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HSBC WARNS AGAINST PHISHING EMAIL

The Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation Limited would like to alert its customers to a phishing email purported to be sent by HSBC.

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

Phishing Email

From: The Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation Limited <[REDACTED]@hsbc.com.hk>
Date: Tue, Apr 30, 2019 at 3:35 PM
Subject: RE: CONFIRMATION: READY, WILLING AND ABLE TUESDAY 30, APRIL, 2019
To: [REDACTED]
Cc: [REDACTED]

DATE: TUESDAY 30, APRIL, 2019
TRANSACTION CODE : [REDACTED] / AO/29-04-2019
AMOUNT : THIRTY SEVEN MILLION AND FIVE HUNDRED THOUSAND UNITED STATES DOLLARS
DOLLARS : (\$37,500,000.00)
APPLICANT NAME : [REDACTED]
ISSUING BANK : HSBC BANK PLC, HONG KONG.
BANK ADDRESS : QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL, HONG KONG HEAD OFFICE NO. 1
ACCOUNT NO : [REDACTED]
BANK OFFICER : [REDACTED] / [REDACTED]
RECEIVING BANK : [REDACTED]
RECEIVING BANK ADDRESS : [REDACTED]
BENEFICIARY : [REDACTED]
ACCOUNT NO : [REDACTED]
SWIFT CODE : [REDACTED]

RE: BANK CONFIRMATION: READY, WILLING AND ABLE (RWA).

WE THE UNDERSIGNED, HSBC BANK PLC, HONG KONG, ADDRESS AT QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL, HONG KONG, ON BEHALF OF [REDACTED] THE APPLICANT HEREIN, AND IN FAVOR OF [REDACTED] ACCOUNT NO [REDACTED] ISSUE THIS IRREVOCABLE STANDBY LETTER OF CREDIT (SBLC) AND HEREBY IRREVOCABLY, UNCONDITIONALLY AND WITHOUT PROTEST OR NOTIFICATION ON FIRST DEMAND, PROMISE TO PAY AT MATURITY TO THE ORDER OF BENEFICIARY HEREIN, OR ASSIGNS AS THEIR INTERESTS MAY APPEAR, THE BEARER OR HOLDER THEREOF, THE SUM OF THIRTY SEVEN MILLION AND FIVE HUNDRED THOUSAND UNITED STATES DOLLARS (\$37,500,000.00) UPON PRESENTATION AND SURRENDER OF THIS STANDBY LETTER OF CREDIT AT OUR OFFICE AT (QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL, HONG KONG).

SUCH PAYMENT SHALL BE MADE WITHOUT SET OFF AND SHALL BE UNENCUMBERED FREE AND CLEAR OF ANY DEDUCTIONS, CHARGES, FEES OR WITH HOLDING OR ANY NATURE NOW OR HEREAFTER IMPOSED, LEVIED, COLLECTED, WITHHELD OR ASSESSED BY THE GOVERNMENT OR ANY POLITICAL SUBDIVISION OR AUTHORITY THEREOF OR THEREIN.

THIS STANDBY LETTER OF CREDIT IS FULLY CASH BACKED WITH FUNDS ON DEPOSIT THAT ARE GOOD, CLEAN, CLEARED OF NON-CRIMINAL ORIGIN, FREE OF ANY LIENS OR ENCUMBRANCES LEGALLY EARNED BY THE APPLICANT. THIS STANDBY LETTER OF CREDIT IS FREELY TRANSFERABLE, ASSIGNABLE, DIVISIBLE WITHOUT PRESENTATION OF IT TO US AND WITHOUT THE PAYMENT OF ANY TRANSFER FEE OR CHARGES.

THIS STANDBY LETTER OF CREDIT IS VALID FOR ONE (1) YEAR AND ONE (1) DAY FROM THE DATE OF ISSUE.

ALL ISSUING BANK CHARGES ARE FOR THE ACCOUNT OF APPLICANT.

THIS IS AN OPERATIVE INSTRUMENT, NO MAIL CONFIRMATION WILL FOLLOW.

FOR AND ON BEHALF OF

HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION LTD
QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL,
HONG KONG.

[REDACTED] / [REDACTED]
SWIFT / BUSINESS MANAGER [REDACTED]

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If customers are concerned, they should call the HSBC Commercial Banking service hotline at 2748 8288 or report to the Police.

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Note to editors:

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