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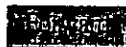
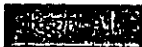
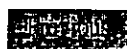
I would first like to say that even though I am a foreigner, and not yet a permanent resident, I still care deeply about Hong Kong's development. My wife is a Hong Kong person, so I hope that you do not disregard my comments as being foreign and irrelevant.

I must say that I whole-heartedly support universal suffrage in Hong Kong for the post of the Chief Executive and the entire Legislative Council. I also believe that the Functional Constituency seats should be done away with, as there is not one for every profession. I believe that Hong Kong people should be able to directly elect the the Chief Executive and the Legislative Council by 2007 and 2008 respectively. However, if for some reason, when this review process is finished, and the Hong Kong and Central governments have ruled out this possibility, I feel that at the very least, a **definitive** timetable is set for the introduction of universal suffrage.

It is the uncertainty and the perceived delaying tactics that have annoyed and angered the public. If 2007 is too soon, then 2012 should be set as the deadline, and work should begin immediately. Just give a timetable, and you will appease most of the people. Those are my views. I will leave the complicated legal issues to the lawyers.

Sincerely,

Ryan Landolt

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