Michael Mann / Michael C. Mann - 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.

Michael Mann / Michael C. Mann Advance Fee Fraud

(Updated from Public Warning JPM/08/2006 issued 13 February 2006)

The Commission has recently become aware of emails received by members of the Public purporting to have been sent by the above named individual.

Within certain emails, which are headed "Greetings from British Isles" it is claimed that the above named individual is "Head, Audit Committee of a reputable and well known Financial Trust here in Isle of Man (sic)".

These emails claim that a client of his employer 'who later died in a fatal car accident', "deposited a huge sum of money with one of our branches in Europe". He claims that "I personally have watched with keen interest to see next of kin but all has proved abortive (sic)".

These emails seek the assistance of the recipient in obtaining these alleged funds. They state " *I want to present you to stand in as the next of kin to claim the investments*".

The email gives an address for the sender of 38-40, Victoria Street, Douglas, Isle of Man IM1 2LB and a telephone number of 0044 20 7760 7140.

The Commission has recently become aware of further emails purporting to be sent by the above named individual but which also claim that he is writing on behalf of Credit Suisse. These further emails also give a number of other telephone and fax numbers.

The Commission wishes to draw attention to the following observations regarding the aforementioned emails:

There is a genuine holder of an Isle of Man Corporate Service Provider Licence called Credit Suisse Trust Limited. Details of all licenceholders of the Commission are available on our website www.fsc.gov.im

Enquiries by the Commission have established that there is no Michael Mann or Michael C. Mann employed by the genuine Credit Suisse Trust Limited or otherwise associated with the aforementioned Isle of Man address.

The quoted telephone number and the additional telephone and fax numbers are not Isle of Man based telephone numbers.

Under the circumstances the Commission feels that these emails are being issued to either 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.x ml)

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).

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

Any persons who are already involved in any dealings resulting from emails matching the above description and have concerns should contact the Enforcement Division on +44 1624 689313 or by email to fsc@gov.im.

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

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