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State Commissioner for Data Protection warns against phishing of access data

to bank accounts

Several cases have been reported to the State Commissioner in which currently

knew perpetrators successfully requested access data to bank accounts by phone or e-mail

ben. The perpetrators did the following:

Bank customers initially received e-mails that appeared to be from their bank

came. In it they were asked to call up a link and there the access data for the

enter online banking. This entry is required for security reasons. connecting

Increasingly, customers were answered by callers who identified themselves as employees of the bank or by

Microsoft asked to generate a transaction number (TAN) because allegedly

a payment should be recalled. With the help of the data transmitted in this way, it already came

to significant account debits at the expense of the respective customers.

Albert Cohaus, who represents the state commissioner, urgently warns against giving access data for

the online banking in the context of telephone calls or by e-mail to third parties

know to give. "Never click and never open links in a dubious email

their investments." Should irregularities in account movements actually occur

men, the bank in question will never request the access data by e-mail or telephone.

In appropriate cases, bank customers should put the suspicious e-mail in the spam folder.

and contact your bank or the police directly.

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