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To: rfan@legco.gov.hk

cc:

Subject: Fwd: Democracy & Human Rights of our people in Hong Kong shall be respected.

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Dear Rita

Happy New Year to Hong Kong! Peace & joy be with you.

Individual freedom, human rights and democracy are the established principles in Hong Kong. The government shall consult the public in democratic ways before making the proposed new law under the Article 23 of the Basic Law. A white draft of the proposed Ordinance may be useful in this case.

We were born in Hong Kong. We love Hong Kong. We love our country, China. But Democracy and Human Rights are today internationally well-established principles in a democratic society. Every individual can express one's different political ideas in Hong Kong.

The new law made under Article 23 of the Basic Law shall be used to protect National Interests but it can't be used to limit political freedom or to limit opposition political ideas. It can't be used to jail the political leaders in opposition. Freedom in political participation in national politics is also our human rights. Natural Justice and Rule of Law should be respected always in Hong Kong.

Because we live in a democratic society. Individual different ideas in politics should always be respected and encouraged. This is the essence of a democratic society. It is also our human rights which have been stated very clearly in our HKSAR Basic Law.

HK's people in unity, trust, co-operation & courage, we shall overcome.

Let's have the best wishes for Hong Kong & China in 2003.

Yours sincerely,

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Note: forwarded message attached.

To: mingpao@mingpao.com

Subject: Democracy & Human Rights of our people in Hong Kong shall be respected.

Dear Editor

Happy New Year to Hong Kong!

Individual Human rights, Freedom & Democracy are the important established principles in HK.

HK government should consult the public by democratic processes in making the new law under the Article 23 of the Basic Law.

The new law shall respect the HK people's freedom & human rights as stated very clearly in the HKSAR Basis Law.

The rule of law in HK shall be respected. The will of HK people should be respected.

The new law shall be made to protect the national interest in clearly defined areas.

It shall not use to limit people's different political ideas. Because in today democratic society, individual different views in politics are highly respected & encouraged. This is our human rights.

Let's have best wishes for HK & China's beautiful future.

Looking forward to hearing from you any time.

Your sincerely,

Andy Yau

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