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PRESS RELEASE

CMF to file charges against entities offering loans on their websites and social media for alleged fraud

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November 16, 2022 — The Financial Market Commission (CMF) The Financial Market Commission (CMF) alerts the public about a pair of entities offering loans that are neither supervised by it nor registered in its rolls.

According to information gathered by the CMF's Investigation Unit, these entities claim to be supervised by the Commission and offer loans through their websites and social media while requesting advance payments from applicants. After making said advance payments, applicants do not receive the agreed funds. Therefore, the CMF will file charges against any responsible parties before the Public Prosecutor's Office for alleged fraud.

The identified entities are:

- Cooperativa Cacson Ltda. (cacson dash cl dot com)
- An impersonator of Cooperativa de Viviendas y Servicios Habitacionales
 Conhabit Ltda., hosted at conhabitItda dot com

The Commission also reports that fraudulent entities use bank accounts belonging to natural persons to collect money from their scams. Therefore, it reminds the public that checking, vista or RUT accounts are strictly personal and must not be made available to third parties to receive funds from unknown origins. Anyone who provides their bank account to third parties who commit a crime may be subject to criminal penalties.

In addition, the CMF states that it does not make payments of any kind to natural persons other than for the provision of services to this Commission. Should you receive an email claiming to be from the CMF and asking you to access a link or provide your bank details, it is false. The Commission does not offer insurance policies of any kind, much less against "fraudulent purchases," nor does it requests banking records.

A <u>special alerts page</u> for investors, policyholders, and banking customers is available on the CMF website. Interested parties can verify here:

- Whether an entity or person offering financial products or services is supervised by the CMF.
- Alerts issued by the CMF and other foreign regulators on unregulated entities or activities.
- Other important advice for the protection of investors, policyholders, and financial clients.

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