

Dear Mr Davis,

Your email has been received. Before you continue down a path based on your client's narrative, you should be aware of the full factual record.

Your claim that I “mocked” or “mispronounced” your client's name is not only false but personally insulting. I am dyslexic. Mispronunciations are a daily reality — not an act of racism, discrimination, or mockery. There is no legal requirement in New Zealand to perfectly pronounce another person's name, and attempting to frame a dyslexic slip as defamation is inappropriate and baseless.

Your client is promoting an operation formally flagged by the Financial Markets Authority as a WhatsApp/Telegram-based pyramid scheme involving fake trading signals, recruitment pressure, and fabricated dashboards. The FMA warning is here:

<https://www.fma.govt.nz/library/warnings-and-alerts/txex/>

The scheme he is promoting — first UICEX, then CRGLOBAL, and now Signal Raiders — fits *exactly* the pattern outlined in the FMA alert. My full investigation into this scam, including victims, screenshots, and the rebrand to Signal Raiders, is published here:

<https://www.dehek.com/general/scam-fraud-investigations/crglobal-uicex-rebrand-signal-raiders-bonchat-surveillance-the-fall-of-hohepa-patea/>

I am a New York Times–featured investigative journalist, also cited by Bloomberg, The Guardian, Channel 9 News Australia, and Stuff NZ for exposing large-scale Ponzi schemes and assisting victims. I conduct OSINT-based investigations and

report verified facts. Nothing in my reporting is fabricated, sensationalised, or defamatory.

On **25 October 2025**, I texted your client directly at **+64 [REDACTED]** I offered him a full right of reply. The exact message sent is reproduced below:

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“Hi Hohepa,

Following our recent live video and the publication of our blog exposing the rebrand of CRGLOBAL/UICEX to Signal Raiders, I’m offering you a right of reply so you can respond directly to the concerns raised.

Given your public role in promoting this opportunity, I believe it’s fair to give you a chance to explain your position and respond to the following key points:

1. You’ve claimed this is a legitimate business opportunity — could you clarify what due diligence you performed before promoting Signal Raiders?
2. Why are you ignoring the formal scam warnings from the FMA, particularly those regarding WhatsApp trading groups, fake signal platforms, and pyramid schemes?
3. Do you acknowledge that UICEX and CRGLOBAL were already flagged as high-risk scams?
4. Are you aware that multiple victims have reported difficulty withdrawing funds, including psychological manipulation to delay or block access?
5. Do you receive any financial incentive or commission from user deposits or downline recruitment?

We’ve already submitted a formal complaint to the Financial Markets Authority naming you as a New Zealand promoter of this scheme.

If you would like your response to be considered for inclusion as an update to the blog, please reply via email to [danny@dehek.com](mailto:danny@dehek.com) as soon as possible.

This is your opportunity to go on record. If no reply is received, we'll proceed with what we currently know.

Regards,

Danny de Hek

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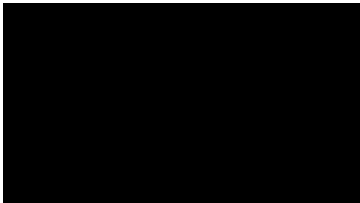
[www.dehek.com](http://www.dehek.com)\*\*\*

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Your client did not reply.

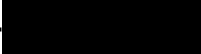
Since sending that message, we have received his full identity and address:

**Hohepa Patea**



**Wellington**



**+64** 

We also hold a complete victim conversation in which the victim confirms they were recruited by Mr Patea, pressured into leaving funds on the platform, and subjected to classic Ponzi-style psychological tactics. One of our team members assisted this

victim in successfully extracting their funds — something the platform made extremely difficult.

You also accused me of content published on Facebook and on a podcast. I do not use Facebook, and no such podcast episode exists. These statements are demonstrably false.

This is not defamation. This is verified, good-faith investigative reporting into an illegal financial operation harming New Zealanders. If you advise your client to escalate this matter, you should understand that court proceedings will trigger full discovery of his communications, recruitment behaviour, compensation structures, and involvement with offshore entities. That process will not reflect favourably on him.

I suggest your client cease making baseless legal threats and instead address the factual concerns raised.

Regards,

Danny de Hek

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