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Dear Miss Chan,

The LegCo Panel on Housing and The LegCo Panel on Planning, Lands and Works

Follow Up Action to Joint Meeting on 27 November 2000

Thank you for your letters of 6.2.2001 and 28.11.2000 requesting a response from the Administration to Hon Andrew Cheng's eight point requests on the matter of Tseung Kwan O unusual settlement.

I most regret to advise that due to the complexity of the issues involved, the relevant policy bureaux and departments of the Government are still looking into those requests. As the issues are still under our close examination, we are unable to furnish the two Panels with a detailed response to each of those requests at this moment. We would therefore like to request for more time before reverting to the two Panels.

I would be pleased if you could convey our apology to Dr Hon TANG Siu-tong and Hon CHAN Kam-lam. We anticipate that we should be able to revert to the two Panels with our responses to the eight

point requests in about two months if that is agreeable. If the Government reaches an earlier decision on those responses within this period, we shall of course advise the two Panels immediately.

Please contact the undersigned to discuss if necessary.

Yours faithfully

(CHAN Chi-ming) for Secretary for Works