



SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION'S ADVISORY ON ILLEGAL INVESTMENT-TAKING

The Philippine Consulate General informs the public that the Philippines Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) received information that there are individuals or group of persons representing various unregistered investment entities who are enticing the public to invest money in high-earning products.

In light of the recent increase in alleged investment scams/schemes online, the SEC had been issuing various advisories on illegal investment-taking activities since January 2019, to help investors be better aware of fraudulent investment schemes that may involve social media (i.e. Facebook, Youtube, Twitter, LinkedIn, etc.). SEC encourages the public to exercise caution when engaging in investment activities, which may turn out to be fraudulent investment schemes, involving the sale of unregistered securities.

Following are some of the unregistered investment companies that are soliciting investments through the use of Social Media, that the public has to be wary of:

- BROILERPRENEUR CORPORATION
- ADA FARM AGRI VENTURES ("ADA FARM")
- MGA BUSINESS ENTERPRISES
- COOPHUB MULTIMEDIA SERVICES
- JOGLE INNOVATIVE MARKETING
- GRAPPLER
- SHERPAN
- BCT MARKETING/BCT MOTORCYCLE AND CAR TRADING
- RTM/RTM PHARMACY AND GENERAL MERCHANDISE
- DIAMOND MARKETING
- FUSION MARKETING
- FMARKET
- CIRFUND
- VIBEARN

- ONEPRO
- BCC/BCC COSMETICS TRADING
- UNLISHOP COMPENSATION PLAN MARKETING
- VUCC
- BITRAIN
- TCOIN
- CROWD ROYALS
- ADA FARM AGRI VENTURE
- NERMIE MARKETING/NERMIE HEALTH AND BEAUTY PRODUCTS TRADING
- EVER ARM ANY MARKETING
- GLOBAL DREAM ZION
- RIGEN MARKETING (“RIGEN”)
- LDT AGRO INDUSTRIAL HUB CORPORATION (“LDT”), in partnership with NUTRIWEALTH MULTIPURPOSE COOPERATIVE (“NMPC”) now VCM-NW CORPORATION (“VCM-NW”)
- DV BOER FARM CORPORATION
- ALMAMICO (Alabel-Maasim Small Scale Mining Cooperative)/ALAMCO (Alabel-Maasim Credit Cooperative)
- KAPA-COMMUNITY MINISTRY INTERNATIONAL, INC. (KAPA)
- UNITY WEALTH MARKETING/UNWEALTH PREMIUM/UNITYWEALTH 100
- NORTH EAST LUZON FOUNDATION, INC.
- PAYSBOOK E-COMMERCE SYSTEM CORPORATION
- ANGEL INVESTOR GROUP, INC.

Also, the abovementioned entities and/or other unauthorized/unregistered investment companies may use the following schemes to entice the public in investing in their respective companies:

- Offer investment contracts in the corresponding Facebook pages or secret Facebook groups and chatroom, Youtube etc;
- Offer unrealistic return on investments ranging from 10% to 400% per month;
- Require interested investors to pay their initial investments by depositing their money to a specific bank account, Ph account, GCash, through a money remittance company and through face-to-face payment with one of the entity’s agents;

- The investor shall then send through a private message a copy of the proof of the deposit to the offeror who shall send his confirmation after validation;
- Payouts are usually delivered through the abovementioned methods; and
- The abovementioned entities usually claim that they invest their funds in forex, bitcoin and other cryptocurrencies to justify their earning capacity.

For any questions or concerns about an investment, or think you have encountered fraud, contact the Enforcement and Investor Protection Department at telephone numbers (+6302)818-6337 and (+6302)818- 5324. You may also visit the SEC's official website at www.sec.gov.ph for more information. END.