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EA Alert: Do Not Falsely Declare in Work Permit Applications

Dear Key Appointment Holders and Employment Agency Personnel,

It has come to the Ministry's attention that some employment agencies falsely declare that written consent from existing employers has been obtained when submitting work permit applications for the employers' workers to be hired by other companies. We are investigating these EAs.

MOM takes a serious view of false declarations made in work permit applications. We will investigate and take appropriate enforcement action against the employment agencies involved, which could include a fine and a jail term. EAs may also be given demerit points or have their licence revoked and security deposit forfeited.

MOM would like to remind all employment agencies to abide by the rules, and advise your clients accordingly. You can refer to the attached infographic recently sent out to companies for more information about the rules regarding change of employers for work permit holders.

Yours sincerely

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