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Legislative Council Secretariat,
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(Attn: Miss Flora TAI)

Dear Miss Tai,

Panel on Home Affairs

**Subcommittee to Follow Up the Outstanding Leisure and Cultural Services Projects of
the Former Municipal Councils**

Your letter of 10 May 2005 refers. I enclose the comments and suggestions from members of Sai Kung District Council (Chinese and English) for your further action. Please note that softcopy of them have been emailed to email account: smwoo@legco.gov.hk. Should you have any problems, please feel free to contact me by phone at 2163 9419.

Yours sincerely,

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for Secretary,
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Legislative Council Panel on Home Affairs
Subcommittee to follow up the Outstanding Leisure and
Cultural Services Projects of the Former Municipal Councils

Suggestions from members of the Sai Kung District Council:

Priorities of the projects

- Because population near Tseung Kwan O Area 44 is about 100 thousand and there is lack of leisure and cultural facilities, 'Tseung Kwan O Complex, Area 44, Tseung Kwan O' should be built as soon as possible. It is too late to start the project in mid-2011.

Commencement and completion dates of projects/ programmes with implementation timetables of recommended for priority implementation

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- It is hoped that the project of 'Tseung Kwan O Sports Ground' should be commenced as schedule.
- The construction works of "District Open Space. Area 40a, Tseung Kwan O" should be built as soon as possible.

Projects proposed to be deferred or deleted

- It is agreed to delete some projects, e.g. Annex 3, the third item, 'Temporary Recreational Development at Ma Yau Tong West Landfill'

Projects put under further review

- Since there is only one outdoor sports ground and there is lack of indoor recreation centre in Sai Kung, 'Indoor Recreation Centre in Area 4 Sai Kung' should be built.
- The population in Tseung Kwan O is continuously increasing, especially in Tseung Kwan O (South). However, until now, the problem of insufficient leisure and cultural facilities still has not been solved. The swimming pool, library and indoor recreation centre in Area 24 of TKO cannot satisfy all the needs. Thus, 'Civic Centre for Sai Kung District Area 66, Tseung Kwan O' should be commenced as soon as possible.
- The project of 'District Open Space in Area 37, Tseung Kwan O' should be maintained so as to provide rest place in concrete jungle in TKO and to line in with the concept of "Healthy City – TKO".

Others

- All outstanding leisure and cultural facilities projects should be consulted with District Council. The aim is to make sure that the facilities provided are of good use, e.g. squash is out-dated and no more squash courts should be included in new sports centres.