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WIM PRESS STATEMENT

The Board of Trustees of the Women's Institute of Management (WIM) strongly denies that WIM has decided to demolish our 6-storey building, Wisma WIM, to re-develope the site to construct a multi-storey block of 140 units of high priced Service Apartments. Advertisements for such Apartments, which are fake, have been circulated online by some unscrupulous parties, requiring pre-registration payments of RM5,000/- and stating the name of a company to which the cheques are to be made out, and that the land is Freehold.

We wish to inform the public not to be fooled by this scam. Furthermore we wish to state:

- 1. the land on which Wisma WIM was constructed is government institutional land gazetted under KL City Plan 2020 reserved for NGOs and Non Profit Organisations. WIM is a Non Profit Women's NGO
- 2. the whole row of land lots beside Wisma WIM are also government institutional lands, and not meant for commercial purposes. Any profitmaking commercial project on such lands will need to obtain formal government approval for change of land use.

Throughout most of the online advertisements and public comments the reference for the above fake development project refers to WIM as the Women's NGO involved. Wisma WIM stands on Land Lot 51942. However, the online news refer to Lot 52396, which allegedly had been awarded to the National Council of Women's Organisation, also a women's NGO. Could it be that WIM has been wrongly cited?

WIM therefore appeals to the following officials to clarify this urgent matter so that members of the public will not be duped, namely:

- 1. Y.Bhg. Datuk Bandar Kuala Lumpur
 - whether he has approved such a project, i.e. 140 units of Service Apartments.
- 2. Tuan Ketua Pengarah, Jabatan Tanah
 - whether any land lot next to WIM has obtained approval for change of land use, i.e. from institutional land to commercial land.
- 3. Y.Bhg. Datin Zairani Zainal Abidin,

Head of Investigation,

Malaysian Communications and Multimedia Commission (Tel: 03-8688528)

WIM has written 2 letters to Y.Bhg. Datin to obtain her assistance to trace the parties circulating the fake news. Awaiting response.

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