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To: Secretary for Health and Welfare, HKSAR

As the Human Reproductive Technology Bill will soon be introduced into the Legislative Council, the Association considers that the following areas should be seriously discussed:

1. Membership of the Council on Human Reproductive Technology should be extended to include one molecular biologist and one cytologist.
2. Kinship among members of the Council and main Government officials should be avoided as far as possible.
3. The powers exercised by the Chief Executive as provided in Clause 3(3) of Part II are not legally justifiable and should be scrapped.
4. The practices mentioned in Clause 13(1)(d), (e) and (f) of Part III should be prohibited prior to adequate in-depth deliberation in view of the involvement of the current most sophisticated studies in reproductive technology, organ reproduction and gene engineering, the complexity of ethical and moral issues and the divergent views of various countries.

Reproductive Technology Review Division

cc. All Legco Members