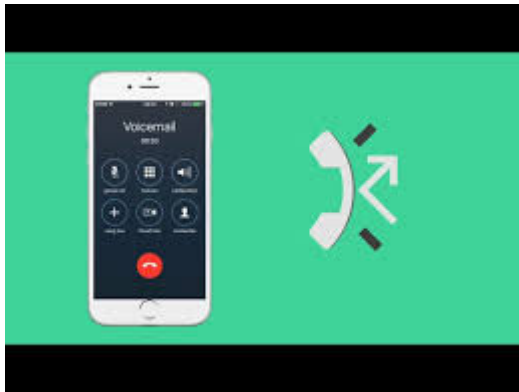


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WANGIRI FRAUD ON THE RISE



Cell C have seen an increase in Wangiri phone fraud in South Africa. They reported that they are receiving an increasing volume of missed calls from across Africa and Europe, including Guinea, France, and Belgium.

Wangiri is also reported in Japan. Wangiri translates to "one (ring) and cut". The racketeers use a voice provider and call random phone numbers via an auto dialer function, also known as a Wangiri call. An automatic dialer (auto dialer) is an electronic device or software that automatically dials a list of phone numbers. If a call has been answered, the auto dialler either plays a recorded message or a voicemail ([Wikipedia](#))

The victim returns the call since he believes the call was intended for him. This results in a small amount which goes into the account of the scammers.

There is a warning not to return any missed calls. **Do not call back a number you do not recognise.** If it is a legitimate call, the caller will call you back or leave a voicemail.

Wangiri is just one example of phone fraud. Read more on other variations on [Wikipedia](#).

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