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All Registered Lift Contractors

Dear Sirs,

Circular No. 11/94
Fatal Fire Accident Inside a Lift

A 16-year old male met his death as a result of sustaining severe burns in a fire while conveying inflammable waste in a general freight lift. The case was heard before a Coroner on 25.5.1994 to determine the cause of the death and at the conclusion of the death inquest the Coroner returned a verdict of "Death by Accident" and also added a rider which reads as follows:-

It is recommended that inflammable waste should be properly sealed in a suitable container before being transported by lift within a building.

I should be grateful if you would advise the concerned lift owners about this recommendation in case you notice any unsafe situation due to conveying inflammable waste by lifts under your maintenance.

Yours faithfully,

(John CHAN)
for Director of Electrical & Mechanical Services

c.c. Director of Housing
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