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## **HSBC WARNS AGAINST PHISHING EMAIL AND SMS**

The Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation Limited would like to alert its customers to phishing emails and SMS purported to be from HSBC's PayMe. The phishing emails and SMS suggest that recipients can claim a gift card by opening a link.

HSBC would like to remind its customers that it has no connection with the phishing email involved. Customers are advised not to open any link in the email.

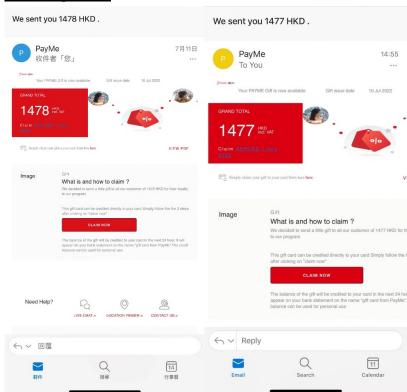
The public should also safe-keep their login credentials. HSBC reiterated that it will not send SMS or email messages with embedded hyperlinks directing customers to its websites or mobile applications to carry out transactions, or request for sensitive personal information or credit card details from customers through hyperlinks.

Fradulent website: https[:]//bit[.]ly/3yErhhk

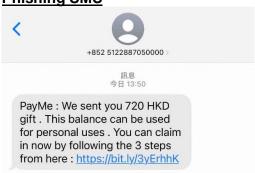
Phishing email: julie.faulon.etu-k56suf3@univ-lille.fr

Below are the screen captures of the phishing emails and SMS:

### Phishing email



# **Phishing SMS**



Customers are reminded to ensure they are connected to a valid HSBC site. The Bank and PayMe's Hong Kong domains are http://www.hsbc.com.hk and https://payme.hsbc.com.hk/ respectively. Customers should access banking services by keying in the website address at the address bar of the browser.

If customers are concerned, they should call the HSBC Personal Customer service hotline at 2233 3000 and/ or report to the Police.

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#### Note to editors:

#### The Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation Limited

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