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To: Chairman and Committee members of the Panel of Development

RE : Reiterate our interest in exchanging a new site with relevant building and facilities for Sheung Shui Pui Yau Kindergarten (DD 95, Lot 774A, 776 A)

Dear Sirs/ Madam

Date : 19/07/2013

Our Kindergarten (Sheung Shui Pui Yau Kindergarten) was founded in 1960 in Kwu Tung Village by Ms Ko Sou Har. Our effort and enthusiasm in providing standard and quality pre-school education to children in this remote village and neighbouring hamlets were well received by parents and were witnessed by all villages' representatives over the years. Tens of thousands of children had received their first formal education in our school and we were very much proud of their wholesome and all round development and sometimes with exceptional achievements (doctors , lawyers , village representative, district council member teachers , civil servants, social workers, successful businessmen etc) . We knew that our heartfelt commitment to kindergarten education in this rural area were paid off. Having said that, we were not self-contented and kept improving ourselves in meeting the ever changing and growing need of pre-school education in this area and even expand to the border of HK and mainland China. Therefore, in 2008, we decided to applied for land exchange for the purpose of expanding our kindergarten and provide more facilities to meet the growing population and especially to satisfy a great demand for a "nature" mode\* of education for the region. The application was almost successful and a new Lot no. 2247 was prepared to grant to us. However, due to the reactivation of the huge North East New Development project, the application has been kept pending since July 2009.

As the redevelopment of the village is getting imminent, we would like to reiterate our interest in seeking your cooperation in exchanging the involved lots and provide relevant school building and facilities to us so that we can continually commit ourselves to provide high standard pre-school education to the region(53yrs already) and to the society as well. Please also consider the possibility of exchanging those idled village schools in nearby areas so that influence to the school children will be kept minimal during the school relocation .

We certainly looking forward to receiving your favorable reply and if possible , in person discussion with your committee member(s) is appreciated.

Faithfully and with regards

Steve Yeung Hok Cheung

(Lot 774A & 776A landlords resrepresentative and school director)

\* "Nature" mode of education ----- over decades of experience in providing kindergarten education , we strongly perceived the great need of "nature" teaching. That is to help young children learn to love nature and enjoy nature eg. Rain, sunlight, space, air, trees, flowers, soil , sky , clouds , insects etc. If they love nature, they enjoy it, they treasure it and protect it , most importantly, they have motivation to put effort and with discipline in order to have such beautiful nature. Besides, chance of staying in door and keep playing with electronic toys will be reduced since they would prefer outdoor activities more. This would certainly provide them with a healthier educational environment for their physical and psychological development.