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(Letterhead of Hon Mrs Sophie LEUNG)

21 February 2001

Members of the Legislative Council

Dear colleagues,

I have submitted an application for a debate slot at the Council meeting on 14 March for moving a motion debate on the Consultation Document on Health Care Reform. Apart from me, so far two other Members have also submitted their applications for the debate slots at the same meeting. In accordance with the relevant rule, there are normally only two slots for motion debates at each Council meeting. Under such circumstances, allocation of the debate slots at that Council meeting will have to be determined by drawing lots.

As the consultation period for the Consultation Document on Health Care Reform will end in mid-March, and to enable this Council to express its views on the consultation document for the Government's reference before the expiry of the consultation period, I propose that the House Committee should discuss at its meeting on this Friday (i.e. 23 February) whether the proposed motion below should be directly placed on the Agenda for the Council meeting on that day and moved by the Chairman of the House Committee:

"That this Council notes the Consultation Document on Health Care Reform."

If there are any enquiries about the above matter, please contact my assistant, Mr Edmond CHOW, at 2798 3986.

(Signed) Sophie LEUNG