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**HSBC WARNS AGAINST PHISHING INSTANT MESSAGES**

The Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation Limited would like to alert its customers to phishing instant messages purported to be from HSBC. The message requested customers to add a contact claimed to be from from HSBC Securities from WhatsApp.

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

**Phishing link:**<https://wa.me/85246556412><https://wa.me/85261449070>

Below are the screen captures of the phishing messages:



Customers are reminded to ensure they are connected to a valid HSBC site. The Bank's Hong Kong domain is <http://www.hsbc.com.hk>. 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:**

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