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Dear Mr Poon

The Chamber has been following with keen interest developments on the proposal of Class Actions in Hong Kong since the release of a report on recommendations by the Law Reform Commission ("LRC") around mid-2012.

We welcome the Government's circumspection with respect to the LRC's recommendations and its decision to establish a working group, which you chair. Although we share the LRC's belief of justice for all, we do not think that a complete overhaul of our existing system on representative actions to be necessary nor justified. An accretive approach would, on the other hand, be less disruptive and better suited to the local context.

Our paper with initial reaction to the LRC's report is <u>attached</u> for your information.

We shall be more than happy to support and contribute to the work of your Working Group.

Sincerely

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