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Our observations from participating in the investigation at the accident site in Sundbyberg, Sweden

On December 11, a tragic workplace accident occurred at a construction site in Sundbyberg, Sweden. Based on observations made by Alimak Group's experts on site, we can conclude that there is a significant deviation from the installation instructions.

"First of all, I want to emphasize that this is a deeply tragic and unimaginable event. Our thoughts are first and foremost with those affected and their families", says Ole Kristian Jødahl, CEO of Alimak Group. "As soon as we became aware of the accident, we sent a team of experts to the site to be available for the investigations carried out by the relevant authorities".

On December 12, three senior experts from the Alimak Group, together with investigators from the Swedish Accident Investigation Authority and the police, attended the accident site for observation.

Based on the observations made, we can conclude that two of the mast sections holding the hoist in place have not been bolted together, which may be the reason why the hoist car fell to the ground. This is a significant deviation from the installation instructions. The installation has not been carried out by Alimak Group.

"Upon installation, there is an installation manual with clear instructions. In addition, there is an operator and maintenance manual that also includes daily safety inspections to ensure that the lift works as intended. I want to emphasize again the importance of following the instructions that come with the product during installation and use", says Ole Kristian Jødahl", says Ole Kristian Jødahl.

The hoist used in the accident is an Alimak Scando 650, a standard hoist used on construction sites to transport passengers and materials at height.

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