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Dear Miss Ma,

With regard to your letter dated 3 March 2017 to the Secretary for Security, our reply is as follows.

Freedom of the press is a core value of Hong Kong. It has been the Government's long-standing policy to safeguard freedom of the press and create a suitable environment in which the press may freely develop and flourish. The Government is gravely concerned that the media was being intimidated recently.

The incident mentioned in your letter involves several cases, and the cases have already been referred to the Kowloon East Regional Crime Unit of the Police for follow up and investigation. The Police have also conducted analysis and risk assessment based on the information provided by the informants, and have provided proper protection in response to the needs of the parties concerned.

Hong Kong is a society where the rule of law prevails and personal safety is safeguarded by the law. If any illegal act is detected, the Police will resolutely follow up and investigate, so as to maintain law and order and ensure public safety.

Yours sincerely,

(Andrew Tsang)
for Secretary for Security