Tax Alert!

Canada Revenue Agency warning Canadians of mail scam

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Canada Revenue Agency is warning Canadians of a mail scam in the form of a letter which appears to be sent by Revenue Canada and where personal and financial information is requested. This letter is a fraud and is not generated by Revenue Canada. All Canadian taxpayers are advised to read this alert.

The Canada Revenue Agency (CRA) is warning taxpayers to beware of a recent scam where some Canadians are receiving a letter fraudulently identified as coming from the CRA and asking for personal information.

The letter is not from the CRA. See sample of letter and attached form on pages 2 and 3 of this notice.

❖The letter claims that there is "insufficient information" for the individual's tax return and that in order to receive any "claims," they will have to update their records.

❖The letter attaches a form specifically requesting the individual's personal information in writing, via fax or email, including information on bank accounts and passports.

This letter is not from the CRA and Canadians should not provide their personal information to the sender.

The CRA has notified the proper law enforcement authorities of this scam.

All taxpayers should be vigilant when divulging any confidential information to third parties. The CRA has well established practices to protect the confidentiality of taxpayers' information.

For information about this and other similar scams, or to report deceptive telemarketing activity, visit www.phonebusters.com, send an email to info@phonebusters.com, or call 1-888-495-8501.

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Dear Mr.

Our records indicate insufficient information for your income tax return. As a result, you have been exempt from the Canadian Tax reporting and withholdings on claims to be paid to you. To apply for your claims
We have been required by law to update our records in order to rectify your exemption status.
Therefore, you are to Use this form to claim your benefit or SR&ED carried out in Canada during this year. authenticate the following by completing form Schedule T2, and return to us as soon as possible through the fax number: **1**
or send through attachment to the E-mail

When completing form T2, please follow the steps below

1. We need you to provide your permanent address if different from the current mailing address on your Form T2. You must indicate your country of origin to support your resident status (if your bank account or other financial dealing has a Canada address for mailing purpose).

If any joint account holder are now Canada residents or Citizen, or in any way subject to Canada tax reporting laws, please check the box in this section.

All account holders sign and date the form separately and fax it to above-mentioned number. Please complete Form T2 'attached" and return to us within 2 (two) weeks from the receipt of this letter in order to enable us **update your records immediately**.
If you do not meet this reporting deadline, we may reject your claim or it will be subject to Canada tax reporting and back up withholding (if back up withholding applies, we are require by law to withhold 30% of the benefit paid to you.

On this form, references the Act are to the *Income Tax Act*. References to the Regulations are to the *Income Tax Regulations*.

We appreciate your cooperation in helping us protect your exempt status and also update our records.

PART 1: IDENTIFICATION OF BENEFICIAL OWNER (S)

1. Your family name and title | other names | Sex

2. Nationality | Date of Birth | Place of birth | Social Insurance number

3. Business Number | Your Mother Maiden Name | Passport Number

4. Country of permanent Residence | Spouse Name

5. (A) Foreign Bank Name and Branch Address | (B) Local Bank Name and Branch Address

6. Account No (a) | Account No (b)

7. Account Type (a) | Account Type (b)

Date Account was opened (a) | Date Account was opened (b)

9. State your mailing Address

10. Profession

11. Day time phone/ fax Number

12. How often do you come to Canada and when did you arrive last? Yes ☐ No ☐

13. Are your spouse and children living in your country of residence? Yes ☐ No ☐

14. Are your parents and relations living in your country of residence? Yes ☐ No ☐

15. Kindly attached the copy of your international passport with your filled form for proper identification.

PART 11. CERTIFICATION

Under penalties of perjury, I/ We declare that I/We have examined this form, and to the best of my/our Knowledge and believe, the information is true, correct and complete.

PART 111. SIGNATORIES:

Signature | Name | Date

Your Signature | Name | Date