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(Attention: Clerk to Bills Committee)

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Dear Mr YOUNG.

RE: Legislative Council (Amendment) Bill 2007

I refer to the captioned Bill which is currently under the Legislative Council's scrutiny.

Professional Information Security Association (PISA) is one of the eligible organizations which composite the Information Technology Functional Constituency (ITFC) under Section 20Z of the Legislative Council Ordinance ("LCO") (Chapter 542).

Taking the opportunity that the Bill seeks to amend the LCO to update the electorate of the Functional Constituencies, I would like to request the Bill Committee to amend the eligibility of members of PISA to register as an elector for the ITFC by making the following amendment:

Adding a new Clause 6 (5) to the Bill that: "Item 4(a) of Part 2 of Schedule 1D is repealed"

As required in Item 4(a) of Part 2 of Schedule 1D of LCO, full members who are entitled to vote at general meetings of PISA are also required to be a holder - as confirmed by the association - of Certified Information Systems Security Professional Certification (CISSP) during the 4-years relevant period in order to obtain the eligibility to register as elector for ITEC.

We have received comments from our members concerning the eligibility to be an elector for the ITFC. We believe that the "CISSP with relevant period" criterion concerning our association is discriminatory towards our members. The Executive Committee of PISA had discussed the issue and we agreed to urge the Bills Committee to make the above amendments as soon as possible.

Learned that the Bills Committee is prepared to meet with deputations of the organizations at a committee meeting to be held at 8:30 am on 21 February 2008, would the Bills Committee consider allowing representative(s) from PISA to present views on the aforesaid Issues at the same meeting?

Should you have further enquiries, please kindly contact the undersigned at I am looking forward to your favorable reply.

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Yours faithfully,

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