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Dear Mrs Tong,

**Panel on Security  
Follow-up of the Meeting of 5 December 2006 –**

**Proposed Legislation to Implement the United Nations Convention Against  
Corruption in Hong Kong and Related Matters**

At the Security Panel meeting of 5 December 2006, Members requested the Administration to provide information on jurisdictions with which Hong Kong had entered into bilateral mutual legal assistance in criminal matters (MLA) agreements or surrender of fugitive offenders (SFO), and the State Parties to the United Nations Convention Against Corruption and the United Nations Convention Against Transnational Organized Crime with which Hong Kong had not entered into such bilateral agreements. The requested information is attached to this letter for Members' reference.

At the meeting, Members also asked about the number of corruption offence-related SFO requests made by Hong Kong in the past and the number of requests acceded to. Since the entry into force of the Fugitive Offenders Ordinance (Cap. 503) in 1997, Hong Kong has made 11 requests for surrender of fugitives involved in bribery offences in accordance with the relevant bilateral agreements and Cap. 503. Of these, six fugitives have been surrendered to Hong Kong and three cases are still being processed by the

relevant Requested Party. The remaining two requests have been refused with the relevant authorities in the Requested Party exercising the discretion not to surrender as provided in the bilateral agreement concerned.

Yours sincerely,

(Miss Jane Lee)  
for Secretary for Security

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**Jurisdictions with which Hong Kong has signed  
Bilateral MLA Agreements  
(Position as of 12 December 2006)**

Australia	New Zealand
Belgium	Philippines
Canada	Poland
Denmark	Portugal
France	Republic of Korea
Germany	Singapore
Ireland	Switzerland
Israel	Ukraine
Italy	United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland
Malaysia	United States of America
Netherlands	

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Bilateral SFO Agreements  
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Australia	New Zealand
Canada	Philippines
Finland	Portugal
Germany	Republic of Korea
India	Singapore
Indonesia	Sri Lanka
Malaysia	United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland
Netherlands	United States of America

**Foreign Parties to the  
United Nations Convention Against Corruption  
(Position as of 12 December 2006)**

Albania	Kenya
Algeria	Kyrgyzstan
Angola	Latvia
Antigua and Barbuda	Lesotho
Argentina	Liberia
Australia * #	Libyan Arab Jamahiriya
Austria	Madagascar
Azerbaijan	Mauritania
Belarus	Mauritius
Benin	Mexico
Bolivia	Mongolia
Bosnia and Herzegovina	Montenegro
Brazil	Namibia
Bulgaria	Netherlands * #
Burkina Faso	Nicaragua
Burundi	Nigeria
Cameroon	Norway
Central African Republic	Panama
Chile	Paraguay
Colombia	Peru
Congo	Philippines * #
Croatia	Poland *
Djibouti	Romania
Dominican Republic	Russian Federation
Ecuador	Rwanda
Egypt	Sao Tome and Principe
El Salvador	Senegal
Finland #	Serbia
France *	Seychelles
Guatemala	Sierra Leone
Honduras	Slovakia
Hungary	South Africa
Indonesia#	Spain
Jordan	Sri Lanka #

Tajikistan	United Arab Emirates
Togo	United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland * #
Trinidad and Tobago	United Republic of Tanzania
Turkey	United States of America * #
Turkmenistan	Yemen
Uganda	

\* Jurisdictions with which Hong Kong has entered into MLA Agreements

# Jurisdictions with which Hong Kong has entered into SFO Agreements

**Foreign Parties to the  
United Nations Convention Against Transnational Organized Crime  
(Position as of 12 December 2006)**

Afghanistan	Djibouti
Albania	Dominican Republic
Algeria	Ecuador
Antigua and Barbuda	Egypt
Argentina	El Salvador
Armenia	Equatorial Guinea
Australia * #	Estonia
Austria	European Community
Azerbaijan	Finland #
Bahrain	France *
Belarus	Gabon
Belgium *	Gambia
Belize	Georgia
Benin	Germany * #
Bolivia	Grenada
Bosnia and Herzegovina	Guatemala
Botswana	Guinea
Brazil	Guyana
Bulgaria	Honduras
Burkina Faso	Italy *
Cambodia	Jamaica
Cameroon	Kenya
Canada * #	Kiribati
Cape Verde	Kuwait
Central African Republic	Kyrgyzstan
Chile	Lao People's Democratic Republic
Colombia	Latvia
Comoros	Lebanon
Cook Islands	Lesotho
Costa Rica	Liberia
Croatia	Libyan Arab Jamahiriya
Cyprus	Lithuania
Democratic Republic of the Congo	Madagascar
Denmark *	Malawi

Malaysia * #	Saudi Arabia
Mali	Senegal
Malta	Serbia
Mauritania	Seychelles
Mauritius	Slovakia
Mexico	Slovenia
Micronesia (Federated States of)	South Africa
Moldova	Spain
Monaco	Sri Lanka #
Montenegro	Sudan
Morocco	Sweden
Mozambique	Switzerland *
Myanmar	Tajikistan
Namibia	The Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia
Netherlands * #	Togo
New Zealand * #	Tunisia
Nicaragua	Turkey
Niger	Turkmenistan
Nigeria	Uganda
Norway	Ukraine *
Oman	United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland * #
Panama	United Republic of Tanzania
Paraguay	United States of America * #
Peru	Uruguay
Philippines * #	Uzbekistan
Poland *	Vanuatu
Portugal * #	Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of)
Romania	Zambia
Russian Federation	
Rwanda	
Saint Kitts and Nevis	
Sao Tome and Principe	

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