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Clerk to Bills Committee
Bills Committee on Buildings (Amendment) Bill 2010
Legislative Council Secretariat
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(Attn: Mr Daniel SIN)

Dear Mr Sin,

Views on the Buildings (Amendment) Bill 2010

Thank you for your letter of 25 February 2010 inviting the Institution to put forth our views on the captioned subject.

We are pleased to provide herewith our views and comments for consideration of the Bills Committee:

1. Building owners generally lack the technical knowledge to judge the performance of the Registered Inspectors (RI) they appointed (e.g. whether the repair proposal recommended by the RI are really required or is the most appropriate), and of the contractors (quality of the repair works). It would be constructive to consider having guidelines and control mechanism for ensuring the quality and consistency of the RIs' performance, and the quality of the repair works.
2. For buildings that are without OCs and having difficulties in organizing the mandatory inspection as required under the new Bill, it may worth considering some form of advisory service or assistance as part of the package (including financial) offered by the government.

Thank you.

Yours sincerely,

Ir Dr Andrew K.C. Chan, JP
President