

Beware of fraud committed by criminals pretending to be officers or employees of Sumitomo Life

There have been cases of international fraud in which criminals pretend to be officers or employees of Sumitomo Life. Please take due caution to avoid becoming a victim.

The Company has received inquiries regarding the following type of international fraud:

- The criminals claiming to be officers of Sumitomo Life have sent English-language documents to customers living overseas, asking them to initiate a procedure to receive payouts from fictitious insurance policies. Specifically, the criminals claim that a person who was insured under a life insurance policy has died. Because the insurant did not indicate any beneficiaries or heirs, the criminals make an approach with a proposal to acquire a right to receive insurance payouts to a person who is not related to the insurant but shares the same surname as the insurant.

To avoid becoming involved in these cases, please be aware:

- Sumitomo Life does not make any proposals to inherit insurance policies to those who are not related to an insurant on the ground that they share the same surname, even in cases where there are no life-insurance beneficiaries or heirs of an insurant.