

**Case Ref:** 08017  
**Distribution:** Unrestricted  
**Chapter:** Misuse of charities

Mr X, of Middle Eastern origin, held two accounts that were solely credited by transfers from the social services and by several cash deposits.

The bank noticed several irregularities, firstly, there was no economic justification for the number of cash deposits as the individual did not have any known profession. Secondly, most of the deposits included references to the telephone industry.

Mr X also had power of attorney on the account of an NPO. This account was only used to perform cash deposits from donors. The amounts credited to the accounts of Mr X and the NPO were mainly withdrawn in cash by Mr X.

Police sources revealed that this NPO was a place of worship where Mr X performed services and they also revealed that this NPO could be linked to terrorist activities.

The police are investigating.

**Indicators:**

- Abuse of non-profit organisations