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To: Members of the House Committee

Follow-up to the House Committee Meeting on 7 May 2004

Legal Services Legislation (Miscellaneous Amendments) Ordinance 1997 (94 of 1997) (Commencement) Notice 2004

In connection with the discussion of the commencement of section 13 of the Legal Services Legislation (Miscellaneous Amendments) Ordinance 1997 at the House Committee meeting on 7 May 2004, I attach a letter dated 10 May 2004 from the Department of Justice confirming that the Law Society of Hong Kong has been consulted on and has no objection to the commencement date of the section.

(Mrs Constance LI) for Clerk to the House Committee

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Dear Mr Woo,

Re: Section 13 Legal Services Legislation (Miscellaneous Amendments) Ordinance 1997

I refer to the House Committee Meeting held on 7 May 2004.

In respect of the discussion of the commencement notice for section 13 of the Legal Services Legislation (Miscellaneous Amendments) Ordinance 1997, we would like to confirm that the Law Society of Hong Kong has been consulted on the commencement of the section and has no objection to it being brought into operation at the appointed time. Copies of the relevant correspondence are enclosed for your reference. We would be grateful if you could bring them to the attention of Members for the purpose of the next meeting.

Yours sincerely,

(Ms Kitty Fung) Senior Government Counsel Legal Policy Division

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Dear Ms. Fung,

Section 13 of the Legal Services Legislation (Miscellaneous Amendments) Ordinance 1997

I refer to my letter dated 5th September. The Council has confirmed that it has no objection to your bringing Section 13 of the Legal Services Legislation (Miscellaneous Amendments) Ordinance into force so as to effect an amendment to Section 74 of the Legal Practitioners Ordinance.

Yours sincerely,

Patrick Moss Secretary General

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Dear Ms. Fung,

Section 13 of the Legal Services Legislation (Miscellaneous Amendments) Ordinance 1997

Thank you for your letter dated $3^{\rm rd}$ September, the contents of which I have noted. This matter will be placed on the agenda for the next meeting of the Council to be held on 16th September and I will revert to you as soon as possible after that date.

Yours sincerely,

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via Mr Michael Scott, SASG/GLD/4/9

Dear Mr Moss,

Section 13 of the Legal Services Legislation (Miscellaneous Amendments) Ordinance 1997 has not yet commenced since its enactment in 1997. This section relates to the composition of the Costs Committee.

I would be most grateful if you could let us know whether the Law Society has any objection to our bringing section 13 into force. Please let us know if there is any valid reason for further deferment of commencement of the section.

I look forward to your early reply.

Yours sincerely

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