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MIRI: A retired offshore operation engineer here has filed a police report claiming he lost RM200,000 of his life savings to a Macau scam.

Sarawak Police Commissioner Datuk Mohd Azman Ahmad Sapri said based on the report filed, the victim was at home when he received a phone call on Aug 17 from an individual who identified himself as 'ACP Fikri Mokhtar'.

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to a third-party account to facilitate investigation by Bank Negara," he said in a statement yesterday.

Mohd Azman said the victim proceeded to make 10 transactions totalling RM200,000 to five different accounts from mid- to end-August.

"He was also warned by the caller not to mention the matter to anyone," he added.

The police commissioner said the victim only realised that he had fallen for a scam after he related the incident to his wife, and proceeded to file a police report on Aug 30.