

Honorable Madam Fan:

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I'm writing to express my deep concern about the "Proposals to Implement Article 23 of the Basic Law" in the recent Hong Kong government's consultation document.

Hong Kong is internationally loved for its relatively free environment and respect for the rule of law. The proposals will lead to the deterioration of human rights and the rule of law in Hong Kong. In particular, the rights of Hong Kong's people to freedom of speech, freedom of the press, freedom of association and freedom of information will be threatened if the proposals become law.

Considering Article 23's threats to human rights and all the advantages Hong Kong has had, I oppose the proposals to implement Article 23. I would like to ask you to consider the future of Hong Kong. Please stop the implementation of Article 23.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

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