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WICHITA, KAN. – Since Monday, the Consumer Protection Division of the District Attorney's Office has received complaints from 10 citizens about getting a telephone call from a Washington DC number, 202-241-2071.

In one instance, the caller claimed to be someone from the International Criminal Investigation Division. He told the recipient that a criminal charge had been filed against him and that he had failed to respond. The caller requested the telephone number of the person's criminal lawyer.

In another call, the person on the phone claimed to be with the IRS. Both callers angrily demanded money be sent. The first recipient refused while the other sent money via Green Dot Money card. All consumers say there was background noise on the call and the person talking had a foreign accent, rapidly speaking broken English.

The District Attorney's Office has warned consumers in earlier news releases of this "IRS Scam." The difference in these latest calls is the caller is very threatening. Simply hang up. In all likelihood, these calls are coming from outside the United States. To file a complaint with the Consumer Protection Division, call 316-660-3653.

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