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CIPC Response to Fin24 Article - Phishing fears as CIPRO website changes hands

The CIPC was established in terms of the 2008 Companies Act by amalgamating the Office of Companies and Intellectual Property Enforcement, and the Companies and Intellectual Property Registration Office, or CIPRO.

The change included new branding and a new website www.cipc.co.za. CIPRO ceased to exist in 2011 but while CIPRO ceased to exist, its websites remained.

We can confirm that cipro.co.za does not resolve to cipc.co.za. There were and are therefore no mail or transactional resolutions to the cipc.co.za site.

Phishing on websites, CIPC included, is a daily occurrence and CIPC has adequate and effective monitoring controls. We are confident that our systems are secure and resilient.

We would like to appeal to users, customers and stakeholders to be vigilant of the legitimate-looking phishing emails from the cipro.co.za domain while we continue to engage with the registrar and web-hosting company for a possibility of blocking the domains such as cipro.co.za in South Africa, to obviate confusion in this regard.

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