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HSBC WARNS AGAINST PHISHING EMAILS AND FRAUDULENT WEBSITES

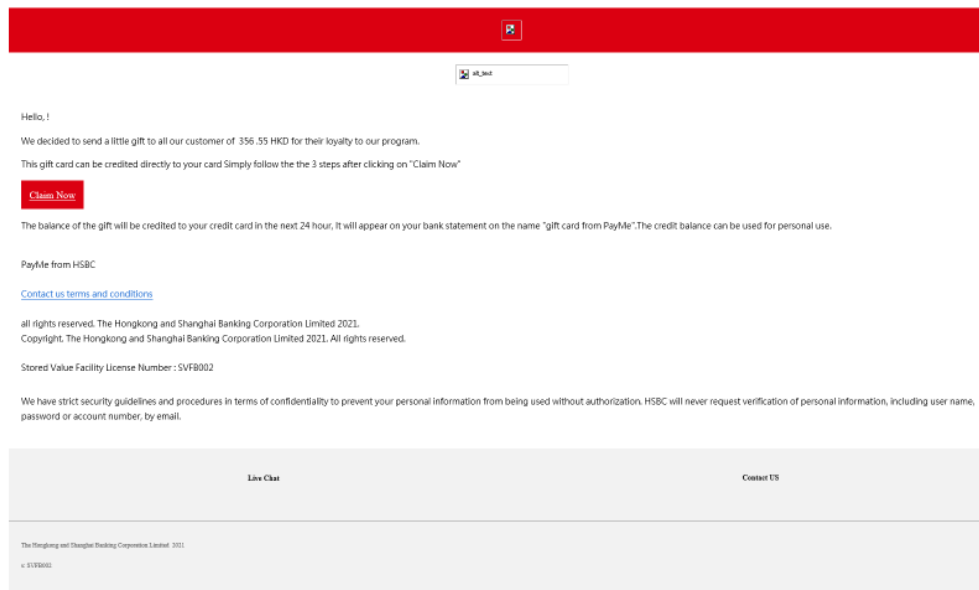
The Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation Limited would like to alert its customers to phishing emails and fraudulent websites purported to be from PayMe from HSBC. The phishing emails suggest that recipients can claim a cashback offer by opening an embedded link.

HSBC would like to remind its customers that it has no connection with the phishing emails and fraudulent websites involved. Customers are advised not to open any link in the emails. The public should also safe-keep their login credentials. HSBC reiterates 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.

Below are the screen captures of the phishing emails and the links of the fraudulent websites:

Phishing emails

From: "Pay-Me" <sabrina.zinou5662463867_013HWD7@u-corp.fr>
Subject: Pay-Me sent you 356.56 HKD
Date: 6 December 2021 at 12:27:21 AM HKT
To:



Links of fraudulent websites

<https://mttest.tachihara.net/akw.php>

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.

HSBC is working with the relevant authorities to have the fraudulent sites shut down. 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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