

BOARD OF ARCHITECTS MALAYSIA

(P.O. Box 12695, 50786 Kuala Lumpur)

General Circular No. 3/1984

SELLING SIGNATURES

It has come to the Board's attention that over the last few years the influx of foreign architects into Malaysia to practise is on the increase. It is also noticed that the majority of these architects were initially brought in and engaged by the building owners. The implication is that the engagement of local registered Architects is secondary and that they play a secondary role merely to formalise and legalise the submission of plans to approving authorities as it is the requirement of the law that only persons registered with the Board can submit plan.

I have been directed by the Board to warn all registered Architects that it is wrong for any Architect to sign or otherwise certify plans that have not been prepared by him or under his direct supervision.

I am also to remind all Architects that as submitting persons they are held solely and fully responsible to the approving authorities.

The Board prefers to see a situation where local Architects are engaged as prime consultants and foreign architects are only engaged as "DESIGN CONSULTANTS" to provide inputs and expertise that are not available locally.

"BERKHIDMAT UNTUK NEGARA"

Saya yang menurut perintah,

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

(HASAN bin MOHAMED)

Registrar

28 November 1984