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INCOME TAX REFUND: FAKE e-MAIL

The Mauritius Revenue Authority (MRA) draws the attention of the public to a Fake e-Mail which is being sent to taxpayers on behalf of the MRA bearing the following subject: **Income Tax Refund**. The email originates from a fake MRA email address: **eservices@mra.govmu** and it contains a spoofed URL link.

A sample of the email is shown below for your reference:

From: Mauritius Revenue Authority <eservices@mra.govmu>

Sent: Friday, October 4, 2019 10:06 AM

To: XXX

Subject: Income Tax Refund

**WARNING: This email is from an external source. Please exercise caution before opening attachments or clicking on links. Contact IT Security if unsure.

Dear XXX,

As per our record, following the end of fiscal year 2018-2019, we noticed that your account is in excess with an amount of FOUR THOUSAND AND NINETY EIGHT RUPEES (Rs. 4,098). You are eligible to apply for a refund for the said amount which will be credited directly to your bank account.

To complete the tax refund application, please submit the refund form online by clicking on the below provided link: https://eservices9.mra.mu/taxportal/taxpayerlogin.jsp

Note:- You are required to use your User ID which is your Tax Account Number to fill in the application form Thank you for using the eservices facilities of MRA.

MRA wishes to inform the public that this is a fraudulent email and users are strongly advised to ignore this email and **DO NOT RESPOND** on the provided link as it may contain a malware.

Should any member of the public have any doubt about the authenticity of an email, letter or telephone communication purportedly from, or on behalf of the MRA and/or its officials, he/she should first call 2076000 before taking any further action.

MAURITIUS REVENUE AUTHORITY

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