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The Hon. Dr. Margaret Ng,  
Member of the Legislative Council,  
Panel on Security, Legislative Council,  
10/F New Henry House,  
10 Ice House Street,  
Central, Hong Kong.

Dear Hon. Dr. Margaret Ng,

**Panel on Security, Legislative Council  
Item IV for Meeting on 12th April 2011**

I refer to the enquiry on duty lawyer assignment at the Legco Panel of Security meeting yesterday.

As the background information papers (which has not been tabled or circulated during the said meeting) was submitted on 28<sup>th</sup> March 2011 which was a Monday, the papers were drafted prior to 26<sup>th</sup> March 2011 which was a Saturday. The cut off day of all relevant information and data thereof was up to 25<sup>th</sup> March 2011. As we were given to understand that the Background Information papers would not be tabled in the said meeting, we did not feel it would be necessary to bring the information up to date prior to the said meeting of 12<sup>th</sup> April 2011.

As promised to you yesterday immediately after the said meeting was adjourned, please find attached herewith two further correspondences exchanged between Duty Lawyer Service and the duty lawyer both on 28<sup>th</sup> March 2011 which are self explanatory for your reference and record. Such would help to complete the sequence of events on the divergence of opinion on that particular part of the Interviewing Protocol.

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The Duty Lawyer Service has never made any "second guess" on the duty lawyer's intention but simply reiterated the Duty Lawyer Service's position (whether such is correct at law, was with respect, a matter of legal opinion and view point) to him and that any further delay would not be in the interest of the claimant which may lead to the Duty Lawyer Service having to recall the papers for reassignment.

You may wish to know that the screening interview originally scheduled for 8th December 2009 was adjourned to 27th January 2011 which was further adjourned to 28th March 2011 by the Immigration Department. It is now pending the negotiation between Mr. Daly and the Immigration Department over the issue of his right to bring in his assistant.

Yours truly,

Grace S. Wong  
Administrator

Encl.

c.c. Hon. Mr. James To, Chairman of the Legco Panel on Security

Enclosures to this letter have already been issued to members vide LC Paper No. CB(2)1572/10-11 on 19 April 2011.