

Asian Cultural Council

Hong Kong

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The Hon. Lau Wong-fat
Chairman
Planning, Lands & Works Panel
Environmental Affairs Panel
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Re: Use of the Tamar Site in Central

Dear Mr. Lau,

I am writing to request that the Planning, Lands & Works Panel not approve the paper regarding the use of the Tamar Site that will be tabled on November 22nd.

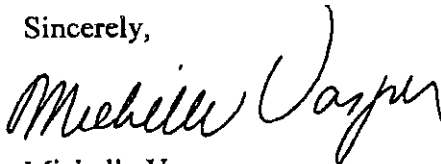
I add my name to the chorus of people who love Hong Kong and want to preserve its position as one of the most beautiful cities of the world. Hong Kong has always been able to attract a large number of tourists, as well as people from abroad who are willing to live here and invest in this thriving international center.

I am astonished by recent developments which seem to show a self-destructive direction which is certain to ruin our city. The Central waterfront holds enormous potential and should be transformed into a landscape that can compete with the harbour cities of Sydney and San Francisco. Using the Tamar space for a massive government complex, which could be located elsewhere, is a terrible mistake.

This decision should be part of a larger planning for the entire area. If we can create a magnificent waterfront, and find a way to solve the city's appalling air pollution problem, Hong Kong holds a chance of being Asia's most beautiful city.

Please delay the decision on this project and make a better plan for Hong Kong's Harbourfront.

Sincerely,



Michelle Vosper
Hong Kong Representative

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