## **Financial Services Authority**



The **Financial Services Authority** ("**FSA**") of the United Kingdom would like to alert all recipients that:

PLUS 500 UK (Attempt to clone FSA authorised firm's name and details)

Individuals identifying themselves as **Mr Paul Mason** and **Mr Patrick Beaumont** and others are involved in an unauthorised attempt to pass themselves off as employees and directors of **Plus500UK Ltd** using the following email and contact details:

*Telephone:* 0044 7778 477590

*Fax:* 0872 352 0805

Email: plus500@consultant.com

These individuals are <u>NOT</u> authorised under the Financial Services and Markets Act 2000 ("FSMA") to carry on a regulated activity in the United Kingdom. Regulated activities include, amongst other things, advising on investments and dealing and arranging deals in investments ("investments" include stocks and shares).

The FSA believes that these individuals may be targeting UK customers. Therefore, we have added this firm to our list of unauthorised firms and individuals operating in the United Kingdom. This list can be found at:

## http://www.fsa.gov.uk/doing/regulated/law/alerts/unauthorised-firms

These individuals are using the name of Plus500UK Ltd, an FSA authorised firm (Firm Reference Number 509909). This firm has <u>no association whatsoever</u> with the individuals named above.

The authorised firm Plus500UK Ltd advises that it communicates with customers by email only from <a href="mailto:support@plus500.com">support@plus500.com</a>. Plus500UK Ltd do not contact or solicit customers by telephone and have issued a notice on their website (<a href="www.plus500.com/Help/AboutUs.aspx">www.plus500.com/Help/AboutUs.aspx</a>) regarding communications and unsolicited approaches.

If you have any further questions on this matter please email our Consumer Contact Centre at <u>consumer.queries@fsa.gov.uk</u>, or alternatively by telephone on 0845 606 1234. Overseas callers can contact us on (+44) 20 7066 1000.