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Dear Mr. Lam,

Village Representative Election Bill

Thank you for your letter of 20 December 2002.

From a drafting point of view, the draft Committee Stage amendments attached to your letter are in order. However, you may wish to delete the definition of "prescribed public officer" in clause 2 as well, as it is no longer necessary if your proposed amendments are passed.

I wish to point out that the Administration does not agree to the proposed deletion of clauses 9(1)(a)(ii) and 23(1)(a)(ii) from a policy point of view. We have set out our reasons in previous written replies and at Bills Committee meetings.

Yours sincerely,

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