



18 March 2004

Miss Flora TAI Clerk to Select Committee

Dear Miss Tai,

Select Committee to inquire into the handling of the Severe Acute Respiratory Syndrome outbreak by the Government and the Hospital Authority

I refer to your letter of 15.3.2004. The draft verbatim transcript is now returned to you, with corrections marked at page 2 and 27. Please note that my proofreading of the draft verbatim transcript cannot be taken as endorsement of its accuracy, the accuracy of which remains the prerogative of the Select Committee.

As requested, enclosed please find a copy of the inspection list of our Infection Control Team during 31/3/03 to 10/4/03. I would also like to inform you that the ward managers did not keep a record of how many infected health care workers had attended the infection control lecture organized in March, 2003.

Thank you for your attention.

Yours sincerely,

Ms. Y K Chan

General Manager (Nursing)

United Christian Hospital

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Encl.

United Christian Hospital Infection Control Team Inspection Items During 31/3/03 to 10/4/03

Buffer areas in high risk areas
Gown up and gown down procedures
Handwashing and proper use of alcohol handrub
Signages, alert warning notices and posters were in place to remind staff/visitors on
SARS infection control precaution
Handling of secretion & excretion
Disinfection of reusable items
Protective plastic bags for pagers/ computer keyboard & mouse
Environmental cleanliness
Safe use of self-purchasing masks
Bed spacing
Patients' compliance on wearing masks
Ventilation in cohort wards
Handling of patient food waste in hospital kitchen
Trolley delivery and snack topping-up from hospital kitchen to cohort wards
Cleansing of food trolley in hospital kitchen
Patrol in hospital canteen for enforcing SARS infection control precaution