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## **Identity Fraud Theft Scams – 5 Security Expert Prevention Secrets**

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Identity fraud has already cost the UK economy £1.7 billion and every security expert I know is certain this figure is going to rise significantly.

Identity fraud theft is one of the fastest growing crimes in the UK. Internet business scams fall into the category of business fraud, new scams perpetrated by organised criminals. They are set up specifically to target theft of identity. A security expert warns business owners to be vigilant to business cheats & business scams & suggests purchasing business & personal identity fraud insurance to prevent fraud

How does a perpetrator begin to steal your identity? There are way too many variants to cover in this article, but a typical method is to play on your greed and your desire to help someone out who appears to be in grave trouble.

As a working security expert, I receive many enquiries from individuals and business owners who have been contacted by business cheats promoting their version of internet business scams. In all my dealings with these clients I believe the very best way to avoid your theft of identity and prevent fraud is to simply report all business scams as spam to your Internet provider and delete all business fraud, new scams immediately.

Never save them for future reading because these organised criminals know it's a percentage game. If a hundred people save one of these emails offering you a large sum of money, then at least one or two innocent people will be tempted enough to respond.

If a hundred people eventually respond then one or two will actually be taken in by this business fraud, new scams. When you consider that these criminal gangs are highly organised and technically savvy enough to send out millions of these emails every week then the number of victims can be staggering.

This means that despite worldwide condemnation of these internet business scams, individuals, and more recently, business owners are falling victim of identity theft.

Never forward one of these business fraud, new scams to friends and business associates because no matter how intelligent you think your friends and associates may be, you will be surprised to learn that you are in fact acting as an unpaid sales and marketing executive for organised crime gangs running business scams. You also may not realise how vulnerable your friends are and they may be one of the one percent who respond to these business cheats.

If this happens then one of the following things may happen to your friend or business associate.

- 1: They will fall victim to theft of identity.
- 2: They will fall victim to identity fraud.
- 3: Any money in their bank account will be stolen.
- 4: Their identity will be utilised for other illegal and fraudulent activities.
- 5: They may be kidnapped for ransom.

6: They may be executed by organised criminals or terrorists.

To understand the sheer ferocity with which business owners are being targeted by internet business scams structured around theft of identity I have included the following two examples of many business scams received this week at the security expert office.

**Theft Of Identity Business Scams #1: Paraguay - November 24 2009.**

Hello,

I am very happy to inform you about my success in getting the fund transferred under the co-operation of a new partner from Paraguay. Presently I am in Paraguay for investment projects with my own share of the total sum.

Now you will need to contact the Rev Father whom used to be a God-father to me when i was in Dakar, his name is Rev john and his EAIL ADDRESS is as follows: ( [revjohn.adams@hotmail.com](mailto:revjohn.adams@hotmail.com) )

Ask him to send you a certified bank draft of (**\$100.000.00**) which I prepared and kept for your compensation for all the past efforts and attempts to assist me in this matter. I appreciated your efforts at that time very much. so feel free and get in touched with Rev john-Adams and instruct him where to send you the draft cheque.

Please do let me know immediately you receive it so that we can share our joy and happiness after all the sufferings at that time.

In the moment, I am very busy here because of the investment projects which me and the new partner are having at hand, finally, remember that I had forwarded instruction to Rev john on your behalf to receive that money.

Yours Truly,

Tacko

**Theft Of Identity Business Scams #2: Burkina Tunisia & Faso West Africa - November 24 2009.**

From Mrs. Christabel Brown

Dear God's elect,

I am writing this mail to you with heavy tears In my eyes and great sorrow in my heart, My Name is Mrs Christabel Brown,, and I am contacting you from my country Tunisia I want to tell you this because I don't have any other option than to tell you as I was touched to open up to you, I married to Mr. Brown Smith who worked with Tunisia embassy in Burkina Faso for nine years before he died in the year 2005.

We were married for eleven years without a child. He died after a brief illness that lasted for only five days. Since his death I decided not to remarry, When my late husband was alive he deposited the sum of US\$ 8.5m (Eight Million Five hundred Thousand Dollars) in a bank in Ouagadougou the capital city of Burkina Faso in west Africa Presently this money is still in bank.

Recently, My Doctor told me that I would not last for the period of seven months due to cancer problem. The one that disturbs me most is my stroke sickness. Having known my condition I decided to hand you over this money to take care of the less-privileged people, you will utilize this money the way I am going to instruct herein.

I want you to take 30 Percent of the total money for your personal use While 70% of the money will go to charity, people in the street and helping the orphanage. I grew up as an Orphan and I don't have anybody as my family member, just to endeavour that the house of God is maintained. Am doing this so that God will forgive my sins and accept my soul because these sicknesses have suffered me so much.

When I receive your reply I shall give you the contact of the bank in Burkina Faso and I'll instruct my lawyer to issue you authority letter that will prove you the present beneficiary of the money in the bank that is if you assure me that you will act accordingly as I Stated herein.

Hoping to receive your reply:

From Mrs. Christabel Brown

#### **Identity Fraud Theft 5 Prevention Secrets From A Security Expert #1: Home-Office Shredder**

Shredding your personal documents and installing internet security on your computer can substantially reduce your likelihood of becoming a victim of identity fraud. Burn everything you have shredded in a small garden incinerator.

### **Identity Fraud Theft 5 Prevention Secrets From A Security Expert #2: Internet Security**

Never use a debit card to purchase online. Always use a credit card as credit card companies offer claw back protection in some events of fraudulent trading. Devote one credit card to online purchases and only buy from recognised online companies who have proven expertise in encrypting your security data.

### **Identity Fraud Theft 5 Prevention Secrets From A Security Expert #3: Home Security**

Access control is the foundation stone of all security countermeasures. Your home security measures should be specifically designed to minimise intruder access. The same access control countermeasures should be applied to any personal or business documentation. Never discard them into your trash can.

### **Identity Fraud Theft 5 Prevention Secrets From A Security Expert #4: Computer Passwords**

One of the easiest ways to access your security information is by hacking into your computer IT systems. Always utilise the best security passwords you can. i.e. use a mixture of random letters and numbers that have no correlation to you or your family members. Never use date of birth, telephone or social security numbers as organised crime gangs employ professional hackers who will access these types of passwords easily. Installing a professional Internet security programme on your computer can substantially reduce your likelihood of becoming a victim of identity fraud.

### **Identity Fraud Theft 5 Prevention Secrets From A Security Expert #5: Office Security**

For some strange reason most business owners pay less attention to detail to their office security systems than they do to their home security systems. In fact, this should be the opposite. Your office is wide open to employee and visitor theft and fraud on a daily basis. If you have no idea of how to produce an all-encompassing office security plan, then consider hiring a security expert or security consultant to draft one for you.

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