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The Hon Henry TANG Ying Yen, GBS, JP
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Dear *Henry,*

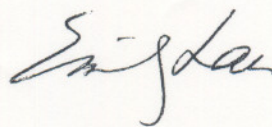
Special Finance Committee meeting on 24 March 2009

I refer to your letter dated 25 March 2009 regarding your concern about the use of vulgar and offensive language by two Members at the special Finance Committee meeting on 24 March 2009.

As Chairman of the Finance Committee, I am responsible for the observance of the rules of order in the Committee. At the meeting on 24 March 2009, my attention had not been drawn to any vulgar or offensive language being used by Members against public officers. As you may probably be aware, I reminded Members twice at the special Finance Committee meeting yesterday that the Legislative Council does not accept the use of offensive language against Members and public officers at meetings of the Council and its committees. I also advised Members and public officers attending Finance Committee meetings to bring to my attention that such offensive or insulting language was used so that I could act in accordance with the Rules of Procedure and the Finance Committee Procedure.

In view of your having written to the President and the Chairman of the House Committee concurrently on this matter, I am providing a copy of this letter to the President and all other Members for their information.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Emily Lau". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Emily" and the last name "Lau" clearly distinguishable.

(Emily LAU)
Chairman, Finance Committee

c.c. President of the Legislative Council
All other Members of the Legislative Council