

Letthead of HONG KONG BAR ASSOCIATION

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Dear Mr. Scott,

**Re: Consultation Paper on the Interpretation and
General Clauses (Amendment) Bill 1999 -
Use of Extrinsic Material in the Interpretation of Ordinances**

Thank you for your letter dated 27th March 2000 inviting the comments of the Bar Association on the Consultation Paper enclosed therewith.

The Bar Council has discussed the matter in its last meeting and concluded that we do not support the enactment of the Interpretation and General Clauses (Amendment) Bill 1999 because we do not see any pressing need for it.

Yours sincerely,

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