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The Hon Chan Kwok Keung
Bills Committee Chairman
Construction Works Registration Bill
Legislative Council Building
8 Jackson Road, Central
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Dear Mr Chan

Bills Committee on Construction Works Registration Bill

We refer to your letter of 3 June 2003 ref. CBI/BC/6/02 to our Executive Director, Miss L C Wong, and thank you for inviting us to give views on the Construction Workers Registration Bill.

Having perused the background information of the Bill, we fully support the spirit of the proposed registration system which aims to cultivate a quality culture for achieving value in construction industry and improving the quality of construction works.

We understand that the industry has been fully consulted through the Working Group and Sub-group since July 1999 and the system proposed has also been discussed at the respective Legco Panels. Therefore, we believe that details concerning implementation, administration and enforcement of the system as well as its impact on the employment of the existing construction workers must have been thoroughly considered.

In general, we are in support of the objective of the proposed mandatory registration system for construction workers and we do not see the need to be represented before the Bills Committee at its meeting on 24 June.

Yours faithfully

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