Media Release

Construction worker injured

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A Fletcher Construction worker has been injured on the top floor of the Hotel Grand Chancellor demolition site this morning.

"Our thoughts are with the worker and his family," said Fletcher's Chief Executive of Construction, Graham Darlow. "Right now, our focus is on ensuring that they have all the support they need. We are really distressed that one of our people has been harmed, and feel deeply for his family."

Mr Darlow said that Fletcher Construction had notified the Department of Labour of the accident.

The worked was taken to hospital by ambulance where his family are now with him.

CERA General Manager Operations, Warwick Isaacs, assured the public that CERA and Fletcher Construction take workplace safety very seriously.

"Together, CERA and Fletcher Construction developed a sound and robust safety plan for the demolition of the Hotel Grand Chancellor," said Mr Isaacs. "It is distressing and concerning that an incident resulting in serious harm has occurred.

"Fletcher Construction acted immediately to get help for the injured worker, ensure no further people were at risk, and to check on the wellbeing of those who witnessed the accident," Mr Isaacs said.

All work at the Hotel Grand Chancellor is currently on hold.

"Out of respect for the worker and his family, and because we all want this fully investigated, I am unable to provide any further details at this time," said Mr Isaacs.