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Dear Mr Cheung,

## Chief Executive Election (Amendment) Bill 2010 and Legislative Council (Amendment) Bill 2010

I refer to your letter of 24 December 2010, in which you conveyed a Member's request for information relating to the amendments to Annexes I and II to the Basic Law.

The draft amendments to Annexes I and II were approved and recorded respectively by the Standing Committee of the National People's Congress ("NPCSC") on 28 August 2010. I enclose the following documents for the reference of Members:

(a) Decision of the Standing Committee of the National People's Congress on Approving the "Amendment to Annex I to the Basic Law of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region of the People's Republic of China Concerning the Method for the Selection of the Chief Executive of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region" adopted by the Standing Committee of the Eleventh National People's Congress at its Sixteenth Session on 28 August 2010 (together with the Amendment to Annex I to the Basic Law approved by the NPCSC); and

(b) Proclamation of the Standing Committee of the National People's Congress (Eleventh National People's Congress) No. 15 (together with the Amendment to Annex II to the Basic Law recorded by the NPCSC).

Yours sincerely,

(Ivanhoe Chang)

for Secretary for Constitutional and Mainland Affairs

Encl.

Decision of the Standing Committee of the National People's Congress on Approving the "Amendment to Annex I to the Basic Law of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region of the People's Republic of China Concerning the Method for the Selection of the Chief Executive of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region"

(Adopted by the Standing Committee of the Eleventh National People's Congress at its Sixteenth Session on 28 August 2010)

The Standing Committee of the Eleventh National People's Congress at its Sixteenth Session decides as follows:

Pursuant to Annex I to the Basic Law of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region of the People's Republic of China, "The Interpretation by the Standing Committee of the National People's Congress of Article 7 of Annex I and Article III of Annex II to the Basic Law of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region of the People's Republic of China" and the "Decision of the Standing Committee of the National People's Congress on Issues Relating to the Methods for Selecting the Chief Executive of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region and for Forming the Legislative Council of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region in the Year 2012 and on Issues Relating to Universal Suffrage", the "Amendment to Annex I to the Basic Law of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region of the People's Republic of China Concerning the Method for the Selection of the Chief Executive of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region proposed by the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region" is approved.

The "Amendment to Annex I to the Basic Law of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region of the People's Republic of China Concerning the Method for the Selection of the Chief Executive of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region" comes into effect on the date of approval.

<sup>\*</sup> This English translation is prepared by the Department of Justice, Government of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region. It is for reference purposes and has no legislative effect.

#### Amendment to Annex I to the Basic Law of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region of the People's Republic of China Concerning the Method for the Selection of the Chief Executive of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region

(Approved by the Standing Committee of the Eleventh National People's Congress at its Sixteenth Session on 28 August 2010)

1. The Election Committee to elect the fourth term Chief Executive in 2012 shall be composed of 1200 members from the following sectors:

Industrial, commercial and financial sectors	300
The professions	300
Labour, social services, religious and other sectors	300
Members of the Legislative Council, representatives of members of the District Councils, representatives of the Heung Yee Kuk, Hong Kong deputies to the National People's Congress, and representatives of Hong Kong members of the National Committee of the Chinese	
People's Political Consultative Conference	300

The term of office of the Election Committee shall be five years.

2. Candidates for the office of Chief Executive may be nominated jointly by not less than 150 members of the Election Committee. Each member may nominate only one candidate.

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#### Proclamation of the Standing Committee of the National People's Congress (Eleventh National People's Congress) No. 15

It is promulgated that pursuant to Annex II to the Basic Law of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region of the People's Republic of China, "The Interpretation by the Standing Committee of the National People's Congress of Article 7 of Annex I and Article III of Annex II to the Basic Law of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region of the People's Republic of China" and the "Decision of the Standing Committee of the National People's Congress on Issues Relating to the Methods for Selecting the Chief Executive of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region and for Forming the Legislative Council of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region in the Year 2012 and on Issues Relating to Universal Suffrage", the "Amendment to Annex II to the Basic Law of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region of the People's Republic of China Concerning the Method for the Formation of the Legislative Council of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region and Its Voting Procedures" is recorded by the Standing Committee of the National People's Congress.

The "Amendment to Annex II to the Basic Law of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region of the People's Republic of China Concerning the Method for the Formation of the Legislative Council of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region and Its Voting Procedures" comes into effect on the date of promulgation.

This proclamation is hereby made.

Standing Committee of the National People's Congress 28 August 2010

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# Amendment to Annex II to the Basic Law of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region of the People's Republic of China Concerning the Method for the Formation of the Legislative Council of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region and Its Voting Procedures

(Recorded by the Standing Committee of the Eleventh National People's Congress at its Sixteenth Session on 28 August 2010)

The fifth term Legislative Council in the year 2012 shall be composed of 70 members, and the composition shall be as follows:

Members returned by functional constituencies	35
Members returned by geographical constituencies through direct elections	35

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