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## **Recent Scams**

One of our members recently received the following E-mail messages:

#1:

Subject: Payment check under agreement #8172468

Date: Tue, 12 May 2020 15:04:30 +0200

From: Troy Ash <smokcu.pahrcent1978@o2.pl>

To: alex@argogold.ca <alex@argogold.ca>



Statement specification

1 attachment: doc\_1205-8172468.xls 172 KB



### Red Flags - Why is this a scam?



Do you have such a "payment agreement"? Scammers try to entice with money.



The **sender** is from Poland (@o2.**pl**)

The **recipient** is not the actual recipient of this email



The spreadsheet attachement (.xls) almost certainly contains a malicious macro that would attack your computer if opened.

Subject: Demand 167659 regarding recent agreement

Date: Fri, 10 Apr 2020 17:45:54 +0200

From: Adriel Lonzo <tafa.agcen1983@interia.pl>



To: laura@e3systems.ca

#### Good afternoon, dear user!

I attach here a duplicate. Please break down this problem, otherwise we will be forced to end our contract and begin the legal case.



1 Attachment: act\_32701.xls



### Red Flags - Why is this a scam?



Do you know of this "recent agreement"?



The **sender** is from Poland (@interia.**pl**)



The **recipient** is not the actual recipient of this email.



The scam uses a scare tactic: "...end our contract and begin the legal case."



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