



### KARONGA DIOCESE ANTI-FRAUD CAMPAIGN PART I

Recognize it. Report it.

Presented by Israel Chavula, Dip. Banking, BBA, MBA, CAIB(SA) The Anti-Fraud Campaign sessions for the Karonga Diocese employees is aimed at sensitizing all our staff to be able to report financial crimes including fraud, theft, bribes, corruption and collusion by employees of the Diocese and partners like Suppliers, Donors, Contractors and Third parties.

These campaign sessions will be instrumental in raising awareness on the risks associated with fraud and make sure all our employees are vigilant at reporting fraud and safeguarding the resources and reputation of the Diocese. Fraud does not happen by accident, it is an intentional act designed to deceive others. Fraud is undesirable, it results into losses which affects the running of the Diocese and eventually staff remuneration.



The Diocese relies on its employees to:

- > Identify
- Report and
- Expose incidents and suspected incidents of fraud

Fraud prevention and detection is everyone's responsibility

When an employee intentionally deceives the Diocese or the Diocese's partners or service providers for personal gain (mostly financial, but not always).

Bribery and corruption are other forms of staff fraud and may result in unjustified benefit with severe repercussions for the employee and the Diocese

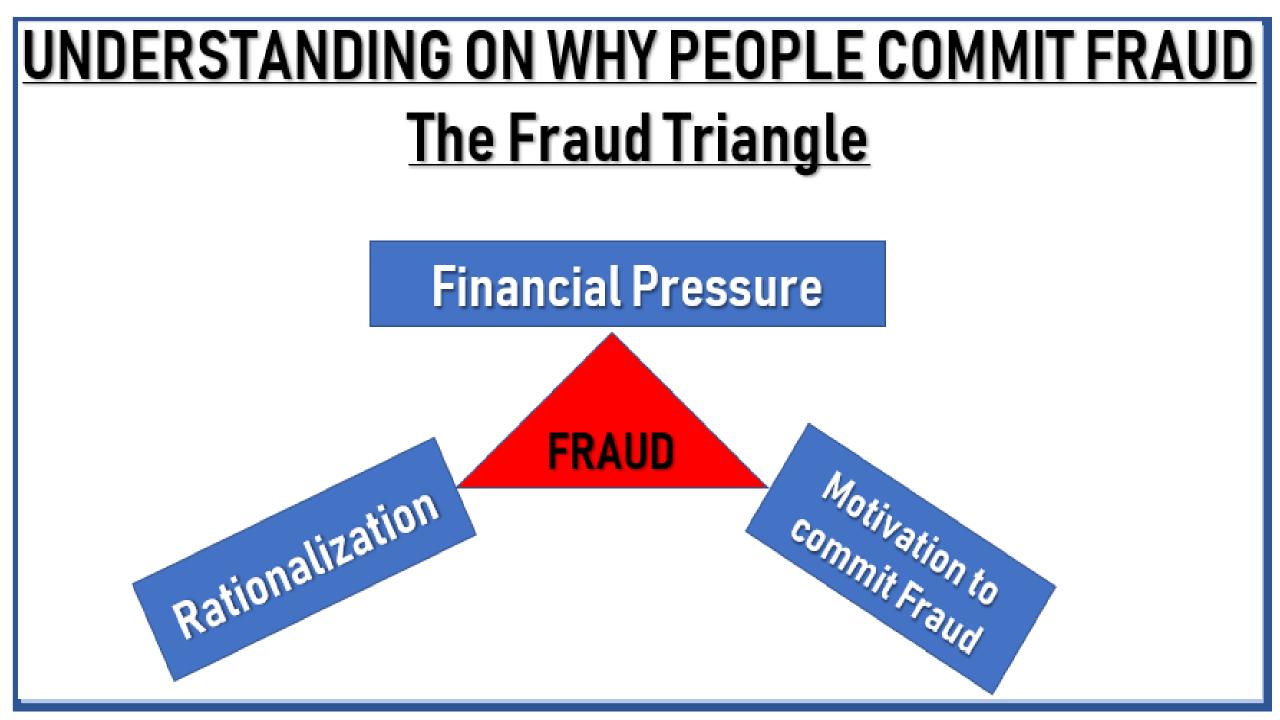
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Staff fraud occurs

Collusion with syndicates to defraud the diocese or any of its institution Submitting fraudulent staff claims, e, g travel expenses, fake maintenance receipts, leave claims e.tc,

Favoring a service provider (i.e. Contractor) Payments received /direct conflict of interest

Examples of Staff Fraud



## DEALING WITH FRAUD

Dealing with fraud is complicated and needs a deep understanding on reasons why people commit fraud. There are some Stimulus Incentives to commit fraud and these are, Ego, Capability, Opportunity and Rationalization.

#### An oversized ego

 This is behind the largest financial frauds of all time such as the most notorious Bernie Madoff's \$65 Billion swindle in the USA. The Ponzi scheme architect. This is an alert that a person with a very persuasive personality which is good for business and management, if they develop a super ego, they become dangerous.

### Capability

 This refers to personal traits and abilities playing a major role in committing fraud. One needs the right person with the right capabilities to commit fraud. Often our well capable staff pose the greatest danger as they can committee and conceal fraud. Separation of duties should be encouraged to minimise fraud in this area.

### DEALING WITH FRAUD CONTINUED...

### Opportunity

 For some people, the reason they have never committed fraud is simply because an opportunity to do so has never availed itself. Given an opportunity, they may be worse fraudsters.

#### <u>Rationalisation</u>

 In this case the fraudsters' self-justification that it's somehow OK to steal. This typical fraudster may be a first-time offender, and therefore they don't consider themselves a criminal, but rather a good person who has themselves in a giant mess.

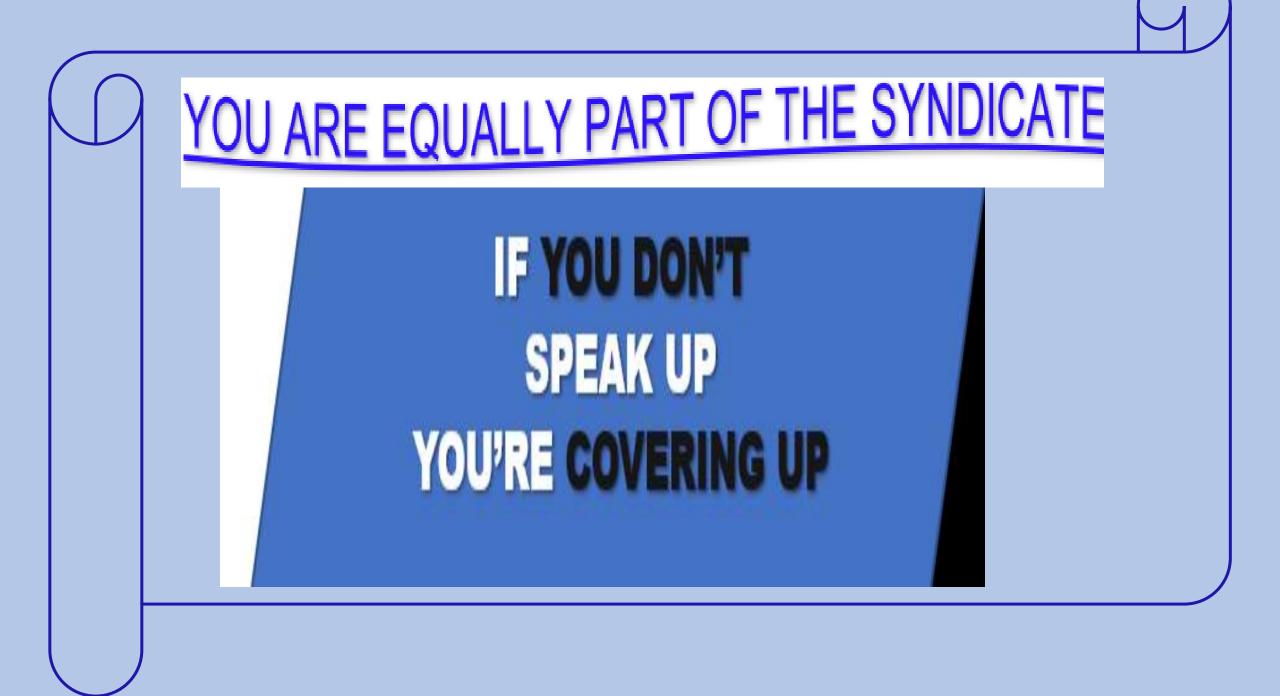
### DANGERS OF FRAUD TO THE DIOCESE AND EMPLOYEES

### **TO THE DIOCESE**

- Reputational risk
- Loss of donor confidence
- Inability to pay employees and meet running costs
- > Unplanned litigation costs in pursing fraudulent activities

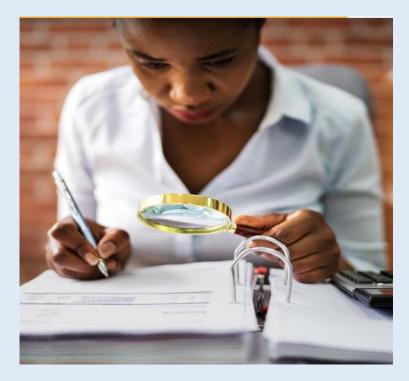
### **TO THE EMPLOYEES**

- Loss of employment
- ≻ Jail term
- > Financial and emotional stress to the employee and his family
- Bad CV, unable to get further employment
- Suicidal thoughts
- Public segregation



### **BE VIGILANT !**

### and protect the resources of the Diocese ......



In your life, you might have heard people regretting their own actions, and complaining that they did not behave, act or think in the right way

# TRUST



Do not over trust people, scrutinise the documents

"I do not trust anyone, not even myself." <u>Joseph Stalin, 1952</u>

#### Isaiah 2:22

*"Stop regarding man in whose nostrils is breath, for of what account is he?* 

