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Subject: Objection to BSD and SSD

Dear Sir/Madam,

I write to express my strong objection to the passing of the BSD and SSD laws in legco.

The implementation of the said stamp duties does not serve the purpose of controlling an overheated property market, but leads to artificial suppression of property transaction volumes.

furthermore, I am aware of overseas friends who are working in HK, and are interested to purchase a self used apartment. After the announcement of BSD, most if not all of these friends have decided against purchasing. I believe this may even go against anti-discrimination laws, and/or un-constitutional. If anything, it is being very unfair to expatriates that have contributed so much to HK's growth and development. It is a good thing for HK to allow these expats to purchase a property in HK so that they can be committed to living here and contribute further to HK's development for the long haul.

yours sincerely

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