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KUCHING: Two victims fell prey to con artists in scams, reportedly losing at total of RM55,420 based on reports made Tuesday.

In the first case, a Miri businesswoman, aged 49, lost RM15,420 after receiving what-sapp on Tuesday morning from numbers 0162991781 and 01151755657 who claimed to be a custom officer working in KL airport. She was accused of buying prohibited items.

After receiving several calls, the alleged Customs officer informed that if she was to close the case on the delivery of the item she would have to pay a sum of RM15,420 to the Public Bank account in the name of Fauziah Binti Mohamad Fauzi and Asiah Binti Dol. The victim banked in the payment.

In Bintulu, the case occurred between October 8 and 23. A housewife, aged 43, lost RM40,000 after she met a man known as Omar Ahmad (447451242287) from the United Kingdom via a Facebook account.

After chatting with him for a while, the suspect claimed he wanted to send her gifts as a sign of friendship.

On October 15, the victim was contacted by a woman named Meratah Binti Yambas (016-2554787) from KLIA, Kuala Lumpur telling her that they received a parcel on the victim's name and the suspect ordered the victim to pay RM4,500 as the package shipment charge to Bintulu.

The victim made a payment to the Cimb Bank under the account of Merapah Binti Yambas and on the same day made another

payment of RM18,500 to the same Cimb Bank account as the suspect said in the package contained 25,000 pound sterling and must be brought to Bank Negara for exchange.

On October 16 the victim made a payment of RM17,000 to the Maybank account of the Sharala A / P Narayana account for the process and four days later, she again banked in RM5,030 to the Maybank account of Surianti Binti Tasib to close the case with the police so that the case will not be investigated.

The suspect asked for another RM5,000 on October 23 but the victim said she did not have any money and he gave her until October 29 to come up with the money.

In Kuching a housewife, aged 41, managed to avoid being cheated after getting acquainted with

a man named Donald Gambit through Instagram originating from England. The suspect tried to con her to give money after alleging that he had sent her RM108,011.98 on October 22 and she had to pay the exchange rate from USD to RM. She did not pay up.

A 31-year-old teacher from Sarikei avoided being cheated when she received a call on Tuesday from an unknown individual phone number 011-2710370 informing the complainant that there was a personal loan at RHB bank.

The complainant is asked to contact customer service to learn more. She was told to contact a police officer in IPK Melaka no. badan RF135113 Sergeant Hussen Bin Omar's name. Suspecting it to be a scam, she did not entertain the caller.