### **Alerts**

# Warning: Emails misusing the name of Linklaters LLP

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Emails have been sent misusing the name of Linklaters LLP.

#### What is the scam?

The SRA has been informed that emails have been sent misusing the name of a genuine firm of solicitors (see below).

The emails seen by the SRA are written in Spanish and contain a fraudulent notice of copyright infringement and demands a number of steps be taken within 48 hours to rectify the infringement, with failure to comply resulting in legal consequences.

The emails were sent from 'mansug675@gmail.com' and 'stahltrixi172@gmail.com'.

Any business or transaction through 'mansug675@gmail.com' and 'stahltrixi172@gmail.com' is not undertaken by a firm or solicitor authorised and regulated by the SRA.

## Is there a genuine firm or person?

The SRA authorises and regulates a firm of solicitors called Linklaters LLP. Emails from the genuine firm use the domain '@linklaters.com'.

The genuine firm of Linklaters LLP has confirmed it does not have any connection to the emails referred to in the above alert.

#### What should I do?

When a firm's or individual's identity has been copied exactly (or cloned), due diligence is necessary. If you receive correspondence claiming to be from the above firm(s) or individual(s), or information of a similar nature to that described, you should conduct your own due diligence by checking the authenticity of the correspondence by contacting the law firm directly by reliable and established means. You can contact the SRA to find out if individuals or firms are regulated and authorised by the SRA and verify an individual's or firm's practising details. Other verification methods, such as checking public records (e.g. telephone directories and company records) may be required in other circumstances.