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To : Property Management Agents

Dear Sir/Madam,

Super Typhoon “Mangkhut” (“山竹”)

According to the forecast of the Hong Kong Observatory, Super Typhoon Mangkhut (“山竹”) will be approaching Hong Kong by this weekend. The associated heavy rain, squalls and storm surge may pose threat to Hong Kong, particularly the costal and low-lying areas.

For buildings/estates under your management, I am writing to solicit your co-operation for the sake of public and building safety. From past experience, many public and building safety incidents could have been avoided if proper precautionary measures have been taken. Some examples are:

- (a) Inspect roof, podium, flat roof and basement (including car park) to ensure surface water drains and rainwater manholes are in good working order without blockage;
- (b) Inspect all installations at the building exteriors (e.g. scaffolding, signage, advertisement, decoration) to ensure such are in secure and safe condition;
- (c) Provide suitable pumping equipment at areas of flooding risk such as electrical and mechanical plant rooms and car parking areas;
- (d) Inspect slopes and retaining walls within the development to determine any anomalies (e.g. cracks, drain blocked, mud oozing);
- (e) Provide proper protection materials or devices for windows, glass doors and glass panels in exposed positions;
- (f) Ensure gondola (if any) parked at safe location and is properly secured; and
- (g) Remove/relocate the potential target/object that may be hit by a fallen tree/branch, or restrict access/cordon off the area within the possible tree fall zone.

Please impress upon your management staff to ensure that the suitable precautionary measures are taken. After inclement weather, you are advised to assign competent persons to carry out post-inclement weather inspections and the necessary repair/maintenance works as soon as possible.

Yours faithfully



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