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Dear Mr CHAN,

**Re: Bank of Communications (Hong Kong) Limited (Merger) Bill**

I am scrutinizing the Bill with a view to advising members on its legal and drafting aspects. It is noted that the Bill is substantially the same as the Bank of Communications (Hong Kong) Limited (Merger) Bill introduced by Mr NG Leung-sing, SBS, JP (a former Legislative Council Member) into the Fifth Legislative Council except with the following two revisions, namely:

- (a) in paragraph (c) of the definition of "excluded property and liabilities" in clause 2(1) of the Bill, the expression "(including treasury)" is deleted; and
- (b) in clause 6(b) of the Bill, the expression "(or any existing contract to which it was a party in respect of the excluded property and liabilities)" is added.

Please let the members know the reasons for adopting the above revisions in the Bill.

I would be grateful if you would let us have your response in bilingual form at your earliest convenience, preferably before **7 June 2017**.

Yours sincerely,



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