Dear Sirs,

Circular No. 17/98
Lift/Escalator Demolition Works

When the maintenance service on any lifts or escalators under your maintenance is to be terminated, you are required to remind the owners of the lifts or escalators of their responsibilities under the Lifts and Escalators (Safety) Ordinance (the Ordinance), in particulars, the following:

(a) If the lifts/escalators will be demolished, the owner must employ a registered lift/escalator contractor to carry out such works as demolition of lifts/escalators is a kind of lift/escalator works. Knowingly employing or permitting any unauthorized persons to carry out lift/escalator works is a contravention of section 28(1C) and 29A of the Ordinance.

(b) If the service of the lifts or escalators has been/will be temporarily suspended, the owner is still responsible to arrange a registered lift/escalator contractor to carry out maintenance on such lifts or escalators in compliance with section 19 of the Ordinance.

Yours faithfully,

(G.M.W. CHUI)
for Director of Electrical & Mechanical Services

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