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Chairman
Subcommittee to Review the Planning for the
Central Waterfront (including the Tamar site)
Panel on Planning, Lands and Works
Legislative Council
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Dear Mr. Lau,

**Central and Tamar Roads and Planning Review
CGO and Legco Premises**

With regard to my recent submission concerning the reuse of the existing CGO and Legco premises, I would suggest that new studies are needed to ascertain future needs, and how these can best be fulfilled.

I would ask, therefore, that the Committee make recommendations that independent experts be employed to:

- 1 Audit the physical condition and use of the CGO and Legco premises
- 2 Check current work processes against accepted best practice to discover possibilities for increased efficiencies
- 3 Investigate how the premises could be used more effectively in future
- 4 Report on alternative costs and programme implications for different implementation options

In order for this to take place in a transparent manner, a working group should be set up to devise a robust process for the selection of these experts. This should be a tight group representing elected members and officers, with carefully chosen specialists from relevant disciplines. This group would work within precisely conceived guidelines.

I trust this suggestion will bring a fruitful outcome.

With best wishes

Yours sincerely

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