



Alert: Watch for Fake eMail Sharing "Accepted Contract" on Google Drive

Fake emails are circulating once again urging recipients to sign in to access and view documents. The latest one shows "Signed HUD 1" in the subject line.

In this scam, the email says, "Attached is the accepted contract as promised. It was accepted and signed today. Kindly click on unlock to review the PDF file and let me know if you have any questions or concerns," and has a link to a Google Drive document.

Tips to guard against phishing scams such as this one:

- Be wary of emails that ask you to view or download files from people you do not know.
- Also be cautious of emails that ask you to view files on services that you do not subscribe to.
- Hover your mouse over the URL of links contained in emails to check their destination address. To log into a service like Dropbox or Google Drive, open a new web browser and type in the URL manually.
- Be wary of services that ask you to provide log-in credentials for a number of different email providers. This is a trick scammers use to widen their phishing net, allowing them to steal details from users.