

# **Nomination of Representatives of Arts Interests in HKADC**

## **Guidelines for Electioneering Activities**

### **I. Final Authority**

The Nomination Agent (that is, PR Concepts Asia Limited) is the final authority of all decisions made in respect of the electioneering and polling arrangements. The interpretation of the Nomination Agent on the Guidelines for Electioneering Activities of this nomination exercise is final.

### **II. Commencement of Electioneering Activities**

- (1) All electioneering activities shall commence only after the official announcement of the list of validly nominated candidates by the Nomination Agent.
- (2) The Nomination Agent will hold a meeting with the candidates on the electioneering and polling arrangements, including the drawing of lots to determine the number for candidates on the ballot paper.

### **III. Assistance Provided by the Nomination Agent**

- (1) The Nomination Agent will send (by either mail, e-mail or fax as specified in the voter registration form) to each registered voter an introductory leaflet on all the candidates in respect of the contested as well as the uncontested arts interests. The introductory leaflet will contain personal particulars of each of the candidates and platforms provided by them.
- (2) The Nomination Agent will provide each candidate with information on the voters of all the arts interests for electioneering purposes. Such information shall be confined to the voters' names, the respective arts interests under which they have registered and their contact information (either mailing address, e-mail or fax number as specified in the voter registration form).
- (3) Apart from (1) and (2) above, the Nomination Agent will not provide any other administrative assistance, or supply any other information on voters, or render any support to an individual candidate in his/her electioneering activities.

### **IV. Electioneering Activities**

- (1) All candidates should uphold the principle of fairness in this nomination exercise. They should avoid taking part in any activity that is likely to give rise to criticism and allegation of malpractice.
- (2) All candidates should refrain from offering advantages to any person with a view to influencing his/her decision in voting, or exerting undue influence on others for the same purpose.

### **V. Complaint Procedure**

- (1) Complaint to Whom
  - (a) A complaint in relation to the nomination exercise can be made to the Nomination Agent or the Project Manager of the Nomination Agent.
  - (b) If the matter cannot be satisfactorily resolved, or if the complainant still feels aggrieved or if the complaint is directed at the Nomination Agent or the Project Manager of the Nomination Agent personally, it should be addressed to the Principal Assistant Secretary (Culture)<sup>1</sup> of the Home Affairs Bureau.
- (2) When and How to Complain
  - (a) To ensure timely rectification of problems, complaints should be lodged as soon as possible after the relevant incident. Complaints received later than 7 days after the date of the relevant incident will not normally be entertained.

- (b) No specified or specific form is required for lodging a complaint. A complaint can be made either orally or in writing, and either in Chinese or in English.
- (c) The complainant is required to identify himself/herself and provide his/her identity document number, contact address, telephone number and other means of communication.

## **VI. Enquiries**

Enquiries to these Guidelines may be directed to Ms Virgini Fung at 22323981 or e-mail: [virgini@prconcept.com](mailto:virgini@prconcept.com).