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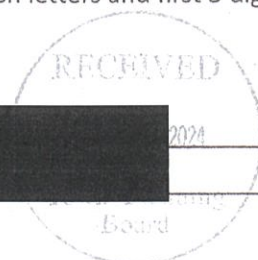
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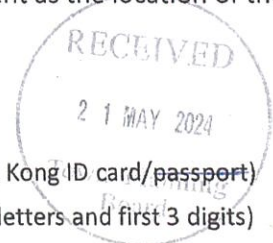
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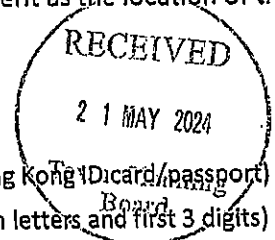
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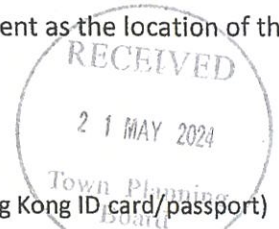
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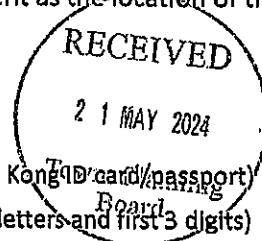
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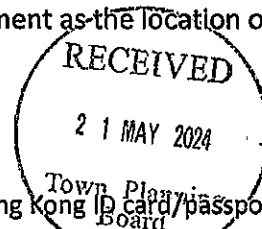
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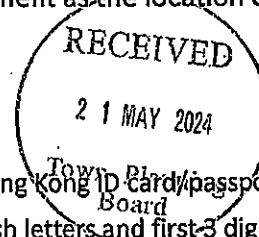
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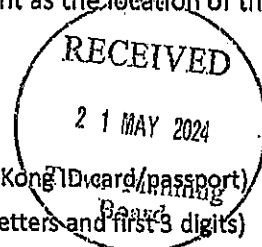
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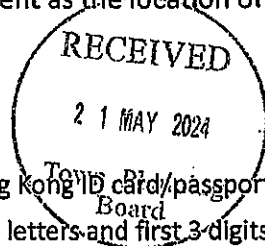
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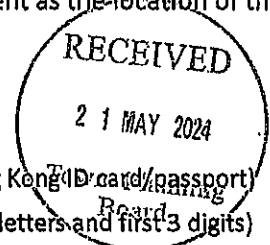
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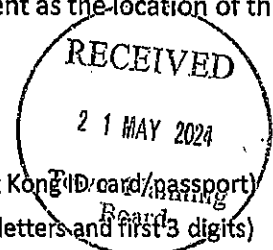
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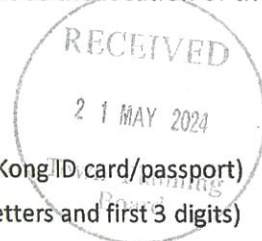
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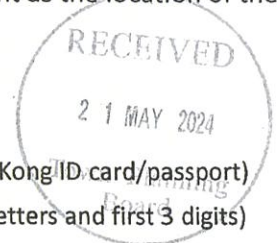
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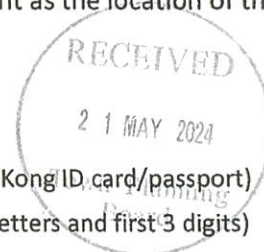
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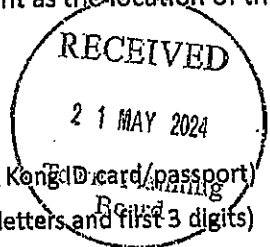
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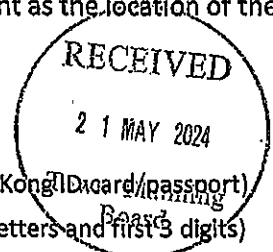
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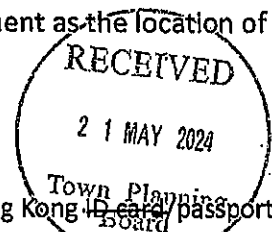
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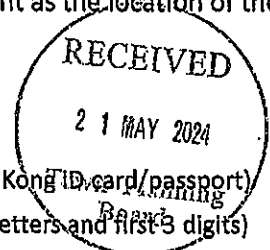
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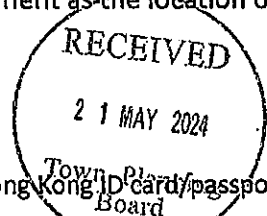
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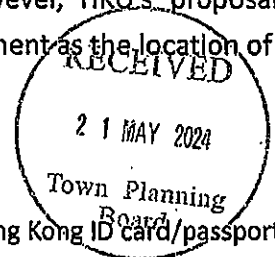
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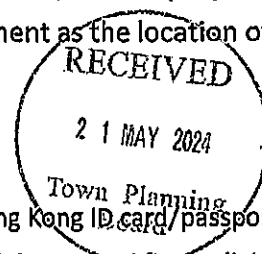
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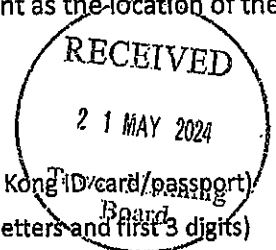
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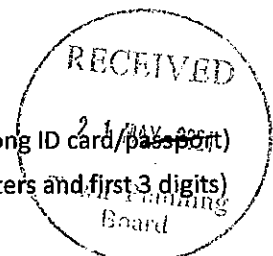
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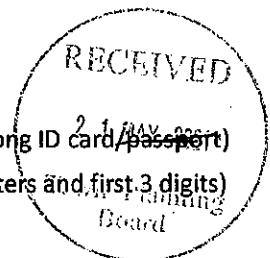
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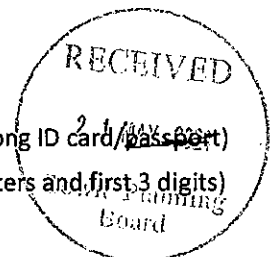
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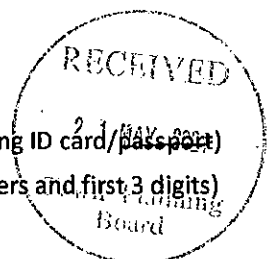
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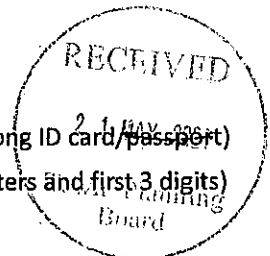
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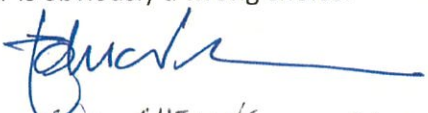
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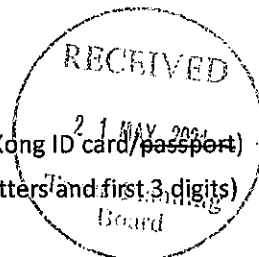
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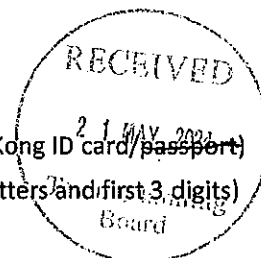
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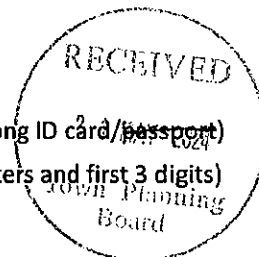
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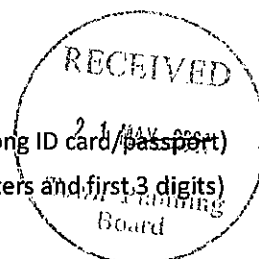
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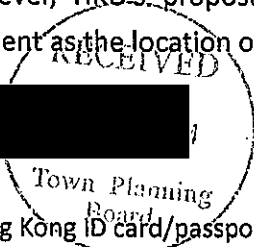
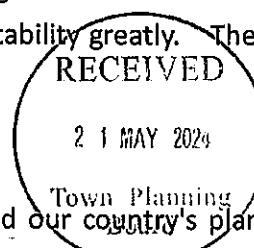
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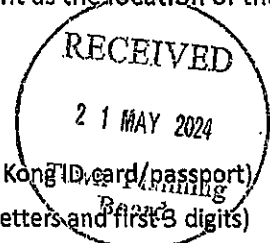
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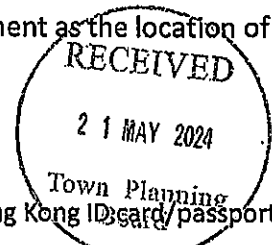
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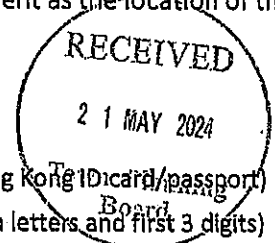
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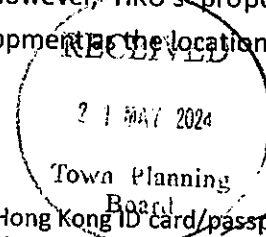
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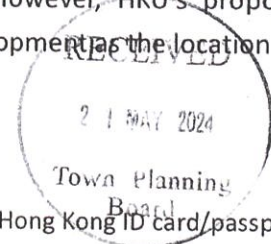
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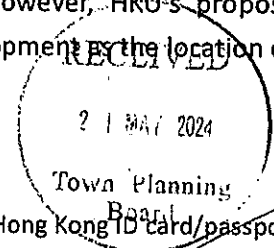
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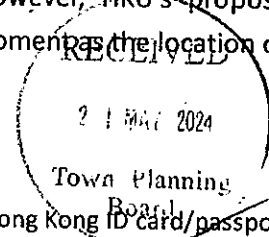
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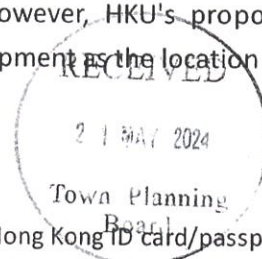
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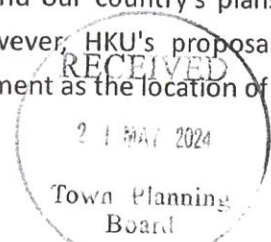
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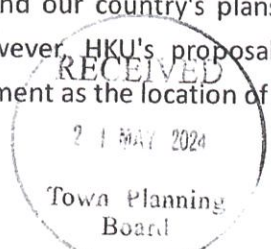
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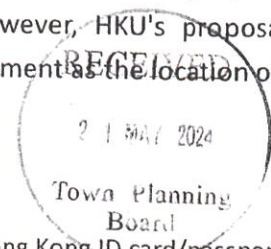
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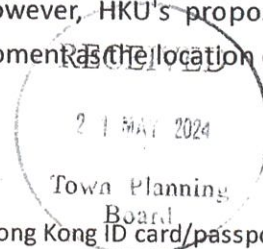
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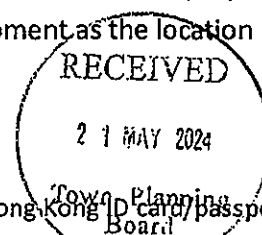
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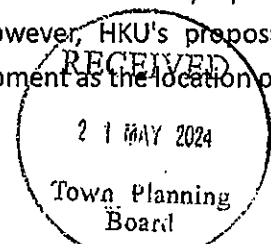
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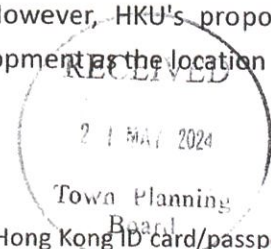
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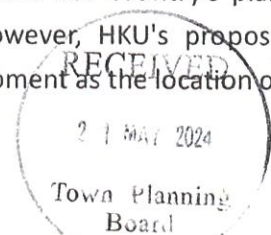
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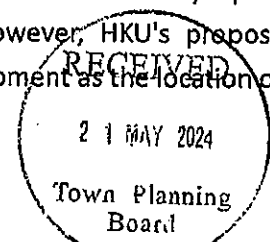
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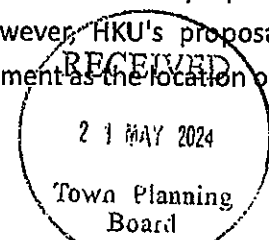
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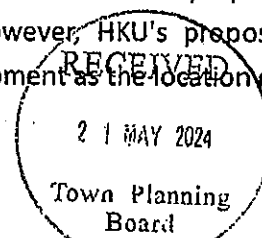
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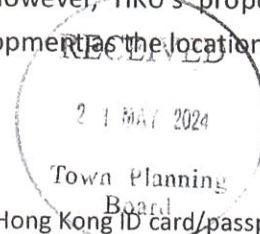
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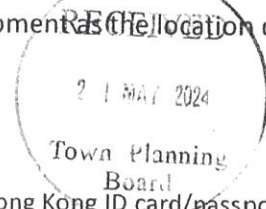
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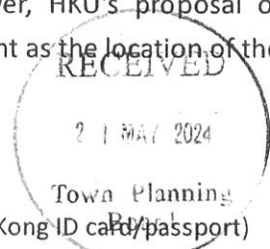
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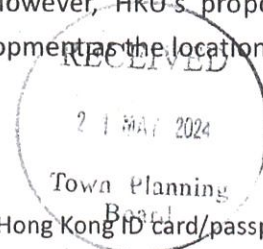
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A fatal landslide incident from the slope next to the residential block in Baguio Villa occurred many years ago. The large scale construction work will likely weaken the slope's stability greatly. There is a real risk that it may endanger residents' lives.

Conclusion

Residents of Pok Fu Lam District are not opposed to the government's and our country's plans to vigorously promote innovation, technology and scientific research. However, HKU's proposal of selecting a large green belt slope that is not suitable for large-scale development as the location of the innovation center is obviously a wrong choice.

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