

Notice for Public Announcement

Financial Scams

The Financial Services Regulatory Commission is appealing to the public in St Kitts and Nevis to be aware of scam artists who attempt to get confidential information and monies from unsuspecting victims.

It has come to the Commission's attention that these scam artists have been sending fake notices - via e-mails, cellular phones and other means - informing persons that they have won a lottery or sweepstake, promising large sums of money or prizes, and requesting personal and sometimes banking information as well as funds to cover taxes, charges and/or fees.

For example, one of the latest Scams is as follows: *"Your mobile No with ticket No 501120 has won you 720,000 pounds in the free lotto mobile promo. For claims e-mail full name and mobile number to the following l address; freelo2@live.co.uk*

The Commission advises that anyone who receives an unexpected e-mail or text message, requesting personal or financial information is advised against clicking on links or responding to requests in the e-mail or phone message. You should not provide any information or send any monies, particularly if you did not buy a lottery ticket or enter a contest. Persons who provide personal details, bank information or send monies could become victims of financial fraud.

Please do not become a victim. On receipt of any financial scam, immediately contact the Financial Services Regulatory Commission at 469-1469 (Nevis' Branch) and 466-5048 (St. Kitts' Branch) for advice on the matter.

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