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Applicants beware: The Marriott Hotel job scam is back

The Philippine Overseas Employment Administration warns job applicants on the reappearance of the Marriott Hotel employment scam.

Administrator Hans Leo J. Cacdac said a new email doing the rounds, is offering employment with Marriott Hotel in the United Kingdom to unsuspecting job seekers.

Cacdac said the "Marriott" scammers are also using the social media, prowling for victims.

Cacdac said that in a Facebook post, the scammer promised employment in Marriott Hotel Canada in diverse positions such as stewards, nurses, technicians, fashion designers, comedians and entertainers, models, actors, dancers, medical doctor, artisans, mechanics, waiter, waitress and other hotel job category.

The Administrator said scammers use legitimate company names, such as Marriott, to make false offers of employment but telltale signs of it being a scam can be easily detected.

He said big companies such as Marriott Hotels have a dedicated job vacancy page and rarely use e-mail and social media to advertise for its job openings.

Marriott Hotel do not use free e-mail service providers such as yahoo.com, gmail.com, hotmail.com, live.com, etc. Scammers request applicants to send application, resume, and other documents to a fraudulent e-mail address.

Swindlers ask victims to transfer money directly to a bank account or through a money remittance company as payment for processing, immigration and visa fees.

Legitimate companies do not require payment of fees in order to be considered for employment.

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