**How to DELETE and REMOVE an INVALID or Unknown Virtual Machine**

**(VM) from VMware ESXi**

**Step 1:**  
Log in to the console and check the VM server name. If the status shows as "invalid" and the used space is "unknown," note down the VM names (e.g., 56).

**Step 2:**  
Connect to the ESXi host via root using its IP address.

**Step 3:**  
Run the following command:

vim-cmd /vmsvc/getallvms

**Step 4:**  
Example output:

Skipping Invalid VM '56'

Skipping Invalid VM '24'

**Step 5:**  
Unregister the invalid VM by running:

vim-cmd /vmsvc/unregister '56'

**Step 6:**  
Log in to the console again and verify that VM '56' has been removed.