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Miss Flora TAI Secretary LegCo Panel on Home Affairs Legislative Council Building 8 Jackson Road Central Hong Kong

Dear Miss TAI,

LegCo Panel on Home Affairs Subcommittee to Follow Up the Outstanding Leisure and <u>Cultural Services Projects of the Former Municipal Councils</u>

I refer to your letter dated 10 May 2005 inviting Kwun Tong District Council's views on the captioned subject. A special meeting was held by Culture, Recreation and Sports Committee of Kwun Tong District Council on 9 June 2005 to discuss the issue. To sum up the views expressed by Members at the meeting, the following proposals are submitted:

(i) 218CR Provision of recreational facilities on Jordan Valley former Landfill (Former title: Provision of an Ecological Park and other Recreational Facilities on Jordan Valley former Landfill)

The project is one of the 25 projects recommended for priority implementation in the 2005 Policy Address. It is hoped that the planning process will be speeded up by the relevant department so that the project can start earlier than the scheduled 2008. The residents will thus be able to enjoy the facilities as soon as possible.

(ii) 120CR Lam Tin North Family Leisure Centre; and424CR Lam Tin Park (Phase II) (i.e. Ma Yau Tong Central Landfill)

Due to the rapid growth of population in Lam Tin, there is an acute

shortage of leisure and cultural facilities in the area. In particular, there is a great demand for large libraries. In view of this, it is hoped that the construction of Lam Tin North Family Leisure Centre, which has been planned for years, will be implemented as soon as possible. Also, it is hoped that the construction of Lam Tin Park (Phase II) will be speeded up. As the park is centrally located, the completed facility will benefit most residents.

(iii) 3049RE Renovation of libraries – Phase 2 works (Shui Wo Street Public Library)

To cater for residents' demand for library services, Members hope that the above project will be conducted as soon as possible.

To conclude, we hope that the relevant department will speed up the implementation programme of the above projects and have them conducted, in response to Kwun Tong residents' demand for leisure and cultural facilities over the years.

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