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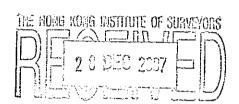
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Dear Mr CHAN,

## Bills Committee on Buildings (Amendment) Bill 2007

## Invitation for submissions

You may wish to note that the Legislative Council has formed a Bills Committee to scrutinize the Buildings (Amendment) Bill 2007 (the Bill) which was introduced into the Legislative Council on 5 December 2007. The Bill seeks to amend the Buildings Ordinance (Cap. 123) to introduce a minor works control system; provide for a scheme under which demolition orders will not be made in respect of prescribed unauthorized building works or building structures which have been completed or carried out before a specified date; provide penalties for offences relating to minor works; and make miscellaneous amendments. For details of the Bill and related information, please visit the following

website

at <a href="http://www.legco.gov.hk/yr07-08/english/bc/bc01/general/bc01.htm">http://www.legco.gov.hk/yr07-08/english/bc/bc01/general/bc01.htm</a>.

On behalf of Hon KWONG Chi-kin, Chairman of the Bills Committee, I am writing to invite your organization to give views on the Bill. To facilitate timely perusal by members, please provide your organization's written submission by email to: <a href="mailto:mleung@legco.gov.hk">mleung@legco.gov.hk</a> and/or by fax at (852) 2869 6794 by 18 January 2008. If the submissions are available in both Chinese and English, please provide both versions. In this connection, you may note that a general notice inviting submissions on the Bill has also been posted on the website of the Legislative Council.

The Bills Committee will hold a meeting on Saturday, 26 January 2008 at 9:00 am at the Chamber of the Legislative Council Building to receive views from deputations. If your organization is interested in attending the meeting, please complete and return the attached reply slip to the Secretariat by 16 January 2008. If you are unable to send a representative to attend the meeting, you are welcome to provide a written submission.

You are invited to note that the Bills Committee meeting will be held in public. In line with our usual practice, written submissions received will be made available to the media and public, and uploaded onto the Legislative Council's website, unless you have advised otherwise. You may also wish to note that submissions received and oral presentations at the meeting will not be covered by the protection and immunity under the Legislative Council (Powers and Privileges) Ordinance (Cap. 382).

Deputations attending the meeting to present their views to the Bills Committee are requested to arrive not later than 8:45 am. On arrival at the Legislative Council Building, please obtain an entry pass at the Security Control Post at the entrance beside the carpark before proceeding to Room B on the first floor. Representatives of the deputations will be invited to join the meeting when members are ready. Please note that representatives are required to wear the entry pass at all times while in the Building and to return the pass to the Security Control Post before leaving.

Should you have any enquiries, please feel free to contact me at 2509 4189 or Ms May LEUNG at 2869 9132.

With best regards,

Yours sincerely,

(Ms Guy YIP) for Clerk to Bills Committee

Encl.

c.c. Hon KWONG Chi-kin (Chairman)