

HKMC Alerts Public of Impersonation Scam

The following is issued on behalf of the Hong Kong Monetary Authority:

The Hong Kong Mortgage Corporation Limited (HKMC) has recently received public inquiries about someone calling citizens and claiming to offer personal loans under the 100% Personal Loan Guarantee Scheme (PLGS) or small and medium-sized enterprise (SME) loans under the SME Financing Guarantee Scheme (SFGS). The HKMC has also become aware that fraudsters are operating a fraudulent website at [https://noble_win_capital\[.\]com](https://noble_win_capital[.]com) which largely replicates the official website of the HKMC.

The HKMC advises that the callers have no affiliation with the HKMC and any of its subsidiaries (collectively, HKMC Group). The loans under the SFGS should be applied through banks by the SMEs that are in need. As for the PLGS, the application period ended at the end of April last year. The HKMC Group does not engage in cold calling to offer personal loans, SME loans or any loan application service to members of the public. The genuine official web address of the HKMC is www.hkmc.com.hk.

The HKMC Group urges the public to beware of suspicious calls, websites or other communications, and to remain vigilant in protecting personal information. If you receive a suspicious communication purportedly from a member of the HKMC Group, please call the HKMC's general line at 2536 0000 or HKMC Annuity Limited's Customer Service Hotline at 2512 5000 to verify. If you suspect that you are the victim of fraudulent acts, you should report promptly to the Police.