

## **Nigerian Goes to Prison for Scam**

A Nigerian living in the U.S. has been sentenced to 97 months (over eight years) in prison for scamming people with fake checks.

Alvin Chiemezie Asieru lived in Chino, California. He was part of a plot to make people think they had won money. Sometimes, they were told they were being hired to test money transfer services.

The victims were sent checks for large amounts. Asieru told them to deposit the checks and wire most of the money to him. After they had done this, they found the checks were fake. They had to pay the money back to the bank.

One victim was arrested and went to jail for doing this.

Asieru has also been ordered to pay back all the money -- over \$1.5 million.

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