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**WRITTEN STATEMENT OF DR. YIP WAI CHUN**

1. I am the Chief of Service, Consultant Surgeon of Department of Surgery, Kwong Wah Hospital.
2. At around 10:00am of the 24<sup>th</sup> February 2003, Monday, Ms Tong, Secretary of the medical superintendent office of the First Affiliated Hospital gave me a call. She stated that a [REDACTED] of her hospital group (Second Affiliated Hospital) was admitted into the Intensive Care Unit of Kwong Wah Hospital with severe respiratory illness. She asked me to take a look and see whether the patient required expert care. She did not mention anything about the recent spread of respiratory illness in Guangdong. I did not know [REDACTED] personally.  
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3. The First Affiliated Hospital of Sun Yat Sen University of Medical Sciences and the Kwong Wah Hospital are sister hospitals. The agreement was established in 1996. Over the years, I have been acting as the coordinator for organizing the exchange programmes for the two hospitals. I have telephone communication with Ms Tong about four to five times a year on issues related to the exchange programme.
4. I went to the Intensive Care Unit immediately after the telephone call. I discussed with Dr Watt on [REDACTED]'s condition and I learned that the patient's condition was quite critical. I made the suggestion to Dr Watt for inviting Professor Yuen Kwok Yung to come and give medical advice on [REDACTED]'s illness. Dr Watt agreed with the suggestion and I called Professor Yuen in the Intensive Care Unit.  
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5. I knew Professor Yuen for a long time and we were classmates in medical school. The Department of Surgery of Kwong Wah Hospital has had a lot of clinical collaborations with the Department of Microbiology of University of Hong Kong, Queen Mary Hospital. We often invited Professor Yuen to give medical advices on some of our surgical patients in Kwong Wah Hospital.
6. I called at Professor Yuen's office but his secretary replied that Professor Yuen was not feeling well and had stayed home. Being his best friend, I knew Professor Yuen would not mind if I called him at his home. I told Professor Yuen about the Professor Liu's illness and he asked me to seek help from Professor Ho Pak Leung. I called Professor Yuen's secretary again and asked her to look for Professor Ho and I left my mobile phone number with her. About 15 minutes later, Professor Ho called me and I related the request to him and he agreed to come and suggested me to locate a parking space for him in Kwong Wah Hospital.

7. Professor Ho and Professor Kenneth Tsang arrived at the Intensive Care Unit of Kwong Wah Hospital at around 11:30am. I introduced them to the doctors in the Intensive Care Unit. I stayed for ten to fifteen minutes and returned to my work. I did not take part in the discussion on the patient's condition and management.
8. At around 2:00pm, 24 February 2003, Ms Tong gave me a call and told me that Professor Zhang Wen Hua, Medical Superintendent of the First Affiliated Hospital would come to visit [REDACTED]. Professor Zhang would arrive at the Hunghom rail station at around 5:30pm and she asked me if I could send a car to pick up Professor Zhang from the rail station. I replied that this could be arranged. Ms Tong explained that Professor Zhang's visit basically was to pay respect to [REDACTED] as [REDACTED] was an "old" professor of the hospital group. AA AA
9. Professor Zhang arrived at 6:00pm, 24 February 2003, Monday. He came with two of his senior deputies. One being the medical superintendent of the Second Affiliated Hospital and the other being the deputy medical superintendent of the Second Affiliated Hospital. Professor Zhang asked me not to alert Dr C C Luk, Hospital Chief Executive of Kwong Wah Hospital as this was only a social visit. I introduced them to Dr Tsang of the Intensive Care Unit. Dr Tsang informed Professor Zhang about [REDACTED]'s condition. Professor Zhang stayed for around ten minutes. He and his senior deputies did not contribute professionally to the management of [REDACTED]'s illness and they had not brought any medication from China for administration to [REDACTED]. Professor Zhang only ask about the possible causation of Professor Liu's illness and politely ask us to inform him if there was any change of [REDACTED]'s condition. The three Chinese colleagues stayed in YMCA hotel of Waterloo Road for 1 night and left on the next morning. AA AA
10. I had no further communication with the First Affiliated Hospital on [REDACTED]'s illness after the events on 24 February 2003. AA

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