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IS THAT EMAIL SAFE?

YOUR HANDY FOUR-STEP VISUAL SCAN AGAINST SPAM

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SCAN THE SENDER'S EMAIL ADDRESS

Scammers change the "From" field to confuse recipients. The email header offers such hints as:

1. an actual name @ a fake address
2. no-reply @ a real company's address
3. title @ <trusted name>.<fakeaddress>.com

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ASSESS THE EMAIL DOMAIN

An email domain is what appears after the "@". A spoofed or fake domain can be a misspelling of a trusted one (gmaill.com or microsoft.cc)

Check out the domain owner and registration date on whois.com and see if they've been reported on urlscan.io as being fraudulent.

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FLAGS OF 'SKETCHINESS'

Watch for flags such as:

- a 'no-reply' address
- an urgent subject line or request in the body
- free email being used for business messages
- missing details in the signature line
- email body looks like text but is an image

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EXERCISE CAUTION

Be aware that every action you take with an email can be tracked or even infect your PC:

- hover to check the destination of links
- avoid clicking images that look like buttons
- pop-ups may indicate potential malware
- be particularly careful with Office attachments

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