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Dear Ms Wong,

## **Annual Report 2007 of the Commissioner on Interception of Communications and Surveillance**

Thank you for your letter of 9 March 2009 enclosing the Law Society's comments on the key comments and recommendations made by the Commissioner on Interception of Communications and Surveillance (the Commissioner) in his Annual Report 2007.

Since the Interception of Communications and Surveillance Ordinance (ICSO) came into operation in August 2006, the Commissioner had made a number of recommendations with the aim of improving the operation of the ICSO regime. We have either taken on board the Commissioner's recommendations or proposed alternative improvement measures to address the Commissioner's concerns.

The Administration will undertake a comprehensive review of the ICSO after the second full-year Annual Report (i.e. Annual Report 2008) of the Commissioner is available. We shall consider what additional improvement measures are necessary to further enhance the ICSO regime and

will consider the need for legislative improvements in the course of the review. We shall take into account the views expressed by the Law Society and others in conducting the review.

Yours sincerely,

(Apollonia Liu) for Secretary for Security

c.c. Clerk to LegCo Panel on Security (Attn: Mr Raymond Lam)