



**Re: Bills Committee on Pesticides (Amendment) Bill 2013: Meeting on 15
March 2013**

Nuria Chiu to: Meisy MS KWOK

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History: This message has been replied to.

Good morning ladies and gentlemen,

I come here today on behalf of many parents in Hong Kong who like myself are extremely concerned about the widely use of pesticides in schools, playgrounds, parks, residential buildings and other public places.

Although we understand Hong Kong is a city at danger from different mosquito borne diseases and other pests, we still think there should be stricter regulations and control in the use of pesticides around children, specially in schools.

Schools get sprayed in regular basis and parents are never informed.

Numerous studies link early exposure of pesticides in childhood to an array of diseases, from neurological,developmental, and reproductive disorders to cancers like leukemia, brain and breast.

A new report released by the American Academy of Pediatrics highlights the dangers of pesticides for children. For more detail information go to:

AAP Makes recommendations to Reduces Children's Exposure to Pesticides....

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Thank you for your attention and I hope we can further discuss this issue in future meetings.

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