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HSBC WARNS AGAINST PHISHING EMAILS

The Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation Limited would like to alert its customers to phishing emails purported to be sent by HSBC in relation to their banking transactions. The phishing emails suggest the recipients to open the attachments.

HSBC would like to remind its customers that the Bank has no connection with the phishing emails involved. Below is the screen capture of the phishing email samples.

Sample 1

HELLO,

PLEASE FIND OUR BANK INSTRUCTION BELOW

Notification: Below transaction has been approved successfully

Transaction Type : Foreign Bank Transfer
Ref/Ex. No : 0021303564
Amount : USD 32,380.00

Note: Transaction(s) will be successfully processed upon debiting of account.

Regards,
Refex Cash Management System
HSBC Bank

(This is a computer-generated advice, no signature required. Please do not reply to this email)

This message is intended only for the use of the person(s) to whom it is addressed and may contain information that is privileged or otherwise protected from disclosure. If you are not the intended recipient you are hereby notified that any use, review, disclosure or copying of this message and the information it contains is prohibited. If you receive the message in error, please notify the sender by reply e-mail and delete all its contents.

Thank You.

Sample 2
Customers are also advised not to open the attachment in the phishing emails. If they are concerned, they should call the HSBC Commercial Banking service hotline at 2748 8288 or report to the Police.

Note to editors:

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