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Chairman
Legislative Council House Committee
Legislative Council Building
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Dear Dr. Leong,

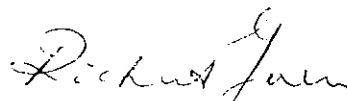
Visits of Leaders of Central People's Government

The Chief Executive has asked me to thank you for your letter of 4 October and to reply on his behalf.

As stated in our earlier reply, it has always been the practice of the Administration to try and arrange for important visitors, including senior Chinese officials, to meet with a wide spectrum of people from the community during their stay in Hong Kong. In drawing up the visit programme and the list of people to meet with the visitors, we need to take into account various considerations, including the nature, purpose and duration of the visit, and to respect the preference of the visitors. The visit programme and the detailed arrangements are worked out in conjunction with the visitors.

We will convey to the Central People's Government Members' wish to have meetings with visiting leaders when we discuss with them about the programme of visiting leaders in future.

Yours sincerely,


(Richard Yuen)

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