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19 April 2001

Secretary for Home Affairs (Attn: Mr Jonathan McKinley) 31/F, Southorn Centre 130 Hennessy Road Wanchai Hong Kong

Dear Mr McKinley,

Subcommittee to follow up the outstanding capital works projects of the former municipal councils

Follow-up to meeting on 18 April 2001

At the Subcommittee's meeting on 18 April 2001, the Administration has undertaken to provide the following information -

- (a) the timeframe for implementation of the 21 priority projects recommended by LCSD and the 27 projects which District Councils had requested for priority treatment (please provide target dates for various planning/design/construction stages in respect of these projects);
- (b) a comparison of the annual provisions earmarked for capital works projects involving leisure and cultural facilities provided by the ex-PMCs and LCSD, together with a breakdown by type of service and number of projects involved; and
- (c) the justifications for LCSD to recommend priority projects in certain districts but not others. The Administration was requested to provide additional information on the recommended provision for leisure and cultural facilities under the Hong Kong Planning Standards and Guidelines or other criteria, and the existing shortfall of such facilities in these districts. If there was a significant shortfall of provision in those districts without any priority projects, please provide the reasons.

I should be grateful if the Administration could provide the requested information as soon as possible.

With best regards,

Yours sincerely,

(Mrs Constance LI) Clerk to Subcommittee

c.c. Dr Hon TANG Siu-tong, JP (Chairman)

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3 May 2001

Secretary for the Environment and Food (Attn: Ms Eva TO)
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Dear Ms TO,

Subcommittee to follow up the outstanding capital works projects of the former municipal councils

Follow-up to meeting on 3 May 2001

At today's meeting, the Subcommittee has requested the Administration to provide the following information -

- (a) a list of ex-PMC projects which the policy bureaux have bidded for funds since the dissolution of the two PMCs, and the provisions approved; and
- (b) the five-year programmes of capital works projects involving municipal services/facilities before and after dissolution of the two PMCs, and the average annual provision(s) for such facilities.

I should be grateful if the Administration could provide a written response before the **end of May 2001** for members' consideration. The Subcommittee Chairman has also requested an early response to issues raised at the meeting on 18 April 2001, as detailed in my letter of 19 April 2001. I shall inform you of the date of the next meeting after consulting the Chairman.

With best regards,

Yours sincerely,

(Mrs Constance LI) Clerk to Subcommittee

c.c. Dr Hon TANG Siu-tong, JP (Chairman)

Secretary for the Treasury

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Secretary for Home Affairs

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