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BY HAND

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Dr. the Honourable Law Chi Kwong Room 1304, 13/F K.K. Leung Building University of Hong Kong Pokfulam Road Hong Kong

Dear Dr. Law,

Thank you for your concern regarding our views on the Adoption Bill. Our staff were also present at the Legco meeting on 22 March and they have passed the relevant documents to me already.

Indeed Caritas has been involved in the drafting stage of the Adoption Bill. However, when the Bills Committee started to discuss the drafts, Caritas has not been invited and informed of its meetings. It was not until March that we were notified by Ms. Ryan of Mother's Choice about Legco having begun to discuss the Bill. That was why we have submitted our belated comments to the Bills Committee to share our views on what was discussed.

Since our staff have recently attended the Legco meetings on the Bill, I assure you that communication has been greatly improved. We are especially glad to learn that SWD is planning to open up the local adoption programme to NGOs.

Thank you again for your concern of our participation in such an important issue.

Yours sincerely,

Dr. Joyce S.H. Chang, JP

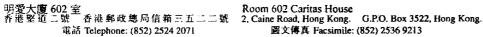
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