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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

TO CLICK OR NOT TO CLICK

A simple guide to checking your email safely.

Is there anything strange or unusual about the email?

YES

NO

The email is probably safe.

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

YES

Does the email look genuine?

NO

Are there any spelling or grammatical errors?

YES

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

NO

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

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