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ADVISORY TO THE INDIAN COMMUNITY ON FRAUD CALLS

The Embassy of India in Vienna would like to draw the attention of the Indian community in Austria to fraudulent calls being received by members of the community from unscrupulous elements pretending to be the officers of Federal Police.

2. In response to this Embassy taking up this matter, the Federal Ministry of the Interior in Austria has informed that fraudsters are currently increasingly calling Austrian telephone numbers, pretending to be Police officers and threatening arrest if data is not disclosed or certain sums of money are not transferred.

3. The Austrian police recommends hanging up immediately when receiving such calls. The supposedly Austrian phone numbers shown on the display are usually forged. However, they can be reported to the telephone company so that they can take countermeasures.

4. In addition, phone numbers that are being misused are listed on the website www.rufnummernmissbrauch.at. There you will also find a form with which suspicious numbers can be reported to the competent broadcasting and telecom regulation company.

5. All concerned, are therefore, advised to be vigilant against such fraudsters.

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