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Comments on Representations in respect of Draft Urban Renewal Authority To Kwa Wan Road/Wing Kwong Street Development Scheme Plan (Plan No. S/K9/URA3/1)

Dear Chairman and Members,

Designing Hong Kong **supports** the representations TPB/R/S/K9/URA3/1-13 for the following reasons:

- The current Urban Renewal Plan replaces the existing street life in the community by elevated spaces. As an old neighbourhood, street life is an important part of residents' enjoyment of their community as people shop and operate their local businesses and build up a strong connection with each other in the community.
- With the increase of population and housing units provided in the plan, we expected there will be an increase of open space and community space provided in the boundary. However, with the limited size of the site, we believe the open space will be provided throughout the whole development including on ground level, underground and on the roof. We worry that these public spaces will be segmented and degrade the quality of public space in the community.
- We also urge the Board member to keep a close eyes on the renewal project as it is commonly seen over the years that URA projects did not provide all the public amenities they promised.

Here we submit our comments for your consideration.

Yours,

Designing Hong Kong Limited