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To whom it may concern

Dear Sir/Madam

Lifting of Persons with Tower Cranes for Entertainment Purposes

At a recent meeting of the Steering Committee of the Construction Plant-hire Association's Tower Crane Interest Group, members discussed the use of tower cranes for lifting people for entertainment purposes and concluded that tower cranes are definitely not suitable for this activity.

The use of tower cranes for lifting persons at work is permitted by the Lifting Operations and Lifting Equipment Regulations 1998 (LOLER) only *"in exceptional circumstances, when it is not practicable to gain access by less hazardous means."* BS 7121-1:2006 gives detailed advice on planning and carrying out such operations.

Yours faithfully

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