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**HSBC WARNS AGAINST PHISHING SMS AND
FRAUDULENT WEBSITES**

The Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation Limited would like to alert its customers to a phishing SMS and fraudulent websites, purporting to be from HSBC.

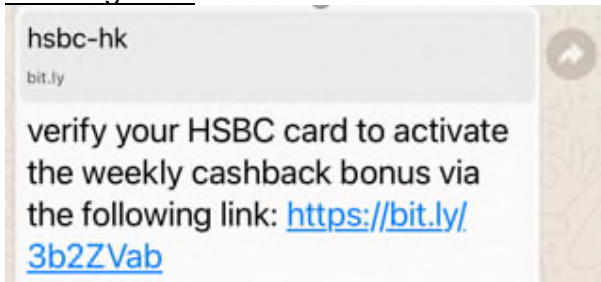
The phishing SMS suggests recipients to click a link <https://bit.ly/3b2ZVab> to verify an HSBC card for activation of the weekly cashback bonus.

The URLs of fraudulent website is as follows:

<https://vaessenschoemaker.com/>
<http://guiminer.co.technology/>

HSBC would like to remind its customers that it has no connection with the phishing SMS and fraudulent website. Customers should not click any link in the SMS or provide the websites with any personal information.

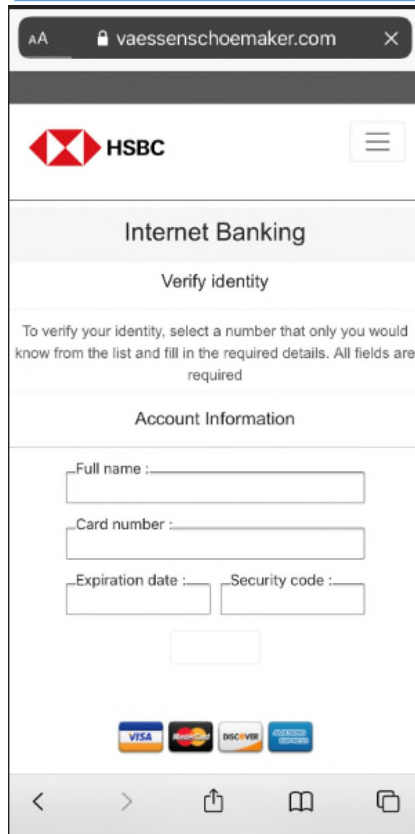
Below are the screen captures of the phishing SMS and fraudulent websites:

Phishing SMS

Fraudulent Websites

<https://vaessenschoemaker.com/>

<http://guiminer.co.technology/>



The screenshot shows a mobile browser interface for a fraudulent website. The address bar at the top displays 'vaessenschoemaker.com'. Below the browser header, the HSBC logo is visible on the left, and a menu icon is on the right. The main heading is 'Internet Banking'. Underneath, there is a 'Verify identity' section with a text prompt: 'To verify your identity, select a number that only you would know from the list and fill in the required details. All fields are required'. Below this is an 'Account Information' section containing four input fields: 'Full name', 'Card number', 'Expiration date', and 'Security code'. At the bottom of the form area, there are logos for VISA, MasterCard, DISCOVER, and AMERICAN EXPRESS. The browser's bottom navigation bar shows standard mobile icons: back, forward, share, bookmarks, and tabs.

Customers are reminded to ensure they are connected to a valid HSBC site. The Bank's Hong Kong domain is <https://www.hsbc.com.hk>. Customers should access banking services by keying in the website address at the address bar of the browser.

HSBC is working with the relevant authorities to have the fraudulent sites shut down. If customers have any concerns, they should call the HSBC Personal Customer service hotline at 2233 3000 or report to the Police.

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Note to editors:

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