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GENERAL CIRCULAR NO. 2/1984 - WARNING FOR THE POSSIBLE BREACH OF THE ARCHITECTS ACT 1967 (REVISED 1973).

Lately, the Board has come across a number of cases whereby Registered Building Draughtsmen have failed to comply with the provisions of the Architects Act 1967 (Revised 1973) in carrying out their practice with particular reference to Section 7 and Section 24 of the Act which are extracted and reprinted below for easy reference.

Section 7.

- " Section 7 (i) *No person shall unless he is an Architect -*
- (a) *practice or carry on business or take up employment as an architect;*
 - (aa) *do so under any name, style or title -*
 - (i) *bearing the word "Architect" or the equivalent in any other language;*
 - (ii) *bearing any other word whatsoever in any language which may reasonably be construed to imply that he is an Architect;*
 - (b) *Use or display any sign, board, card or other device representing or implying that he is an Architect; and*
 - (c) *be entitled to recover in any court any fees, charge or remuneration for any professional advice or services rendered as an Architect. "*

Section 24.

- " Section 24 (1) *Upon the Registration of a Building Draughtsman the following restrictions shall apply -*
- (a) *he may submit plans only to, and within the limits of the Building Authority for which area his application has been approved; and*
 - (b) *he shall be entitled to submit plans of buildings only in accordance with the restrictions specified in subsection (5) as may be imposed by the Board.*
 - (5) *The restrictions referred to in subsection (1)(b) shall be in one of the following forms, that is to say:*
 - (i) *he shall be entitled only to submit plans of buildings not exceeding two-storeys in height and not involving reinforced concrete or structural steel framework except lintols not exceeding 8 feet in span providing that the total built-up floor area does not exceed 3,000 square feet in any one project submitted for approval; or*

- (ii) *he shall be entitled to submit plans of building not exceeding one-storey in height and not involving reinforced concrete or structural steel framework except lintols not exceeding 8 feet in span providing that the total built-up floor area does not exceed 1,000 square feet in any one project submitted for approval."*

Most Building Draughtsmen have been registered with restrictions as stipulated under Section 24(5)(i).

WARNING.

The issuance of this circular serves as a warning to all Registered Building Draughtsmen reminding them that they must comply with all the provisions of the Act in particular reference to the Sections mentioned above. Should the Board has evidence to show that any Registered Building Draughtsman has contravened any of the provisions of the Act in particular reference to Section 7 and Section 24, the Board will take action to remove his name from the Register as empowered by Section 25 (1)(h) of the Act which states that,

" The Board may order the cancellation of the Registration of any Building Draughtsman

- (h) if he is found by the Board to have contravened or failed to comply with any of the provisions of this Act or if any Rules made thereunder.*

To avoid the penalty of deregistration, your strict compliance with the provisions of the Act is required.

"BERKHIDMAT UNTUK NEGARA"

Saya yang menurut perintah,

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

(HASAN bin MOHAMED)

Pendaftar

17 SEP 1984

s.k. - Yang Dipertua, LAM.
- All Board Members.