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**SIBU:** The people here, especially retirees, are reminded of the presence of Macau Scam which uses telephone calls to deceive the unwary by claiming they are from the police or financial institutions.

Chairman of National Solidarity Association Sarawak (Persona) Mohamad Hafiq Kassim said if one were to receive such a call one should not panic, and better still, not to entertain such a call.

“Check with the relevant authorities if you are in doubt. If you sense something fishy, lodge a police report,” he said when asked to comment on the scam, whose victims are mostly

senior citizens.

Mohamad also urged the authorities, particularly the Malaysian Communications and Multimedia Commission (MCMC) to find an effective means to tackle such scams as well as on-line cheating.

He also suggested that MCMC took stiffer actions like getting every email registration or telephonenumber registered with the relevant authorities for easier tracing when and as required.

It was reported last week that a retired nurse, 69, here suffered a loss close to RM30,000 to a man who claimed to be a bank officer after he successfully induced her to pay what he claimed



Mohamad Hafiq Kassim

as outstanding credit card balance.

A 61-year-old businessman was also reported to have been cheated of RM9,800.