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Dear Sir,

I'm here to express my objection on imposing GST in HK.

In the consultation document, it is said that the GST is not to increase the income of the government, but to broaden the tax base. In addition to this, the income from the GST in the first five years will be used for returning the fund to the public.

I think this is very stupid. The government have to use a lot of money and labour force to impose the tax, but the reward is nothing, this is strictly a waste of time and money.

The government should have aware that the excecutive charge on GST is huge. In some European countries, for example, France and Britain, the VAT (ie. GST) is about 15%, but the handling fee is over 5%. If we have a GST of 5%, consumers have to pay more, but the government gain nothing from it. This business is surely to make no profit, but loss; not only the citizens of HK, but also the HK government are losers.

I hope the government would put more brains in the issue, for the loss brought to HK would be much greater than the gain it would bring.

Thank you for your attention.

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