

Letterhead of HONG KONG CHRISTIAN COUNCIL

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The Secretary of
The Panel on Constitutional Affairs
Secretariat of the Legislative Council
Legislative Council Building
Jackson Road 8
Central
Hong Kong

Dear Sirs.

The Panel on Constitutional Affairs of the Legislative Council has been inviting the public to present their views on the constitutional development of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region.

We regret that time has not allowed for a discussion of all the topics by the Mission and Social Concern Department of the Hong Kong Christian Council. We are therefore only submitting our view on point 4 of the agenda concerning the election of the Chief Executive by universal suffrage.

Paragraph 7 of Annex I to the Basic Law allows for amending the method for selecting the Chief Executive for the terms subsequent to the year 2007. The Mission and Social Concern Department of the Hong Kong Christian Council unanimously supports the election of the Chief Executive by universal suffrage as early as permitted by the Basic Law. The next legislature should initiate the necessary amendments to Annex I of the Basic Law.

Yours sincerely,

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General Secretary