

## SPECIAL ALERT

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TO: CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

SUBJECT: Stolen Western Union Money Orders

The Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC) has learned that a substantial number of Western Union Money Orders were stolen during a robbery. Many of the stolen items have been deposited to bank accounts in several states. The stolen money orders have serial numbers ranging from 06-260993307-6 through and including 06-260993538-0 and 06-260697200 through and including 06-260697599, and can be issued for amounts up to \$1,000 each. Stop payments have been placed on the money orders.

Any information you may have about these items should be directed to Detective Pete Holt of the Raleigh, North Carolina, Police Department at 919-390-3555. You may also forward information to the FDIC's Special Activities Section, 550 17th Street, NW, Room F-6012, Washington, DC 20429.

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