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Question (Member Question No. 2):

How many cases of suspected irregularities involving contractors have been received by the Buildings Department since the implementation of the Mandatory Building Inspection Scheme and Mandatory Window Inspection Scheme? How many of them have been referred to other enforcement departments to follow up and what are the details of these cases?

Asked by: Hon. WU Chi-wai

Reply:

Since the implementation of the Mandatory Building Inspection Scheme and the Mandatory Window Inspection Scheme (MWIS) in June 2012, the Buildings Department (BD) has received six reports on suspected irregularities involving registered minor works contractors who were appointed as qualified persons (QP) by the relevant building owners to carry out prescribed window inspection and repair under the MWIS. The suspected irregularities reported mainly concerned unnecessary window repair or replacement prescribed by the QP and unreasonable inspection and repair cost. Investigations into these cases are being carried out by BD under the Buildings Ordinance. None of them has been referred to other enforcement departments for follow-up.