



Companies and Intellectual
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Warning against fraudulent activities

The Companies and Intellectual Property Commission (CIPC) is aware of fraudulent activities associated with its services. Companies are being notified about their status that they are in deregistration process which in fact is not the case. The fraudsters then offer to assist with a substantial fee implication.

Companies are thus urged to confirm their status by login in the website www.cipc.co.za and click on file Annual Returns under heading **maintain your business**. One can put in the registration number and click on validate to get how much is owed.

CIPC implores you therefore to be aware of any suspicious behavior and request that you immediately inform CIPC of such suspected fraudulent, corrupt and/or irregular activities. This can be reported via the website at the following link <http://www.cipc.co.za/index.php/fraud-alert/>. Kindly ensure that you address the what/when/who/how questions to assist with proper investigation.

Please note that the form **must only** be used for fraud alert and no other service request will be attended to through this channel.

CIPC believes that through companies' assistance it can uproot such fraudulent activities.

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