

INVESTIGATIVE INTELLIGENCE REPORT

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Ticker: **\$XOD**

Token Contract Address:

0x34F3d6Cccc8ddd1E2c7055591b110a81237af55B Pair Address: **N/A (Token had not launched yet)**

Website: https://xodus.finance

Socials: **Deleted**

Dextools link: N/A (Token had not launched yet)

Date Investigation Was Opened:

4/16/22

Nature of scam:

Stolen Contract Ownership, Theft of Project Funds

CONTACT INFORMATION FOR LAW ENFORCEMENT TO OBTAIN KYC & IDENTITY DETAIL INFORMATION ON FILE WITH ASSURE DEFI:

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Potential Injured Parties:

< 400

Estimate Funds Stolen:

~\$146,000

Last Known Location of Funds:

\$120k currently still sitting in contract \$26k (DAI) has been withdrawn to self-custody wallets

*See details below in BlockChain Forensics/Funds Tracing Section of Report.



BACKGROUND INFORMATION

Project pre-sale started on 4/15/2022.

According to the Xodus team (who have been actively communicating with Assure DeFi since the incident occurred):

A contracted developer has acted maliciously by building a backdoor in the contract that allowed him to transfer ownership of the pre-sale contract half way through their 2nd presale round. The rogue developer transferred the contract ownership, which gave him access to all the of the funds which had been raised via the presale. Subsequently, there has been \$26K taken out of the contract using the emergency withdraw function & distributed to multiple self-custody wallets.

BLOCKCHAIN FORENSICS

The timeline of events given by the Xodus team:

There were 2 presales, the 1st one had an issue with the whitelist which meant that many people with whitelist were unable to buy. Therefore they advised users to purchase through their public sale which was at an increased cost. Therefore they had the developer create a new presale 2 contract. You can see the date the developer deployed it here.

https://ftmscan.com/tx/0x6ebe60a04fd2db6c7ebd2d4d81b9083065a815bd0e0a2debbe 64b8e745c41836

The developer then restored all the whitelist addresses with the correct allocation for when they connect to the dapp, they would see the correct amount of tokens they would receive on launch.





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After all the information was restored the dev transferred the ownership to team member Kana, who then performed two operations in the contract. Setting presale launch date and start presale. At this point, he owned the smart contract and was not touched for 11days after this.

These actions can be seen here:

https://ftmscan.com/tx/0x94a15b435a77791e9b64edc0c15619a0eac0bd85dc1c6cf478b9a44c69912e

https://ftmscan.com/tx/0x563e097fbfe1410a570d89bd3b6aa2afae966b8050bac4158ae71dae553fb42d

https://ftmscan.com/tx/0x922c59d5f7e192dd4c162626fa5b14e323a7c8858cdae4530060a1ef759d0c28

When pre-sale round 2 launched on **4/15/2022**, it appeared to be working as planned and there were no issues initially.

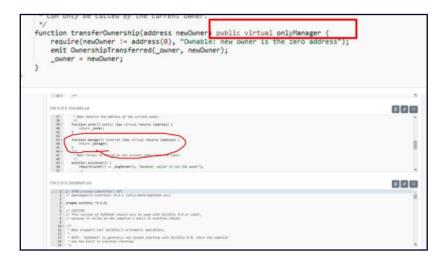
The next day however, Kana was asked to take funds out of p2 to begin launch marketing. When he called the contract it became clear that he no longer had control/ownership.

It was at this point that the team realized that someone transferred ownership (the original dev that deployed the contract).

Transfer of ownership TX:

https://ftmscan.com/tx/0x3d12e80dd4f04e033fc212e54d801ee115ffd3ce1326108a191a7 90f9635976c

At this time the Xodus team contacted an external developer to review the code and provide guidance. This code consultant explained that a backdoor had been built into the code. As shown in the screenshots below.



The code above can be viewed in full here:

https://ftmscan.com/address/0x34f3d6cccc8ddd1e2c7055591b110a81237af55b#code



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Members of the Xodus team then contacted the supposed rogue developer and asked for the owner-ship of the contract to be returned to them. A long conversation ensues without the dev agreeing and ultimately concludes with the alleged rogue dev deleting/changing his Telegram handle and exiting the group.

The individual who transferred ownership of the contract & currently is in control of the project funds goes by the pseudonym **Crypto-Like.**

He appears to be constantly changing his Telegram account in an attempt to avoid being tracked.

During the conversations with the team after the event, he was using the Telegram handle **@cryptolike0910.** This has since been deleted.

The most recent known active Telegram handle that he is using is **@bluebird3827** as can be seen in the below image.



Screenshots of the full conversation between the Xodus Finance team & the developer "Crypto-Like" can be found in

Appendix A: Telegram Conversation Record

Currently there is 120,746 DAI remaining in the contract. https://ftmscan.com/address/0x34F3d6Cccc8ddd 1E2c7055591b110a81237af55B

26,000 DAI was transferred out via emergency withdraw https://ftmscan.com/tx/0xe68f8cf65c54b182dff121dac90d4dd0c0c075d0eb93978401025b0a33f4e7b6

The **26,000 DAI** were withdrawn to the following address: **0x42404576b6be0484f1106d7945c1140080f03cf3**

Since the initial withdraw, **20,000 DAI** have been transferred & bridged to multiple decentralized wallets in **5,000 DAI** increments.



SUMMARY/CONCLUSION

Based on the information gathered regarding the case, it appears that control of the contract was maliciously taken using backdoor code & a bad actor is now in current control of both the contract & the project funds which were raised.

Given the addresses used throughout the chain of transactions involved in moving the funds from the presale contract, it is believed that someone possessing the private keys of the project redistributed the funds from to himself.

There is no evidence that would suggest these funds are being used for legitimate purposes.

The team has made multiple attempts to contact the developer currently in control of the contract & funds via Telegram and although the message has been seen (2 blue ticks), he has not responded at this time.

RECOMMENDED ACTION ITEMS/NEXT STEPS FOR ADVERSELY AFFECTED PARTIES

- Trying to recover funds by contacting the owner of the project.
- Trying to recover funds by using legal agencies/authorities
- Investors should contact authorities and make a formal complaint providing this report as an evidence package. File law enforcement reports with the following agencies:

Action Fraud

https://reporting.actionfraud.police.uk/login

The Financial Conduct Authority

https://www.fca.org.uk/

Federal Trade Commission

http://www.reportfraud.ftc.gov/

Commodity Futures Trading Commission

http://www.cftc.gov/Complaint

U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission

https://www.sec.gov/tcr



NEXT STEPS FOR ASSURE

- Assure will provide guidance on additional appropriate jurisdictions & agencies to which injured parties can file reports as applicable.
- Fully cooperate with law enforcement agencies upon official requests as received

RESOURCES

If you have additional information related to this case, please submit via Assure DeFi's scam reporting form using the following link:

https://www.assuredefi.io/scam-reporting-form

Contact Assure DeFi directly via the following channels:

Twitter Direct Message:

www.twitter.com/assuredefi/ Email: chapo@assuredefi.io

