主旨: hk population consultation - reply

Dear Sir or Madam,

From reading the consultation document, I felt that the government is not really in tune with the reality, therefore failing to understand the dissatisfaction of a HK person like me. Maybe I should give examples:

a) I have a distant relative who has no job and divorced. He got a lady from China pregnant and she was 20 years old. She is now her wife and both herself and her son have HK ID cards. He still has no job and she wants a divorce.

My point is, the additional headcount HK receives from family reunion is very likely to fall within a similar pattern. Your committee maybe detached from reality but if you do a survey why Chinese women/men would marry a hk person, 1 of the top reasons is likely to be the fact that he/she has a HKID card. This not only leads to an increase in single families in the low income band plus more "hk persons" being on the subsidy list for welfare, medical, school etc coming out of taxpayers (i.e. including me) pockets.

After the recent CFA judgment you have EVERY reason to tighten your reunion policy. Increase the number of years they need to be married, do marriage checks. You said as the PRC/HK marriage rate consists of 35% therefore the reunion policy has to continue. My answer is NO it does NOT! It is your policy which led to the increase in the first place. Try telling chinese ladies that they will no longer get a HKID card by marrying HK men and the % will drop. I am not suggesting an absolute no but you NEED to tighten it.

- b) As a woman in her 30's I constantly hear about not enough kindergartens being built, my colleagues rushing off work for the 7th primary school interviews, and insufficient milk powder supply etc. Their concerns are certainly not without merits and discourage me to have children. I see these as problems unanticipated and unresolved by the government you relax the number of PRC persons coming into the HK but do not plan for their future therefore the original HK citizens got spinned out of their musical chairs and left with no or inferior resources. Yet you tell us not to hate those who have taken our resources.
- c) I hope your committee will pay a visit to the public hospital emergency room service and see for yourself how many of them lining up are "new Hong Kong persons" from China. Imagine how long my dad had to wait because you let them in. I guess you would say just pay and go to a private clinic which is indeed what happened but this means HK persons get NO welfare.

May I know what kind of population/welfare/social strategy you might have for HK people in the future? Will the government have the resources to support them? Are you sure?

I urge that the policy for 單程證be tightened immediately and that it should NOT be relaxed until the government has adequate planning ensuring the interests of HK persons.

Kind Regards, Gigi