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Circular to Money Service Operators Anti-Money Laundering / Counter-Terrorist Financing

Fraudulent Websites and Social Media Platforms related to Money Service Operators

The Customs and Excise Department ("C&ED") would like to draw the attention of money service operators ("MSOs") to the upward trend of fraudulent websites and bogus advertisement on social media platforms impersonating MSOs' identities to carry out illegal money service operations or fraudulent activities.

MSOs are reminded to take appropriate security measures to protect personal data and stay vigilant of any websites or social media platforms getting hold of their business information without their permission. In case of encountering suspected fraudulent websites related to the MSOs' own business identity, they are recommended to notify the public, and report the case to the C&ED and the Hong Kong Police force.

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