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INTERPRETATION OF SECTION 24(5) of the Architects Act, 1967 (Revised 1973) relating to the definitions of "storeys of buildings" and "built-up areas of buildings"

1. For the guidance of all Registered Building Draughtsmen and Building Authorities, the Board has interpreted and clarified the two definitions affecting the restrictions on Registered Building Draughtsmen in the submission of plans :-

- 24(5)(i) "...buildings not exceeding two-storeys in height..." shall mean two storeys from the ground level (whether on level or sloping ground) but may include only one of the following :-
- (a) a basement,
 - (b) a semi-basement or
 - (c) a mezzanine floor
- 24(5)(ii) "...buildings not exceeding one storey in height..." shall mean one storey from the ground level (whether on level or sloping ground) but may include only one of the following :-
- (a) a basement,
 - (b) a semi-basement or
 - (c) a mezzanine floor
- 24(5)(i) "...providing that the total built-up area does not exceed 3,000 square feet..." shall mean the total of all covered and enclosed areas. This will exclude covered but open-sided areas such as terraces, carports, balconies and verandahs provided that the total for such areas does not exceed 600 square feet. Open areas such as airwells and courtyards as well as applications in connection with "change of use" of existing buildings are also to be excluded.
- 24(5)(ii) "...providing that the total built-up area does not exceed 1,000 square feet..." shall mean the total of all covered and enclosed areas. This will exclude covered but open-sided areas such as terraces, carports, balconies and verandahs provided that the total for such areas does not exceed 300 square feet. Open areas such as airwells and courtyards, as well as applications in connection with "change of use" of existing buildings are also to be excluded.

By Order of the Board.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'Hasan bin Mohamed', written over a horizontal line.

(HASAN bin MOHAMED)

Pendaftar

24th April 1985

Distribution :-

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