

COMPOSITE OF THE PRC PRBOA LETTER TO DEVELOPERS WHICH PUBLISHED/ POSTED INFORMATION ABOUT THEIR PROJECTS AND WHICH APPARENTLY COMMISSIONED FOREIGN ARCHITECTURAL FIRMS (FAFs) AND/OR WHICH EMPLOY FOREIGN ARCHITECTS (FAs) WHO ARE WITHOUT SPECIAL/ TEMPORARY PERMITS (STPs) TO PRACTICE THE STATE-REGULATED PROFESSION OF ARCHITECTURE FOR PROJECTS SITED ON PHILIPPINE SOIL (WHICH COULD RESULT IN POSSIBLE VIOLATIONS OF R.A. NO. 9266, THE ARCHITECTURE ACT OF 2004, ITS IRR AND DERIVATIVE REGULATIONS)

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- 6) **RLC** (*based in Quezon City*)
- 7) **SMIC** (*based in Pasay City*)
- 8) **SMPHI** (*based in Pasay City*)

Gentlemen/ Mesdames:

Greetings from the Professional Regulatory Board of Architecture (PRBoA).

We refer to published information concerning Your ongoing project and Your apparently commissioned foreign architectural firm/s (FAFs) and/or foreign architect/s (FAs), viz:

A. Names of the Foreign Architects (FAs) and/or the Foreign Architectural Firms (FAFs) Identified in a Broadsheet Publication	B. Name (and Location) of Developer's Project	C. Publication Name/ Section/ Page Number/ Nature of Publication (title and byline as applicable) Where the FAFs and the FAs are Identified	D. Day (and Date) of Publication
a. Bernardo Fort-Brescia of ARQUITECTONICA , New York; (photo); Website: www.arquitectonica.com	The SixSenses Resort Project, cor. Federal Ave. & Avenue, Bay Area [Central Business Park Island A/ CBP-I(A)], Pasay City	a. Philippine Daily Inquirer (PDI)/ Business section/page B6 / advertisement and on News section/ page A3 / teaser-advertisement	Wednesday, October 24, 2012
b. Steven Townsend of HELMUTH, OBATA & KASSABAUM (HOK) , Hong Kong (photo); Website: www.hok.com		b. PDI / Business section/page B6 / full page advertisement entitled "A vibrant landscape is on the rise with SixSenses Resort"	Wednesday, March 7, 2012
c. John Miles of OVE ARUP , London (photo); Website: www.arup.com/Services/Architecture.aspx			

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<p>d. Ariane Steinback of GETTYS, Chicago (photo); Website: www.gettys.com</p>			
<p>ARQUITECTONICA New York; (paragraph 6 of the article); Website: www.arquitectonica.com</p>	<p>The 47-storey, BDO Corporate Center Ortigas Project, cor. ADB Ave. & Julia Vargas St. Ortigas Center, Pasig City</p>	<p>Philippine Daily Inquirer (PDI)/ Business section/page B7/ article entitled “47-floor BDO headquarters to rise in Ortigas” bylined Doris C. Dumlao</p>	<p>Friday, October 26, 2012</p>
<p>BROADWAY MALYAN of London (paragraph 8 of article); Website: www.broadwaymalvan.com</p>	<p>Eight (8)-tower mid-rise community (4.4 hectares), Common-wealth Ave., Quezon City</p>	<p>PDI/ Business section/page B3/ article entitled “CPG goes into ‘affordable’ residential property sector”/ “Launches P4.1-B project in QC”, by Doris C. Dumlao</p>	<p>Monday, July 30, 2012</p>
<p>BROADWAY MALYAN of London (paragraph 2 of article); Website: www.broadwaymalvan.com</p>	<p>Fifty six storey (56) Trump Tower Manila Project, Century City, Kalayaan Ave., Makati City</p>	<p>PDI/ Lifestyle section/pages D1 & D3/ article entitled “Trump Tower set to change the Asian skyline”/ “The collaboration between Century properties and Trump Organization is rewriting development”, by Marge C. Enriquez, Contributor</p>	<p>Wednesday, June 20, 2012</p>
<p>HELMUTH, OBATA & KASSABAUM (HOK), Hong Kong (paragraph 2 of full page advertisement); Website: www.hok.com</p>	<p>Twenty nine (29)-storey, twin tower Sonata Place Project, Lourdes St., cor. San Miguel Ave., Ortigas Center., Pasig City</p>	<p>PDI/ Lifestyle section/page F2/ full page advertisement</p>	<p>Friday, May 25, 2012</p>
<p>POINT DESIGN, INC. New York (paragraph 15 of article); Website: www.pointdesigninc.com</p>	<p>145,000.0 sqm SM Lanang Mall Project, JP Laurel Ave., Bgy. Lanang, Davao City</p>	<p>Manila Bulletin/ Property News section/page B-9/ article entitled “SM Lanang in Davao Opens”/ “‘Mall of Firsts’ in Mindanao Attracts Record Crowds, Upscale</p>	<p>Thursday, October 4, 2012</p>

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<u>SKIDMORE, OWINGS & MERRILL (SOM)</u> , New York (paragraph 8 of article found on page C2); Website: www.som.com	Approx. 80,000 sqm GFA Thirty three (33)- storey Zuellig Building Project, Makati Ave. cor. Paseo de Roxas, Makati City	Philippine Daily Inquirer (PDI)/ Property section/ pages C1 and C2/ article entitled “The new Makati high-rise that’s making heads turn”/ “Inquirer Exclusive”, by Alex Y. Vergara	Sunday, September 9, 2012
<u>TANGE ASSOCIATES</u> of Japan (paragraph 10 of full page paid advertisement); Website: www.tangeweb.com	The 38-level, 2 towers Grand Midori Makati Project, Legaspi Ave., Legaspi Village, Makati City	a. PDI/ Business section/page B4/ full page paid advertisement entitled “Tower 1 of the Grand Midori Makati almost complete, slated for turnover this year”; and b. PDI/ Business section/page B6/ full page paid advertisement entitled “Tower 1 of the Grand Midori Makati almost complete, slated for turnover this year”	a. Monday, June 18, 2012; and b. Wednesday, July 25, 2012
a. <u>WONG & OUYANG</u> of Hong Kong (paragraph 7 of article); and b. <u>WONG & OUYANG</u> of Hong Kong (paragraph 3 of full page advertisement); Website: www.wongouyang.com	48,000 sqm GFA Thirty four (34)-storey Alphaland Tower Project, 6789 Ayala Ave., Makati City	a. PDI/ Property section/pages B3-2/ article entitled “Developer at the forefront of going ‘green’”/ “From Eyesore to Sustainable Building”, by Theresa M. Samaniego; and b. PDI/ Lifestyle section/pages B8/ full page advertisement	a. Saturday, July 28, 2012; and b. Saturday, August 11, 2012
a. <u>WONG & OUYANG</u> of Hong Kong (photo of representative); Website: www.wongouyang.com	The Grand Hyatt Manila 50-storey Residences Project, Veritown Fort, Bonifacio Global City	PDI/ Business section/page B6/ full page advertisement	Friday, October 5, 2012
b. <u>OVE ARUP</u> , London (photo			

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of representative); Website: www.arup.com/Services/Architecture.aspx	Taguig City		
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A. Name of the <u>Foreign Architectural Firm (FAF)</u> Identified in Posted Website Material/ FAF and Project websites	B. Name (and Location) of Developer's Project
<u>ARQUITECTONICA</u> , New York; Website: www.arquitectonica.com	TwoE-Com Center Project, Mall of Asia (MoA) Complex, Pasay City
a. <u>BROADWAY MALYAN</u> ; Website: www.broadwaymalyan.com	Eight (8)-tower mid-rise community (4.4 hectares), Commonwealth Ave., Quezon City
b. <u>BROADWAY MALYAN</u> ; c/o project website: www.acqua.com.ph	Acqua Residences (6 tower residential condominium project), along the Pasig River, Mandaluyong City
c. <u>BROADWAY MALYAN</u> ; c/o project website: www.azure.com.ph/masterplan.html	Azure Residences (12 tower residential condominium project), Parañaque City
d. <u>BROADWAY MALYAN</u> ; c/o project website: www.milanoresidences.com.ph	Milano Residences (36-storey/ high-rise residential condominium project), Century City, Makati City
e. <u>JERDE PARTNERSHIP</u> ; Website: www.jerde.com ; or c/o project website: www.gramercyresidences.com	Gramercy Residences (high-rise residential condominium project), Century City, Makati City
<u>RTKL</u> , USA; Website: www.rtkl.com ; or c/o project website: www.circuloverde.com.ph/designteam.html	Circulo Verde Mixed Use Development Project (15 high-rise towers cum 54 townhouses on a 10.0 hectare property), Calle Industria/ along the Marikina River, Quezon City
<u>SKIDMORE, OWINGS & MERRILL (SOM)</u> , New York; Website: www.som.com	Shangri-La at the Fort, a 60-storey Mixed Use Development Project, cor. 5 th Ave. & 30th Street, Bonifacio Global City, Taguig City

Please be advised that Republic Act No. 9266, the Architecture Act of 2004, governs the practice of architecture for **all** projects on Philippine soil. Section 38 provides that before a foreign national i.e. a **natural** person, performs professional services as architect or consultant for Filipino private firms, he/she shall, before assuming the duties, functions and responsibilities as such, secure a special/ temporary permit (STP) from this Board subject to the approval of the Professional

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Regulation Commission. The STP is issued only to natural persons and is **not** issued to a juridical person such as Your FAF.

Section 29 further provides for penalties to be imposed upon those who shall be found guilty of practicing or offering to practice architecture in the Philippines, without being registered/ licensed or those who are **not** holders of STPs in accordance with the provisions of this Act.

Advertising or promoting Your FAF, or its principals, leads, officers or any of its architects, who have **not** yet secured their individual STPs to practice architecture on Philippine soil, may constitute a violation of law. Through You, the PRBoA extends this invitation to thoroughly review the provisions of said Act to help You and Your foreign architects (FAs, **not** Your FAF) attain full compliance.

For Your information and guidance.

Yours sincerely,
**Professional Regulatory
Board of Architecture
(PRBoA)**

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ARMANDO N. ALLÍ
Acting Chairman

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