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By email

Hon Vincent FANG Kang, SBS, JP Chairman Bills Committee on Medical Registration (Amendment) Bill 2016 Legislative Council Legislative Council Complex 2 Tim Mei Avenue Tamar, Hong Kong

Dear Mr. the Hon. Fang,

Hong Kong Doctors Union strongly object To Not adding 4 elected doctor members to the Medical Council of Hong Kong

Hong Kong Doctors Union (HKDU) is the only registered trade union in Hong Kong for public and private doctors. Our mission is to upkeep the medical standard of doctors by providing Continuous Medical Education opportunities to not only 2,000 odd doctor members but also to all doctors at large.

Our Union gave our opinion on the Government's proposal in reform of the Hong Kong Medical Council (MCHK) on 11th April 2016. We are most shocked to hear the Government's final decision to go ahead with purely adding four lay persons to the MCHK.

We firmly believe the purely adding of lay persons without adding four doctors elected will not assist the delay in disciplinary hearings and other functions of the MCHK due to manpower shortage that we have stated in our last submission on 8th April 2016.

HKDU is convinced that only by adding four doctors to the MCHK through election when four lay persons are added will the smooth and efficient running of the MCHK be improved.

Yours sincerely,

Dr. Ho Ock Ling Thomas

Hon. Secretary

Hong Kong Doctors Union

cc: All Legislative Council Members Press & Media

