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THIS WEEK'S MESSAGE

DON'T LET URGENCY MAKE THE DECISION.

THIS WEEK'S ACTION

If an online contact asks for money, cryptocurrency, gift cards or secrecy: STOP. VERIFY. TELL someone you trust.

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Scam messages may be backed by organized businesses.

U.S. officials acted against an online marketplace that helped cyber scammers get technology, payment and money-laundering services. A message can feel personal even when a large criminal network is behind it.

What to do: Never pay because an online friend or official says it must happen now. Verify another way.

[Read the U.S. Treasury alert](#)

BEFORE SCANNING A QR CODE

Preview the website address. Look for misspellings or a sticker covering the original code. When possible, type the printed address yourself.

[FTC QR-code safety tips](#)

BEFORE REPLYING ON FACEBOOK

The globe icon means the post is public. Do not answer suspicious replies in public or share routines, travel, grief, family names or money details.

IF MONEY OR INFORMATION WAS ALREADY SENT

1. Call the bank or payment company immediately and ask for fraud help.
2. Save messages, screenshots, receipts, phone numbers and usernames.
3. Call Tennessee APS at 1-888-277-8366 if a vulnerable adult may be exploited.
4. Report online fraud at IC3.gov. Call 911 for immediate danger or threats.
5. Tell someone you trust. You deserve help; being deceived is not your fault.

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