



SPECIAL ALERT

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TO: CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER  
SUBJECT: Counterfeit Cashier's Checks  
Summary: *Counterfeit checks drawn on Hudson United Bank, Mahwah, New Jersey, are in circulation.*

The Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC) has learned that counterfeit cashier's checks drawn on **Hudson United Bank, Mahwah, New Jersey**, are currently in circulation. The counterfeit items bear the routing number 021201503. In addition, other identifying indications include, but are not limited to, the instrument's high dollar amount, dual signature requirement, and a non-distinctive "basket-weave" background design. Attached for your information is a copy of one of the counterfeit instruments.

Any information you have about this matter should be brought to the attention of:

Ms. Linda L. Brady  
Assistant Vice President - Security  
Hudson United Bank  
1000 Mac Arthur Blvd.  
Mahwah, New Jersey 07430  
Telephone: (201) 236-2796  
(800) (Hub-Link)

Information about these instruments also may be forwarded to the FDIC's Special Activities Section, 550 17th Street, NW, Room F-4040, Washington, DC 20429. Information also may be transmitted electronically to [alert@fdic.gov](mailto:alert@fdic.gov).

For your reference, FDIC Financial Institution Letters may be accessed from the FDIC's Web site at [www.fdic.gov/news/news/financial/2002/index.html](http://www.fdic.gov/news/news/financial/2002/index.html). To learn how to automatically receive FDIC Financial Institution Letters through e-mail, please visit <http://www.fdic.gov/news/news/announcements/index.html>.

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