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## The Implementation of the International Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Racial Discrimination in Hong Kong

We are writing on behalf of the Democratic Alliances in regard of the International Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Racial Discrimination in Hong Kong which would be held on 15 June 2009. In our stand point, the current policies regarding the Hong Kong residents of minority group discriminate the rights the minority group in Hong Kong should have, and so I am proposing to the Government and all the Legislation Councilors to improve the unjust situations.

All the minority group in Hong Kong enjoy the right of education in Hong Kong, however, due to the weak ability in Chinese-language learning, the minority group students are not able to learn better and hardly make any achievements in school. Because of the poor standard of Chinese language, they even lose the chance to get into territory education. So we are proposing to the Government to set up more English Primary and Secondary Institutions in Hong Kong especially in Yuen Long and Kowloon East district for the minority group students, and that could help those students can fairly enjoy the most suitable way for learning.

Secondly, it is about the employment problem for the minority group. Minority group residents can speak fluent Chinese (Cantonese), but many of them are not good at reading and writing it. Because of that, they can barely get the chance to work as civil servant, especially for the Police Force, Immigration Department, Legislation Department, Social Welfare Department of so on, as all those departments require fluent in Chinese language, and that is really unfair to those minority group residents to get into government jobs for equal opportunity.

Minority Group is also one of the Hong Kong residents, so they should enjoy the rights of having suitable and fair education system for having the chance to get into tertiary institution and the fair chance to work as the civil servants. I hope the Government and all the Legislation Councils could consider my advices and work the best out for the minority group.

Thank you



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