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Dear Miss Lau,

**Construction Industry Levy (Miscellaneous Amendments) Bill 2003**

You may recall that at the Bills Committee meeting held on 18 July 2003, some members raised questions on the interpretation of section 7(1)(g) of the Industrial Training (Construction Industry) Ordinance (Cap. 317).

Section 7(1)(g) reads as follows:

"7(1) The Authority shall consists of 13 members appointed by the ~~Governor~~ Chief Executive of whom -

...

(g) I shall be a person who holds office as an official of a trade union representing workers employed in the construction industry; ..."

Please let me know if the following interpretation of the relevant section is correct. The word "employed" refers to the workers who are employed in the construction industry but not the person who holds office as an official of the trade union. In other words, the trade union official who is appointed as a member of the Construction Industry Training Authority does not have to be employed in the construction industry.

Could you give me a reply in bilingual form on or before 3 October 2003?

Thank you.

Yours sincerely,

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