Select Committee to Inquire into Matters relating to the Post-service Work of Mr Leung Chin-man

Further Information provided by the Administration in response to item 1 of the Appendix to the Clerk to Select Committee's letter of 23 February 2009

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1. SC(2) Paper No. T107 - T115 and T31(C) - T33(C) (Administration's reference: THB 112-123)

The above papers reveal that there were meetings and discussion between the then Chief Secretary for Administration and Dr CHENG Yu-tung (Chairman of the parent company of the developer of Hunghom Peninsula) and between Mr LEUNG Chin-man and Mr Stewart LEUNG Chi-kin (a representative of the developer of Hunghom Peninsula) relating to the disposal of Hunghom Peninsula Private Participation Scheme flats. Please provide all documents orrecords such discussion as papers/briefing notes, memos, minutes/notes, minutes/notes, emails, fax messages, correspondence, and/or exchange of views relating to these meetings and discussion.

Transport and Housing Bureau's response: THB 112 to THB 115 and THB 117 provide several exchanges of correspondence between the Administration and the Developer beginning on 10 June 2002. The Developer was concerned that Hunghom Peninsula was not included in the sales programme of subsidised sale flats as announced by the then Chief Secretary for Administration ("CS") on 5 June 2002. A meeting was held between the then CS and Dr CHENG Yu Tung and Mr LEUNG Chi-kin Stewart both of the Developer on 27 June 2002.

Mr LEUNG Chin-man ("Mr LEUNG") was not responsible for the housing portfolio when those of the aforesaid pre-1 July 2002 exchanges and meeting took place, as he was appointed the Permanent Secretary for Housing, Planning and Lands (Housing) ("PSH")

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only on 1 July 2002. Mr LEUNG subsequently issued a reply on behalf of the then CS to Dr CHENG Yu Tung of the Developer on 3 October 2002 (i.e. THB-117, a TVI2 copy of which had earlier been provided to the Select Committee in response to item 2(a) of the Appendix to the letter from the Clerk to the Select Committee dated 23 January 2009) which was in response to the Developer's letter to the then CS dated 2 July 2002 (i.e. THB-112). To give a more comprehensive account of exchanges of correspondence we also provided

TION THB 112). To give a more comprehensive account of exchanges of correspondence, we also provided THB 112 to THB 115 at the same time even though Mr LEUNG, the subject of the Inquiry, was not involved in those earlier exchanges. For the avoidance of doubt, the letter referred to in the first paragraph in the letter

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provided at THB 231 for reference –

• THB 230: Letter dated 27 May 2002 from Housing Department (HD) to First Star Development Limited (FSDL);

referred to in the first paragraph of THB 230 is now

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• THB 231: Letter dated 11 May 2002 from FSDL to HD.

There is no file record of the meeting on 3 April 2002 as referred to in the first paragraph of THB XXXD. TI41

As regards the meeting between the then CS and Dr CHENG Yu-tung and Mr LEUNG Chi-kin Stewart of the Developer which was held on 27 June 2002 and referred to in THB-112, file records show a Loose Minute from the Administrative Assistant / CS to PSH, copying to Secretary for Housing, Planning and Lands ("SHPL") which is now attached at THB-232. As noted, various manuscript notes were marked on THB-233 (the copy from SHPL), the nature of which were set out below. Some of these manuscript notes showed the involvement of Mr LEUNG (in his then capacity as the PSH) —

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(a) manuscript notes from the Administrative Assistant/SHPL to PSH on 6 August 2002

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requesting action and referring to a discussion between SHPL and PSH on even date.

- (b) manuscript notes from PSH to Deputy Secretary for Housing, Planning and Lands (Housing)2 ("DS(H)2") on 16 August 2002 requesting action and referring to a discussion between PSH and DS(H)2; and
- (c) manuscript notes from DS(H)2 to Business Director / Allocation and Marketing on 19 August 2002 requesting action.

We do not have other records relating to discussions and communications mentioned in items (a) to (c) above. Subsequent to item (c), a reply dated 3 October 2002 was issued by Mr LEUNG as we had earlier provided to the Select Committee in THB 117.

We do not have information relating to meetings and discussion on the subject matter between Mr LEUNG Chin-man and Mr LEUNG Chi-kin, Stewart other than those documents provided in response to earlier letters from the Clerk to Select Committee.

Note:

Document Nos. which are underlined are those provided in previous submissions.

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