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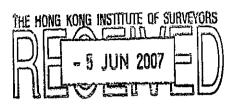


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5 June 2007

By fax no: 2868 4612

Mr Raymond CHAN
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Dear Mr CHAN,

Panel on Housing

Meeting on 17 July 2007

On behalf of Hon LEE Wing-tat, Chairman, I am writing to invite representatives of your organization to the next Panel meeting scheduled for Tuesday, 17 July 2007, at 4:30 pm in the Chamber of the Legislative Council Building to discuss item III — "Disclosure of saleable area in sales description for residential properties". A copy of the agenda for the meeting is attached.

The item is proposed for discussion by the Chairman. At the meeting held on 2 April 2007, the Panel met with representatives from the Administration, the Real Estate Developers Association of Hong Kong (REDA), The Hong Kong Institute of Surveyors (HKIS), the Consumer Council (CC), and the Estates Agents Authority (EAA) to discuss issues relating to improvements on disclosure of saleable area (SA) information in sales descriptions for residential properties with a view to enhancing market transparency and protection for property buyers. Members would like to follow-up with relevant parties on their progress in taking forward the proposed improvements, including revising the code of measurement of SA, adopting the revised code in the Consent Scheme and REDA's guidelines, requesting REDA to disclose SA information on price list and provisional Agreement for Sales and Purchase and to use larger font size to highlight SA information in sales brochures, improving REDA's guidelines to request developers to publish the complaint hotline numbers of REDA, CC, EAA and the Government in sales brochures as well as displaying the numbers in the sales office, and implementing measures to enhance consumer education and regulation of estate agents.

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To facilitate meeting arrangements, I should be grateful if you would advise me of the names and post titles (in both Chinese and English) of representatives of your organization attending the meeting by completing and returning the attached reply slip on or before 3 July 2007.

To facilitate members' deliberation at the meeting, I should be grateful if your organization would prepare written submission and relevant information on the subject. Please let me have the submission and information (in both Chinese and English) on or before 10 July 2007 for timely circulation to members. Please send a soft copy of the submission and information to cpnien@legco.gov.hk.

In line with our usual practice, the meeting will be held in public and the written submission(s)/information received from your organization will also be made available to the media and the public unless your have indicated otherwise. You may also wish to note that when addressing the Panel, your representative(s) are not covered by the protection and immunity provided under the Legislative Council (Powers and Privileges) Ordinance (Cap. 382). Your written submission(s)/information will also not be covered by the Ordinance. If any attending representatives wish to address the Panel in Putonghua, please notify Ms Michelle NIEN at 2869 9150 in advance so that suitable arrangements can be made.

On the day of the meeting, attending representatives are requested to enter the Legislative Council Building at the VIP/Members' entrance and obtain entry passes at the Security Control Post. They will be required to wear the entry passes at all times while in the Building, and return them to the Security Control Post when leaving. To facilitate meeting arrangements, please arrive 10 minutes before the scheduled discussion time and proceed to the Ante-Chamber on the first floor of the Legislative Council Building. You will be invited to join the meeting when Members are ready.

If you have any enquiries regarding the meeting arrangements, please contact Ms Sarah YUEN at 2869 9214.

With best regards,

Yours sincerely,

(Ms Connie SZETO)
Clerk to Panel

Encl.

cc Hon LEE Wing-tat (Chairman) SPO(HPL) (fax no. 2715 8194) – with agenda only

Panel on Housing

Meeting on Tuesday, 17 July 2007, at 4:30 pm in the Chamber of the Legislative Council Building

Agenda

- Confirmation of minutes (4:30 pm 4:35 pm)
- II Information papers issued since last meeting
- Δ III Disclosure of saleable area in sales description for residential properties (4:35 pm 6:00 pm)
 - Meeting with the Administration and deputations
- * IV Development at Anderson Road and the associated mainlaying works (6:00 pm 6:30 pm)
 - V Any other business (6:30 pm onwards)
 - Δ Members of the Panel on Planning, Lands and Works are invited to attend for discussion.
 - * All other Hon Members are invited to attend the discussion of the item.

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