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Did you receive an email?

YES

Were you expecting it?

NO

It's time to be highly skeptical!

YES

Does it contain any links or attachments?

YES

Do you recognize the sender?

YES

Remember, a sender's address can be easily spoofed! Always double-check the authenticity of an email before proceeding.

NO

Is there anything strange or unusual about the email?

YES

NO

Does the email look genuine?

YES

NO

Anyone can insert a fancy logo and make text look pretty.

Are there any spelling or grammatical errors?

YES

NO

Don't judge. Everyone makes mistakes, but this is a red flag.

The email is probably safe.

Never click on links or attachments in unexpected emails.

If you suspect you are being phished, forward the email (as an attachment) to PHISHING@SC.EDU

TO CLICK OR NOT TO CLICK

A simple guide to checking your email safely.

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