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Dear Mr Lam,

**Legislative Council Panel on Security  
Security Arrangements during Visits of  
Political Dignitaries to Hong Kong**

Thank you for your letters dated 21 September 2011 and 27 September 2011. Our response to Members' requests for further information raised at the special meeting of the Legislative Council Panel on Security on 12 September 2011 is as follows.

Maintaining law and order and protecting political dignitaries visiting Hong Kong are internal affairs of Hong Kong. Hence it is the responsibility of the Hong Kong Police Force to protect political dignitaries during their visits to Hong Kong. Related authorities of both sides have, according to the usual practices of receiving political dignitaries, communicated with each other prior to the visit of Mr Li Keqiang, Vice-Premier of the State Council. Based on the latest international situation and the risk assessment, the Police conducted professional risk assessment and formulated corresponding security measures having regard to past experiences in handling similar operations and the unique circumstances of each scenario.

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The content of the communication contains information on the risk assessment conducted by the Police. Disclosing such information may reveal operational details and enforcement capabilities of the Police to criminals, which will seriously undermine the effectiveness of similar Police operations in future and even threaten the personal safety of future visiting political dignitaries, thereby jeopardising public interests. It is therefore considered inappropriate to disclose such information.

Yours sincerely,

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