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Dear Mr. Lam,

Village Representative Election Bill

I refer to your letter of 30 October 2002 and my reply of 6 November 2002.

My response to your comments on the Chinese version of the Village Representative Election Bill is as follows:

(a) <u>Clauses 16(c)</u>, 21 and 31

Your proposed amendments are appropriate. We will revise the relevant provisions as suggested.

(b) <u>Clauses 30(3)(b) and 31(8)(b)(ii)</u>

For consistency, I suggest that clause 31(8)(b)(ii) be amended to read as follows :-

- "(b) 必須根據第 30(3)條公開宣佈 ---
 - (i)
 - (ii) (如在該選舉中多於一名該村的村代表,而且 有另一名候選人就該村獲選出)在該村的選舉
 中所選出的候選人人數少於該村的選舉須選出
 的村代表人數的範圍內,該選舉未能完成。"
- (c) <u>Clause 47</u>

This clause is modelled on section 57(4) of the District Councils Ordinance (Cap. 547). We are of the view the use of word "後" is appropriate in this context.

(d) <u>Clauses 53(3), 54(2) and 55</u>

No amendments are proposed for these provisions. However, we intend to amend clause 51(2) to read as follows :

"(2) 選舉登記主任具有本條例或選管會規例、或根據本條 例或選管會規例委予或賦予他的職能。"

Yours sincerely,

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