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29 July 2010

Clerk to Panel on Home Affairs Legislative Council 8 Jackson Road Central Hong Kong (Attn: Miss Vivian POON)

Dear Miss POON.

## Panel on Home Affairs Conversion of Yau Ma Tei Theatre and Red Brick Building into a Xiqu Activity Centre

Further to our progress report of relocating the public toilet (PT), refuse collection point (RCP) and street sleepers' shelter (SSS) adjacent to Yau Ma Tei Theatre to the Panel on Home Affairs dated 16 March 2010, I append below the latest development of the relocation.

For the relocation of the RCP and SSS, the Architectural Services Department has carried out a technical feasibility study. It is considered that the proposed site was not feasible (mainly because there are substantial underground utilities services and the successful diversion of such would be extremely difficult). We, together with the Food and Environmental Hygiene Department and the Social Welfare Department, are actively identifying potential sites for relocating the RCP and SSS, and communicating with the stakeholders, with a view to finding new site(s) acceptable to various parties.

Besides, relevant government departments have studied possible sites for relocating the PT but no suitable site in the vicinity could be identified. Having considered the needs of the public and the users of Yau Ma Tei Wholesale Fruit Market, the Administration proposes to reprovision the PT at the Xiqu Activity Centre Phase II project site after the relocation of the RCP and SSS.

Yours sincerely,

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D of Social Welfare (Attn: Mr David CHIU)

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