

MEDIA RELEASE**MEDIA CONTACT:** Charmaine Burgess
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August 8, 2019 -Hamilton Bermuda. The Regulatory Authority of Bermuda is today warning consumers to be aware of the latest internet scam to arrive in Bermuda. **MovieFlix**, a online movie service is featured in a Facebook ad, and will reportedly deliver identical streaming service to that of **Netflix**, free of charge, if consumers subscribe before August 10th.

The Facebook ad leads readers to an article claiming that Netflix has: “lost thousands of Bermudian users this week because of the new competing service.” While the MovieFlix website appears to be legitimate, every tab on their website clicks through to the same online form asking consumers to sign up for their trial membership and has already appeared on posts in Australia and New Zealand with identical messaging. Other countries targeted in the scam include Canada and Ireland.

Denton Williams, Chief Executive of the Regulatory Authority commented: “Our role as an independent regulatory body is primarily to protect consumers and industry stakeholders. MovieFlix is an example of a phishing scam, designed to steal credit card details. Often these scams are linked to international organized crime and we strongly recommend that if consumers have already subscribed for the service, that they monitor their bank accounts or cancel their cards before their information is taken.”

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