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CAPIC statement on Regina immigration fraud scheme

CAPIC condemns unethical immigration practices, including the selling of fake job offers to individuals hoping to settle in Canada.

Advising or practicing citizenship and immigration law without being an authorized representative is considered a criminal offence in Canada.

Immigration consultants are regulated like all professions in Canada. An Act of Parliament received Royal Assent on June 21, 2019 strengthening this regulation.

As before, we continue to support increased competency, ethical conduct and consumer protection in the immigration consulting industry. In addition, the College of Immigration and Citizenship Consultants will help better regulate the industry.

We are eager to work with the CBSA and other stakeholders to share information, pool resources and minimize immigration misconduct.

For reference, CAPIC is the largest and only existing non-profit association for Canadian immigration consultants. CAPIC continues to grow and evolve as a direct response to dynamic changes in the immigration consulting industry. We lead, connect, protect and develop the immigration consultant profession, serving the best interests of our members and ensuring consumer protection for our members' clients.

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The CBSA news item can be read at this link.

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