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Urgent by fax

28 February 2012

The Hon Miriam LAU Kin-ye, GBS, JP
Chairman
House Committee
Legislative Council
Legislative Council Complex
1 Legislative Council Road
Central, Hong Kong

Dear *Chairman,*

Special House Committee Meeting on 24 February 2012

At the Special House Committee Meeting held on 24 February 2012, Members sought additional information/documents from the Administration in relation to the allegations of conflict of interests involving Mr Leung Chun-ying, a member of the Jury of the West Kowloon Reclamation Concept Plan Competition (the Competition).

Voting Record of Other Jurors

At Members' request, we provide herewith the voting record of the other nine jurors on an anonymous basis to enable Members to see the voting pattern of the 10-member Jury. Please find attached tables showing the votes cast by the 10 jurors in each round of voting (except Round 4) at **Annex 1**. As mentioned in Annex 10 to LC Paper No. CB(2) 1198/11-12(01), out of the seven rounds of consideration by jurors, voting took place in only six of them. Round 4 was a non-voting Round,

which involved only discussion to nominate 5 entries to select the second prize winner without actual voting.

Record of Executive Council Meetings

After checking with the Secretariat of the Executive Council (ExCo), we confirm that there was no record of any submission to ExCo on the Competition during the period from 2001 to 2003, until the progress report on the work of the Steering Committee for Development of the West Kowloon Cultural District was submitted to ExCo in mid-2003. This was the occasion when Mr Leung declared his involvement in the Competition.

Terms of Reference of the Technical Panel

Paragraph 9 of the Competition Document states that, “the Jury will be assisted by a Technical Panel consisting of 10 members chaired by the Director of Planning.... **The main role of the Panel is to provide advice to the Jury on the technical assessment of individual submissions.** The Chairman of the Technical Panel shall attend the meetings of the Jury to present the Panel’s assessments, but he shall not take part in the return of the verdict of the Competition”. There are no terms of reference of the Technical Panel other than the above, and paragraphs 21 to 27 of LC Paper No. CB(2) 1198/11-12(01) and the Report of the Technical Panel at Annex 9 to the aforementioned paper have explained how the Technical Panel carried out their assessment and presented their advice to the Jury.

Correspondence on Disclosure of Information

We attach at **Annexes 2 to 9*** the Administration’s letters to Mr Leung Chun-ying, T. R. Hamzah & Yeang and LWK & Partners (HK) Ltd in relation to our proposed disclosure of information relating to the allegations of conflict of interest concerning Mr Leung. We have sought their consent to disclosure of their responses to our letters and are now waiting for their replies. Disclosure of such correspondence will be

* To avoid duplication, attachments to the Administration’s letters which have been annexed to LC Paper No. CB(2) 1198/11-12(01) are not enclosed herewith. Those documents include the registration form and updated list of project team members, Mr Leung’s declaration form, letter dated 21 February 2002 from the Competition Team to all jurors requesting them to make declarations of interest, Mr Leung’s letter dated 11 March 2002 to the Competition Team and the Competition Team’s reply dated 23 March 2002 to Mr Leung.

considered after taking into account considerations of confidentiality and public interest.

We would like to reiterate our view that the Administration does not consider it necessary for the Legislative Council (Powers and Privileges) Ordinance (Cap. 382) to be invoked on this occasion. We remain ready and willing to cooperate with Members in considering Mr Leung's involvement as a member of the Jury in the Competition.

Yours sincerely,

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(Mrs Avia Lai)
for Secretary for Home Affairs

Encl.

c.c. Clerk to House Committee

Round 1 – Voting

(Each member of the Jury was invited to vote for 5 entries on a non-binding basis for further consideration. 20 entries were selected in this way. The Jury decided that the nine entries with the most votes should be discussed further.)

Entry Juror	The Entry Concerned	005	007	020	036	041	054	060	062	065	067	070	073	081	082	084	109	110	115	144
A				1		1	1				1			1						
B			1	1								1					1		1	
C					1			1				1					1	1		
D¹		1		1		1	1							1		1				
E						1	1				1	1		1						
F	1						1						1	1	1					
G		1				1				1				1						1
H	1	1				1					1			1						
I	1	1							1					1				1		
Leung Chun-ying²	+1			+1		+1	+1		+1			+1						+1		
Total	4	4	1	4	1	6	5	1	2	1	3	4	1	7	1	1	2	3	1	1

¹ This juror voted for 6 entries with the Jury’s consent.

² Mr Leung Chun-ying was absent from Round 1. He selected 18 entries during the viewing session on 25 February 2002. In Round 1, 7 of these 18 entries were also voted for by other jurors. Although Mr Leung was absent, it was agreed by other jurors that his selection of these 7 entries should be reflected in the tally of votes by adding one more vote to each of these 7 entries (indicated by “+1”).

Round 2 – Voting

(Non-binding vote to select first prize winner
from the 9 entries with the most votes in Round 1)

Juror \ Entry	The Entry Concerned	005	020	041	054	067	070	081	110
A								1	
B				1					
C	1								
D								1	
E								1	
F	1								
G								1	
H								1	
I								1	
Leung Chun-ying	1								
Total	3	0	0	1	0	0	0	6	0

Round 3 - Voting

(Binding vote to select first prize winner from the 3 entries with the most votes in Round 2)

Juror \ Entry	The Entry Concerned	041	081
A			1
B			1
C	1		
D			1
E			1
F			1
G			1
H			1
I			1
Leung Chun-ying	1		
Total	2	0	8

Round 5 – Voting

(Non-binding vote to select second prize winner
from the 5 entries nominated as a result of Round 4*)

Juror \ Entry	The Entry Concerned	005	041	054	067
A				1	
B			1		
C	1				
D				1	
E				1	
F	1				
G				1	
H			1		
I		1			
Leung Chun-ying	1				
Total	3	1	2	4	0

* Round 4 involved only discussion to nominate 5 entries to select the second prize winner. No actual voting had taken place.

Round 6 – Voting

(Binding vote to select second prize winner
from the 3 entries with the most votes in Round 5)

Juror \ Entry	The Entry Concerned	041	054
A			1
B			1
C			1
D			1
E			1
F	1		
G			1
H			1
I			1
Leung Chun-ying			1
Total	1	0	9

Round 7 – Voting

(Binding votes for 3 entries to select 3 honourable mentions)

Juror \ Entry	The Entry Concerned*	005	067	070	109	144
A	1		1		1	
B	1		1		1	
C	1		1		1	
D	1	1			1	
E		1			1	1
F	1		1		1	
G	1		1		1	
H	1		1		1	
I	1	1				1
Leung Chun-ying	1		1	1		
Total	9	3	7	1	8	2

* The Entry Concerned was disqualified by the Jury in the morning of 28 February 2002.



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14 February 2012

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Mr Leung Chun Ying, GBM, GBS, JP
House 4, 4 Peel Rise
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Dear Mr Leung,

West Kowloon Reclamation Concept Plan Competition

I am writing to seek your kind assistance with respect to the captioned Competition held in Hong Kong in 2001/02, of which you were one of the jurors.

Recently, there have been media enquiries about your conflict of interest declaration and requests for disclosure of relevant information. We also note from media reports that you have suggested that additional information pertaining to the Competition be disclosed.

Taking into account our obligation to safeguard the confidentiality requirement and public interest consideration, we intend to disclose to the public further information. This will include the following documents as attached –

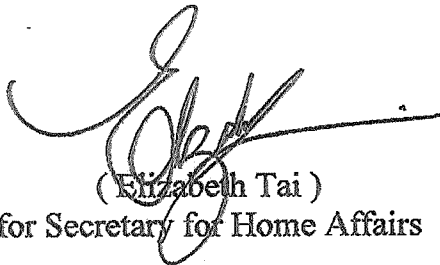
- i) Letter dated 21 February 2002 from Mr Eric Johnson to you (Annex 1);

- ii) Declaration by Members of the Jury made by you on 25 February 2002 (Annex 2);
- iii) Process of selecting winning entries (Annex 3);
- iv) Voting record of Mr C Y Leung (Annex 4);
- v) Letter dated 11 March 2002 from you to Mr Eric Johnson (Annex 5); and
- vi) Letter dated 23 March 2002 from Mr Eric Johnson to you (Annex 6).

We hope to be able to obtain your consent regarding the above proposed disclosure. We will take into account your response in determining the way forward on the matter.

You may wish to note that we are approaching [REDACTED] about the proposed disclosure to the public of [REDACTED] registration form and updated list of project team members, which were submitted to the Organiser of the Competition in 2001.

Yours sincerely,



(Elizabeth Tai)
for Secretary for Home Affairs

Encl.

West Kowloon Reclamation Concept Plan Competition

Process of Selecting Winning Entries

1. All entries were shown to the Jury on an anonymous basis and each was represented by a serial number. The Jury agreed upon an elimination process for selecting the first prize winner, the second prize winner and three honourable mentions by casting votes.

Selection of first prize winner on 26 February 2002

2. The first prize winner was selected in the following manner –

- (a) Each member of the Jury was invited to vote for five entries meriting further consideration as the winning entry, on a non-binding basis and without ranking them (Voting Round 1). 20 entries were selected in this way. After reviewing the votes cast, the Jury decided that the nine entries with the most votes should be discussed further. The entry, which was subsequently found to be associated with Mr C Y Leung (hereafter referred to as “the entry concerned”), was among these nine entries.
- (b) The nine entries with the most votes were each brought in front of the Jury in serial number order. Individual Jury members discussed specific aspects which they felt merited the Jury’s consideration.
- (c) Members then each cast one vote on a non-binding basis to select a winner from the nine entries discussed (Voting Round 2). After reviewing the votes cast, the Jury decided to discuss further the three entries receiving the most votes. The entry concerned was among these three entries

- (d) After thorough discussion of all the three entries concerned, each Jury member cast a binding vote to select the first prize winner (Voting Round 3). The selected entry was from a team led by Foster and Partners.

Selection of second prize winner on 26 February 2002

3. The second prize winner was selected in the following manner –
- (a) The eight entries remaining from the original group of nine considered for selection as the first prize winner were again displayed in turn. After discussion, five entries (including the entry concerned) were nominated for further consideration.
- (b) Members then each cast a non-binding vote for one entry from the five selected entries (Voting Round 4). After reviewing the votes cast, the Jury decided to discuss the three entries receiving the most votes. The entry concerned was among these three entries.
- (c) Each of these three entries was placed before the Jury in turn for further detailed discussion, after which each member cast a binding vote to select the second prize winner (Voting Round 5). The selected entry was from a team led by Mr Philip Y K Liao.

Selection of honourable mentions on 27 February 2002

4. The three entries awarded honourable mentions (of equal standing) were selected in the following manner –
- (a) The Jury decided to award honourable mention prizes to entries presenting interesting alternative ways of tackling the competition site.
- (b) The seven entries remaining from the group of eight considered for selection as the second prize winner were again displayed in turn. Members were invited to nominate any entry from among these seven, or any other entry, that they felt merited further consideration. After discussion, six entries (including the entry concerned) were nominated.

- (c) Members discussed all of the entries nominated and cast binding votes for the three entries to be awarded honourable mentions (Voting Round 6).
- (d) The entry concerned was one of the three entries with the highest votes to be awarded honourable mentions.

Disqualification of the entry concerned on 28 February 2002

5. On 28 February 2002 before the announcement of the competition results, the Competition Team informed Mr Leung of the finding that a project team member of an entrant on the preliminary list of winning entries appeared to be associated with him. Mr Leung reported the matter to the Jury that morning, and the Jury decided to disqualify the entry concerned. Except for the disqualified entry, the three entries with the most votes were selected as the honourable mentions.

West Kowloon Reclamation Concept Plan Competition

Voting Record of Mr C Y Leung

Rounds of Voting

Mr C Y Leung's vote

26 February 2002

Voting Round 1
(Selection of 20 entries for further consideration)

Mr Leung was absent from this round of voting. He selected 18 entries during the viewing session on 25 February 2002. 6 of his 18 selected entries (including the entry, which was subsequently found to be associated with him (hereafter referred to as "the entry concerned")), received enough votes to be considered further.

Voting Round 2
(Non-binding vote to select the first prize winner)

Mr Leung voted for the entry concerned, which was among the nine entries with the most votes.

Voting Round 3
(Binding vote to select the first prize winner)

Mr Leung voted for the entry concerned, which was among the three entries with the most votes.

Voting Round 4
(Non-binding vote to select the second prize winner)

Mr Leung voted for the entry concerned, which was among the five entries nominated.

Voting Round 5
(Binding vote to select the second prize winner)

Mr Leung voted for another entry among the three entries with the most votes.

27 February 2002

Voting Round 6
(Binding votes for three
entries to select the three
honourable mentions)

Mr Leung voted for three entries,
including the entry concerned, among
the six nominated entries.



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16 February 2012

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The Peak, Hong Kong

Dear Mr Leung,

West Kowloon Reclamation Concept Plan Competition

Thank you for your letter dated 15 February 2012.

As reiterated by the Government on various occasions, we have to take into account considerations of confidentiality as well as public interest when addressing the issue of disclosure of information on the captioned subject. We will consider the requests in your letter dated 15 February 2012 for disclosing additional information and/or documents on the basis of the aforementioned considerations.

In this connection, we would be grateful for your express confirmation that you have no objection to the proposed disclosure of the following documents, irrespective of the requests in your letter dated 15 February 2012 for disclosing additional information and/or documents: -

- i) Letter dated 21 February 2002 from Mr Eric Johnson to you (Annex 1);

- ii) Declaration by Members of the Jury made by you on 25 February 2002 (**Annex 2**);
- iii) Letter dated 11 March 2002 from you to Mr Eric Johnson (**Annex 3**); and
- iv) Letter dated 23 March 2002 from Mr Eric Johnson to you (**Annex 4**).


Regarding the document on the process of selecting winning entries (**Annex 5**), which is based on the Jury Report, and your voting record (**Annex 6**), we have made refinements to present the voting process in further detail and in a manner which is consistent with considerations of confidentiality (both in respect of the jurors and of other entrants) and public interest. We would also be grateful for your express confirmation that you have no objection to the proposed disclosure of these two annexes, irrespective of the requests in your letter dated 15 February 2012 for disclosing additional information and/or documents.

Your responses to the above will be taken into account by the Government on the subject of disclosure.

On the question of the discovery of the company associated with you being among the project team members of an entrant on the preliminary list of winning entries, as indicated in Mr Eric Johnson's letter dated 21 February 2002, the completed declarations were scheduled to be reviewed by the organizer and Lord Rothschild on 24 February 2002 before the adjudication process started on 25 February 2002. The Competition Team received your declaration as per **Annex 2** on 25 February 2002. As mentioned in the press release on the captioned subject on 8 February 2012, the discovery was made by the Competition Team after the voting process had been completed. The Competition Team informed you of the finding in the morning of 28 February 2002. You reported the matter to the Jury, which decided to disqualify the entry concerned.

As stated in the Government's response on 14 February 2012 to enquiries about the issue of press release on 8 February, we will not comment on media reports based on anonymous sources.

Yours sincerely,

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(Elizabeth Tai)
for Secretary for Home Affairs

Encl.

West Kowloon Reclamation Concept Plan Competition

Process of Selecting Winning Entries

1. All entries were shown to the Jury on an anonymous basis and each was represented by a serial number. The Jury agreed upon an elimination process for selecting the first prize winner, the second prize winner and three honourable mentions by casting votes. There were a total of 10 jurors.

Selection of first prize winner on 26 February 2002

2. The first prize winner was selected in the following manner –
- (a) Each member of the Jury was invited to vote for five entries meriting further consideration as the winning entry, on a non-binding basis and without ranking them (Round 1 - Voting). 20 entries were selected in this way. After reviewing the votes cast, the Jury decided that the nine entries with the most votes should be discussed further. The entry, which was subsequently found to be associated with Mr C Y Leung (hereafter referred to as “the Entry Concerned”), was among these nine entries.
 - (b) The aforesaid nine entries with the most votes were each brought in front of the Jury in the order of their serial numbers. Individual Jury members discussed specific aspects which they felt merited the Jury’s consideration.
 - (c) Members then each cast one vote on a non-binding basis to select a winner from the nine entries discussed (Round 2 - Voting). After reviewing the votes cast, the Jury decided to discuss further the three entries receiving the most votes. The Entry Concerned was among these three entries.

- (d) After thorough discussion of all the three entries concerned, each Jury member cast a binding vote to select the first prize winner (Round 3 - Voting). The selected entry was from a team led by Foster and Partners.

Selection of second prize winner on 26 February 2002

3. The second prize winner was selected in the following manner –
- (a) The eight entries remaining from the original group of nine considered for selection as the first prize winner were again displayed in turn. After discussion, five entries (including the Entry Concerned) were nominated for further consideration (Round 4 - This round involved discussion only. No voting took place).
- (b) Members then each cast a non-binding vote for one entry from the five selected entries (Round 5 - Voting). After reviewing the votes cast, the Jury decided to discuss the three entries receiving the most votes. The Entry Concerned was among these three entries.
- (c) Each of these three entries was placed before the Jury in turn for further detailed discussion, after which each member cast a binding vote to select the second prize winner (Round 6 - Voting). The selected entry was from a team led by Mr Philip Y K Liao.

Selection of honourable mentions on 27 February 2002

4. The three entries awarded honourable mentions (of equal standing) were selected in the following manner –
- (a) The Jury decided to award honourable mention prizes to entries presenting interesting alternative ways of tackling the competition site.
- (b) The seven entries remaining from the group of eight considered for selection as the second prize winner were again displayed in turn. Members of the Jury were invited to nominate any one entry from among these seven, or any other entry (even though not among these seven), that in their view merited further consideration. After discussion (no votes were taken), six entries (including

the Entry Concerned) were nominated.

- (c) Members discussed all of the entries nominated and cast binding votes for the three entries to be awarded honourable mentions (Round 7 - Voting).
- (d) The Entry Concerned was one of the three entries with the highest votes to be awarded honourable mentions.

Disqualification of the Entry Concerned on 28 February 2002

5. On 28 February 2002 before the announcement of the competition results, the Competition Team informed Mr Leung of the finding that a project team member of an entrant on the preliminary list of winning entries, namely the Entry Concerned, appeared to be associated with him. Mr Leung reported the matter to the Jury that morning, and the Jury decided to disqualify the Entry Concerned. Disregarding the disqualified entry, the three entries receiving the most votes in Round 7 were selected as the honourable mentions.

West Kowloon Reclamation Concept Plan Competition

Voting Record of Mr C Y Leung

Rounds of Voting

Mr C Y Leung's vote

26 February 2002

Round 1 - Voting
(Selection of 20 entries for further consideration)

Mr Leung was absent from this round of voting. He selected 18 entries during the viewing session on 25 February 2002. At Round 1, 7 of these 18 entries were also voted for by other jurors. Although Mr Leung was absent, it was agreed by other jurors that his selection should be added to the tally of votes (i.e. adding one more vote to the total number of votes received by these 7 entries).

Out of Mr Leung's 18 selected entries, 6 (including the Entry Concerned*) were among the top 9 entries with the most votes. It was agreed that these 9 entries should be discussed further. The Entry Concerned received a total of 4 votes in this round of voting.

Round 2 - Voting
(Non-binding vote to select the first prize winner from the 9 entries with the most votes in Round 1)

Mr Leung voted for the Entry Concerned, which received 3 out of 10 votes in this round of voting.

* The entry, which was subsequently found to be associated with Mr C Y Leung, is referred to as "the Entry Concerned".

Round 3 - Voting
(Binding vote to select the first prize winner from the 3 entries with the most votes in Round 2)

Mr Leung voted for the Entry Concerned, which received 2 out of 10 votes in this round of voting.

Round 4
(Discussion to nominate 5 entries from the 8 entries remaining from the original group of 9 considered for selection as the first prize winner. No voting took place)

The Entry Concerned was among the 5 nominated entries.

Round 5 - Voting
(Non-binding vote to select the second prize winner from the 5 entries nominated in Round 4)

Mr Leung voted for the Entry Concerned, which received 3 out of 10 votes in this round of voting.

Round 6 - Voting
(Binding vote to select the second prize winner from the 3 entries with the most votes in Round 5)

Mr Leung did not vote for the Entry Concerned, which received 1 out of 10 votes in this round of voting.

27 February 2002

Round 7 - Voting
(Binding votes for three entries to select the three honourable mentions)

Mr Leung voted for three entries, including the Entry Concerned, which received 9 out of 30 votes in this round of voting. Given that the 30 votes consisted of each of the 10 jurors voting for 3 entries, this meant that 9 out of the 10 jurors cast a vote for the Entry Concerned.

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24 February 2012

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The Peak, Hong Kong

Dear Mr Leung,

West Kowloon Reclamation Concept Plan Competition

Thank you for your letter dated 20 February 2012.

The statements made by the Government on 8 February 2012 were in response to enquiries from the media on the captioned matter. As reiterated by the Government on various occasions, including our letter to you dated 16 February 2012, we have to take into account the considerations of confidentiality as well as the public interest when addressing the issue of disclosure of information in relation to the West Kowloon Reclamation Concept Plan Competition. We would like to emphasize that the Government has acted impartially in respect of the matter of disclosure.

Four of the six annexes to our previous letters were relevant primary documents proposed for disclosure to the public. We note that you have expressed concern about the veracity and accuracy of the information contained in our previous letters, in particular Annexes 5 and 6 enclosed therewith for your consideration and giving of consent to

disclosure. The said Annexes were prepared based on the contemporaneous records, and the information contained in the Annexes is true and accurate. The matters you identified in paragraphs (a) to (c) of your letter of 20 February 2012 were not differences in substance, but represent different and more refined ways of presenting and explaining what actually happened at the time with considerations of confidentiality and the public interest in mind, so that the readers will be able to view the voting record in context.

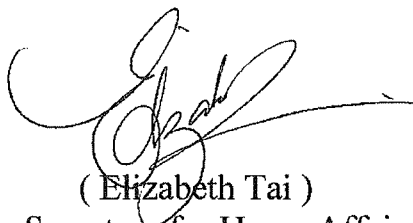
Specifically, our responses to paragraphs (a) to (c) are set out below –

- (a) As Round 4 only involved discussion to nominate entries for selection of the second prize winner and no actual voting took place, we did not present this “nomination round” in Annex 4 to our letter dated 14 February 2012. However, as explained in our letter dated 16 February 2012, we have made refinements to present the voting process in further detail, hence the description in Annex 6 to our subsequent letter was amended to include information about the “nomination round”, making it 7 rounds of voting and discussions (as opposed to 6 rounds of voting).
- (b) There is no contradiction between the descriptions on the “Binding vote to select the second prize winner” in the annexes to our letters dated 14 and 16 February 2012. Annex 4 to our letter dated 16 February 2012 seeks to highlight the Entry Concerned, which is the subject of public interest.
- (c) As stated in Annex 5 on the “Process of Selecting Winning Entries” to our letter of 16 February 2012, for the selection of the three entries awarded honourable mentions, Members of the Jury were invited to nominate any one entry from among the seven entries remaining from the group of eight considered for selection as the second prize winner, or any other entry (even though not among these seven), that in their view merited further consideration. After discussion, 6 entries (including the Entry Concerned) were nominated. Each member were to vote for three entries among the 6 nominated entries. There was no suggestion that after the second prize winner was selected, there were only four entries left for the selection of three honourable mentions.

As you may be aware, the House Committee of the Legislative Council (“LegCo”) has scheduled a meeting on 24 February 2012 to discuss “Issues relating to allegations of conflict of interests in the West Kowloon Reclamation Concept Plan Competition”, and has further requested the Government to provide information relevant to the allegations of conflict of interests involving yourself and one of the entrants therein. The Government has fully considered the matter and decided to disclose to the House Committee information relevant to those allegations.

We enclose herewith the LegCo House Committee Paper and its annexes. Some of the annexes are identical to those sent to you in our earlier letters but some have been revised so as to explain the voting process in further detail and in a manner which is consistent with considerations of confidentiality (both in respect of the jurors and of other entrants) and the public interest. In this connection, we have also taken into account your views and suggestions as contained in your said letter as part of the considerations of confidentiality as well as the public interest when addressing the scope of the disclosure to the House Committee.

Yours sincerely,



(Elizabeth Tai)
for Secretary for Home Affairs



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Dear [REDACTED]

West Kowloon Reclamation Concept Plan Competition

I am writing to seek your kind assistance with respect to the captioned Competition held in Hong Kong in 2001/02, of which you were one of the entrants.

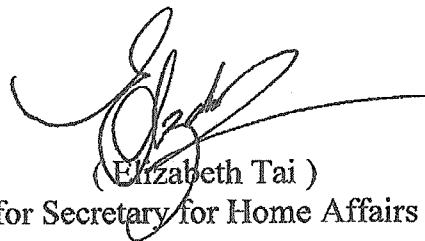
Recently, there have been media enquiries about the conflict of interest declaration of a juror of the captioned Competition and requests for disclosure of relevant information. We also note from media reports that [REDACTED] additional information pertaining to the Competition be disclosed.

Taking into account our obligation to safeguard the confidentiality requirement and public interest consideration, we intend to disclose to the public further information. This will include the attached registration form and updated list of project team members submitted by you to the Organiser of the Competition in 2001.

We hope to be able to obtain your consent regarding the above proposed disclosure. We will take into account your responses in determining the way forward on the matter.

Thank you for your kind assistance.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'Elizabeth Tai', with a long horizontal line extending to the right.

(Elizabeth Tai)
for Secretary for Home Affairs

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24 February 2012

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[REDACTED]
T. R. Hamzah & Yeang Sdn Bhd
International
8 Jalan 1, Taman Sri Ukay
68000 Ampang, Selangor
Malaysia

Dear [REDACTED]

West Kowloon Reclamation Concept Plan Competition

Subsequent to our letters dated 16 February 2012 and email message dated 20 February 2012 to LWK & Partners, which were copied to you, we have not heard further from you or LWK & Partners (HK) Ltd on the proposed disclosure to the public of the registration form and updated list of project team members submitted by you to the Organiser of the Competition in 2011.

The House Committee of the Legislative Council ("LegCo") of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region has scheduled a meeting today to discuss "Issues relating to allegations of conflict of interests in the West Kowloon Reclamation Concept Plan Competition", and has requested the Government to provide information on the subject. The Government has fully considered the matter and decided to disclose to the House Committee information relevant to those allegations.

We enclose herewith the LegCo House Committee Paper and its annexes. One of the annexes is a redacted version of the registration form and updated list of project team members submitted by you to the Organiser of the Competition. We have taken into account the considerations of confidentiality as well as the public interest when addressing the scope of the disclosure to the House Committee.

Yours sincerely,

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16 February 2012

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15/F, North Tower
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Harbour City
Kowloon

Dear Sirs,

West Kowloon Reclamation Concept Plan Competition


I am writing to seek your kind assistance with respect to the captioned Competition held in Hong Kong in 2001/02, to which you were one of the project team members of the entry submitted by T. R. Hamzah & Yeang Sdn Bhd.

Recently, there have been media enquiries about the conflict of interest declaration of a juror of the captioned Competition and requests for disclosure of relevant information. Taking into account considerations of confidentiality and public interest, we approached [REDACTED] of T. R. Hamzah & Yeang Sdn Bhd on 14 February 2012 about the proposed disclosure to the public of the registration form and updated list of project team members submitted by T. R. Hamzah & Yeang Sdn Bhd as an entrant to the Organiser of the Competition in 2001. [REDACTED] advised us to direct all our enquiries to your Company. Our correspondence with [REDACTED] is attached for your reference.

[Remark: The 'correspondence' only includes the letter from the Administration to T.R. Hamzah & Yeang Sdn Bhd dated 14 February 2012, pending consent of the company for disclosure of its reply.]

We look forward to receiving your response regarding the proposed disclosure. Thank you for your kind assistance.

Yours sincerely,



(Elizabeth Tai)
for Secretary for Home Affairs

Encl.

cc [REDACTED]

Elizabeth KP
TAI/HAB/HKSARG
20/02/2012 19:44

To [REDACTED]
cc [REDACTED]
bcc

Subject Re: Confidential: West Kowloon Reclamation Concept Plan
Competition

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Dear [REDACTED]

Thank you for your reply of 17 February 2012 confirming that LWK & Partners (HK) Ltd has no objection to disclosing to the public the registration form and updated list of project team members.

As [REDACTED] has advised us to direct all our enquiries to the executive and lead architect, LWK & Partners (HK) Ltd, LWK & Partners (HK) Ltd is best placed to confirm with T.R Hamzah & Yeang Sdn Rhd that it can give consent on the latter's behalf. To facilitate the process, I am copying this email to [REDACTED] of T.R Hamzah & Yeang Sdn Rhd.

We look forward to receiving your early response regarding the proposed disclosure. Thank you very much for your kind assistance.

Yours sincerely,

Elizabeth Tai
Principal Assistant Secretary for Home Affairs
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(Attn: [REDACTED])

Dear [REDACTED]

West Kowloon Reclamation Concept Plan Competition

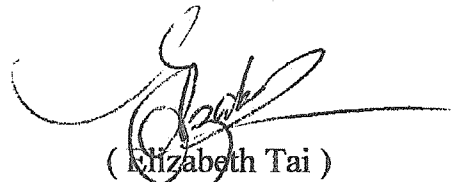
Thank you for your letter of 20 February 2012, the contents of which are the same as your email message of 17 February 2012.

We have not heard further from you regarding your communication with T.R. Hamzah & Yeang Sdn Rhd, if any, on the proposed disclosure to the public of the registration form and updated list of project team members submitted by T.R. Hamzah & Yeang Sdn Rhd as an entrant to the Organiser of the Competition in 2011.

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