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Dear Sir/Madam,

I entire object to the idea of direct election of the CE without limiting the nomination of candidates, as proposed by some.

Our political system must work under the fundamental principle of One-country Two-system. The CE must be someone acceptable to the Central People's Government, in accordance with this fundamental principle. Direct election of the CE without limiting the nomination of candidates may result in someone whose political inclination is mostly against that of the Central People's Government gaining power. Therefore direct election without limiting the nomination of candidates is against the One-country Two-system principle.

The key issue is therefore the nomination of candidates. The election method of the CE may be changed, but whatever changes there may be, it must not result in a candidate not acceptable to the Central People's Government being nominated, let alone elected.


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Dear Sir/Madam,

Concerning "Proposed Amendments in respect of the Method for Forming the Legislative Council in 2008", I do not support any changes to the existing arrangement regarding:

II (iii) The Number of Seats Returned by Functional Constituencies & II (iv) The Delineation and Size of the Electorate of Legislative Council Functional Constituencies.

I consider it important to maintain the existing arrangements regarding the above for following reasons:

- Hong Kong has found itself in a special situation quite unlike many other places, in that most of the citizens are "takers" of social benefits. Half of the population are living in subsidized housing. Besides housing, the government has borne upon itself the responsibility for funding most of the hospitals in Hong Kong, most of the primary/secondary/tertiary educational institutions, and many other things. In fact, even though the economic system is capitalistic, the operation of the society turns out to be highly socialist.
- The proportion of tax-payers out of the whole working population is in fact very low. For this reason, direct election cannot guarantee their voices be heard.
- Opening more seats for direct election will result in over-representation of the "benefit-takers" in the LegCo, leading to even stronger demand for even more benefits, which will cripple the government and cripple the society.
- It is important that the ones who pay taxes are guaranteed sufficient voices in the LegCo. The Functional Constituencies can in part fulfil this very important function. In fact, if the Functional Constituencies fail to perform this function for whatever reasons in the future, it should be re-organized so that it could better represent the tax-payers.

Mr Hui

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