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Government Handling and Response to Super Typhoon Mangkhut Anand Sethi to: h_c 28/09/2018 12:41

Dear Mr. Starry Lee Wai King,

I am writing to you to raise my concern as a citizen of Hong Kong.

Each time when the Government is made aware of a Typhoon approaching Hong Kong and if it is Signal No.3 and chances are it will be converted to 8, the rest of the day should be declared a holiday so that public can reach to safety in time.

Secondly the moment it turns Signal no.8 or more and then it reduces to 3 the next day it should be declared a holiday and allow at least 48 hours window to clear the streets and ensure public safety at all times.

Precaution is better than prevention. The way the Government handled the emergency response and recovery efforts arising from Super Typhoon Mangkhut is deplorable. Public safety was not ensured and many still risked their lives reaching their work place the next day.

The Government should ensure public safety first and foremost and this time the Government has not done enough to ensure this and this is the reason the Government has come under so much criticism.

We hope to address this in person on October 4, 2018.

The Government should come up with a new public safety policy at all times regardless if the typhoon change sits course from 8 to 3.

Best regards, Anand Sethi