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To: Panel on Health Services

Re: Graphic Health Warnings in Hong Kong

I strongly support the proposal to increase our graphic health warnings as suggested by the government.

Our current warnings are:

- a) Old (2007) whereas most countries change the warnings every 2-3 years
- b) Only 6, whereas there should be a greater pool of warnings
- c) Small, at 50%, while the current trend is for warnings above 80%

Hong Kong has done well in tobacco control through the 1970s-1990s; let us continue this trend to be responsive to the health and wellbeing of the people of Hong Kong.

Yours sincerely,

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