

SCAM ALERT!

VIRTUAL KIDNAPPINGS:

Organised crime groups are impersonating foreign government officials and police to blackmail victims. They tell victims they are suspected of committing a crime and need to pay to avoid deportation. As the scam escalates, victims are forced into acting out their own kidnappings. Family members are led into a false belief that the victim is in danger and a ransom must be paid for their release.

HOW TO REPORT:

1. 000 for life threatening situations
2. Report cybercrime and threats www.cyber.gov.au/report-and-recover/report
3. 131 444 for police assistance

DO NOT send any money and
HANG UP the call immediately.

DO NOT reveal any **PERSONAL**
information.

Foreign police do not have powers in Western Australia.

Foreign governments must formally request Western Australia Police to conduct investigations for them.

Western Australia Police will personally contact you and will always present their Police Identification if they need to speak with you.

Western Australia Police will never ask you for money or ask for payment on behalf of overseas police.

