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The Honourable Tung Chee-hwa
The Chief Executive of the
Hong Kong Special Administrative Region
of the People's Republic of China
Chief Executive's Office
Hong Kong

DEAR MR TUNG,

Visits of Leaders of Central Government

On behalf of the House Committee, I write again to urge the Administration to make arrangement for meetings to be held between the national leaders on visits to the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region (HKSAR) and Legislative Council Members to discuss issues of public concern.

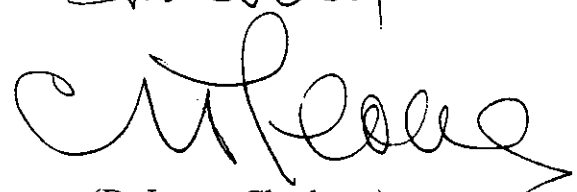
Members have noted Mr Joshua Law's letter of 16 July 1999 sent on your behalf. Members are disappointed at the Administration's response. Whilst we agree with the point made by Mr Law that national leaders should be able to meet with a wide spectrum of people from the community so as to enable them to have a good understanding of the HKSAR, we fail to see why the Administration does not consider it necessary for us to meet with the visiting national leaders, given that the Legislative Council is a constitutional body under the Basic Law and Members are elected representatives of different sectors and communities.

I wish to make it very clear that Members are not concerned with invitations to ceremonial or social functions organised for the national leaders on visits to the HKSAR. Instead, Members are asking for a meeting with the visiting

national leader for the purpose of discussing issues of public concern and reflecting the views of the Hong Kong people. Members have instructed that I should write to you again expressing and clarifying their request. Members also urge you to convey their request to the Central Government.

I look forward to your reply.

BEST REGARDS

Sincerely

(Dr Leong Che-hung)
Chairman
Legislative Council House Committee