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Miss Flora TAI,  
Clerk to Select Committee on SARS,  
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8 Jackson Road,  
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Hong Kong.

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Dear Miss TAI,

Select Committee on SARS

I return the draft verbatim transcript. I have no corrections to make.

With regard to patients discharged from ward 8A during the 12<sup>th</sup> & 13<sup>th</sup> March, 2003, I give the following information:

Of patients admitted to ward 8A before the introduction of infection control measures, and discharged during 12-13<sup>th</sup> March, 3/7 patients were subsequently re-admitted to hospital and diagnosed with SARS. The dates of re-admission were 18/3/03, 25/3/03 and 26/3/03. One further patient was admitted to another medical ward, and subsequently transferred to ward 8A, discharged on 12/3/03, and subsequently re-admitted to hospital on 19/3 and later confirmed as having SARS. 3 patients were admitted to ward 8A on 11/3/03 after the introduction of infection control measures, and discharged on 12/3/03. None of these patients was re-admitted with SARS.

Yours sincerely,

Dr. Donald J. Lyon

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