



**SCAM  
ALERT**



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## ADVISORY TO THE PUBLIC

# RAFFLE SCAM

The Philippine Deposit Insurance Corporation (PDIC) warns the public of a scam designed to lure people into giving cash for the empty promise of a prize from a non-existent raffle.

This scam targets victims through text messages about their purported winning in a raffle organized by the foundation of Sen. Cynthia Villar. To receive their prizes, victims will be asked to pay a certain amount through a remittance center as service charge. The perpetrators will also inform victims that as a requirement before the prize money is released to them, a high-ranking official from the PDIC will call them on the need to transfer money to an account as insurance.

The PDIC is not involved in any raffle independently or with any other entity. Likewise, it never insures prizes in raffle draws. As state deposit insurer, the PDIC's mandate is to insure deposits in banks up to the maximum deposit insurance coverage of PhP500,000 per depositor. Only deposits placed in banks are covered by deposit insurance.

The PDIC advises the public to ignore such text messages, block the number, and file a complaint with the National Telecommunications Commission (NTC) through its website's Complaint Page, [https://ntc.gov.ph/?page\\_id=5575](https://ntc.gov.ph/?page_id=5575).

For information about any scam involving the PDIC and/or deposit insurance, please report directly to the:

### Public Assistance Department

-  (02) 8841-4141 (for callers within Metro Manila)
-  1-800-1-888-7342 or 1-800-1-888-PDIC (for callers outside Metro Manila)
-  [pad@pdic.gov.ph](mailto:pad@pdic.gov.ph)
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