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Dear Mrs. Ma,

Polling Day for the 2008 Legislative Council Election and Related Arrangements

I write to inform Members of the date for holding the general election for the fourth term Legislative Council ("LegCo") and related arrangements.

Section 6(1) of the Legislative Council Ordinance (Cap. 542) ("LCO") provides that the Chief Executive must specify a date for holding a general election to elect the Members for each term of office of the LegCo. Having considered the relevant statutory provisions concerning the determination of a general election date and the nomination period preceding an election, and the practice adopted in the past public elections, the Chief Executive has appointed 7 **September 2008** as the date for holding the general election for the fourth term LegCo.

In this connection, the nomination period for the 2008 LegCo Election is scheduled for 19 July 2008 to 1 August 2008.

In accordance with section 6(1) of the LCO, a notice on the polling date will be published in the Gazette on 22 February 2008.

I should be grateful if you could circulate this letter for the information of all Members of the LegCo.

Yours sincerely,

(Mr. Arthur HO) for Secretary for Constitutional

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