# Letter of Intent on Hong Kong Special Administrative Region's Second Stage Work in Support of Restoration and Reconstruction in the Sichuan Earthquake Stricken Areas Between the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region Government and the Sichuan Provincial People's Government (Translation)

### 1. Preamble

- 1.1. To take forward the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region (HKSAR)'s work in support of restoration and reconstruction in the Sichuan Earthquake, the HKSAR Government (the Hong Kong side) and Sichuan Provincial People's Government (the Sichuan side), after deliberations, reached consensus on the basic principles, the list of 20 first stage reconstruction support projects, project management and funding arrangements, as well as communication and coordination mechanism, and signed the "Cooperation Arrangement on HKSAR's Support Restoration and Reconstruction in the Sichuan Earthquake Stricken Areas between the HKSAR Government and Sichuan Provincial People's Government (the Cooperation Arrangement).
- 1.2. Since the signing of the Cooperation Arrangement, the Hong Kong and Sichuan sides have maintained close contact and communication to take forward the 20 confirmed first stage reconstruction support projects, and conducted a series of studies, site visits and discussions for the second stage reconstruction support projects. After deliberations, both sides agreed on 103 projects selected from Sichuan side's recommended list for implementation at the second stage. To take forward the initiative, on the basis of the Cooperation Arrangement, both sides agreed to sign this "Letter of Intent on HKSAR's Second Stage Work in Support of Restoration and

Reconstruction in the Sichuan Earthquake Stricken Areas Between the HKSAR Government and the Sichuan Provincial People's Government" (the Letter of Intent), which sets out both sides' initial agreement and the Hong Kong side's intent on the second stage reconstruction support work.

# 2. HKSAR's Second Stage Reconstruction Support Projects

- 2.1. The 103 second stage reconstruction support projects agreed between the Hong Kong and Sichuan sides cover 52 education, 21 medical and rehabilitation, 7 social welfare and 23 Wolong Nature Reserve related projects, with an estimated total commitment of about RMB 3.446 billion (HK\$3.938 billion)<sup>1</sup>. The relevant details regarding project names, locations and rough project estimates are set out in **Annex**.
- 2.2. It is roughly estimated that as at mid March of 2009, the available funds from the "Trust Fund in Support of Reconstruction in the Sichuan Earthquake Stricken Areas" (the Fund) for the second stage reconstruction work was about HK\$ 3.806 billion² (about RMB 3.330 billion). The Hong Kong and Sichuan sides will continue to work out further details of the second stage projects, including the compilation of project feasibility studies, and will make suitable adjustments on the scope of the projects as necessary. Meanwhile, the Hong Kong side will liaise with the Hong Kong Jockey Club and some local commercial enterprises and encourage them to sponsor some of the second stage projects. The overall target is

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Calculated on the basis of the exchange rate on 19 March 2009 at HK\$100: RMB 87.50.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> After deducting funds reserved for the 20 first stage reconstruction support projects, grants to non-government organisations, and the estimated staffing and operating expenditure for the period from 2009-10 to the first half of 2010-11. For exchange rate please see footnote 1.

for the Hong Kong side to utilise the Fund's existing available resources to implement all the concerned projects. The Hong Kong side's overall commitment regarding the second stage reconstruction support projects will not exceed HK\$3.806 billion (about RMB 3.330 billion).

2.3. As we proceed with the further work on the second stage reconstruction projects and the fine-tuning of project estimates, the Hong Kong and Sichuan sides will take into account all relevant factors such as the Fund's utilisation and commitment status, latest project estimates, and donation from the public and exercise flexibility in handling the list of second stage reconstruction projects. If because of the funding position the Hong Kong side cannot undertake all the 103 second stage projects as listed at the Annex, both sides will take into account the actual circumstances and conduct further discussion on HKSAR's second stage reconstruction support project list, and may delete some projects or defer the concerned projects for consideration at a later stage as necessary.

# 3. Basic Principles, Funding and Project Management Arrangements

3.1. The basic principles, project management and fund management arrangements applicable to HKSAR's second stage reconstruction support projects will follow the relevant contents as set out under the Cooperation Arrangement. The basic principles and arrangements as set out under the Cooperation Arrangement will also apply to the second stage projects, including but not limited to the following:

- (a) The reconstruction work will be implemented on a project basis.
- (b) Funding transfer will be made by instalment in accordance with the actual progress of work.
- (c) The technical standards of projects should comply will the relevant Mainland laws and regulations, and with suitable monitoring mechanism. Consideration should be given to raise the qualification requirements for contracting enterprises as appropriate.
- (d) The Hong Kong side being the sponsor of reconstruction support projects will not be liable for any legal responsibilities relating thereto.
- 3.2. Under the framework of the Cooperation Arrangement, the Hong Kong and Sichuan sides will discuss and sign cooperation arrangements on individual projects in due course. The content will normally cover the project description of individual projects, and details on project funding and management arrangements, project procurement management, project construction management and so on.
- 3.3. The scope of Hong Kong side's reconstruction support does not include land requisition and resumption costs, and any other costs relating to works conducted before signing of this Letter of Intent, such as those relating to completed demolition, repair or reinforcement of damaged building structures. In special circumstances, for instance if according to actual circumstances

the Sichuan side has an urgent need to commence some initial project preparatory work before completion of the project feasibility studies, such as demolition, repair or reinforcement of damaged building structures, and conducting preparatory studies and site investigations etc, the Sichuan side may, before commencement of such work, make a request to the Hong Kong side regarding the related initial project start-up costs. The Sichuan side should provide details on the related scope of work and justification for such request. Taking into account the actual circumstances, the Hong Kong side may exercise discretion in considering the request.

This Letter of Intent is signed on 27<sup>th</sup> March 2009 in Chengdu.

## Signed by:

(Representative of the Sichuan Provincial People's Government, People's Republic of China)

Joshua Law Permanent Secretary of Constitutional and Mainland Affairs

Date: 27<sup>th</sup> March 2009

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Director of Sichuan Development and Reform Commission

Date: 27<sup>th</sup> March 2009

# **Proposed Second Stage Reconstruction Support Projects of**

# **HKSAR Government**

	Location			Estimated	
No.	City	County		Project Cost (100m RMB)	
Edu	cation facilities	}			
1	Deyang City	Jingyang District	Dongqi Primary School	0.5034	
2	Mianyang City	Youxian District	Weicheng Town Central Primary School	0.3052	
3	Mianyang City	Yanting County	Yunxi Junior Secondary School	0.4082	
4	Nanchong City	Nanbu County	Nanlong Town Number 1 Primary School	0.2920	
5	Meishan City	Renshou County	Baofei Town Junior Secondary School	0.0954	
6	Chengdu City	Pengshan County	Qinglong Town Junior Secondary School	0.1460	
7	Meishan City	Renshou County	Shuyuan Road Junior Secondary School	0.1200	
8	Yaan City	Yucheng District	Xingxian Primary School	0.1745	
9	Yaan City	Baoxing County	Longdong Secondary School	0.0624	
10	Yaan City	Baoxing County	Fengtongzhai Primary School	0.1500	
11	Yaan City	Baoxing County	Wulong Central School	0.0585	
12	Deyang City	Luojiang County	Jinshan Town Number 1 Primary School	0.2858	
13	Deyang City	Luojiang County	Lueping Primary School	0.1636	
14	Yaan City	Yucheng District	Hejiang Central School	0.0568	
15	Yaan City	Lushan County	Longxing Central School	0.1064	
16	Mianyang City	Zitong County	Wuchang Junior Secondary School	0.4654	
17	Leshan City	Jiajiang County	Jiajiang Secondary School	0.2038	

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No.	City	County	Project Title	Project Cost (100m RMB)	
18	Yaan City	Tianquan County	Renyi Junior Secondary School	0.0665	
19	Yaan City	Tianquan County	Tianquan County Junior Secondary School	0.3086	
20	Yaan City	Tianquan County	Leying Junior Secondary School	0.0886	
21	Yaan City	Yingjing County	Yingjing Secondary School	0.4375	
22	Yaan City	Yingjing County	Yingjing County Siping Secondary School	0.0786	
23	Yaan City	Yucheng District	Yanqiao Sanjiu School	0.0921	
24	Nanchong City	Gaoping District	Fujiang Road Primary School	0.2050	
25	Yaan City	Shimian County	Chengbei Secondary School	0.1074	
26	Yaan City	Shimian County	Xiaoheba Secondary School	0.1044	
27	Yaan City	Mingshan County	Yongxing Town Junior Secondary School	0.1294	
28	Bazhong City	Bazhou District	Bazhong Secondary School	0.3200	
29	Bazhong City	Bazhou District	Bazhou District Number 1 Primary School	0.2239	
30	Bazhong City	Bazhou District	Yujing Central Primary School	0.1468	
31	Bazhong City		Qiujia Primary School	0.1200	
32	Bazhong City	Pingchang County	Pingchang County Number 2 Secondary School	0.1885	
33	Bazhong City	Pingchang County	Pingchang Secondary School	0.1898	
34	Bazhong City	Pingchang County	Pingchang County Experimental Primary School	0.1500	
35	Bazhong City	<u> </u>	Mashi Town Central Primary School	0.1713	
36	Bazhong City	•	Tongjiang County Number 2 Secondary School	0.3800	
37	Nanchong City	Yilong County	Maan Secondary School	0.0950	
38	Nanchong City	Yilong County	Xinzheng Junior Secondary School	0.0960	

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No.			Project Title	<b>Project Cost</b>	
	City	County		(100m RMB)	
39	Dazhou City	Tongchuan District	Xigang School	0.1250	
40	Dazhou City	Tongchuan District	Beiwai Central School	0.1050	
41	Dazhou City	Qu County	Qu County Secondary School	0.1620	
42	Suining City	Shehong County	Shehong County Taihe Number 1 Primary School	0.1100	
43	Yaan City	Shimian County	Shimian County Nursery School	0.1116	
44	Bazhong City	Bazhou District	Enyang Secondary School	0.5215	
45	Bazhong City	Bazhou District	Bazhou District Number 4 Secondary School	0.4845	
46	Bazhong City	Nanjiang County	Chaoyang Secondary School	0.3180	
47	Nanchong City	Nanbu County	Nanbu Secondary School	0.4900	
48	Mianyang City	Fucheng District	Mianyang Secondary School	0.7436	
49	Nanchong City	Yilong County	Yilong Secondary School	0.3600	
50	Bazhong City	Nanjiang County	Xiaohe Vocational School	0.4600	
51	Yaan City	Lushan County	Lushan County Junior Secondary School	0.3137	
52	Nanchong City	Gaoping District	Baita Secondary School	0.3530	
			Sub-tota	al 11.9547	

Med	Medical facilities				
53	Guangyuan	Chaotian	Chaotian District People's Hospital	0.5545	
	City	District			
54	Guangyuan	Wangcang	Wangcang County Chinese Medicine	0.3955	
	City	County	Hospital		
55	Guangyuan	Yuanba District	Yuanba District Chinese Medicine	0.1249	
	City		Hospital		
56	Mianyang	Yanting County	Yanting County Chinese Medicine	0.9650	
	City		Hospital		
57	Deyang City	Jingyang	Deyang City Integrated Chinese and	0.3149	
		District	Western Medicine Hospital		
58	Deyang City	Luojiang	Luojiang County Chinese Medicine	0.0899	

	Location			Estimated	
No.	City	County	Project Title	Project Cost (100m RMB)	
		County	Hospital		
59	Mianyang City	Fucheng District	Fucheng District Wujia Town Central Health Clinic	0.0525	
60	Mianyang City	Santai County	Santai County Chinese Medicine Hospital	0.3500	
61	Mianyang City	Zitong County	Zitong County Chinese Medicine Hospital	0.4307	
62	Deyang City	Zhongjiang County	Zhongjiang County Mental Health Recovery Centre	0.0851	
63	Yaan City	Yingjing County	Yingjing County People's Hospital	0.2400	
64	Yaan City	Mingshan County	Mingshan County People's Hospital	0.4220	
65	Yaan City	Mingshan County	Baizhang Central Health Clinic	0.0482	
66	Nanchong City	Yilong County	Yilong Health Care Centre	0.0905	
67	Meishan City	Renshou County	Renshou County Mental Health Recovery Centre	0.1400	
68	Dazhou City	Xuanhan County	Xuanhan County Hospital	0.3500	
69	Ziyang City	Lezhi County	Shituan Central Health Clinic	0.0773	
70	Bazhong City	Pingchang County	Pingchang County People's Hospital	0.2898	
71	Bazhong City	Nanjiang County	Nanjiang County People's Hospital	0.4725	
72	Deyang City	Jingyang District	Deyang City Hospital for workers and staff of Dongfang Steam Turbine Works (Deyang City Number 6 Hospital)	1.1570	
73	Deyang City	Jingyang District	Deyang City Number 2 People's Hospital (Phase 2 Works)	0.4529	
			Sub-total	7.1032	

Social welfare facilities				
74	Guangyuan	Wangcang	Wangcang County Integrated Social	0.2994
	City	County	Welfare Services Centre	
75	Guangyuan	Cangxi County	Cangxi County Integrated Social	0.2980
	City		Welfare Services Centre	
76	Deyang City	Luojiang	Luojiang County Integrated Social	0.1732
		County	Welfare Services Centre	

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No.	City	County	Project Title	Project Cost (100m RMB)
77	Deyang City	Guanghan City	Guanghan City Integrated Social Welfare Services Centre	0.2400
78	Chengdu City	Dayi County	Dayi County Yuelai Home for the Elderly	0.0778
79	Mianyang City	Jiangyou City	Jiangyou City Recovery Centre for the Handicapped	0.1500
80	3 6 3	Mianzhu County	Mianzhu County Recovery Centre for the Handicapped	0.1200
			Sub-total	1.3584

Wol	Wolong Nature Reserve				
81	Chengdu City	Dujiangyan	Dujiangyan Giant Panda Conservation	0.9133	
		City	and Disease Control Centre		
82	Aba	Wolong Nature	Post-quake resumption and	3.2377	
	Prefecture	Reserve	reconstruction of power supply		
83	Aba	Wolong Nature	China Conservation and Research	1.3328	
	Prefecture	Reserve	Centre for the Giant Pandas		
84	Aba	Wolong Nature	Offices and service buildings of the	1.1472	
	Prefecture	Reserve	Administrative Bureau		
85	Aba	Wolong Nature	Wolong Central School	0.3796	
	Prefecture	Reserve			
86	Aba	Wolong Nature	Gengda Central Primary School	0.1909	
	Prefecture	Reserve			
87	Aba	Wolong Nature	Reconstruction of medical and health	0.2469	
	Prefecture	Reserve	care facilities		
88	Aba	Wolong Nature	Construction of a new social welfare	0.0585	
	Prefecture	Reserve	institution in Wolong Town		
89	Aba	Wolong Nature	Construction of a new social welfare	0.0570	
	Prefecture	Reserve	institution in Gengda Village		
90	Aba	Wolong Nature	Refuse disposal and transfer system	0.0837	
	Prefecture	Reserve			
91	Aba	Wolong Nature	Building and reconstruction of water	1.1125	
	Prefecture	Reserve	piping facilities		
92	Aba	Wolong Nature	Reconstruction of "51 shed" – giant	0.0845	
	Prefecture	Reserve	panda wildlife observation post		
93	Aba	Wolong Nature	Reconstruction of Dengsheng		
	Prefecture	Reserve	conservation station		
94	Aba	Wolong Nature	Reconstruction of Mujiangping	0.3650	
	Prefecture	Reserve	conservation station		
95	Aba	Wolong Nature	Reconstruction of Sanjiang conservation	1	

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	City	County	Project Title	Project Cost (100m RMB)
	Prefecture	Reserve	station	
96	Aba	Wolong Nature	Wolong Qionglai Mountain Range	0.5380
	Prefecture	Reserve	World Natural Heritage Nature and	
			Earthquake Museum	
97	Aba	Wolong Nature	Reconstruction of patrol, conservation	0.0527
	Prefecture	Reserve	and monitoring road network	
98	Aba	Wolong Nature	Restoration of vegetation of the	1.1131
	Prefecture	Reserve	sanctuaries of giant pandas	
99	Aba	Wolong Nature	Reconstruction and building of road	0.1725
	Prefecture	Reserve	network	
100	Aba	Wolong Nature	Geological hazards prevention and	1.5360
	Prefecture	Reserve	management	
101	Aba	Wolong Nature	Restoration of ethnic culture heritage	0.2703
	Prefecture	Reserve		
102	Aba	Wolong Nature	Erection of signs and stakes	0.0142
	Prefecture	Reserve		
103	Aba	Wolong Nature	"Digital Wolong" Project	1.1353
	Prefecture	Reserve		
			Sub-tota	1 14.0417

Total	About
	RMB3.446
	billion
	(HK\$3.938
	billion*)

 $<sup>\</sup>ast$  The exchange rate of HK\$100 to 87.50 RMB on 19 March 2009 is adopted.