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Dear Sirs,

The Mediation

As I believe you are aware on 17 February 2004 the Housing Panel of the Legislative Council considered the deal with your client following the mediation which was concluded in December of last year. The Panel has asked for details in writing of the basis for Government and the Housing Authority accepting the premium of \$864 million "as a reasonable sum". The Housing Panel will reconvene on 1st March 2004. The Government and the Housing Authority wish to supply the requested information to the Panel early next week.

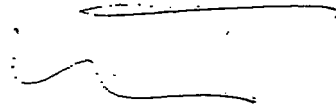
I am instructed to request your client's agreement to the disclosure to the Legislative Council of that which transpired during the mediation. This request is made in order to assist the Government in explaining how agreement on the \$864 million was reached.

Government and the Housing Authority appreciate that the mediation was conducted on a confidential and a without prejudice basis, particularly bearing in mind the on-going litigation. There is also the possibility of litigation involving another subsidiary of New World. Accordingly, this request for agreement to disclosure is limited to disclosure to the Legislative Council. Indeed, this request is conditional upon :-

- (a) agreement that the mediation remains without prejudice to the present and any future litigation; and
- (b) that in the event of your client agreeing disclosure, that disclosed to the Housing Panel will remain without prejudice to the present and any future litigation.

I look forward to hearing from you as soon as possible with your client's agreement.

Yours faithfully,



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