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Dear Ms Hong

## Corrections to the Hansard from ICAC appearances before the Legislative Council Public Accountability Committee

I refer to your emailed request of 19 December 2019 seeking any corrections to the Hansard transcript, answers to questions on notice and any additional information you may wish to provide to the committee.

I have attached the marked up, corrected transcript on behalf of the Chief Commissioner and myself, at the Chief Commissioner's request in his absence from the office, and to comply with the timeframe set in your emailed request.

In addition, the ICAC does not wish to provide any further response to the question to the Chief Commissioner on page 7 or add to the response from myself on page 8 of the transcript both of which are highlighted in yellow. My answer is sufficient at this time.

In relation to additional information, the Chief Commissioner has asked me to provide the following clarifications on answers made by himself, and Commissioner Rushton SC, in their absences from the office, to comply with the timeframe set in your emailed request. If you require either of them to confirm this in writing, this can be arranged on Tuesday 28 January 2020.

On page 4 of the transcript, in the first paragraph, there is a sentence that 'This was the first redundancy ever in the history of the Commission.' At the time of the making of this statement, the Chief Commissioner was unaware of an earlier redundancy program that had occurred in 2001/2002 resulting from a restructuring of the ICAC. As a result, the reference in the transcript needs clarification that it was in fact the second redundancy program in the history of the Commission.

On page 10 of the transcript, in the third paragraph, there is a sentence that 'The KPMG reports have been, quite frankly, ignored.' This statement by Commissioner Rushton SC referred to KPMG reports plural. It should be noted that the first of two KPMG reports was part of the ICAC's business case for additional funding as part of the 2018/2019 budget processes, and was acted on by the Government through the provision of additional funding in that financial year and forward years. The statement in the transcript should be confined to the second KPMG report.

Should you require further information, could you please contact myself

Yours sincerely

/ Philip Reed Chief Executive Officer 24 January 2020