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Ms Joanne Mak Clerk to Legislative Council Panel on Constitutional Affairs Legislative Council Complex 1 Legislative Council Road Central, Hong Kong

Dear Ms Mak,

The Hon Claudia MO wrote to the Chairman of the Panel on Constitutional Affairs on 31 March 2015, expressing her views on the Government Announcements in the Public Interest (APIs) relating to constitutional development. Our reply to the Hon MO's letter is as follows.

During the period when the Government of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region launched the first round of consultation on constitutional development in December 2013, to the end of the second round consultation in March 2015, we have produced a total of eight TV and eight radio APIs relating to constitutional development, details of which are at Annex. The abovementioned TV and radio APIs were broadcast from 4 December 2013 to 7 March 2015 on five local TV stations and five radio stations, taking up 5.26% and 5.1% of the total free air time for broadcasting APIs on TV stations and radio stations during the same broadcast period respectively. Besides, the relevant APIs were also broadcast on the website of constitutional development and other media. In the financial year 2013-14 and 2014-15, our respective expenditures on and revised estimates of publicity for taking forward constitutional development are about \$6.1 million and \$9.4 million, which include the expenses in producing the abovementioned TV and radio APIs.

In fact, at the special meeting of the Finance Committee held on 2 April 2015, we already had a detailed discussion with Members on the expenditures of the abovementioned TV and radio APIs. Members may refer to our written replies to the Finance Committee and the record of the relevant meeting.

Yours sincerely,

(Miss Anna Leung)

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for Secretary for Constitutional and Mainland Affairs

Annex

	TV and radio APIs relating to constitutional development
1	Let's talk and achieve universal suffrage
2	Let's achieve universal suffrage together
3	Seize the opportunity to achieve universal suffrage
4	A clear basis for achieving universal suffrage
5	A clear basis for achieving universal suffrage (concise edition)
6	Your vote. Don't cast it away
7	Your vote. Gotta have it
8	2017: Seize the opportunity