UP Diliman Data Protection Office



5 Common Questions on Fake Facebook Accounts

Is this a UP matter?

No. There is no indication or report that UP Diliman and other Constituent Universities had data breach. Schools and individuals outside UP have reported similar incidents. Nonetheless, UP Diliman is ready to assist our community.

What are the risks?

The primary risk is that a fake Facebook account under your name may be used to post messages that claim to be from you. If the post is incriminating, it may cause you legal or reputational concerns. Thus far, the reported fake accounts have no contents and are blank.

Should I report to Facebook's Data Protection Officer (DPO)? No. Having someone create an account under your name does not necessarily mean that Facebook suffered a security breach. As advised by Facebook regarding this incident, you should report the fake account by following the steps in this page:

Since my personal Facebook account is not related to UP Diliman, does this mean I am on my own?

No. As a caring community, we at UP Diliman are willing to assist each other. If Facebook is not able to take down the fake account seven (7) days after your report and you wish assistance from UP Diliman's DPO, then kindly accomplish this form so that we can elevate your concern to Facebook: <u>https://bit.ly/UPDiliman-fakeFB</u>

Should I file a complaint with the National Privacy Commission (NPC)?

If you know facts and circumstances that would reasonably lead you to believe that a person probably caused the creation of the fake account, then yes. But if you have no suspect, then you would be complaining against no one.



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