



BANKING ISSUANCE

Comptroller of the Currency
Administrator of National Banks

Type: Banking Circular

Subject: External Fraud

TO: Chief Executive Officers of all National Banks; All State Banking Authorities; Chairman, Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System; Chairman, Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation; Conference of State Bank Supervisors; Deputy Comptrollers Districts); District Administrators; District Counsel and Examining Personnel.

The Office of the Comptroller of the Currency is receiving numerous inquiries regarding apparent phony financial transactions originated by persons having Nigerian names and addresses. The volume of such purported financial transactions indicating fraud caused the Central Bank of Nigeria to issue a "Press Statement"; copy attached. Please be guided accordingly.

Any information which you may have concerning this matter should be brought to the attention of:

Office of the Comptroller
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