

Advisory Concerning Fraudulent “Lottery” E-Mail/Text Message Scam

Motorola has become aware of a recent series of fraudulent e-mails and text messages purporting to be from Motorola. The e-mails/text messages at issue inappropriately use Motorola trademarks and indicate to the recipient that he/she has won a prize (usually in large sums) in a Motorola “Internet Lottery”. The purpose of this advisory is to provide notice that the e-mail/text message in question has not been sent or authorized by Motorola. Rather, it appears to be the latest in a series of fraudulent “phishing” scams that have affected organizations and e-mail/text message recipients across nearly all industries and regions. The true intent of such “phishing” attempts appears to be to acquire the personal information of the recipients and/or to defraud those recipients. **Therefore, Motorola strongly advises recipients not to respond to the points of contact mentioned in such e-mails and/or text messages.** Rather, recipients are encouraged to forward any such suspicious e-mail or text message correspondence that purports to originate from Motorola to privacy@motorola.com. For additional practical tips on protecting oneself from Internet fraud, including phishing attempts, please visit <http://onguardonline.gov/phishing.html>.