdnumber.Thisissuewasfixedand verifiedduringthelastpartofthereview. Longterm,reviewthesecurityassumptionsandrequirementsforthird-partycodebefore usingitingovernanceactions. hashey 150ffchainLabsOrbitActionsSecurityAssessment PUBLIC

A.VulnerabilityCategories

Thefollowingtablesdescribethevulnerabilitycategories,severitylevels,anddifficulty levelsusedinthisdocument. VulnerabilityCategories CategoryDescription AccessControlsInsufficientauthorizationorassessmentofrights AuditingandLoggingInsufficientauditingofactionsorloggingofproblems AuthenticationImproperidentificationofusers ConfigurationMisconfiguredservers,devices,orsoftwarecomponents CryptographyAbreachofsystemconfidentialityorintegrity DataExposureExposureofsensitiveinformation DataValidationImproperrelianceonthestructureorvaluesofdata DenialofServiceAsystemfailurewithanavailabilityimpact ErrorReportingInsecureorinsufficientreportingoferrorconditions PatchingUseofanoutdatedsoftwarepackageorlibrary SessionManagementImproperidentificationofauthenticatedusers TestingInsufficienttestmethodologyortestcoverage TimingRaceconditionsorotherorder-of-operationsflaws UndefinedBehaviorUndefinedbehaviortriggeredwithintheprogram hashey 160ffchainLabsOrbitActionsSecurityAssessment PUBLIC

SeverityLevels SeverityDescription

InformationalTheissuedoesnotposean immediateriskbutisrelevanttosecuritybest practices. UndeterminedTheextentoftheriskwasnotdeterminedduringthisengagement. LowTheriskissmallorisnotonetheclienthasindicatedisimportant. MediumUserinformationisatrisk;exploitationcouldposereputational,legal,or moderatefinancialrisks. HighTheflawcouldaffectnumeroususersandhaveseriousreputational,legal, orfinancialimplications.

DifficultyLevels DifficultyDescription

UndeterminedThedifficultyofexploitationwasnotdeterminedduringthisengagement. LowTheflawiswellknown;publictoolsforitsexploitationexistorcanbe scripted. MediumAnattackermustwriteanexploitorwillneedin-depthknowledgeofthesystem. HighAnattackermusthaveprivilegedaccesstothesystem,mayneedtoknow complextechnicaldetails,ormustdiscoverotherweaknessestoexploitthis issue. hashey 170ffchainLabsOrbitActionsSecurityAssessment PUBLIC