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Subject: Consultation Document on Further Development of the Political Appointment System

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Dear Sir,

I have read the HKSARG document 'Consultation Document on Further Development of the Political Appointment System', including the additional information included in the pamphlet entitled 'Highlights'.

As a citizen, permanent resident and taxpayer in Hong Kong for over thirty years I wish to register my ABSOLUTE OBJECTION to these proposals.

I consider that the community has been poorly advised about these proposals and am not convinced of their necessity. I do not think that sufficient justification has been offered for these posts to be created or what the Deputy Directors and Assistants to the Directors will be doing to justify their creation. The brief references to administrative tasks certainly does not support the case for the creation of these posts at the level proposed.

Furthermore as with every taxpayer in Hong Kong I am concerned at the considerable cost this will involve and which I do not think is justified. Some three years ago the HKSARG made savage cuts in the civil service and the salaries of civil servants offering

the excuse that the Government could not afford the salary bill. The HKSARG is now proposing a major expansion which will be expensive, this is intolerable and totally unacceptable. Furthermore if the HKSARG has or thinks it can afford the extremely high salaries it is proposing to pay these officials then it would be better to consider the welfare of the poor and needy in Hong Kong as opposed to these proposals. This is yet another example of the Government being 'Out of Touch' with the community it is supposed to govern.

Finally I would also like to add that as a Hong Kong citizen I am unhappy with the Accountability System in its present form which is unelected and undemocratic. To expand a system which will have no public accountability is simply not acceptable.

I reiterate I totally object to these proposals.

Yours sincerely,

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