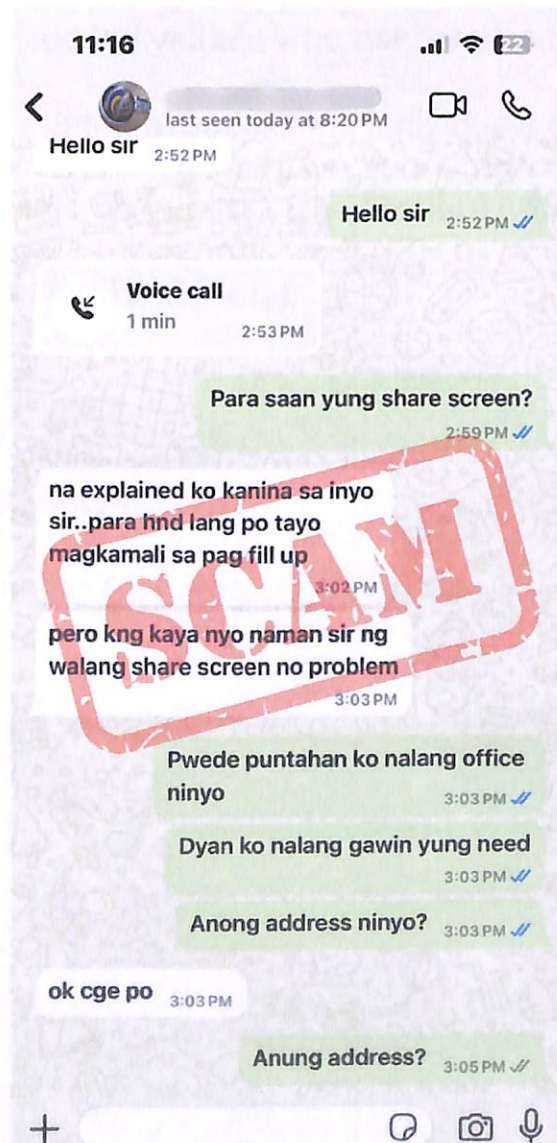


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PUBLIC ADVISORY

The Philippine Statistics Authority (PSA) warns the public against individuals or groups claiming to be from the “PSA” and phishing for personal information via calls or messaging apps such as WhatsApp and Telegram.



Screenshot of messages via WhatsApp from an individual claiming to be from the PSA phishing for personal information shared by a concerned citizen via Facebook

These individuals or groups typically operate under the guise of assisting National ID-registered individuals in verifying the correctness of their demographic information.

The PSA would like to emphasize that such calls and messages ARE NOT from the agency. The validation of demographic information to be included in the National ID registry happens ONLY during the registration process.

Moreover, data privacy and security is of utmost priority for the PSA. The personal information of all Filipinos who registered to the National ID is encrypted and will never be shared without consent.

We continue to urge the public to be wary of unsolicited calls or messages, especially unauthorized individuals who ask for personal information.

For any information related to suspicious individuals or groups claiming to be related to the National ID System, we encourage the public to report to the following official channels: (1) **Hotline 1388**; (2) **email at info@philsys.gov.ph**; and (3) **Facebook at facebook.com/PSAPhilSysOfficial**.



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