

Apologies to all members for the lack of communication - MTI Management and leaders have not responded to this terrible situation before now as we had to wait for the facts to be verified before we could release any information.

The main points:

Johann is alive.

Johann is in Brazil as far as we know.

Johann has not been truthful with management, leaders or members.

We as management and leaders do not know if our bitcoin is safe.

Management has contacted the server team; they are co-operating fully.

Management has been in contact with the broker, trade300, but now believe this company is potentially owned and operated by Johann Steynberg. Communication with the broker has been sparse and unforthcoming.

The whole management team is co-operating with law enforcement and will continue to do so until this matter is resolved.

Nerina Steynberg (Johann's wife) is yet to file a missing persons' report.

"The last time we heard from Johann was Tuesday, 15 December 2020, at 01:51am."

Detailed report from the Management and Leaders' Team:

Following the search and seizure warrants executed by the FSCA on the 26th of October 2020, things started unravelling quickly at MTI, it was becoming very difficult to handle to amount of work created for each department. Each department was expanded, with more training staff being brought in. Support employed 22 more support staff and we insisted that Johann get help in the technical department as it was clear he and Nerina were not coping. The system kept crashing and Johann told us that we had had numerous hacking attempts by a Russian syndicate. He sent us the details of these, some demanding extremely high ransoms.

On the day of the raid an independent contractor to MTI, a crypto expert was contacted, and asked to contact Camila (The senior account manager) at trade300 (MTI's unregulated broker) and tell her that our accounts may be compromised as a result of the raid and she must wait to hear from Johann before allowing any access to the broker account of MTI, which the contractor did immediately.

The contractor had trade300 contact details as we had asked him to help Johann to cryptographically prove MTI's bitcoin balance to the FSCA and the public. Johann however did not supply the necessary details to him to complete this process.

Johann told us that when the FSCA took all the electronic devices, a security protocol was put in place with the broker to avoid all our member bitcoin being stolen, this included a limitation of withdrawals. This was communicated to all members on managements' insistence.



A week after the raid, Johann requested that Clynton Marks give him BTC to pay members that had made withdrawals as the limitation on withdrawals with the broker was still a hinderance. Johann agreed to put


in 400btc as well. Clynton then agreed and paid over 400btc of his own outside of MTI to Johann on the 1st, 11th and 12th of November 2020. Management has no proof that Johann did contribute the amount he stated. Clynton Marks had full confidence that he would get his Bitcoin back.

Johann said Nerina Steynerg also allegedly gave 200btc for this process.

Johann frantically processed withdrawals and management insisted on this being the highest priority knowing full well Cheri Marks had promised this to members on Johann's instruction.

On the 30th of November Johann received an email from an anonymous source. (email attached)

MTI CEO Urgent Plea ↳ Inbox x  

 **MTI Info Alert** <mti.infoalert@mailfence.co... Mon, Nov 30, 2:34 PM (19 hours ago) ☆ ↶ ⋮
to me ▾

To our precious CEO Mr Steynerg

Once again it is with a heavy heart that I compose this mail. The content below should be treated with urgency.

Six weeks ago our group of anonymous do-gooders informed numerous high level MTI members about the upcoming raid on MTI. It is with sadness that the information did not reach you in time or were possibly ignored.
As you know now, our information were correct.

This will be unsettling, but please read through the email below as it is very important.

Our source within the FSCA has informed us that they are planning to strike within the next week or two. They do not have any evidence but will stop at nothing to make sure MTI stop operating.
It has been said that the only way to kill this snake is to squash its head. Sir, this is the plan for MTI as things stand now. Our source confirmed that within the next week or maybe two, they will make a very public statement with the arrest and incarceration of you, CEO and kingpin of MTI.
The only way to ensure MTI go out of business is to remove you from the equation regardless of the facts.

Our group has spent many hours doing our own due diligence on MTI and found it to be a phenomenal gift to society. Thank you.
The fact is, that you, sir, are stepping on the toes of major financial institutions in South Africa and abroad.

Freemasonry is not just a rumour.

It is a well known fact that the major players in the current financial system are 17, 18 and 33 degree masons which will do anything possible to see the downfall of MTI. It is with great concern sir, that you pose a major threat to their ecosystem.

It is hereby our very humble plea that you temporarily remove yourself from the borders of South Africa. Our team are working diligently to expose the clear corruption and abuse of power by the players involved against you and MTI. In the meantime we need you to be safe.

With your current status, it would be nearly impossible to be granted a Visa to most countries especially with the limited time available. The good news sir, is that there are well over a hundred countries that do not require a Visa to enter. We are sure you will be able to figure it out and keep the information limited to only those close to you.

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When you do decide to go, and we sincerely hope you do sir, it would be very important to have as little contact as possible back home as they are monitoring through various means. For the time being only communicate via secure connection. VPN, TOR, Mailfence, Protonmail etcetera.

Thank you again for everything you do for humanity through MTI. We will continue doing our part to expose the truth. God bless you and your family.

Johann said he needed to secure himself for MTI. Johann said he needed to speak to Nerina Steynberg. We had a management meeting where the management team also advised Johann to remain calm and to stay in SA on the 1st of December 2020.

On the 2nd of December 2020 the team heard from Johann and Nerina Steynberg, this time they were on their way to the airport. Johann assured us all that everything will be ok that he simply needed to secure himself for MTI and put measures in place if ever something did incapacitate him so that Nerina can run the company. He did not disclose where he was going, he openly said that not even Nerina would be told his eventual destination. To date, his wife and daughter and extended family remain in SA.

Johan did send Clynton numerous pictures and messages of his flight to Doha. Apparently from there he went on to Sao Paulo, this was conveyed to Cheri Marks in a telephone conversation at a later stage.

For the weeks between the 3rd of December to the 14th of December Johann and Nerina continued to manage and run MTI's technical department despite the challenges we faced, slow withdrawals, withdrawal reporting problems on the server side, a server that needed upgrades and better protection.

On the 12th of December Clynton was very worried that he had not heard anything from Johann. The team later made contact with him and he said he fell asleep and apologised for the scare. All the while we had been in contact with Nerina, but this brought on a need to urgently appoint more technical staff in the know in Johann's department.

On Sunday the 13th of December we had a management meeting and Johann was told by our team that we refused to work with him any longer if he didn't appoint a proper second in charge that could run the system in his absence. He reiterated that Nerina would do this, as she is his 2IC. We said that if anything ever happened to him, Nerina would be in no position to run a company and suggested we appoint an outside contractor to assist. Johann was reluctant but agreed.

Nerina categorically stated that she can run the company and that Johann will not be handing the technical department over to anyone. Johann also told the team about an automated email that would be sent to Nerina and Clynton should he not log in to the server for 12 hours, this was the first time such an email was ever discussed.

On Monday Clynton forced Johann to add and introduce the contractor to the server team and the broker. He was placed on a WhatsApp group with the development team for MTI. Johann said he would do the broker introduction the following day. We were all relieved that Johann had some help and support he could trust.

On Monday night 14/12/2020 Johan let us know via signal (messaging APP) that he was processing the latest withdrawals and that he had received the necessary bitcoin from the broker (1300btc). He paid 500 withdrawals and then asked Nerina to check it to make sure the reporting function was correct, she confirmed it was. He did another batch of 2500 withdrawals. Then he said he was going to dinner and had to finalise the last withdrawals on his return.

At 08:04pm on Monday he confirmed he had concluded 2094 withdrawals.

At 12:27am on Tuesday he confirmed withdrawals were slow due to checking process but that 5200 withdrawals had been done for the day.

The last time we heard from Johann was Tuesday 01:51am.

On Tuesday we had no news further from Johann. We called Nerina and she also had not heard anything. She did not seem worried.

At 2:36pm Clynton received an automated email (attached) from Johann with details on how to run MTI. Details for the server team in India and login details to the server, along with only an email address for the broker. Management was familiar with this email as we had been copied in on communications between the broker and Johann on occasion pertaining to information needed for the FSCA.

From: Johann MTI ICOE <mti-icoe@protonmail.com>
Date: Tue, 15 Dec 2020, 14:36
Subject: Johann Automatic Email - ICOE
To: [REDACTED]

1 December 2020

This is not an easy email to write.
If you receive this, it means that I've been off the grid of 12 hours.

I have programmed this email to go out automatically should I not log into MTI for 12 or more hours.

I really hope no one have to read this mail.

Important Information

Kripa Tripathi is my main contact in the Indian team. He and his team will be able to assist anyone Nerina and Clynton assign to work on the programming / server. Kripa and his team is very helpful and capable of assisting with what ever is needed. You can contact Kripa Tripathi on [REDACTED]

Camila is our contact at the broker. She will be able to assist with any issue that you face.

A report can be drawn from the database with the assistance of Kripa on a daily basis and send through to Camila for withdrawal. Usually this is an automatic process, but if you have difficulties, you can contact Camila.

In the worst case scenario, [REDACTED] have a full power of attorney from me should that be necessary for what ever reason.

Below is the latest server login details.

WebServer:

Username: [REDACTED]

Password: [REDACTED]

Kripa does have access to the above details just in case anything changed since writing this email.

All service providers on the hosting / server and programming side of MTI has been paid in advance for the next 12 months.

I sincerely hope that it will not be necessary to use the information contained in this email.

Regards,
Johann

Cheri Marks immediately called Nerina.

Nerina was calm and said she would go to see Johann's best friend as he was flying to Brazil on that Saturday to join Johann.

When Nerina was asked what the first step should be to find him, she said "Maybe he doesn't want to be found".

Management and Leaders decided to do whatever it took to get members' btc safe and that, that withdrawal list needed to be paid.

Cheri Marks then put together an email with as much supporting documents as management and Nerina could furnish her with and sent it to the server team and the broker emails that Johann contained in the ICOE mail sent to Clynton and Nerina. The server team responded with lots of hesitation as they had been told by Johann categorically to only ever deal with him. They were completely unaware of any corporate structure.

The server development team needed a payment of \$45,000 for security invoices outstanding and further bandwidth which our management team paid immediately via PayPal upon receipt of a detailed invoice. They assisted us then and continue to do so. The server team has been most helpful. It has also subsequently come to the management teams' attention that no server upgrade was done as Johann said on the weekend of the 6th of December 2020.

The broker responded as follows;

Wednesday 16.12.2020 2:45pm

"Dear Cheri Marks,

Thank you for your letter below.

I can understand the difficult situation you must experience.

I have not heard from Johan since the weekend. Our technical team informed me that the automatic statement upload does not work at the moment. Looks like password changed on your end.

*I have attach the last statement export the same format we usually upload to your end.
Total BTC in trade as of the statement time: 23332.33656638 with the last trading day total profit of 0.18818902219707%*

Please forward a secure bitcoin wallet address that I submit to our accounts and technical departments for your withdrawals.

*Sincerely,
Camila
Trade300
Senior Account Manager"*

Thursday 17.12.2020 2:36pm

Dear Cheri Marks,

Here the last trade result.

Our technical team cannot upload automatically.

BTC in Trade: 23167.58375198

Total Profit:0.775895311243397%

Attached is the import statement.

I will contact the finance department to see why only little btc was released.

*If your developers need to talk to our technical team they can contact technical@trade300.com
I know they have been working with the import functions and have good knowledge of how it works.*

*Sincerely,
Camila
Trade300
Senior Account Manager*

Friday 18.12.2020 1:43pm

Dear Cheri Marks,

Here the last trade result.

Our technical team cannot upload automatically.

BTC in Trade: 22767.71204023

Total Profit:1.59519806306515%

Attached is the import statement.

*****FINANCE*****

Mateo, please see latest URGENT request below. This need done today.

*Sincerely,
Camila
Trade300
Senior Account Manager*

To date of writing this statement the bitcoin requested to honour withdrawals has not been paid out from trade300 and there is no valid reason for this. Over 34 emails have been sent to Trade300 in the last 6days to resolve this matter.

Nerina told us not to tell members about Johann being missing, and that she was sure he would turn up.

On Thursday 17/12 management got the press release from the FSCA.

We immediately contacted the server team and disabled all deposits into MTI. Nerina then confirmed Johann uses the alias Joe Steyn "all the time, for everything".

Nerina was again instructed to open a missing persons case immediately.

From the time of writing this statement she has still not opened a missing persons case.

On Wednesday 16 December we paid a private investigator to find Johann. Nerina was not happy about that. The investigator interviewed Nerina, she refused to be recorded and was not forthcoming with information.

The MTI Nedbank account, to which only Nerina and Johann has full access, has been suspended. Our head of corporate services was locked out of the account and the logins have been changed.

Nerina informed us only today that Johann had booked a return flight and that his return date was the 22nd of December 2020. This was news to us, not once during the last week or after his departure was that ever communicated to us. We are convinced she has control over his funds and the team of management and leaders were promised she could run MTI in Johann's absence.

This is all the information we have up to the time of this statement. Further information will be communicated when we get it.

MTI Management & Leaders