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# 香港青年商會(國際青年商會成員)的信頭 Letterhead of HONG KONG JUNIOR CHAMBER (incorporated with limited liability)

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To: Ms. Flora Tai (Fax: 2509 9055)

From: Ms. Louise Chan

#### **RE: Proposed Centre for Youth Development**

The Hong Kong Junior Chamber is affiliated to the Junior Chamber International, which is an influential world-wide leadership training organisation. There are over 100 membership states all over the world. Jaycees, being a leading youth leadership development organisation in Hong Kong, should take a pro-active role to bring positive changes and constructive opinions in our community. As an organisation having over 1,300 members in Hong Kong aged between 21 and 40, we are very delighted to hear that Hong Kong will have a Centre for Youth Development in the near future. For the proposed Centre to be erected, we have the following comments:

#### Location

- 1. Chai wan not an ideal location where is a bit farther away from the core area
- 2. Not convenient to serve users especially for those who are from New Territories
- 3. Can not draw the highest attention from the public as the Centre is off from the focal point
- 4. The feeling given to the public is too local and not good enough to serve all youth cross the city

The Proposed Centre located in Wanchai/Causeway Bay / Tsimshatsui is highly recommended.

### Facilities

- 1. Multi-purpose hall designed for performance, award presentation, ceremony, exhibition, banquet, etc.
- 2. Recreation hall for sports activities such as badminton, table tennis, squash, basketball, etc
- 3. More computers and other IT facilities installed are good for conference, meeting, training workshop, seminar for long term development
- 4. Library as well as information centre are also very necessary and useful for the youth

### Youth Hostel

- 1. To provide youth hostel is a good suggestion. But, the occupancy will be a concern due to the off-location
- 2. It can provide organisations more flexibilities in designing their youth activity programs such as more than a day camp. The youth can take the opportunity to get trainings through group and individual life experience in the Centre

3. Facilities and management should be maintained up to international standard so that the hostel can also accommodate other foreigners

## **Theme/Objective**

- 1. Major emphasis theme set for the centre is necessary in order to easily attract the public and the youth from time to time
- 2. Centre erected for leadership training, youth development, function venue, conference meeting, exhibition, recreation activities, youth counseling, youth hostel, etc. should be highlighted and promoted always
- 3. Services and facilities provided should be particularly designed for catering different age groups of the youth

As concluded, Hong Kong Junior Chamber has not hesitation to render our full support to the government of Hong Kong SAR for the erection of the Proposed Centre. In fact, we are longing for the centre with centralised facilities to promote youth development that will be constructed in the very nearest future. We do hope our opinions will also be valuable and relevant for your consideration.

Should you have any queries, please feel to contact our National Vice President, Mr. Frank Pak at 2110 3390 or the undersigned at 2543 8913.

Thank you for your kind attention.

Yours faithfully,

For (Ms. Louise Chan) National President Hong Kong Junior Chamber