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20 March 2014

Ms Anita Sit  
Clerk to Select Committee  
Legislative Council Complex  
1 Legislative Council Road  
Central  
Hong Kong

Dear Ms Sit,

**Select Committee to Inquire into Matters Relating to  
Mr Timothy Tong's Duty Visits, Entertainment, and  
Bestowing and Receipt of Gifts during his Tenure as  
Commissioner of the Independent Commission Against Corruption**

**Request for Records**

I refer to your letters of 21 February and 13 March 2014.

According to our records, the former Commissioner of the Independent Commission Against Corruption (ICAC), Mr Timothy TONG, made three applications to the Chief Executive from 2007-08 to 2012-13 for personal retention of gifts offered/presented to him.

Two of the applications concerned gifts offered to Mr TONG in his official capacity as the then Commissioner of ICAC. We note that the ICAC already provided relevant information to the Select Committee in Annex 3 of its letter on 19 February 2014. We have nothing to add in respect of these two applications.

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The third application, which was received while Mr TONG was on pre-retirement leave, concerned a retirement gift presented to Mr TONG by a group of 30 personal friends at a private party on 1 July 2012. A copy of the relevant application and our reply is attached at **Annex** (English version only). The names of Mr TONG's personal friends who presented the gift to him have been redacted for personal data reasons.

In view of the on-going criminal investigation involving Mr TONG, we have handled your request with care to avoid prejudicing the investigation. While we wish to facilitate the work of the Select Committee, we also wish to stress that our agreement to provide the requested information on this specific occasion shall not be regarded as setting any precedent or practice on our part.

Yours sincerely,



(Miss Ivy Chan)  
for Director of the Chief Executive's Office

BY FAX

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From: Timothy HM TONG,  
Officer on Pre-retirement leave  
(former C, ICAC)  
FAX: 2537 9122

11 July 2012

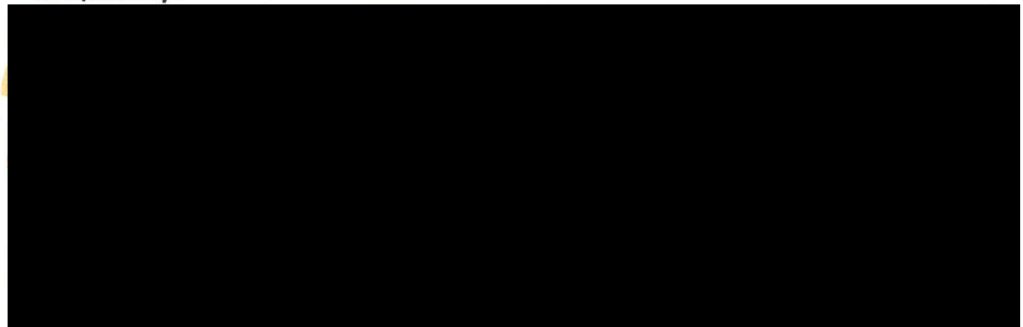
Application to Accept Retirement Gift

I hereby apply for permission for me to accept a retirement gift from personal friends, with details as follows:

The gift: one Golf driver brand TaylorMade; Model R11S,  
Price: \$3800 (approx.)

Occasion: A private party held on 1 July 2012 hosted jointly by many personal friends of mine, to celebrate my retirement from service.

Gift paid by:



(Of the above, [redacted] is a serving Government officer; [redacted] and [redacted] are retired government officers. The rest are my personal friends and their families some having known me for over twenty years.)

Please let me know if permission for acceptance is granted.

(Timothy H M TONG)



By Fax : 2537 9122

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傳真號碼 Fax No.: 2524 3099  
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26 July 2012

Mr Timothy HM Tong

Dear Mr Tong,

**Application to accept retirement gift**

I refer to your letter of 11 July 2012.

Approval is given for you to accept the retirement gift (a golf driver) presented to you by your personal friends at a private party on 1 July.

Yours sincerely,

( Jock Tam )  
for Permanent Secretary,  
Chief Executive's Office

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