

Case Ref: 06080
Distribution: Unrestricted
Chapter: Fraud related activities

Mr B sent emails to people claiming that they could obtain millions of dollars in return for sending him an up-front fee to cover expenses. This is commonly known as advanced fee fraud.

Searches conducted by the FIU identified persons of interest, including Mr B's wife and associates.

As the investigation continued, analysts from the investigating agency conducted routine searches of the FIU database. These searches were performed to identify the victims of the scam and their location which was critical given the international nature of the offences. The financial intelligence gathered identified that the man had defrauded approximately 5 million dollars from his unsuspecting victims which was crucial in obtaining the man's conviction.

He has been sentenced to more than 5 years jail having pleaded guilty to the internet scam.

Indicators

- Use of the internet