

The Perfect Storm

This is a fun bait – I've had a few of these before and they never last that long. I am trying my hardest to keep this one alive but I think that because I am not shaking in my boots, he is getting wise to me. I love the fact that the FBI takes an active part in making sure that some fees are being paid for some delivery. I didn't realize that A/R Collections was a part of the FBI job description – especially when it is the Director of the FBI emailing me (from fbidept00@funcionario.com and fbi_49@msn.com) – interesting to note that the MSN FBI Email Account was shut down – maybe it was hacked or they started a new account for “security reasons”.



<http://www.fbi.gov>

ATTENTION: Thomas Payne,

This is to inform you that it has come to the notice board of the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI), That the sum of US\$ 1.2 MILLION USD has been transferred to your account here in United State of America . And the rightful beneficiary is you

That is why we have decided to contact you directly to acquire the proper verifications and proof from you to show that you are the rightful person to receive this fund, because the above mentioned amount is a big amount of money, that is why we want to make sure that it is a clear and legal money you are about to receive.

Be informed that the fund have hit your bank account , but right now we have given instruction to your bank, not to release the fund to anybody that comes to them in respect of this money, unless we ask them to do so, because we have to carry out our investigations with the World Bank in Switzerland first before releasing the fund to you. Note that the fund is in BANK OF AMERICA right now, but we have ask them not to credit your designated account yet, because we need some proof and verifications that this fund is not related to Drug Free/Anti Terrorist from you before releasing.

So to this regards you are to reassure and proof to us that what you are about to receive is a clean money by sending to us FBI Identification Record and also Drug Free/Anti-Terrorist Certificate to satisfy to us that the money you are about to receive is real money. You are to forward the documents to us immediately if you have it with you, if you don't have it let us know so that we will direct and inform you where to obtain the document and send to us so that we will ask the Bank Of America/World Bank Switzerland to go ahead Crediting your designated account immediately.

These Documents are to be issued to you from the place where the fund was transferred from, so get back to us immediately if you don't have the document so that we will inform you on the particular place and what it will take to obtain the document in your favour in Federal Republic Of Benin, because we have come to realize that the fund is transferred from the Federal Republic Of Benin.

ATTN: An FBI Identification Record and Certificate Of Ownership often referred to as a Criminal History Record or Rap Sheet, is a listing of certain information taken from fingerprint submissions retained by the FBI in connection with arrests and, in some instances, federal employment,

Naturalization or military service. If the fingerprints are related to an arrest, the Identification Record includes name of the agency that submitted the fingerprints to the FBI, the date of arrest, the arrest charge, and the disposition of the arrest, if known to the FBI. All arrest data included in an Identification Record is obtained from fingerprint submissions, disposition reports and other reports submitted by agencies having criminal justice responsibilities.

The United States Department of Justice Order 556-73 establishes rules and regulations for the subject of an FBI Identification Record to obtain a copy of his or her own Record for review. The FBI's Criminal Justice Information Services (CJIS) Division processes these requests.

An individual may request a copy of his or her own FBI Identification Record for personal review or to challenge information on the Record. Other reasons an individual may request a copy of his or her own Identification Record may include international adoption or to satisfy a requirement to live or work in a foreign country (i.e., Certificate Of Ownership, letter of good conduct, criminal history background, etc.)

On October 9, 1998, President Clinton signed into law the National Crime Prevention and Privacy Compact (Compact) Act of 1998, establishing an infrastructure by which states can exchange criminal records for noncriminal justice purposes according to the laws of the requesting state, and provide reciprocity among the states to share records without charging each other for the information. The Compact became effective April 28, 1999, after Montana and Georgia became the first two states to ratify it, respectively. To date, 27 states have ratified the Compact.

The Compact Council as a national independent authority, works in partnership with criminal history record custodians, end users, and policy makers to regulate and facilitate the sharing the complete, accurate, and timely criminal history record information to noncriminal justice users in order to enhance public safety, welfare and security of Society while recognizing the importance of individual privacy rights.

Base on the amount of Scam complains that we have received so far from the so called Benin Banks and Financial institutions, We have contacted our consulates in benin whom have confirmed the Full details of the real Bank and Contact Person in charge so that you can be rest assured on whom to contact and get your fund transfer to you without any hitch.

NOTE: We have asked for the above documents to make available the most complete and up-to date records possible for noncriminal justice purposes. If you fail to provide the Documents to us, we will charge you with the FBI and take our proper action against you for not proofing to us the legitimate of the fund you are about to receive.

MY WORD IS MY BOND.

Faithfully Yours,

FBI Director

Robert S. Mueller, III

(For being the Director of the FBI, his English isn't very good. The header at the top appeared in every email.)

Is this really the FBI? Wow, how exciting?

Thomas

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ATTENTION:THOMAS PAYNE,

YOUR REPORT WAS BROUGHT TO US THIS MORNING FROM CUSTOMS DEPARTMENT BENIN REPUBLIC, THAT THEY DISCOVERED A PACKAGE WHICH WAS WRITTEN ON YOUR NAME BY BARRISTER IGWE .O. JAMES , AND YOU WERE TOLD THAT YOU NEEDED TO PAY THE CLEARANCE CHARGES OF \$450.00 WHICH YOU REFUSED.

SINCE YOU HAVE FAILED TO DANCE BY THE RULE AND REGULATION GUIDING THIS COUNTRY, YOU WILL BE INTIMATED TO FACE YOUR CHARGE WHICH WILL BE 3 YEARS JAIL SENTENCE FOR YOUR FAILURE TO OBTAIN THE CLEARANCE CERTIFICATE.

NOW FOR YOUR INFORMATION, YOU ARE REQUESTED TO PAY THE TOTAL SUM OF \$450.00USD, BEING THE CLEARANCE FEE FOR YOUR PACKAGE WITH IMMEDIATE EFFECT.

FAILURE TO COMPLY WITH THE RULE OF THE FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION THEN NOTE THAT WE ARE GOING TO SEND OUR UNITED STATE DELEGATE TO YOU FOR IMMEDIATE ARREST TO FACE YOUR CHARGE.

BE REST ASSURED THAT YOU HAVE ONLY 2 WORKING DAYS TO SEND THE CLEARANCE CHARGES TO THE CUSTOM IN REPUBLIC OF BENIN. GET BACK TO US WITH IMMEDIATE EFFECT SO THAT WE WILL GIVE YOU A DIRECTION ON HOW TO SEND THE MONEY.

WE AWAIT TO HEAR FROM YOU BEFORE TAKING THE NEXT STEP OF ACTION.

They are going to charge me? Also, in the top header, the website for the FBI is wrong (.gov not .org). This is a new email account; the first one was shut down (MSN). Also notice that the FBI misspelled Monetary – he spelled it Monitory.

What exactly is the charge against me? Failing to pay some fees for delivery of a package that I never requested or know anything about? What is the Federal Statute that defines this charge?

Thomas Payne

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ATTENTION:THOMAS PAYNE,

THANKS FOR YOUR EMAIL WHICH WAS WELL RECEIVED AND NOTED. BE REST ASSURED THAT SINCE YOUR NAME WAS ATTACHED WITH THE PACKAGE AS THE BENEFICIARY AND THE FUND DOES NOT HAVE THE NECESSARY CLEARANCE PAPER'S THEN YOU ARE INVOLVED IN ILLEGAL FUNDING.

BE REST ASSURED THAT AS SOON AS WE STORM TO YOUR ADDRESS THEN YOU WILL BE CHARGED WITH ILLEGAL FUNDING WHICH WILL LEAD TO TWO YEARS JAIL SENTENCE AS THE BENEFICIARY OF THE ILLEGAL FUND.

SO YOU ARE ADVISED TO CLEAR THE PACKAGE TO CONFIRM THAT THERE IS NO ILLEGAL ACTIVITY WITH THE PACKAGE OR THEN WAIT FOR OUR NEXT ACTION AS WE HAVE ALL YOUR CONTACT INFORMATION'S.

TAKE THE RIGHT STEP BECAUSE A WORD IS ENOUGH FOR A WISE MAN THEY SAID.

I just love it! The FBI is going to "storm" to my address if I don't pay these fees. He must have watched a news program about the EFCC, FBI, and Nigerian Police storming an Internet Café and arresting his brethren.

So, you are telling me that I am breaking the law if I don't pay fees on a shipment/consignment that I didn't know anything about?

Thomas

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ATTENTION: THOMAS PAYNE

THANKS FOR YOUR EMAIL WHICH THE CONTENT'S WELL NOTED. FIRST OF ALL YOU HAVE TO UNDERSTAND THAT WE ARE NOT SAYING THAT YOU ARE BREAKING THE LAW FOR NOT SENDING THE SHIPMENT FEE OF A CONSIGNMENT.

RATHER WE DISCOVERED THAT THE CONSIGNMENT WHICH WAS IN THE CUSTOM OFFICE WAS ATTACHED WITH YOUR NAME AND ADDRESS AS THE BENEFICIARY WITHOUT ANY CLEARANCE CERTIFICATE THAT BACK IT UP AS BEING LEGALLY ACQUIRED.

AND FOR THIS YOU ARE INTIMATED TO CLEAR THE PACKAGE BECAUSE THERE IS NO POSSIBLE WAY YOU WILL DENY THIS PACKAGE WHEN YOUR FULL INFORMATION'S WAS ATTACHED WITH IT AS BENEFICATOR AND THAT IS WHY WE ARE REQUESTING FOR THE CLEARANCE FEE.

THERE IS NO WAY WE SHOULD HAVE CONTACTED YOU HAD YOUR NAME NOT ATTACHED WITH THE PACKAGE SO YOU ARE ADVISED TO TAKE THE RIGHT STEP AND COMPLY WITH IMMEDIATE EFFECT BECAUSE THERE IS NO TIME TO WASTE AND DELAYING MIGHT PROVE DANGEROUS.

Now you are not making sense. First you tell me that if I don't make this payment for a package that I know nothing about, that the FBI is going to "storm" to me and arrest me and throw me in jail for 2 years. Now you are saying that I am not breaking the law? Which is it? I still don't understand why the FBI is contacting me

anyways – shouldn't it be the Customs Service? Isn't this their jurisdiction? If I call your Headquarters, who should I speak with to straighten this whole mess out?

Thanks,

Thomas Payne

How come you haven't replied to my last email? Please don't storm to me until I can get this mess all straightened out. Please read my last email and get back with me. I don't want to go to jail for three years.

Thomas Payne

Please reply – please no storming – I would hate to see that actually happen, it sounds downright unpleasant. Why aren't you replying to my emails? You're not very nice for an FBI Agent. Or very smart for that matter. Please let me know what I need to do to stop the storming process – sounds very disagreeable, yes it does.

Thomas

I'm sure that is the last I will hear from him... (3/6/2009)

No, wait he's back... (3/9/2009)

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ATTENTION: THOMAS PAYNE

GOOD DAY TO YOU THOMAS PAYNE. WE ARE WRITTEN TO LET YOU KNOW THAT WE RECEIVED ALL YOUR EMAILS BUT TO BE FRANKLY SPEAKING YOUR FIRST EMAIL SHOWS THE SIGN OF DISRESPECT TO THIS ORGANIZATION AND WE HAVE BEEN HELDING SOME MEETINGS FOR THE PAST FEW DAYS AND HOW TO BRING YOU UP TO FACE YOUR LEGAL CHARGES.

YOUR REPORT WAS BROUGHT TO US BY THE CUSTOM SERVICE IN BENIN REPUBLIC TO GET YOU ARRESTED TO FACE YOUR WARRANT FOR FAILING TO ACQUIRE THE CUSTOM CLEARANCE CERTIFICATE AND INSTEAD OF SWINGING DIRECTLY TO LEGAL ACTION WE GAVE YOU AN ADVISE TO TRY AND SEND THE \$450.00 TO THE CUSTOM SERVICE AND GIVE US THE PAYMENT INFORMATION'S TO ENABLE THE MATTER PASS BY BUT YOU CAME BACK TO INSULT US.

THEN WE ARE MAKING ARRANGEMENT ON HOW TO VISIT YOU TO FACE YOUR LEGAL CHARGES AND THAT IS EXACTLY WHY WE HAVE NOT RESPONDED TO YOUR PREVIOUS EMAILS AS WE HAVE DEEMED IT INSULT THAT YOU ARE WRITTEN TO US WITHOUT ANY FORM OF RESPECT.

SO THE BATTLE LINE IS NOW DRAWN UP TO ENABLE US KNOW WHO WILL REGRET AND FOR THAT WE MUST TAKE THE LEGAL ACTION AS WE HATE INGRATE'S. YOU ARE INSULTING US JUST BECAUSE WE ARE GIVING YOU AN OPPORTUNITY TO CLOSE THE CASE FILE SO MAY BE WE WILL NOW TAKE THE LEGAL ACTION.

BUT AS A HUMAN WE ARE STILL GIVING YOU THE LAST CHANCE TO CLEAR THE MATTER UP BY SENDING THE CUSTOM CLEARANCE CHARGES OF \$450.00 THROUGH THE SERVICE OF THE WESTERN UNION MONEY TRANSFER WITH THE INFORMATION'S OF THE CUSTOM AGENT IN REPUBLIC OF BENIN BELOW:

RECEIVER'S NAME: OBIORA CLEMENT
ADDRESS: COTONOU, REPUBLIC OF BENIN
TEST QUESTION: URGENT
ANSWER: URGENT

THEN SEND THE PAYMENT INFORMATION'S TO US HERE SO THAT WE WILL FORWARD IT TO THE CUSTOM OFFICE TO CLEAR UP THE CASE.

WE WAIT TO HEAR FROM YOU BEFORE TAKING THE NEXT STEP.

See, there you go again – telling me that I can face legal charges by not paying fees on a delivery that I knew nothing about. Shouldn't the charges be leveled against whoever arranged the delivery? Aren't they the ones who didn't obtain the proper documentation? Is this your first week on the job, because you are not the brightest star in the sky. Oh, and by the way, this is America and there is no law saying that I have to respect your office. I will talk however I want to – and as employees of the Federal Government it is your job to answer my questions and concerns to my satisfaction. To suggest that I am breaking the law because someone else wrote my name on a package and there are fees to be paid is ridiculous. Almost as ridiculous as the FBI spelling Monetary wrong in their email header (you spelled it Monitory). And, by the way, the FBI website is www.fbi.gov , not www.fbi.org just in case you ever needed to go to the website. I was just wondering if it was a common practice for the FBI to state that they "hate ingrates"?

Let me know how you are going to proceed on this,

Thomas
