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Ms. Mary So
Clerk to Panel
Panel on Administration of Justice and Legal Services
Legislative Council Complex
1 Legislative Council Road, Central
Hong Kong

Dear *Ms. So*,

**Panel on Administration of Justice and Legal Services
Item 19 of the List of Outstanding Items for Discussion:
Prosecutorial Independence**

On behalf of the Bar I thank you for your enquiries on the topic of Prosecutorial Independence.

The Bar's position may be stated very briefly. The Bar supports the vital need for prosecutorial decisions to be taken independently of political considerations and, as Article 63 of the Basic Law says: free from interference. The Bar does not see the need for any change in the statutory position. The Bar does not see the need for a paper on the topic.

Yours sincerely,

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