

# 17 對買方的警告

## WARNING TO PURCHASERS

1. 在此建議買方聘用一間獨立的律師事務所(代表擁有人行事者除外)，以在交易中代表買方行事。
  2. 如買方聘用上述的獨立的律師事務所，以在交易中代表買方行事，該律師事務所將會能夠向買方提供獨立意見。
  3. 如買方聘用代表擁有人行事的律師事務所同時代表買方行事，而擁有人與買方之間出現利益衝突 –
    - (i) 該律師事務所可能不能夠保障買方的利益；及
    - (ii) 買方可能要聘用一間獨立的律師事務所。
  4. 如屬3.(ii)段的情況，買方須支付的律師費用總數，可能高於如買方自一開始即聘用一間獨立的律師事務所便須支付的費用。
1. The purchaser is hereby recommended to instruct a separate firm of solicitors (other than that acting for the owner) to act for the purchaser in relation to the transaction.
  2. If the purchaser instructs such separate firm of solicitors to act for the purchaser in relation to the transaction, that firm will be able to give independent advice to the purchaser.
  3. If the purchaser instructs the firm of solicitors acting for the owner to act for the purchaser as well, and a conflict of interest arises between the owner and the purchaser –
    - (i) that firm may not be able to protect the purchaser's interests; and
    - (ii) the purchaser may have to instruct a separate firm of solicitors.
  4. In the case of paragraph 3.(ii), the total solicitors' fees payable by the purchaser may be higher than the fees that would have been payable if the purchaser had instructed a separate firm of solicitors in the first place.