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Dear Sirs,

Re: High Court Action No. 2761 of 2003 -
First Star Development Limited v.
the Hong Kong Housing Authority &
Secretary for Justice (on behalf of the Government of HKSAR)

We have been appointed to act for the Hong Kong Housing Authority the 1st Defendant in this action. Our clients have filed an Acknowledgment of Service indicating an intention to defend.

By our calculation the last day for service of the Defence is Monday 15 September 2003. This matter is, however, complex and we shall require a considerably large extension of time in order to prepare a Defence. We shall revert to you shortly with a formal request for an extension when we have had the opportunity to study the papers and take instructions.

Could you please provide us with copies of all documents referred to in the Statement of Claim pursuant to RHC Order 24 r.10.

Yours faithfully,

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