



## F.S.C

### **zurichinternational.bankltd@yahoo.co.uk - F.S.C Public Warnings**

This notice is issued by the Financial Supervision Commission ("the Commission") in accordance with the powers conferred upon it under Section 22 of the Financial Supervision Act 1988.

**Bogus e-mail address: zurichinternational.bankltd@yahoo.co.uk**

#### **Advance Fee Fraud**

The Commission has become aware of e-mails purporting to come from the e-mail address: zurichinternational.bankltd@yahoo.co.uk. The e-mail correspondence claims to be from the "Transfer and Remittance Department, Zurich Bank International Ltd, Switzerland" and that the recipients of the e-mail have a claim on US\$400,000 which emanated from the Australian Lottery Inc.

The Commission wishes to draw attention to the following observations regarding the aforementioned e-mails:

There is a genuine entity by the name of Zurich Bank International Ltd operating from the Isle of Man. Zurich Bank International Ltd is licensed by the Commission to undertake banking business.

A list of all institutions licensed by the Commission is available on our website at [www.fsc.gov.im](http://www.fsc.gov.im).

The genuine Zurich Bank International Ltd is not in any way connected to the fraudulent e-mails purporting to have been sent by zurichinternational.bankltd@yahoo.co.uk.

Under the circumstances, the Commission feels that these e-mails are being issued to either tempt the recipient into becoming the victim of a so called "Lottery Scam" – a useful explanation of how such "Lottery Scams" work may be found on the following external website:

<http://fraudaid.com/ScamSpam/Lottery/>

OR

Are being issued to tempt the recipient into becoming the victim of an Advance Fee Fraud – see explanatory notice issued by the Commission at:

<http://www.fsc.gov.im/ViewNews.gov?menuid=10222&page=lib/news/fsc/westafricanfraud.xml>

OR

Are an attempt at gaining personal data from the recipient in order to steal their identity – see explanatory notice issued by the Commission at:

<http://www.fsc.gov.im/ViewNews.gov?menuid=10222&page=lib/news/fsc/identitytheft.xml>

Also see information issued by the Isle of Man Office of the Data Protection Supervisor at:

<http://www.gov.im/lib/news/odps/yourinformationy.xml>

Under the circumstances the Commission would encourage people receiving e-mails matching the above description to refrain from responding to them in any way.

Any persons who are already involved in any dealings resulting from e-mails matching the above description and have concerns should contact the Enforcement Division on +44 1624 689314 or by e-mail to [fsc@gov.im](mailto:fsc@gov.im).

Any persons who have paid out funds in relation to e-mails matching the above description or who have provided personal financial details in relation to e-mails matching the above description should consider contacting their local police fraud unit without delay.

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