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(Secretariat of Legislative Councillors of the Democratic Party)

20 March 2003

Hon Mrs Selina CHOW LIANG Shuk-yee, JP Chairman of the House Committee Legislative Council

Dear Mrs CHOW,

Further to my letter dated 17 March in which I requested that the House Committee should discuss the appointment of an independent Commission of Inquiry, I would like to amend the wording of the original motion as follows:

"That this Committee demands that the Government should appoint an independent Commission of Inquiry to inquire into whether the Financial Secretary's purchase of a car before the tax increase has constituted a breach of sections 1.2(6) and 1.2(7) in Chapter 1 of the Code for Principal Officials under the Accountability System which state respectively that 'Principal officials shall observe the highest standards of personal conduct and integrity at all times' and 'Principal officials shall ensure that no actual or potential conflict arises between their public duties and their private interests', as well as a violation of the conduct and integrity of a principal official under the accountability system."

I should be grateful if you would follow up this matter and put the above motion to vote at the meeting.

Chairman of the Democratic Party and Legislative Councillor

Signed

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